

PRESENT:

Richard B. Hatheway, Mayor
Sandra F. Brennan, Deputy Mayor
Matthew P. Cook, Trustee
Margaret Duff, Trustee
Mary V. Rutigliano, Trustee

Marsha B. Merrick, Village Clerk/Treasurer
David Woods, Planning Board Chair
David Parish, Town/Village Historian

ALSO PRESENT:

Sarah Simon	Roger Smith	Matt Leader	Stuart Bailey-MRB
Bill Davis-MRB	Scott Kipphut	Alexander Kipphut	David L. Keefe

1. MEETING OPENED:

Mayor Hatheway opened the meeting at 5PM. The minutes of the April 4, 2016 regular meeting were reviewed. Deputy Mayor Brennan moved to approve the minutes as presented with second from Trustee Duff. The vote was as follows: Deputy Mayor Brennan-Aye, Trustee Cook-Aye, Trustee Duff-Aye, Trustee Rutigliano-Aye, and Mayor Hatheway-Aye.

The minutes of the April 4, 2016 public hearing on Local Law #1 were reviewed. Trustee Rutigliano moved to approve the minutes as presented with second from Trustee Cook. The vote was as follows: Deputy Mayor Brennan-Aye, Trustee Cook-Aye, Trustee Duff-Aye, Trustee Rutigliano-Aye, and Mayor Hatheway-Aye.

The minutes of the April 4, 2016 public hearing on the budget were reviewed. Deputy Mayor Brennan moved to approve the minutes as presented with second from Trustee Cook. The vote was as follows: Deputy Mayor Brennan-Aye, Trustee Cook-Aye, Trustee Duff-Aye, Trustee Rutigliano-Aye, and Mayor Hatheway-Aye.

2. DAVID PARISH-TOWN/VILLAGE HISTORIAN REPORT:

David congratulated the new Board members.

Mayor Hatheway two weeks ago ushered David over to the middle of Main Street at 7AM and historically he uttered "OH NO!!!" at the sight of the fountain devastation. But things have worked out pretty well so far and Emmeline will be back soon.

Keeping with tradition, David began his report with a historical question: In 1805 a person by the name Jemima Wilkinson set up a new mission on the shores of Seneca Lake. Jemima claimed that she had died 10 years before that time and come back to life and her body was filled with the guide of Christ (and was neither male nor female). In 1805 a gentlemen from Geneseo went through the wilderness and met with her/him. Jemima told that gentlemen, "You are a lawyer, you must pray for forgiveness and you have a life not to be proud of". When he came back and he did not have much good to say about Jemima Wilkinson. That gentleman was James Wadsworth.

David distributed the spring 2016 edition of *The Bear Facts*. Included in the leaflet is an article about a possibly haunted house at the foot of Court Street referred to as the H.P. North home constructed in 1845-46. The Norths were early Geneseo settlers and grew wealthy while they lived here. The next owners, the Bleisteins of Buffalo were even more prominent and named the house Northlands. More on the story can be found in the *Bear Facts*.

David hopes to find a SUNY intern to help him. A few weeks ago he interviewed a young man who will be a senior and is changing his major to history. One project that can be researched is Kelsey field that once hosted championship baseball teams.

Bringing the Board up to date on the sixth book he is working on, “*I am Geneseo*”, David has written 235 pages but still isn’t satisfied. The book emphasizes women that were not mentioned in his other histories. Dr. Wayne Mahood had a student help with his latest book and David might pursue that as well.

David distributed the *2015 Annual Report of the Town/Village historian*. Both the Town and Village Offices helped with producing his annual report.

In conclusion, David invited all of the Board members to bring him their questions on local history as well as questions from their constituencies. The Board thanked David for his report and for keeping them up to date on history happenings.

3. ALEXANDER KIPPHUT – EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT:

Alexander (Sander) Kipphut came before the Board asking if there are any projects in Geneseo that would qualify for his Eagle Scout project. He has been exploring area communities for possibilities. A possible project he learned about in Conesus would be cleaning trails. In terms of Geneseo, Deputy Mayor Brennan wondered if there could be a project at the River Access Park. Other Board members gave project ideas as well as contact information for Supt. Jason Frazier. Sander will explore the prospects further and possibly come back to the Board with a proposal.

