

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

ALSO PRESENT:

Andrea Bailey-Lift Up Livingston Kurt Cylke-APOG Jim Whitehead-Tourism  
Bill Davis-MRB Sam Cooper-Genesee Sun Matt Leader-Livingston County News

1. MEETING OPENED:

Mayor Hatheway opened the meeting at 5PM. The minutes of the September 26, 2016 regular meeting 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 Rutigliano-Aye, Mayor Hatheway-Aye and Trustee Duff-Abstain.

2. ANDREA BAILEY – LIFTING UP LIVINGSTON ST. PATRICK’S DAY PARADE:

Andrea Bailey approached the Board on behalf of Lifting Up Livingston, a not for profit corporation dedicated to helping families of Livingston County affected by cancer. The group offers supplemental financial assistance and other resources to young cancer patients and their families. About three years ago several friends were talking about what they do to celebrate St. Patrick’s Day. One group went to a parade in Hornell and another goes to Rochester. The idea was born to organize a parade in Livingston County and for the past two years they have done so in Avon. The parade offers a fun filled family event in Livingston County, increases cross-county relations (by moving the parade around to different towns), increases exposure and business to the local businesses and brings awareness to local clubs and businesses that enter the parade.

The thought is to have the 2017 parade in Geneseo on Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> of March at 1PM. They would like to start at the Central School parking lot and travel down to Main Street to the Village Park or the municipal lot. Participants will be local fire departments, high school bands, dance schools, clubs, local businesses and local families. The goal is to plan a whole day full of fun for the residents of Livingston County in their own community to catch up with old friends, make new friends and enjoy what this great County has to offer.

In previous years there have been up to 42 entrants for the parade including floats, bands, fire and police equipment, mounted patrol, dogs, motorcycles and marchers. Following the parade, activities for the children have been held at the Avon Fire Department. Andrea stated that the parade route would be shut down for about an hour as the parade goes along. Discussion followed as to the logistics of the route planned and the closure of State Route 39. Andrea did say that in the event of a snow storm, the parade could line up at the Government Center rather than the Central School but that doesn’t really give enough space to get all of the units down Main Street. They need a longer parade route. They would also like to have activities planned for Center Street perhaps culminating in a children’s movie at the Riviera in the afternoon.

Following further discussion and sensing the Board's general enthusiasm for the parade, Andrea was encouraged to talk to Chief Osganian and Supt. Frazier about the logistics. If Geneseo can make it work, the group would like to have it in the Village. She stated that Avon would love to have the event back in their community, but understand the goal is to move the parade around to the other places within the County. The Board gave Andrea and Lifting Up Livingston permission to organize the event contingent upon working out the details. Andrea thanked the Board and promised to come back with firm plans in about a month.

3. KURT CYLKE – WING FEST RECAP:

Kurt approached the Board to report on the third annual Chicken Wing Festival held on September 24. The Festival was featured in an article in a recent edition of the Lamron. Kurt reported that about 500 people participated, 7,000 chicken wings were cooked and 40 student volunteers helped to staff the event. All in all it was hugely successful town/gown collaboration. Being that it was held on SUNY Family weekend, a large number of parents and students were in attendance. Center Street was cleaned up afterward with many thanks to the DPW crew for helping. It was a good fundraiser for the Save the Wall project netting approximately \$4,000. APOG might replace their annual general fundraiser with this event in the future. Kurt thanked the Board for their support and said he would see them next year to plan for 2017.

4. JIM WHITEHEAD - TOURISM:

Jim Whitehead, Co-chair for Geneseo Tourism committee approached the Board checking back in on the insurance issue. Periodically there has been contact between the Town/Village insurance agent (Andrew Chanler) on the standpoint of a vicarious liability risk between the two entities. Andrew's recommendation was to include the Tourism committee under the general liability policy. In order to do that there would need to be some formal organization for the committee including a definition of the scope of their mission. Thoughts were summarized in a note sent to Mayor Hatheway and Supervisor Wadsworth. That can be forwarded to Insurance Agent Chanler for further review and advice as to the next steps.

