

REGULAR MEETING, VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MONDAY, APRIL 26, 2010
7:00 P.M.

Present Mayor Bob Green, Trustees Marc Angelillo, Marty Hubbard, Sue Jones*, and Tim Lynn, Director of Municipal Operations Bob Lotkowitz, Police Chief Lloyd Perkins, Village Historian Pat Blackler, Village Attorney Mike Byrne

<u>Others</u>	Miranda Pennock	Skaneateles PRESS
<u>Present</u>	Nate Baker	Skaneateles JOURNAL
	Cliff Abrams	37 State Street
	Susan Dove	Skaneateles Chamber Executive Director
	Stephen Scuderi	SCS High School Participation in Government Student
	Noah Allyn	SCS High School Participation in Government Student
	Kelly Dove	SCS High School Participation in Government Student
	Victoria Major	SCS High School Participation in Government Student
	James Rissler	SCS High School Participation in Government Student
	Sarah Main	SCS High School Participation in Government Student
	Sam Lindgren	SCS High School Participation in Government Student
	Aaron Weiss	SCS High School Participation in Government Student
	Justin Bruening	SCS High School Participation in Government Student
	Cindy Jansen	Bark Heard Around the World

Public Hearing on FYE '11 Tentative Budget, Continuation – Mayor Green explained that the Public Hearing on the FYE '11 Tentative Budget was left open from the April 12th meeting to afford additional time for comments. Mayor Green said that after receiving his written remarks, he met with Alan Dolmatch who seemed satisfied after their review of the accounts he commented on. Subsequently, Mr. Dolmatch wrote a two page summary of the meeting with thanks and appreciation for the time spent addressing his concerns. Mr. Dolmatch wrote, "...holding the line is a credit to the work of the Board in restraining the cost of local government." Mayor Green said that in response to Mr. Dolmatch's suggestion that the Retirement System contribution be re-examined, it was discovered that the contribution from the Sewer fund was not included in the budget. He explained that for numerous years the budget did not include line item G9010.8 NYS Retirement because the Village contracted with Severn Trent. The line was added to the FYE '11 budget and includes \$12,500 for WWTP Manager Psenicnik and Account Clerk Shappell. That change increased appropriations from \$563,100 to \$575,600 and the unexpended fund balance from \$21,500 to \$34,000. Mayor Green said other retirement contributions were calculated as usual by multiplying employees' actual 2009 W-2 earnings by 4% and then by the NYS and Local Retirement System expected rate increases (18.6% for the Police and 12% for other employees). Mayor Green said another budget change is the addition of account line A3410.47 Recreation Memberships with a proposed budget of \$14,355. He clarified that when the Village and Town eliminated a physical training room within the new Fire Station, it was agreed that we would pay for individual memberships. The additional expense decreased A1990.4 Contingency from \$106,423.27 to \$102,931.27 and increased revenue line A2262 Fire Protection Service (Town) from \$225,100 to \$233,713 which represents additional revenue from the Town (60% of \$14,355). In response to Trustee Angelillo, Mayor Green said not all firefighters are members of the Recreation Center – only a portion are and they just have individual memberships. We've confirmed that there are 29 members and that they do use the facility. Trustee Hubbard noted that some firefighters moved from an individual membership to a family membership at their own cost. Mayor Green opened the Public Hearing to the floor for comments in favor of the budget or opposed. With no comments offered, at 7:08 p.m., **Resolution #2010-77:** On the motion of Trustee Angelillo, seconded by Trustee Hubbard, it was resolved and unanimously approved (4-0 in favor) to close the Public Hearing. **Resolution #2010-78:** On the motion of Trustee Lynn, seconded by Trustee Angelillo, it was resolved and unanimously carried (4-0 in favor) to approve the tentative FYE May 31, 2011 with no property tax increase and a 5% water rate increase.