4. MRB-WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT & RAW WATER WELL CONTAINMENT WALL:

Bill Davis explained that the Village of Geneseo received an engineering planning grant a couple of years ago from Environmental Facilities Corporation, the *arm of Governor Cuomo’s administration that provides low-cost financing for local wastewater and drinking water infrastructure*. EFC invests more than \$1 billion each year in water quality improvements through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund and the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, the largest and most active revolving loans funds in the nation. MRB Group researched the current facility and produced a report on the plant for future planning purposes. Additional treatments that might be needed at the plant are further disinfection of the wastewater processed and phosphorus treatment and/or removal.

The report was then submitted to EFC, and the Geneseo facility upgrade was listed on the 2016 Final CWSRF Intended Use Plan Annual Project Priority List. It also qualified for hardship funding at a 0% interest rate. The facility upgrade is estimated to cost \$4 million.

MRB then followed up with DEC to see when and if the additional treatment would be necessary based in part on the Village’s SPDES (State Pollutant Discharge Elimination Systems) permit renewal, which is right now. These requirements might or might not be in the conditions for permit renewal for the Village’s wastewater system discharging into the Genesee River. MRB’s recommendation based on these findings is for the Village to position itself for funding through EFC for the facility upgrade. Additional treatment of wastewater would be considered an unfunded mandate by the State but they do provide grant funding opportunities and low or no interest loans. In order to have the project *shovel ready*, the plan would be to have applications completed including the Consolidated Funding Application (CFA).

The Board was in agreement that starting the process now makes good sense, and will save time and money later. MRB will submit a proposal to the Village for putting together a CFA application. Once the application is in place, the next step would be to work on the SEQR for the project as well as a bond resolution for borrowing the money. Those steps will show a readiness on the Village’s part to move forward. Along with low or no cost financing from EFC, the Village would also be in line for an infrastructure grant administered by DEC, involving another 3-4 page application but a relatively simple process. Starting the process in this way does not commit the Village to the project, but rather accomplishes the background work in case the project should go forward. Bill will put in the queue about dates etc. and get the proposal to the Village for that work.

Meanwhile, Bill introduced Stuart Bailey to the Board. Stuart will be working on the raw water well containment wall project that has been talked about since May of 2014. A proposal for bidding and construction services for the wall was presented to the Board. The original containment wall was installed as part of the plant filtration upgrades in the early 1990’s. The NYS Dept. of Health required a containment zone isolating the raw water well (lake water) from the clearwell (filtered water). Since the concrete tank structures

existed at that time, the Engineer designed a masonry block wall to be installed in the raw well. This wall provides approximately 3-4 feet separation between the raw well and the clearwell. However, over time masonry will begin to deteriorate due to constant submergence. The original coatings are beginning to delaminate which will make the masonry more susceptible to deterioration. It is suggested that a solid poured concrete wall be considered to provide a more permanent separation wall. The project is estimated to cost \$70-80,000. In 2015 MRB produced design documentation for the construction of a new reinforced concrete containment wall together with a retractable access ladder and improved access to the lower level of the well.

The current proposal includes a cost for the bidding phase, \$5,200, a cost for the construction administration/observation phase \$4,500 based on one (1) month construction duration, for a total cost not to exceed \$9,700. Supt. McTarnaghan has looked the proposal over and is supportive. Deputy Mayor Brennan moved to approve MRB Group's proposal for bidding and construction services for the raw water well containment wall project for a total not to exceed \$9,700. Trustee Duff seconded the motion and all were in favor. The project has been budgeted for within the water fund operating budget.

Bill Davis and Stuart Bailey left the meeting.

4. DAVID KEEFE – ELELCTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING – GENESEE REGION CLEAN COMMUNITIES:

Mr. Keefe thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak and expressed his congratulations to the new members of the Board. He represents a non-profit that since 1994 has worked on ways to reduce petroleum use. Acting as the Coordinator for Genesee Region Clean Communities, Mr. Keefe, a retired government official from the City of Rochester, has been spreading the word about electric vehicle charging to the County and many smaller communities along the way. The quest of Genesee Region Clean Communities is to help folks become fuel neutral by any means possible.

