

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 14, 2014
7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Trustees Angelillo, Jones, Lanning, and Stokes-Cawley, Police Chief Perkins, SVFD Chief Evans, SVFD President Perkins, Codes Enforcement Officer Crompt, Clerk to the Boards Dundon, Village Atty. Byrne, Village Historian Battie

Absent: Mayor Hubbard

Others:	Thomas Maguire	Skaneateles JOURNAL
	Jason Gabak	Skaneateles PRESS
	Paul & Gail Cowley	9 Kane Avenue
	Rob Garrison	Roland's
	Leslee Fragnoli Garrison	Roland's
	Doreen Simmons, SVFD	38 West Lake Street
	Steve Busa, SVFD	1898 Pork Street
	Eric Sell, SVFD	Past SVFD Chief
	Kathy Murphy, SVFD	Past SVFD President
	Bob Frank, SVFD	2216 Weeks Road
	Alan Johnson	59 West Genesee Street
	Beth Estes	853 Old Seneca Turnpike
	Tara Lynn	38 Academy Street
	Bill Mahood	60 West Lake Street
	Douglas Powell	5 Kane Avenue

Public Hearing – Local Law #4 of 2014 – At 7:30 pm Deputy Mayor Angelillo opened the Public Hearing. Attorney Byrne was requested to summarize, “This proposed Local Law has really two facets associated with it. The first is a number of changes to the Code requested by the Fire Department that would add some further regulations in the use of the lot. It would ban parking on the entrance road from Genesee Street, it would ban the parking of buses or other large vehicles that take up multiple spaces, it would designate 11 additional spots for the exclusive use of volunteers so that no one but volunteers could use those – so that they can get right up to the building when they need to respond, and it would impose some parking restrictions out on the street. The second element of this Local Law would have been, or would be, to remove a restriction in the current Code that restricts the balance of spaces in the lot for use by people attending an event at the fire station. In other words, if it were adopted, it would make the lot available for public parking. The Mayor asked me to convey that after listening to the concerns of the firefighters expressed last week at the Planning Board meeting and hearing that whole discussion, that he thinks that their concerns in that regard are legitimate and has urged that after the Public Hearing, if you are prepared to vote tonight, he still supports those changes requested by the Fire Department and he thinks that the deletion on the current restriction on the use of other spaces should not go forward – meaning the code should stay as it is today, which limits the use of the remaining spots to people attending an event at the fire station. He just wanted you to know that that’s how he felt about it; he’d had a change of heart after listening to the comments last week.”

Attorney Byrne continued, “It might be productive – I know a lot of people are here to talk about this and have input into the Public Hearing. It might be productive if you had some discussion among yourselves and indicate how you feel about the use of the lot for public parking. Depending on what your feeling is it may shorten the Public Hearing considerably as well. Because I don’t think there is any controversy over the other elements of the proposed Local Law, at least not that I am aware of.” Deputy Mayor Angelillo, “Again, just to clarify it, the Local Law is going to allow 11 additional spots for the firefighters, as they requested, and it will not strike the language that would allow public parking.” Attorney Byrne, “You would need to tell me. The way it is drafted this Local Law would remove that restriction, so you would need to amend this draft. I can’t do that until you tell me to do that. At the end

of the Public Hearing, if you were inclined to close it and you could make a motion, first to amend the draft so the Law would retain the language that was proposed to be stricken, and secondly it would adopt the new provisions that are before you. If you adopt that, I can make that change tomorrow.” Deputy Mayor Angelillo, “I’ll ask the Trustees, are we clear we’d like to comment on that; I’ll ask for comments by the Trustees.” Trustee Lanning, “Well I’d like to comment that the unfortunate fire at the stable last night. I witnessed 6 trucks lined up waiting to get water at the hydrant in that one-way drive. Probably 40 cars in the parking lot. We have 14, 13 different fire companies from Camillus to Mottville respond to the fire. We had a tremendous amount of auxiliary fire department help. It exemplified the fact that that parking lot can get filled up quickly when we’ve got a big event.” Trustee Stokes-Cawley, “I have concerns about parking in the Village. We don’t have enough parking and this is a public parking lot built with public funds, so I think we should consider its use as a public parking lot.” Trustee Jones, “I agree with Marty and Carol that it can possibly be revisited in the future but should remain unchanged for now. Let’s argue in the future about what we know for sure and not what we think with the opening of the new business on West Genesee Street. We have two public hearings tonight and I’m all for streamlining the first one. A lot of people are here obviously to speak on it, so if we are going to take those 11 words out of the hunt, we could certainly expedite the meeting.”

