

**VILLAGE OF FAYETTEVILLE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
10/26/15**

Minutes of the Village of Fayetteville Board of Trustees meeting held Monday, October 26, 2015 at 6:00pm.

PRESENT:

Mayor Olson	Clerk Corsette	Peg McCarthy
Trustee Small	Attorney Spencer	Tony Corasaniti
Trustee Duggleby	Chief Hildreth	Jason West
Trustee Randall	Joseph Grubner	Tom Talbot
Trustee Kinsella	Pat Tobin	Dave Cassel
Dave Dunn	Bryce Ballway	Kadie Leonard
Barbara Sutton	Richard Greene, CEO	Tom O'Shea

Mayor Olson called the meeting to order at 6:00pm in the Board Room of the Fayetteville Village Hall.

Mayor Olson led those present in a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES OCTOBER 14, 2015

Trustee Small made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 14, 2015 meeting. Trustee Duggleby seconded the motion and it was carried by a unanimous vote.

ABSTRACT #9

Trustee Small made a motion to approve Abstract #9 in the amount of \$85,205.04. Trustee Duggleby seconded the motion and it was carried by unanimous vote.

ABANDONMENT OF FITCH STREET

Attorney Spencer outlined the process that the Village Board would need to follow with regards to the abandonment of Fitch Street. The first action that would be taken by the board would be to determine that Fitch Street is no longer needed for municipal purposes and adopt a resolution as such. After the board makes this determination and following the resolution, the Village Board would hold a Public Hearing regarding the discontinuance of Fitch Street.

Mayor Olson asked if the motion for the discontinuous use of Fitch Street could be nullified if the proposed development in this area does not take place.

Attorney Spencer stated that yes the motion could be nullified.

Tom Talbot, 100 Thompson Street, discussed restrictions that were placed on his property, by the Village Planning Board, in 1997. Mr. Talbot believes that it is important that access to his property from both Thompson Street and Fitch Street is maintained.

Discussion followed regarding Mr. Talbot's concerns and it was agreed that the Village Board and Attorney Spencer will review the restrictions that were established by the Planning Board, in 1997, and also review the Access and Parking Easements that are listed on the Sub-Division map filed on October 24, 1997.

DPW PURCHASES

Trustee Small made a motion to authorize Superintendent Massett to purchase 600 tons of Rock Salt, under County Contract. Trustee Randall seconded the motion and it was carried by unanimous vote.

FAYETTEVILLE PINES

Richard Greene discussed the issues that he has been dealing with at the Fayetteville Pines. Richard explained that after the August Meeting he followed up with residents of the Fayetteville Pines sending each person that had concerns or complaints a letter asking if they would allow him to inspect their apartment and he did not get a response from any of the tenants. Since this time, Richard has been in contact with the owners and they have been making every attempt to clean up the property and address the concerns that were voiced during the August Meeting.

Joseph Grubner, owner of Fayetteville Pines, thanked the village for their involvement and bringing certain issues to his attention. Since the August meeting a new maintenance staff has been hired and they have been working very hard to address the issues and concerns of the tenants. Mr. Grubner explained that a new system has been implemented to handle the complaints, tenants can contact the maintenance staff via email or telephone.

Mayor Olson commented that Fayetteville Pines was the place to be in the 70's and 80's but over the years has become run down.

Mr. Grubner said that they plan on doing overall improvements, which include repairing rotting wood along the eaves, and they are also considering placing a truss roof over the existing flat roof to help alleviate issues that they are having with drainage and ice buildup.

Richard Greene asked Mr. Grubner and Mr. West if they would come back at a later date with their proposal for improvements and upgrades.

Trustee Duggleby asked how many repairs have been done since August and how many are left to do.

Mr. Grubner said that they have addressed approximately 75 issues/repairs and there are around 5-10 left to do.

Trustee Small said that he did talk to some residents that were at the August meeting and they responded positively.

DEER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Mayor Olson thanked the committee for their hard work and their commitment to develop a Deer Management Plan for the Village.

Dave Dunn, Committee Member, addressed the reasons for the Deer Management Plan. The two main reasons: Lyme Disease and Property Damage.

Mr. Dunn explained the proposed plan and said that the basis is to reduce the deer population through culling.

Mayor Olson told the committee that he spoke to Rob Hiltbrand, Regional Director NYS Parks, and he said that he would be willing to help with the Deer Management Plan any way he can.