Minutes – **Resolution #2010-79:** On the motion of Trustee Angelillo, seconded by Trustee Hubbard, it was resolved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 12, 2010 as presented. Voting in favor: Mayor Green and Trustees Hubbard and Angelillo. (Trustee Lynn abstained from voting as he was not present at the meeting). Motion carried 3-0 in favor with 1 abstention.

Bills - * Trustee Jones arrived

Resolution #2010-80: On the motion of Trustee Hubbard, seconded by Trustee Angelillo, it was resolved and unanimously carried (4-0 in favor with Trustee Jones abstaining from the vote as she did not have an opportunity to review the bills) that bills from Abstract #22 be audited and paid as follows:

General Fund	Vouchers	862 - 895	Checks	11873 - 11904	\$107,109.12
Sewer Fund	Vouchers	218 - 226	Checks	3526 - 3532	28,626.25
Water Fund	Vouchers	140 - 151	Checks	2948 - 2959	25,604.86
Electric Utility Fund	Vouchers	249 - 266	Checks	4065 - 4082	106,407.17

Correspondence & Announcements – Mayor Green announced the following:

- A note from John Havemeyer congratulating the Board on “holding the line” on the budget.
- A request from Wayne Clark (carried over from the April 12th agenda) to hold a fundraiser for the Eye Bank for Sight Restoration. He proposed setting up a table in the park for one weekend each month and offering a CD by the late Jolie Rickman for a \$10 donation. The Board concurred that although the Eye Bank is certainly a worthy cause the fundraiser would be against Village policy of no commercial activity in the park and therefore is neither appropriate nor approved.
- A Health Care Reform Conference on May 4, 2010 at the Holiday Inn in Liverpool.
- Richard Searing’s letter regarding the 6th annual Skinnyman Triathlon on Saturday, September 4, 2010 at 7:30 a.m. Chief Perkins reported that the course changed a bit, but is basically the same within the Village. He and DMO Lotkowitz met and are looking for options with the route due to the anticipated W. Lake Street re-construction and another meeting is scheduled. Mayor Green said the only complaints he heard were concerning the early morning noise; Chief Perkins said we need a plan in place before receiving a complaint. **Resolution #2010-81:** On the motion of Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Angelillo, it was resolved and unanimously carried (5-0 in favor) to approve the Mayor signing a “Letter of Approval” for the organization to be in compliance with the NYS DOT Special Use Permit (PERM33).

WWTP Activity Update

Trustee Angelillo reported 28,243 MG total inflow to the plant for the month of March and average daily flow of 911,000 gallons per day. BOD removals were at 95% and suspended solids’ removals were at 87%. The 12-month rolling average flow was 550,000 gallons per day. There were no DEC violations at the plant.

Chamber’s Schedule of Events

– Mayor Green reported that the Village received a letter from Skaneateles Chamber of Commerce’s Executive Director Susan Dove outlining the events scheduled to take place this year. He read the dates of the events noting the addition of the August 19th Model-T car club show. In response to Mayor Green, Mrs. Dove said there aren’t really any changes. However, there will be a special concert by the 42nd Infantry Cavalier Band at 4 p.m. on July 23 before the Community Band Concert at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Dove asked if the extension onto the gazebo and the band set-up could be done by 1:00 p.m. that day; Mayor Green noted that we’d do it for the Friday night concert set-up anyway, so it would just be earlier than usual. Trustee Jones commented that she thinks residents might enjoy the military, marching music. Relative to the \$750 donation from the Village for holiday decorations, Mrs. Dove said she talked to DMO Lotkowitz about the need to come up with something better for lights on the poles as a good number of them wouldn’t stay lit last year. As suggested by Trustee Jones, Mrs. Dove agreed to attend the November 8, 2010 Village Board Meeting to present plans for Dickens. Relative to the Model-T car show, Mrs. Dove said the club is asking for parking in one place and would prefer not to pay to park in the Municipal Lot, but would be amendable to pay \$40 for all to park. They estimate there will be 20-30 cars for 3 to 4 hours (11:30 a.m. to 3:00 or so). Mayor Green said DMO Lotkowitz can have the DPW crew mark off spots in the lot the morning of Thursday, August 19 (Mrs. Dove agreed to remind DMO Lotkowitz). Trustee Jones said she wants the club to pay the \$40 parking fee. **Resolution #2010-82:** On the motion of Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Lynn, it was resolved and unanimously carried (5-0 in favor) to approve the Chamber’s Schedule of Events.