Deputy Mayor Angelillo, “We need to vote on that. So let’s have the Public Hearing as scheduled and we’ll listen to the public and then we can decide whether to keep it open or close it or make a motion on it. So I would like to open the public comment portion of the Public Hearing. I would just request that there are a number of people here. If you would like to say something you are more than welcome to say it. If you feel like you want to revisit it, wait until everyone has spoken and then we can let you say it again.” Mr. Johnson, “I had thought that this meeting was to be about the discussion; it seems that people discussed this previously and it seems that minds were made up previously. I don’t know when that happened since the last time I was at this meeting you said you were going to put this into the newspaper so that people could become aware of it. Then today would have a discussion about it. Yet based on the Mayor’s letter, it seems as if the discussion happened some other time. So I wonder when that was.” Attorney Byrne, “There was a planning Board meeting- a public meeting – held a week ago tonight in this room.” Trustee Jones, “But that was a discussion with the Planning Board. Our Board has not met to discuss this.”

Ms. Estes, “I have a number of issues and I will take my turn and let others speak, but I will first refute the comments about the parking lot last night. It was a very unfortunate fire. I happened to be going out and stopped in front of the fire station knowing that this meeting was happening. The parking lot was completely empty. I watched all the fire trucks leave. The only part of the parking lot that was full last night after the trucks had responded was the first row closest to the building and 1 boat trailer in the back corner. The rest of the lot was completely empty after all the fire trucks had responded to the fire. I sat there from 6:15 to 6:55. I did not see what was happening on the other side of Genesee Street; I am speaking only about the parking lot off of Kane Avenue.”

Mr. Frank, “I am a member of the Fire Department, past chief. I sat on the 6 person committee that worked on getting the fire house built, way back when. And in those meetings we discussed using that lot as public parking; it came up. We decided it was a bad idea, simply because emergency vehicles and the general public I don’t think mix well. I think it poses a potential danger. You could see that we used that lot last night if you were there, for the tanker shuttle. Fire engines going in and out – tankers. This was the stuff way back when. One of the reasons that there is no exit from the fire house lot onto Genesee Street – we put that in specifically so it would not become a public pass-through for example. We thought long and hard about it and decided against it for safety reasons. And I think you should consider those reasons as well.”

Mr. Powell, “I own the property right next to the fire hall. I consider public parking there to be a potential disaster for the reasons stated by the Fire Department, and it also will impact our adjoining property in

many ways. One -- as it is there are buses that pull in there and leave their diesel motors running. The diesel exhaust is awful. Two -- the corner of Route 20 and Kane Ave. is already congested; already difficult to get through. If you add parking to the Fire Department lot it's going to be worse. Three -- I just don't like the congestion and noise and bother and so on; with public parking. That's my adjoining property and that's my opinion. I was at home last night; I did see that that parking lot had issues with the trucks getting through. Multiple people parking at different times, I think that's a potential disaster."

Mr. Perkins, "In response to what you said about the timing on that; for the time you were there observing that we did not have any tankers back there to fill up. It took that long to get the tanker operation set up. It was after that that the tankers were back there -- 5, 6, 7 at a time to fill up." [Multiple discussions] Ms. Estes said that she was referring to few cars parked. Both Mr. Perkins and Mr. Powell explained that later, parking was an issue.

Mr. Cowley, "I agree with what Doug just said. I am pleased to see that the Mayor has reconsidered after talking with others." Mr. Johnson, "I didn't state my opinion before. I know and understand, but we are going to need parking. We have parking issues; I'd be happy to sit on a committee to try to figure out things. But that is also something that needs to be figured out sometime." Ms. Estes, "From a second standpoint for all of Skaneateles, we are aiming hard from the Village Board, the Planning Boards and the Town Board, Sustainable Skaneateles -- we are trying to protect our lake. The more parking, the more paving, the more asphalt we put in this town, the more danger we have to our lake, which we all consider a very valuable asset to this Town. If we can't begin to start sharing asphalt then we are going to jeopardize that lake for all of us for many years to come. On the Town Planning Board we are very hard looking at shared driveways, shared access points to pieces of property, to combining fire lanes so that we have one way and exit roads so we don't have to have additional asphalt, we are looking at grass strips, we are looking at anything we can do to start preventing more and more runoff because of asphalt. As was mentioned, we have a parking issue in this Town. If we can't find a way to share a very large, open piece of asphalt and share it among everybody in this Village and this town, we are going to jeopardize the lake. I think that's something that needs to be considered. And I'll speak for all the people who come into this town who need a place to park. I understand that we have many training requirements for the Fire Department, have been in many of those trainings on my own, in my own job, you can block off the training, you can block off the parking for those types of events. But to leave a completely large open piece of asphalt and not use it; then later have somebody design parking somewhere else is just going to jeopardize our lake. We are aiming for a walkable, sustainable Skaneateles. This is not the way to do it, to leave an open piece of asphalt."