Electric vehicles are a big deal with the State, he continued. NYSERDA is promoting electric vehicles and there are many incentives for folks to embrace that technology. A company named Energetics (not the electric supplier Energetix) is one of five subcontractors in the State promoting charging stations for electric vehicles such as the Chevy Volt. The quest is to encourage and educate community leaders about installing public electric vehicle charging stations. For example, if a person with an electric car wanted to drive from Brighton to Letchworth Park and then home, they would need to charge somewhere in between. Charging stations are currently concentrated in cities and not in rural areas. Geneseo fell into that top tier of where to go next as well as Victor, Canandaigua and Batavia. Funding could be a possibility in these areas. An advantage to providing charge stations is that it will provide "dwell time" or time that folks will have lunch, shop, etc. while their vehicle is charging. There are several levels of charging stations ranging from 110 volts to 440 volts and charging duration would depend on the strength of the charge provided.

Public places to provide charging stations seem easy enough to find, but a lot of the suggestions are on private property (example, Wegmans parking lot). Placing the stations on government or publicly owned property makes more sense. Cost would be about \$2-3,000 for a station that just charges the vehicle. Of course stations with more features cost more.

In conclusion, Mr. Keefe wanted to make the Board aware of the Genesee Region Clean Communities, a small non-profit serving nine counties, and distributed a lot of information to the Board members. Funding opportunities might be available this summer and he would guess knowing the community that there would be some interest in pursuing the concept further. The Board expressed its support for continued exploration of the concept.. Mr. Keefe will get in touch with SUNY Geneseo personnel as well.

5. CHIEF ANDREW CHANLER – ANNUAL FD REPORT:

First Assistant Chief Lennington and Second Assistant Chief Hawley along with Chief Chanler were sworn in by Clerk Merrick to begin the next year of fire service. Chief Chanler then distributed the annual report of the Geneseo Fire Department, April 1, 2015-March 31, 2016. Chief Chanler began his report by saying that from an operational standpoint, the loss of nearly fifteen qualified and contributing members in early May of 2015 with our ambulance service has been tough to overcome in terms of staffing. Not only did the loss of these members create gap and interruption in scheduled service, it affected the department's ability to train

new members and EMT's to fill positions. As the department looks ahead, the number of new members applying for membership has remained steady and the ongoing training process continues to improve.

Two significant emergencies were handled this past year, a bus with special needs passengers was involved in an accident on May 19, 2015. This resulted in the largest emergency medical response in ten years. Thirteen patients were treated using eleven mutual aid ambulance services. Members were able to manage this large scale incident with success. On July 29, 2015 a fire completely destroyed 71-73 Main Street, known as the Kelly's fire which occurred on the warmest day of the summer at approximately 3PM. Six mutual aid departments assisted in fighting the fire for more than eight hours. This was the largest fire in the Village limits in eleven years and the first destructive Main Street fire since the Sherman Block fire of 1977.

Chief Chanler went on to highlight the fire year in statistics contained within the report including 256 fire calls for service and 1,417 EMS calls. Two members were lost this past year, long time member and past Chief Jim Yeager passed away and SUNY student member Matthew Hutchinson lost his life tragically this past January. Significant equipment replacements made in 2015 included a Chevrolet/Road Rescue ambulance was placed in service to replace the 2009 Ford. New self-contained breathing apparatus units were acquired at a cost of \$189,000. The new units represent the latest in technology for operational use and firefighter safety and on-scene accountability.

The report gives a baseline of activity for last year. Throughout the year Chief Chanler keeps the Board apprised of activity, changes in membership and equipment breakdowns etc. The area wide recruitment event and open house will take place this Saturday from 11AM-2PM with Second Asst. Chief Hawley in charge of that event.

The Board thanked the Fire Department for the service they provide especially this past year with the unusual happenings. They are to be commended for their commitment to excellent service to the community.

6. FOUNTAIN ACCIDENT:

The Wadsworth Memorial Fountain was struck on April 7, 2016 around 6AM by a truck owned by Upstate Niagara Cooperative (milk delivery truck). The driver was not speeding and apparently veered right then overcompensated left and ran into the bear fountain on Main Street. The fountain was knocked off the foundation, Emmeline the Bear, her lantern, the ironworks and pedestal toppled into the well underneath and the basin of the fountain was damaged quite significantly.