Mayor Hatheway added that the Village Board has no intention of interfering with the Tourism Committee; the train is going along very well without the Board's direct involvement. The job is to promote Geneseo on a number of different fronts and they have been doing that very well. Deputy Mayor Brennan said there has always been a liaison to the committee from the Board and Trustee Rutigliano has taken on that role.

Jim thanked the Board for considering the email and he will wait to hear back. The Board thanked Jim for his work at this task and for also taking on the Livingston Gateway Committee task.

5. PROJECT UPDATES – BILL DAVIS:

Bill reported that the raw water well containment wall project was projected to cost \$72,000 and ended up at around \$60,000. That project is finishing up and a pay application for Ironwood Heavy Highway LLC will be forthcoming.

Bill attended a meeting today with DEC at the wastewater treatment plant. The conversation led to the discussion of perhaps studying the concept of not doing disinfection but rather just treatment of the phosphorus. It would be a much more relaxed approach. Bill advises the Village to stay on track as far as financing the plant upgrade. If the project scope changes, that will have to be dealt with along the way. Perhaps the project can be scaled down somewhat.

6. FOUNTAIN:

A preliminary draft report has been reviewed and commented upon, Mayor Hatheway reported. The consultants are hopeful they have found a source of the brownstone for the capital in the Albany area. That is the one missing piece at this point. If that can be pulled together the work can begin on reconstruction. The insurance company appears to be fully on board. Moorland Studios has been super professional and super diligent throughout this process. The hope is to start carving the basin and work on the other pieces that need to be fixed. Replacement of the historic centerpiece of the Main Street area is still looking good for next summer. There has been press interest both near and far for this process.

7. CHAMBER EVENT:

The Chamber Block Party and awards and expo held last Wednesday afternoon appeared to be a success. The awards ceremony was nicely done and they are appreciative of the Village DPW and the work that has been done on Millennium Drive, Mayor Hatheway reported.

8. HISTORICAL SOCIETY EVENT:

An event entitled Digging up Memories on Main Street was held at the Livingston County Museum on Sunday afternoon. President Sandy Brennan was there to welcome folks and then was also at the Riviera Theater for the play Wicket Ways, also sponsored by the Museum. Memories were provided by many folks and Anita Whitehead was instrumental on pulling all of those together. Additional photos of the excavation provided by Street Supt. Frazier were described. Mayor Hatheway extended kudos to Deputy Clerk Mack who assisted with the technical aspect on short notice.

9. PARK STREET PROJECT:

Notification came from DEC that a site investigation has been completed and cleanup proposed for RG&E Geneseo Park Street site. The public is invited to comment on the plan to the DEC by October 30, 2016. The former RG&E Geneseo-Park Street Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) site located at 4 and 6 Park Street is where the investigation took place. Mayor Hatheway mentioned that he noticed testing being done there and talked to SUNY Facilities manager George Stooks about it. More information including environmental and health assessment summaries are available on the NYSDEC website at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/external/derexternal/haz/details.cfm?pageid=3&progno=V00731> .

10. YOUTH BASKETBALL PROGRAM:

Tracy Rollins asked permission to hold the annual youth basketball program at the Central School. The program is for boys and girls in 3-6<sup>th</sup> grades and for 7-8<sup>th</sup> grade boys. Gym time will be on Saturdays and some evenings throughout the week. The program has been going on for many, many years formerly under the supervision of Ted Saunders. Tracy has provided rosters, schedules and everything requested by the Village. Trustee Duff moved to approve the Youth Basketball Program for the 2016-17 season under the auspices of Geneseo Youth Recreation. Deputy Mayor Brennan seconded the motion and all were in favor.