Chief Evans, "We discussed open parking -- an open lot -- I live at 22 East Austin Street and every day I look at the old Austin Park Pavilion with a lot of asphalt that is empty on a continuous basis. I believe Mr. Lanning drove from Jordan Street and Genesee up to there and it was 0.4 miles; from that light to the fire house is 0.5. Every day I look at that parking lot and it is empty except for the Town vehicles that are parked there. So if we have to have asphalt anywhere, it is already there. People just have to walk up and down a little hill. I am going to read from a letter to the Trustees. In reviewing the draft of Local Law #4, the overall draft looks acceptable with the exception of the following portion of the Law listed below 'Section 212-22B is amended to read as follows: *(B) With the exception of two designated handicapped spaces, all other parking spaces at the Fire Station are available for use by the general public while attending an event or conducting business at the fire station.* [underlined words stricken]. I would like to make it perfectly clear that at no time did the Chief, President, Line Officers, Corporate Officers or members of the Skaneateles Fire Department request that those 11 words be stricken from the law.

"With those 11 words stricken from the law, the original intent of the parking regulations set forth in 2007 has been changed. If this proposed change in the law were to be enacted, it would enable the fire station parking lot to be used as a municipal parking lot by the general public. Yes, the SFD presently averages 13 members per call; however on Monday evenings for training (average of 26 members during the last

calendar year), or during county or department meetings (average of 50 members) we far exceed 13 members. When the department is activated for a serious incident, usually a structure fire like last evening or serious accident, 25 to 30 firefighters respond to the incident. During the last five major incidents, the SFD had had 31, 29, 29, 28 and 28 firefighters respond for an average of 29 personnel. That does not include the auxiliary members or the additional mutual aid apparatus that provides coverage for the Skaneateles Fire District while the incident is ongoing, which takes up additional space within the parking lot. The fire station parking lot is also utilized by the Skaneateles Fire Department for department, county and state level training and testing of fire apparatus and personnel throughout the year. Allowing public parking would severely hamper the Skaneateles Fire Department's ability to train and prepare for emergencies in an effort to accommodate parking for the general public due to the shortsightedness of the Village of Skaneateles Planning and Zoning Boards.

"Secondly, I would like to address the parking situation when the fire station is rented out and used for various events (i.e., birthday parties, receptions, etc.) When the station is rented out, where would those guests park if the words 'while attending an event or conducting business at the fire station' were stricken from the language? Under this proposal, with the exception of the 24 reserved spaces, the remaining spaces would be available on a first come-first serve basis, leaving the guests nowhere to park.

"As for the concern regarding the Village and Town taxpayers, I completely understand 'that building and that parking lot are public assets, bought and paid for by the taxpayers of the Village and Town.' However I don't understand why it should be opened up to the public. The taxpayers of the Village and Town continually purchase public assets but that does not give the taxpayer the right to utilize the public asset. If the Village Board were to approve of this Law and allow this public asset to be opened for the use by the general population then the Village and Town taxpayers would have the opportunity to park at the fire station, just like they park in the identified spaces within the municipal parking lot, or dispose of their refuse at the transfer station or launch their boat at the Mandana boat launch. The fire station parking lot should not be utilized by taxpayers or visitors to the community or as a 'valet parking' area for the patrons of a locally operated business. The parking in this Village is a huge problem and the relaxation of the parking regulations at the fire house and the reopening of Krebs will only exacerbate the parking situation at the fire station, especially on weekends.

"At this time, I would like to personally invite the members of the Village Board to stop by the fire station during an alarm, a meeting or a training to observe the number of personally owned firefighter vehicles in the parking lot. Striking those 11 words from the Law will negatively affect the operations and safety of the members of the Skaneateles Fire Department and the public we are sworn to protect."