Mr. Dunn told the board that the committee has discussed how to get an estimate of the number of deer in the village. One method that can be used is a fly over of the area and a visual count. The cost of this would be between 4-5 thousand dollars. Another option is to have Cornell Cooperative Extension do an estimate based on shrub impact.

Committee Members talked about other options that have been discussed since the public meeting. One of the options was to hire an organization, White Buffalo, that would bring in their members to do the culling. White Buffalo would use a different method than bows to eliminate the deer.

Mr. Dunn stated that the Deer Management Plan is a long-term commitment and the reduction of the deer population will take several years. After the population is reduced to an acceptable level the program would become more of a maintenance plan.

Trustee Duggleby thanked the committee for all the work that they have done and feels that overall the plan is very good. A few concerns that Trustee Duggleby expressed was the sign posting and if individual properties are posted these property owners may be targeted by those who are against the program and the signs may also invite people to a particular property to disturb the culling. A few other questions Trustee Duggleby had were the type of bow that could be used, Cross Bow or Compound Bow and what the committee estimated as a time frame to reduce the population until the program was just for maintenance.

Trustee Randall expressed the importance of communication. Neighbors need to be aware that culling is going on within a close proximity to their property and we need to have permission from the land owners before going onto their property.

Tom O'Shea, Clinton Street, has been following the progress of the committee and the Deer Management Plan and suggested that we talk to the Forestry College. Mr. O'Shea commended the committee and hopes that the Village Board will follow through with the plan.

Peg McCarthy, Elm Street, asked what would happen if the deer is not killed immediately.

Dave Cassel said that the committee wants the wound rate to be zero.

Tony Corasaniti, The Orchard, would like to see the procedures outlined with more detailed.

Dave Cassel talked to the board about other methods that can be used to help eliminate ticks. There are methods, such as doing tick drags across areas of lawn; also chickens eat ticks which is a natural method to eliminate ticks.

Trustee Small complimented the committee for thinking of different methods and ideas to eliminate ticks.

Trustee Kinsella made a motion to hold a Public Hearing on November 9, 2015 on or around 6:00pm to hear comment on the proposed Deer Management Plan. Trustee Small seconded the motion and it was carried by unanimous vote.

FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Trustee Kinsella made a motion to accept the application for membership to the Fayetteville Fire Corp. from Roger Hiemstra. Trustee Randall seconded the motion and it was carried by unanimous vote.

VILLAGE SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT

Trustee Duggleby made a motion to authorize Mayor Olson to sign the agreement with Onondaga County Water Environment Protection to reimburse the village up to \$120,000 for any eligible repairs and upgrades made to the village sewer collection system. Trustee Small seconded the motion and it was carried by unanimous vote.

PART-TIME HIRES

Trustee Kinsella made a motion to hire Stephanie Antshel and Ann Scuderi as substitute Crossing Guards at a rate of pay equivalent to the other substitute Crossing Guard Positions. Trustee Duggleby seconded the motion and it was carried by unanimous vote.

Trustee Duggleby made a motion to hire Kelli Handzel as a part-time clerk to assist the Court Clerk during court sessions as needed at a rate of \$16.79/hour. Trustee Small seconded the motion and it was carried by unanimous vote.

CODE ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

Richard Greene provided the board with an update on the following open permits:

1. 400 Clinton Street has been working along refacing the brick façade;
2. 308 Southfield property owner is prepared to move forward but the bank has changed the locks.

The Village Board would like the owner of 308 Southfield notified that they will be proceeding with Chapter 55 and will continue the Public Hearing at the next meeting.

ROUNDTABLE

Trustee Randall reported that the lights for the Senior Center Parking Lot are being shipped.

Trustee Kinsella told the board that Michelle Middleton is the new Recreation Director, replacing Wanie Heath who submitted her resignation earlier in the month.

Trustee Small reminded everyone that the Manlius Historical Society is hosting a breakfast for elected officials, who will be able to take a tour and see what some of their needs are.

Trustee Duggleby will be holding a Traffic Committee Meeting on Tuesday at 6pm.

Mayor Olson and Trustee Duggleby attended a meeting at the Syracuse Metropolitan Transportation Council to evaluate, identify and improve traffic along State Route 5.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Duggleby made a motion to enter into an Executive Session at 7:20 pm for advice of counsel, to include Clerk Corsette, Attorney Spencer and Richard Greene. Trustee Small seconded the motion and it was carried by unanimous vote.

Trustee Duggleby made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:45pm. Trustee Small seconded the motion and it was carried by unanimous vote.

Trustee Small made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm. Trustee Duggleby seconded the motion and it was carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorie Corsette, Village Clerk