Mayor Hatheway stated that Geneseo PD, Livingston County District Attorney's and Sheriff's Offices, University Police and Village Public Works personnel were quick to the scene to assess the damage, along with Kurt Cylke, APOG member and fountain project coordinator over the years. The DPW managed to collect the pieces of the fountain, the bear Emmeline, the ironworks, the pedestal, and other parts of the structure and then move the basin back onto its foundation. A post light was placed in the basin and the light went back on by nightfall. An anonymous someone affixed a stuffed bear to the post light until Emmeline can return.

Kurt Cylke was immediately in contact with Moorland Studios who did the metal work in 2009-2010. They were able to come out this past Saturday to inspect the damage. They need to find where the rock (granite fountain material) came from as well as the brownstone that the bear sits on. Moorland Studios specializes in metal restoration but are in close contact with stone restoration folks as well. Mayor Hatheway was also present at the meeting and learned that it will be difficult, if not impossible, to make the basin watertight again; if there are cracks, it will leak. Moorland Studios will present options within a couple weeks. The lantern, most recently restored, has a couple pieces bent but can be repaired. There was very, very little damage to the metal work and the bear at all.

Village Insurance Agent Andrew Chanler has been working with the insurance carrier for Upstate Milk, Liberty Mutual, will await the preliminary assessment for repair of the fountain before moving forward with the claim for damages. Mayor Hatheway noted that the CEO of Upstate Milk called shortly after the accident occurred and assured him that they will pay for all of the damages and make it right for the Village and the historic landmark.

Folks have already offered assistance, one sending a money order to the Village to help with repairs. Because insurance will cover the cost of repairs/restoration, perhaps some of that funding can go to enhance the

immediate environment of the fountain such as stamped concrete crosswalks. There has been a tremendous outpouring of sympathy for the situation even as far as a GoFundMe page being set up on Facebook.

The Board expressed commendations to the Police Department for their investigation of the accident, the Sheriff's Department for accident reconstruction, Geneseo Fire Department for assistance, SUNY PD for their assistance, and certainly the Department of Public Works and Water/Sewer crews for taking charge of getting the fountain replaced on its foundation and for the special touch of installing the light pole and getting life back to normal on Main Street.

7. POLICE ACCREDITATION PROCESS:

Officials from the Division of Criminal Justice Services accreditation office conducted their exit interview on Thursday following their review. They gave a glowing report of the Geneseo Police Department and found all items in good order for the accreditation to move forward. They told Mayor Hatheway that the Village should be very proud of their police department. From here their findings go to the accreditation council for their review. There will be a preliminary report in a couple of weeks and then the council is responsible for actually granting accreditation. That council is expected to consider the application in mid June.

Deputy Mayor Brennan left the meeting.

8. MAIN STREET PROJECT:

A change order was prepared by MRB Group Engineers based on final project outcomes agreed to by the Village and the Contractor, Nardoizzi Paving & Construction. The original contract construction price was \$1,055,311.50. Change Order No. 1 was for a contract extension and didn't involve any additional charges or credits to the original contract price. Change Order No. 2 incorporated full depth pavement repairs into the contract at an agreed upon price of \$6.30 per square foot. The area of full depth repair is estimated to be 6,250 square feet and the current estimated cost is \$39,375. Also included in Change Order No. 2 was extension of the final contract completion date. The milling and resurfacing of Main Street, the placement of the concrete crosswalks, and pavement markings will now be performed in June of 2016. Change Order No. 3 incorporated cast iron hand holes installed in the sidewalk and driveway areas for water service curb stops and for the installation of approximately 162 SF of colored patterned sidewalk on Bank Street. Change Order No. 4, as being reviewed at this meeting, is for eliminating the milling and resurfacing of Main Street, the placement of concrete sidewalks and pavement markings and deleting the contract change from No. 2 stipulating the final contract completion extension to July 1, 2016. Change Order No. 4 also incorporates a contract amount credit of \$13,495.80 for contract quantities which were over and under utilized. In addition the change order incorporates a contract credit of \$16,150 for Engineering Administration and expenditures which occurred from September 29-October 31, 2015, after the final contract completion deadline.

Therefore, the final contract price minus this change order and incorporating the previous three change orders amounts to \$1,080,547.70. Trustee Duff moved to approve Change Order No. 4 for the contract between the Village of Geneseo and Nardoizzi Paving and Construction for the Main Street Project amounting to a contract price decrease of \$29,645.80 and authorizing Mayor Hatheway to sign the document. Trustee Rutigliano seconded the motion and all were in favor.