Ms. Simmons, "I am a proud member of the Fire Department. I would challenge anyone who would challenge the dedication and knowledge of our Fire Department when that situation could create a safety issue. I would suggest that everyone should respect that 100%. I also have been asked to speak on behalf of Krebs, because it was mentioned. Krebs does not wish to park or to have parking available for customers, or valet parking as is rumored, and they are not encouraging that it be opened for municipal parking. Thank you." Mr. Sell, "I am past Chief of Skaneateles Fire Department. Myself and Kathy Murphy, past President, was basically the officers during the building and planning of this thing. We looked at safety issues, I asked numerous fire departments around if there is public parking at their fire houses – they said no. We have issues now trying to get in there. It is a safety issue; if you have more public parking people can walk on the back part – bad enough they ride their skateboards, bicycles – people are walking through there at all times of night. It is very dark in there at night time. There's only 2 lights in the main parking lot, so it is dark around the back side. We try our best to keep that place clean. The cars that do park there publically now, I am constantly going out there and picking up trash; all the members have. I just think it should stay as is."

Mr. Mahood, "It seems to me that one of the issues that you have to think about, that once you have the public parking it can be very hard to control the type of vehicles that go in there. You can get a lot of larger vehicles; during the boat show I think someone parked a vehicle with a boat in tow, which really stuck out." Trustee Jones, "One of the modifications that the Mayor hasn't suggested be changed is that only vehicles that occupy one space would be allowed in there at any point. If you were a renter attending an event at the Fire Department you shouldn't be in there if you were pulling a boat trailer." Mr. Mahood, "I just wanted to bring that point up and I'm glad that you are looking at that." Ms. Estes, "I have great respect for what I just heard from the Fire Department. Something that I heard in the letter that was read, if what I just heard is of significance to the Fire Department. If at any given time we have an emergency and we need these open areas for the firemen as I just heard and the trucks, then why do we allow birthday parties, public events and renting out the space to other events such as the Blood Drive which completely fills up the area and the birthday parties since a fire could happen at any time. So if we are allowing it to happen then, why is that any different, because you're not going to be able to move all those vehicles. It's almost as though you are OK if you're getting money for it, but you're not OK if it's open to the public. I feel like we've got a conflict there that doesn't seem to mesh right. It's OK when they are using your event or your space and they are paying for it to use all this stuff but if they are not using your spot and getting paid for it then it's got to be saved for the Fire Department. I understand what you are saying and if it is truly a traffic issue and truly a safety issue then it should be reserved all the time for the firemen and not for birthday parties, blood drives and other events. It should be reserved at any time because you don't know when that fire is going to happen." Ms. Cowley, "I don't see an issue with that because you have a captive audience. If someone is having a birthday party or blood drive and something happens like that, you've got the people; they are right there to move the vehicle. So I don't see any issue."

Ms. Murphy, "I along with Eric were actively seated when this building came to fruition. And it's true, we rent the building out. It was initially going to be run by the Village, and it would be rented out for a minimal fee. We realized that there was a need for a lecture hall; there are restrictions on the contract that if you do want to rent the fire hall you have to read the contract and sign it. It clearly states in that that if there was an emergency and the fire department needed the room and the kitchen, then that took precedence over the event that was going on. People are aware that it is a fire house and that emergencies don't wait for birthday parties to finish. The responders know that if we have an event going on we send a page out so they are aware that something is going on at the Fire House – utilize caution when pulling into the driveway and pulling into your parking spot. Because the general public is not aware of what we are listening to or what we are responding to. We take that into consideration. The Blood Drive is sponsored by the Fire Department, we ask for volunteers. They don't pay anything for that, it's a community service that we try to provide. There was no open area to have that; they used to run it at the Presbyterian Church when it was sponsored by Welch Allyn. Everyone knows that blood is a vital need in our community, statewide, nationwide and worldwide. It's just something that we provide. If there was an emergency then yes, there are some openings. The public end of the building is aware that the firematic end of the building has the potential to be very busy and very active. The people who rent the room out are aware that an emergency situation could arise and would have to take precedence."

Mr. Perkins, "If this goes to public parking, I wish you would go over to the municipal parking lot and see what happens every day. It is chaos in there. The Town didn't have their person who directs the traffic at the boat launch a couple of weeks ago. In the matter of an hour, that whole place was chaos, because people just parked anyplace they want. You will wind up with the same thing there. It is a major safety hazard to our responders that come in off of Kane Avenue to have to dodge through people parked in there whatever. They don't know what they are going to do. The people will be backing out – they will be in the way. It would be fine until something happens. Time is of the essence when there's an emergency situation."

