

VILLAGE OF GENESEO
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

August 1, 2016

PRESENT:

Richard B. Hatheway, Mayor
Matthew P. Cook, Trustee
Margaret Duff, Trustee
Mary V. Rutigliano, Trustee

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

ALSO PRESENT:

Matt Leader – Livingston County News Anthony Nieves-Geneseo Boy Scout Troop 70
Kathy Trainor-Geneseo Welcome Center Bill Davis-MRB Group

1. MEETING OPENED:

Mayor Hatheway opened the meeting at 5PM. The minutes of the July 25, 2016 regular meeting were reviewed. Trustee Rutigliano moved to approve the minutes as presented with second from Trustee Cook. The vote was as follows: Trustee Cook-Aye, Trustee Duff-Aye, Trustee Rutigliano-Aye, and Mayor Hatheway-Aye.

2. BILL DAVIS-MRB GROUP:

Bill updated the Board on the water treatment plant filter media replacement project. All three filters are back on line and essentially the project is finished. The tanks and underdrains look good, all were inspected as the sand and filter media were removed down to bare tanks that were installed in the 1990's. Contractors on the project included the expertise of West Tech who now owns the original Trident Filter Company, makers of the original filters. MRB and water operators asked them for guidance on optimizing the filter cycle and the backwash process. That will be forthcoming. The entire project came in on budget and was done in an expeditious fashion.

With regard to the possible wastewater treatment plant upgrade, the updated study (encompassing the latest DEC comments) was submitted to DEC and the remainder of the grant funding for the study, \$12,400 should be approved soon. The project scored above the funding line on the last (10/1/2015) EFC funding list. However, since then a lot of competition and a lot of projects have been added and in the most recent draft report (7/15/16) the Village's project would not be above the funding line. However, if the Village commits by 3/31/17, the October, 2015 determination remain valid. The current goal is to be sure the Village doesn't lose the hardship funding already promised as well as the zero percent loan from EFC. The next steps in the process will be to finish the final design, begin the SEQR process and be prepared for a bond resolution sometime in the fall.

As far as the next project on the water side of things, the raw water containment wall project has been bid and awarded. The contractor, Ironwood Heavy Highway, LLC has been asked to hold off until the filter media project was completed. Bill will update the Board on that project in the coming weeks.

The Water Improvement Project, HR-18, including re-piping the water tank, meter replacement and updating the controls process that was begun in January 2013 has been completed, Bill reported. Perhaps more changes might be on the horizon when West Tech makes their report, but for now that project is finished.

3. WELCOME CENTER/MERCHANT'S REQUEST:

Kathy Trainor asked the Board for permission to offer free parking during SUNY Geneseo move-in weekend, August 26-28 (Friday-Sunday). Free parking would be advertised with hangtags on the meters as

well as blue and white flags and balloons. It will be an impressive visual down Main Street. The Welcome Students banner will also be displayed. Volunteers will prepare the meters before 8AM on Friday, August 26th, check and refresh as needed throughout the weekend, and make certain all materials are removed by the end of the day on Sunday, August 28th. The Board was supportive and approved the request.

Kathy noted that the www.geneseony.org website is very helpful to look up agendas and minutes and so forth and appreciates the information posted regularly.

4. GRANT PROGRAM-DOT:

Mayor Hatheway asked David Woods to let the Board know of a funding opportunity through the NYS Department of Transportation. County Planning Director Angela Ellis emailed to say there is a State DOT program to look at pedestrian safety improvements and they are soliciting applications. The Village responded favorably to that email mentioning improvement possibilities for the pedestrian crossings and sidewalks on Lakeville Road as well as the possibility of stamped concrete crosswalks on Main Street. It is not known yet if the Village would be applying for that funding individually or if the County plans to submit an application. Between Main Street and the commercial district on South Street/Route 20A, the Village certainly has some possible projects.

5. FOUNTAIN:

Mayor Hatheway reported that the basin material has been found and sourced, according to an email received from Moorland Studios. The basin holds the pedestal which holds the brown stone capital base on which Emmeline rests. The capital is the difficult part, according to Moorland experts. It is a carved brown stone piece that will take some additional investigation as to repair/replacement. More information will be forthcoming.

6. MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE:

Mayor Hatheway received a note from a person who has been attending the concerts in the Village Park. He notes that there are many opportunities for outdoor concerts in the County, but his favorite place is in Geneseo. He offered some suggestions for improvement, however, that included more space for folks that would like to dance, perhaps a gazebo for the performers and better access to restroom facilities. He was sure he wasn't the first to mention these things. Dick will respond. They were good suggestions, given in a very nice lighthearted fashion.

7. PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Personnel: Trustee Rutigliano noted that the SRO position has been worked out with Geneseo Central School. Officer Dylan DiPasquale has been approved for the position by the School and Chief Osganian recommends the Board approve of his full-time status to be paid for by Geneseo Central (5/6) and by the Village. School begins September 6, Chief Osganian recommends having Dylan begin his full-time status as of August 30, 2016. Trustee Rutigliano moved to act on Chief Osganian's recommendation to move Officer Dylan DiPasquale to full-time status as of August 30 in order that he may begin his position as Geneseo Central School Resource Officer on September 6. Dylan will be filling a vacant full-time officer line on the Village's Police force. Trustee Duff seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Trustee Duff moved to approve the following new FD members and accept status changes as follows: Paul Rushlo and Erika Esquivel (new members), Rich Baker and Stacey Haley Chien (moved to Senior Exempt status). Trustee Rutigliano seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Mayor Hatheway noted that according to Chief Chanler, they are still investigating the equipment replacement possibility in Virginia. Senior members went to look at the truck and were very impressed. Negotiations are underway for that possible purchase.

8. PUBLIC WORKS:

Trustee Cook reported for Supt. McTarnaghan that the filter media project has been completed, meter readings for the August billing are finished and water hydrant flushing has begun.

DPW crews are working on brush pickup today. An advertisement for part-time help (to replace Doug Welch who plans to leave Village employment this month) was placed in the local paper.

9. TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Trustee Cook: Nothing further.

Trustee Duff: Nothing further.

Trustee Rutigliano: Mary reported that the Tourism Committee continues to work on a grant for advertising in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce.

10. CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT:

The note sale for the renewed borrowing of \$832,000 for the Main Street Project took place on July 28th. Four bids were received ranging from the lowest, Roosevelt & Cross Inc. at a net interest rate of 1.29173% to the highest, Oppenheimer & Co. at 1.55863%. Last year's rate was 1.18260% from the current lender, Jefferies LLC.

Clerk Merrick distributed the fourth quarter reports for year-end May 31, 2016. All funds ended the fiscal year in the "black" and in good shape. Work will continue on the Annual Update Document that is due in the Comptroller's Office by August 31, 2016.

11. 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 5:43PM.

Marsha B. Merrick, Village Clerk