9. PLANNING BOARD NOMINATION:

Mayor Hatheway put forth the name of Michael Venturino for the vacancy on the Planning Board. Trustee Duff moved to approve the appointment of Michael Venturino to the Planning Board for a five year term expiring at the end of March 2021. Trustee Rutigliano seconded the motion and all were in favor.

10. DATES FOR SUMMER MEETINGS:

Board members discussed dates for upcoming meetings especially due to Monday holidays in July and September. Meeting dates were set as follows: May 2, 16; June 6, 20; July 11, 25; August 1, 15; September 12, 26; October 3, 17; November 7, 21; December 5, 19.

Trustee Rutigliano left the meeting.

11. CORRESPONDENCE:

Hillside Children’s Center/Livingston County Youth Court will be having a mock hearing in celebration of National Law Day on Thursday, May 5 from 4:30-6PM. Youth Court meets in the Village/Town courtroom every month during the year. This year’s theme for the hearing is “Miranda: More than Words”.

With regard to games of chance/raffles, a sample section of code for the Village of Irvington, NY was received and simply states: *An authorized organization may, upon obtaining a license from the Village Clerk of the Village of Irvington, conduct a raffle within the Village of Irvington as provided in Article 9-A of the General Municipal Law. Such raffle shall be conducted in accordance with the laws of the State of New York and with the rules and regulations adopted by the New York State Racing and Wagering Board.* Mayor Hatheway will pass that information along to Village Attorney Reynolds for his review.

The Board has reviewed a revised Noise Permit Application and finds it ready for distribution. The application now includes a space for the property owner’s signature among other changes. It will be available on the website www.geneseony.org as well as at the Clerk’s Office.

12. PUBLIC SAFETY:

Items for police and fire were discussed earlier in the meeting.

13. PUBLIC WORKS:

Trustee Duff gave the following report for Supt. Frazier:

1. Crews are getting the Parks ready for the season.
2. We have been getting equipment ready for the May 14th Auction. We would like to ask the Board for

Approval that the following equipment be declared surplus:

- 2013 Scag Mower TAG #292, Vin # FX921VA14089
- 2015 Bobcat S570 Skid Steer Vin # ALM414178
- 2009 Chevy Pickup Vin # 1GCHK59K69E108184

The CAT IT420 Backhoe, TAG #308, 2 year Lease is up and will be turned in for a new one.

Trustee Duff moved that the aforementioned items be listed as surplus to Village needs and taken to auction or turned in. Trustee Cook seconded the motion and all were in favor.

3. We had to repair the water line on Second/South Street. We had to dig out into South Street and tie in a T, a valve and the Second Street line.
4. Crew helped out with the Fountain accident.

Trustee Cook plans on contacting Supt. McTarnaghan to tour the water and wastewater facilities.

14. TRUSTEE REPORTS:

No trustee reports at this time.

15. CLERK/TREASURER’S REPORT:

Trustee Duff moved to adopt the 2016-17 Village of Geneseo budget as it was presented at the public hearing held on April 4, 2016. Trustee Cook seconded the motion and the vote was as follows: Trustee Cook-Aye, Trustee Duff-Aye, and Mayor Hatheway-Aye.

Following review by Trustee Duff (with Trustees Cook and Rutigliano looking on), the Board reviewed abstract 011 of fiscal year 2015-16. Trustee Duff moved and Trustee Cook seconded the motion to approve payment for voucher #851 through #925 in the following amounts:

General Fund voucher #852-924	\$ 197,321.65
Water Fund voucher #857-#920	\$ 19,542.02
Sewer Fund voucher #857-#920	\$ 211,427.74
HR19-Main Street Project voucher #043	<u>\$ 38,684.89</u>

Total \$ 466,976.30

The vote was as follows: Trustee Cook-Aye, Trustee Duff-Aye, and Mayor Hatheway-Aye.

Clerk Merrick composed a request for quotes for custodian services for the Geneseo Building. The RFQ was posted to the website and given to interested cleaners. The deadline for quotes is Friday, April 22.

16. ADJOURN:

With no further business to discuss, Trustee Duff moved to adjourn the meeting with second from Trustee Cook. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:11PM.

Marsha B. Merrick, Village Clerk