Deputy Mayor Angelillo asked, "Would anyone else like to speak on this Local Law?" There was no one. **Resolution #2014-148:** On the motion of Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Lanning, it was resolved and unanimously carried (4-0 in favor) to close the Public Hearing. **Resolution #2014-149:** On the motion of Trustee Lanning, seconded by Trustee Jones, it was resolved and unanimously carried (4-0 in favor) to amend the Draft Local Law #4 of 2014 to retain the restrictions on general use that are included in the current Law, to wit, "*while attending an event or conducting business at the fire station*", and to adopt the amended Local Law which further provides for new restrictions regarding no parking in the entrance way, the designation of 11 additional firefighter-only reserved parking spaces, and to limit parking to vehicles that require no more than a single parking space. In seconding, Trustee Jones noted that there is a need for more parking, that there may be ways to revisit this issue in the future, and that Ms. Estes' points are well taken.

Public Hearing – Local Law #3 of 2014, continuation – Deputy Mayor Angelillo called for the continuation of the Public Hearing opened on July 24, 2014. Attorney Byrne said, "At the initial session of this Public Hearing, CEO Crompt had another meeting and was unable to attend. This proposed Local Law would amend an existing section of the Code. The existing section says '*that there shall be no outdoor storage or sale of merchandise in the Commercial C and Downtown D Districts.*' CEO Crompt proposed amending it to say not only should there be no storage, but there should be *no display for lease or sale of merchandise* in those Districts. The question arose and we were unable to answer it without John being present, whether it was his intention with this amendment to apply only to the sidewalk, or to other areas as well. After meeting with him, he clarified that it was his intention that by revising this Code it would only prohibit the display or the storage of material on the sidewalk not elsewhere. So in order to accomplish that, we would have to amend the new language by adding the words 'on the sidewalk' after the word 'merchandise'. That was the clarification we needed; John has provided that. What you could do now with that is to continue the Public Hearing and decide afterwards."

Trustee Lanning, "That certainly adds a lot of clarity for me. The word that I struggled with was the outdoor storage, because there are some buildings, like Fleur de Lis, that have a footprint that isn't encased in glass. So adding 'on the sidewalk' as it is there gives me a lot of clarity." Attorney Byrne, "The draft Local Law would be modified to add that phrase – 'on the sidewalk' – at this location if you direct that."

Deputy Mayor Angelillo reopened the public comment portion of the Hearing. Mr. Garrison, "We own Roland's. My wife's family has owned it since 1961. In the last couple of years we have been taking control. Steve brought this to our attention a couple of weeks ago and I have talked with John about it a couple of times on the phone. I guess I am concerned a little bit; we've been doing business for the last 10 years with stuff on the sidewalk and what's changed all of a sudden that's a problem? This is our Christmas right now; we have to do our business now by getting in front of people in a nice clean way. We keep our store very nice; we invested a lot of money in it in the last 10 years – new floors, new apartments upstairs. We are here for the community and we employ a lot of folks right here from Skaneateles. We just a little concerned where this might go. We're not sure what's changed in the last couple of years." Trustee Jones, "I'll jump in and try to answer and John may as well. As much as we all love Roland's and I do, and we're so happy to have a store like Roland's here that I can buy things that I need. I was in there yesterday and the nice young kid that was working around 5:30 did a great job. I bought my grandson a little Skaneateles shirt. But I'm very worried about that if one store does it everyone is going to want to. I am really worried about the safety issue and people tripping over stuff. It is not in any way designed; it's not anti-Roland's or anti-any store at all. I am really concerned about the safety aspect pure and simple." Mr. Garrison, "That's fair. But have there been any incidents? We've never had anyone complain to us that they tripped over our merchandise on the sidewalk." Ms. Garrison, "We also have a store in Homer. All the merchants have things outside. Again very neatly done and no problems. And we've been there 64 years."

CEO Crompton, "We do have problems with tripping on sidewalks. Those are always an issue – sidewalks the areas around the trees where they heave up from the roots. There are other things on the sidewalk. We have benches which look great, we have plants that look fantastic. A lot of businesses have signs. I'm afraid that if we get merchandise there – I think Sue put it really well. When one or two start to do it, it spreads along; it's going to be a sidewalk sale all year. I think the more stuff we have on the sidewalk, I think we are looking at more problems for public safety. I think that's what my job is to look out for public safety." Ms. Lynn, "I know I talked to Sue about this earlier. A lot of my shopkeepers like to put things on the door, hanging. That is not a problem here right? Stores are able to display on the door?" She was assured that was not part of these changes. Mr. Garrison, "Sandwich boards." Trustee Jones, "That may be in the hunt for the future, but now that's not an issue." CEO Crompton, "As Attorney Byrne said, the only thing that's going in there is on the sidewalk. Buildings, stoops, stairs to come down are not included."