(Insert Event Schedule)

Conveyance of Easement at Parkside – Mayor Green explained that Village Attorney Byrne and Special Counsel Galbato have been discussing a proposed conveyance of an easement at Parkside for a portion of the Creek walk that will be located on a private lot (#8). Given that the lot will eventually be purchased, the easement will allow the Village to enter onto the property to construct creek walk improvements and to perform maintenance work as subsequently needed. Atty. Byrne said that Dr. Elstein's Attorney indicated that he has contracts to sell nine of the lots including lot #8. Atty. Byrne encouraged the Board to approve the conveyance in part so that the buyer would be aware of the burden of the easement. **Resolution #2010-83:** On the motion of Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Angelillo, it was resolved and unanimously carried (5-0 in favor) to approve the acceptance of the proposed conveyance of easement at Parkside and authorize Mayor Green's execution of the TP-584. In discussing the motion, Trustee Hubbard noted that the Village received a \$5,000 check for the Parkside Escrow account. Mayor Green confirmed that Dr. Elstein paid Stearns & Wheler to date in addition to the \$5,000. He said Jon Putnam quoted work for the next phase and that will accompany a letter to Dr. Elstein.

GFNB Report for March – The Board acknowledged receipt of the GFNB Report for March. Atty. Byrne commented that it's a pleasure to have monthly reports instead of one per year.

Summer Hours for DPW, Light & Water Departments – DMO Lotkowitz said summer hours will commence May 3rd and end October 15th. Hours will be 6:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 6:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Fridays. **Resolution #2010-84:** On the motion of Trustee Angelillo, seconded by Trustee Lynn, it was resolved and unanimously carried (5-0 in favor) to authorize summer hours for the DPW, and the Light & Water Departments.

Bark Around the World Candlelight Vigil – Mayor Green said a letter was received from Cindy Jansen requesting permission to hold a candlelight vigil in the park on Friday, May 21, 2010. Ms. Jansen introduced herself stating that she is present to answer any questions about the event that was also held last year. In response to Trustee Jones, Ms. Jansen confirmed that the group (probably 30 to 50 people) will have pamphlets and banners to educate people to adopt dogs from rescues and/or shelters, and they will not be soliciting funds. **Resolution #2010-85:** On the motion of Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Lynn, it was resolved and unanimously carried (5-0 in favor) to approve the candlelight vigil by the group sponsoring The Bark Heard Around the World on Friday, May 21, 2010.

HLPC Report – At Historical Landmarks Preservation Commission member Pat Blackler's request the Board acknowledged receipt of the HLPC report for the expansion of the Historic District.

Creamery Fundraiser – Village Historian Pat Blackler reported that the Skaneateles Garden Club and the Historic Society are hosting house tours on Academy and Genesee Streets June 25 & 26. The money raised will be used to finish the new portion of the Creamery building. Trustee Jones offered to help.

Public Hearing on Local Law #2 of 2010 – Mayor Green explained that the Public Hearing on Local Law #2 of 2010 relative to the stop signs at the intersection of Kelley and Fennell Streets is on for the May 10th Village Board Meeting as the notice had to be advertised for ten days before. He confirmed that emails are okay to enter into the record.

Executive Session – **Resolution #2010-86:** On the motion of Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Angelillo, it was resolved and unanimously carried (5-0 in favor) to enter into an Executive Session at 7:40 p.m. for an Attorney/Client discussion.

Adjourn – **Resolution #2010-87:** On the motion of Trustee Angelillo, seconded by Trustee Jones, it was resolved and unanimously carried (5-0 in favor) to end the Executive Session and adjourn the meeting at 9:03 p.m.

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Village Clerk