11. PERSONNEL:

- Retirement System resolution:

**STANDARD WORK DAY AND REPORTING RESOLUTION:**

Trustee Duff moved and Trustee Cook seconded the motion to adopt the following resolution:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village of Geneseo/Location code 40089, hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the time keeping system records of the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body:

Title	Name	Standard Work Day	Term	Participates in Timekeeping	Days/Month	No Record of Activities
Village Justice	Bradley A. Janson	8	04/01/16-03/31/20	No	4-6	
Village Trustee	Mary V. Rutigliano	8	04/01/16-03/31/20	No	2-3	

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

- **FLSA Implications:** Notification was received from the Village's payroll service provider that the threshold for an exempt employee (one paid on salary) used to be \$23,660. It has now been raised to \$47,476 or \$913 per week by the Federal Labor Standards Act. That means that any salaried employee earning less than that must be paid time and a half for any hours worked over 40 in a week. Two employees are affected in Village employ. The Board is working out ways to comply with the new mandate. Mayor Hatheway noted that this is one more example of unfunded mandates that are forced upon employers.
- **Historian:** Town/Village Historian David W. Parish was honored by NYS Archives award. It is a six foot square picture of the Wadsworth Homestead. He will be looking for a suitable place to display the picture.

**12. PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Trustee Rutigliano highlighted the following items in Chief Osganian's monthly report. The Department handled 756 calls for service during September. In addition, Chief Osganian closed two of the traffic grants for 2016, the Police Traffic Services Program and the Child Safety Seat Program. Officer Szczesniak assisted SUNY Geneseo with an off-campus living fair which was held from 2:30-4:30PM on September 22 on campus. The officer answered questions specific to off campus living.

- **Personnel:** Trustee Rutigliano moved to approve the hiring of part-time officer Ian Hall to fill Officer DiPasquale's part-time slot. She and Chief Osganian interviewed Ian and find him to be a good candidate for the Department. He will finish his training with Erie County in December. Trustee Duff seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- **Resignation:** Trustee Duff moved to accept the resignation of GPD part-time Officer Zachary Hinkson effective October 1 (last day of work was September 30). Zachary tendered his resignation to the Department. Deputy Mayor Brennan seconded the motion and the vote was as follows: Deputy Mayor Brennan-Aye, Trustee Duff-Aye, Mayor Hatheway-Aye, Trustee Cook-Nay, and Trustee Rutigliano-Nay.

On the Fire Department side of things, Deputy Mayor Brennan moved to accept the following membership roster changes with second from Trustee Cook: Approved for membership: Shourik Dutta, Tarlk James, Ashley Joseph, Eric Martin, Janes Mathews, and Sabrina Medina; resigned members include: Syed Daniel Ahmad, Mika Naor, and Gina Villazhinay. All were in favor.

13. PUBLIC WORKS:

DPW crews are busy picking up brush and have completed sidewalks. Leaf season will start next and notices will be published. Leaves will be picked up from October 17 to November 23 this year.

14. TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Deputy Mayor Brennan: Sandy reported that part-time Code Officer Alan Rudgers will be starting fire inspections this week. Clerical help will be provided in the Clerk's office.

Trustee Cook: nothing further.

Trustee Duff: Margaret was approached by a business owner downtown expressing the need to find additional help in the Code Office. Also, Margaret has been reading the Healthy Campus Coalition report and she finds it very interesting and is excited about working as a member of the Coalition. She noted that the Coalition helps deal with issues that affect the community as a whole, not just the college community.

Trustee Rutigliano: nothing further.

15. CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT:

Clerk/Treasurer Merrick reported that the Comptroller's Office has granted Sewer Debt exclusion for the portion of the Infrastructure Improvement Project that dealt with sewer lines. Mayor Hatheway explained that by State Law municipalities are limited in the maximum amount of real property tax that may be levied in any fiscal year. Taxes levied for certain purposes (basically debt incurred to replace infrastructure) are not subject to the tax limit. The Constitution and related statutes allow for taxes in the amount of certain appropriations to be excluded when determining the amount of levy that must be below the tax limit. The Village has always been well below the limit calculated each spring and the debt exclusions help achieve that goal.

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Deputy Mayor Brennan moved and Trustee Duff seconded a motion to enter into executive session to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person, or matters leading to said dismissal, removal, promotion, appointment, employment, discipline, demotion or suspension at 6:16PM. All were in favor. Deputy Mayor Brennan moved and Trustee Cook seconded the motion to come out of executive session at 6:54PM. No formal action was taken during the session.

17. 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 6:55PM.

Marsha B. Merrick, Village Clerk