Resolution #2014-150: On the motion of Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Lanning, it was resolved and unanimously carried (4-0 in favor) to close the Public Hearing on this matter. **Resolution #2014-151:** On the motion of Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Lanning, it was resolved and unanimously carried (4-0 in favor) to amend the Draft Local Law #3 of 2014 to insert the words 'on the sidewalk' after the word 'merchandise' and to adopt the amended Local Law #3 of 2014.

Minutes – Resolution #2014-152: On the motion of Trustee Stokes-Cawley, seconded by Trustee Jones, it was resolved and unanimously carried (4-0 in favor) to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 24, 2014 as presented.

Correspondence & Announcements – Deputy Mayor Angelillo reviewed the following:

- Thank you letter from the Skaneateles Library for allowing them to hold its 2014 Summer Book Sale in the Village Hall apparatus bay. Particular appreciation went to Line Leader Allan Abbott, Clerk/Treasurer Couch, Acct. Clerk Shappell, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Cerimeli, and Police Clerk Jacobs
- Email announcing that the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2015 Draft Intended Use Plans (IUPS) for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) are available at www.efc.ny.gov.
- Letter from Rosalind and Stephen Schwartz thanking and praising the Board for the time they took to evaluate the Heritage Woods "over the speed limit" issue.
- Email from Adirondack Trust Company VP & Investment Officer Christopher Rose
- Skaneateles Fire Department invitation to the Village Board to participate in the Sunday, August 31, 2014 parade. Trustee Jones noted that the Fire Department is partnering with the Ecumenical Food Pantry in encouraging donations, which will be accepted during the Field Days.
- Copy of Supervisor Sennett's Letter to Senator DeFrancisco and subsequent letter from Senator DeFrancisco informing her that the grant of \$50,000 to help fund installation of dry hydrants in Clift and Thayer Parks has been approved. The Board considered this "good news."
- Home Serve letter – independent provider of emergency home repair service plans
- Copy of Ken Kaufman's letter to the Planning Board relative to the Aug. 7, 2014 Public Hearing concerning the proposed SRCT/Skaneateles Community Center lot line adjustment and land exchange
- Receipt of Treasurer's Reports for July, 2014
- NYPIRG door-to-door outreach between August 8 and August 25, 2014
- Receipt of Glens Falls National Bank LOSAP Account Summary for July, 2014
- Thank you letter from Supervisor Sennett and Councilor Murray for assistance from Village Tree Committee Chair Ann Neibert and Member Nancy Easter relative to landscaping suggestions for the Western Gateway.

Police Department – Chief Perkins reported that there has been an increase in car larcenies and suggested that residents keep their cars locked. He said that the Police monthly report for July was emailed and recorded activity as follows: 233 Calls for Service; 4 Misdemeanor; 0 Violation, 1 DWI; 47

V&T tickets (total); 33 Courtesy V&T's; 6 Truck Tickets (pickup trucks only); 189 Parking Tickets; 243 Courtesy Cards; 10 MV Accidents; 1 Personal Injury; 18 Property Damage; 3 Larcenies; 1 Burglary/Robbery; 20 Assist Fire/SAVES; 9 Alarm Calls; 558 Property Checks; and 5 Car Lockouts. Chief Perkins reported that he has met with the new school superintendant and anticipates a positive relationship. Additionally, maintenance has been performed on all of the parking stations in the Municipal lot and they are all up and running. Chief Perkins has begun research on replacement pay stations due to the age of our current models. He will come back at a future Board meeting with suggestions. He noted that the current units are the same unit used by the city. Trustee Lanning asked if the current units accept credit cards? They do not. But Chief Perkins believes that adding that expensive capability would pay for itself. The speed timer was down and needed a part; Allan Abbott got it and got the unit back up and running – truly a team player.

Director of Municipal Operations – Deputy Mayor Angelillo reported that the Village has continued to carry on operations even with the position unfilled.

Codes Enforcement – Codes Enforcement Officer (CEO) Crompt said he submitted his report that recorded as follows: 3 Fire Inspections (all annual inspections are completed for the year 2014); 4 Building Permits; 1 Certificate of Occupancy (C of O); 0 Sign Permit; 1 Final Inspections; 3 Framing Inspections; 3 Insulation Inspections; 0 Notices of Violation; 1 Footer Inspection, and 3 training days (NYS CEO Certification as of 8/8/14). CEO Crompt further reported that he addressed a note to the Village Board on August 4, 2014 that advised as follows: *Over the last six months I have received two or three phone calls regarding solar power and satellite dish installations, I have told the callers we do not have any local laws addressing either. This may be something the Board may or may not want to address. I can foresee calls of this nature to continue, though on a limited basis. I thought you would like to be aware of this.*

CEO Crompt reported that he has completed his training and has received his certification for Code Enforcement. The Board offered congratulations on his certification!

WWTP – Deputy Mayor Angelillo gave the WWTP report for the month of July, 2014 noting that we have been running below the 12-month rolling average by some 100,000 gallons per day, even with 5.5 to 6 inches of rain – which speaks to the improvements that have been made to limit system I&I. BOD removals are at 97% and suspended solids at 96%; we are solidly meeting all our DEC operating requirements.

Skaneateles Volunteer Fire Department – SVFD Chief Evans read the report for the month of July, 2014 as follows: Calls: Fire 14; Rescue 5; Water Rescue 4; EMS (Assist SAVES): 9; Mutual Aid: 4; Total Calls for July 36; Personnel Hours 182.1; Personnel Average 12.7 ; Total calls for 2014, 209; Total Personnel Hours for 2014, 1,316.7; and Personnel Average for 2014, 13. Drills for July were reported as follows: Total drills 4; Personnel Average 23; and Personnel Hours 192. Total personnel hours spend on calls & drills for the month, 374.1; Total personnel hours spent on calls & drills only for 2014, 2,643.2. (This does not count the hours spent on committee meetings, state trainings, paperwork, monthly meetings and general fire department maintenance.) Chief Evans noted that upcoming trainings include pump training, dive emergencies and station cleanup prior to the annual inspection.

Chief Evans also reported on the recent ISO visit which was held on July 18 with points awarded for emergency communications, fire department, water supply and community risk reduction. The prior rating (June 1995) was 4 for the Village and 9 for the town or 4/9 combined. The new rating has improved to 4/4Y (the Y indicates that additional water is available). ISO will issue a preliminary report in August with a final report available after another visit to discuss findings.

Chief Evans noted that under a new State Law, the Fire Department is required to do a background check on prospective members regarding prior sex offenses. This will be in addition to the check for arson now being done. Chief Perkins thought that information is online through DCJS. Chief Evans also noted that the Department is considering the reestablishment of a Juniors/Explorers program to introduce 14 to 16 year-olds to the Department. He also noted that 871 out of 1,000 tickets had been sold for the High Stakes Raffle fundraiser. Lastly he recapped that all are invited to participate in the annual Labor Day weekend festivities sponsored by SVFD.

Village Historian – Historic Moment on Lake View Cemetery – Village Historian Jorge Battle provided an historic moment regarding Lakeview Cemetery.

Benjamin Franklin is noted for saying, "I need only to visit the graveyard of a community to know the character of the people."

The first burial place in the Village was located on the present site of the Gerst residence at the intersection of Onondaga Street and East Genesee Street. In 1803, Charles Vredenberg purchased the site for his home. The bodies were disinterred and taken to the John Briggs farm and reburied. This is now Lakeview Cemetery's section 7. John Briggs' wife Polly was buried there in 1802, making this the first burial in Lakeview Cemetery. For all this time, cemeteries were privately owned burial grounds that generated income for their owners. Also, early settlers buried their dead on their farms.

In 1812 the Skaneateles Religious Society purchased land from John Briggs, plus an adjoining half acre. This property became known as "God's Acre." So many bodies were buried there, it was described as, "Overflowing with bones; with many graven containing three coffins."

In August 1846 Freeborn Jewett, the first President of the Village, and Charles Pardee, a wealthy merchant and banker, purchased for \$392 one and a half acres of land from James Fuller whose house was on the north side of West Genesee Street. They proceeded to lay out 224 burial lots. After Jewett's death, Pardee took over control of the cemetery. For 20 years after that, no records of interments were kept.

In July of 1871 a meeting was held at Legg Hall to organize an incorporated public cemetery in accordance with an Act of Legislature passed in 1847. It was unanimously approved and 12 Trustees were elected (we now have three.). The Lakeview Cemetery Association was formed in 1871 as an incorporated public cemetery. Charles Pardee committed suicide in 1878. Joel and Juliette Thayer purchased all of the Lakeview cemetery lands and on April 12, 1880, presented them to the Village Trustees as a donation. The Trustees accepted the donation.

In 1872 the Association purchased over seven acres from Reuel Smith which was adjoining 'God's Acre'. At the same time the Presbyterian Society (formerly the Skaneateles Religious Society) conveyed title to God's Acre to the Lakeview Cemetery Association.

A January 1894 Letter to the Editor from George H. Wicks said, "One of the most hopeful signs of our civilization is the modern cemetery, a beautiful garden of the dead, perpetually cared for and ever growing more and more attractive and peaceful as it becomes more populous." In 1894 there were problems with documentation of the locations of grave sites and those interred therein. Factoid: In 1894 there were 2,141 known and recorded burials; 15 graves not found but known to be buried, 530 in the Friend's Burial Ground; and 58 not documented for a total of 2,214.

Status of new Village Hall Project – Deputy Mayor Angelillo noted that Atty. Byrne advised in a July 29, 2014 email that "he was pleased to report that we have recorded the reciprocal easement agreements between the Village and its Fennell Street neighbors to the East (Ron Patulski) and West (Roberta Harris). With that, we will now be in position to "re-develop the paved area in front of Village Hall and create the shared access arrangements contemplated by the easements." Attorney Byrne called it a "done deal." Trustee Lanning stated that he had taken responsibility for contacting the electric company regarding the monitor for the photovoltaic generating system. He received information that 53 or 54 KWh was the design for the display. 45 KWh have been generated so far this year even with the system being down 3 weeks for parts. So we may achieve 57 or 58 for the year, meaning we are "way ahead of what we anticipated."

Status of NYSERDA Grant – Deputy Mayor Angelillo advised that there isn't anything new to report.

Status of Creek Walk Maintenance Plan – Deputy Mayor Angelillo advised that there isn't anything new to report.

Status of East Street Repairs – Mr. D. Perkins reported that he expects that 1,300 feet more of curbing will be installed August 15 and that 1,400 feet of pavers would be installed the following week so as to be done before school starts.

Status of Village's Cable TV Franchise Agreement with Time Warner – Atty. Byrne said that there are no developments on this matter.

Consider Re-scheduling the second meeting in September (9/25/14) – Trustee Jones said that this item was on the agenda at her request since she and Trustee Stokes-Cawley will be at a seminar. After discussion by the Trustees it was agreed to reschedule the regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees from 9/25/2014 to 9/24/2014 at 7:30 pm. The Municipal Board meeting, also scheduled for that evening, will be moved to the former SAVES building. Trustee Jones asked that the newspapers help make the public aware of the change.

Electric Utility Easement for 2 East Genesee Street – Attorney Byrne explained that the action required was to authorize Mayor Hubbard to execute new easements on the Arnie Rubenstein property at 2 East Genesee Street. When the Village installed new underground feeds to junction locations and transformers on the lake side behind the row buildings on the south side of East Genesee Street, the then-owner willingly permitted the action installing the wires and gave easements to that effect. Those easements were never recorded. New easements have been negotiated with Mr. Rubenstein and require the Mayor's signature to be effective and recordable. **Resolution #2014-153:** On the motion of Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Lanning, it was resolved and unanimously carried (4-0 in favor) to authorize Mayor Hubbard to execute the subject easements.

Substation Recloser Controllers – Mr. Dundon explained that this action came via a unanimous recommendation by the Municipal Board. Reclosers are a protective mechanism in the high voltage feed to the main transformers. The current recloser controllers are "obsolete and not functioning properly. Recently there was a line fault in which went through one of the very expensive transformers; the reclosers failed in their protective function. Upon investigation, it was recommended that all 5 recloser controllers be replaced with units having programmable relay settings at a total estimated cost of \$20,000. **Resolution #2014-154:** On the motion of Trustee Lanning, seconded by Trustee Jones, it was resolved and unanimously carried (4-0 in favor) to proceed with this purchase.

At 8:39pm a five minute recess was called prior to consideration of the payment of bills.

At 8:46pm the meeting was again called to order.

Approval of Bills – Resolution #2014-155: On the motion of Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Lanning, it was resolved and unanimously carried (4-0 in favor) that bills from Abstract #5 be audited and paid as follows:

General Fund	Vouchers #218-271	Checks #16402-16455	\$58,765.73
Sewer Fund	Vouchers #59-71	Checks #4735-4747	\$11590.93
Electric Fund	Vouchers #50-67	Checks #5385-5402	\$23,871.78
Water Fund	Vouchers #23-32	Checks #3756-3765	\$18,195.90

Trustee Jones asked Mr. Dundon to rectify an address discrepancy on the Earthlink bill.

Before adjournment, Trustee Jones announced that Mayor Hubbard and former Mayor Green had both lost parents his week.

Adjournment – Resolution #2014-156: On the motion of Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Stokes-Cawley, it was resolved and unanimously carried (4-0 in favor) to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m.



Dennis Dundon
Clerk to the Boards

