

Minutes of the Interlaken Village Board of Trustees meeting held on March 11, 2010 at the Village Hall on Main Street, Interlaken, NY.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor William Larsen, Trustees: Michael Covert, Keith Jay, Barbara Stewart and Steve Mount

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jeff Bond Chief of Police;

OTHERS PRESENT: Ray Langlois DPW superintendent; Nancy Swartwood Clerk/Treasurer; Diane Bassette Nelson Deputy Clerk; Aneta Glover, Charles Bosman, and Jim Gabriel, Doug VanBenschoten, Mitch Rowe,

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Larsen with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Keith_ and seconded by Steve to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2010 meeting. Motion approved unanimously.

PUBLIC TO BE HEARD:

Jim Gabriel, Village Attorney 1) Easement for the pond has been prepared, met with Charlie has Mylar and stamped copies; leaving copies with board, the board has not received _____ easement from land owner, need to authorize Mayor to sign, JG will meet with land owner, he read language of the easement, land owner concerns, to get water and take off ground cover; needs village EIN;

Motion by Barb second by Keith to accept the easement as prepared by Hunt engineers and surveyed by Charlie Carroll granting the village the easement for the detention pond, Carried and signed.

2) Caution on water workshops as quoted from Neil Chaffee article, extremely expensive, and without users could be very expensive.

3) Budget item needed for Mitch's proposal, how much is the cost, these things are possible, but cost a lot, if charges are placed on property Bill what costs can be put on tax bill?

Some properties will not be placed on tax roll sale, use care in taking property, need to know what the "out" is to get some of your money back.

4) has looked at RFP for Fire Dept insurance and it looks ok.

Mitch Rowe, Seneca County: Unsafe building law

1) New information when met with Chad and board in December, did not realize that County local law 3 of 2003, (Waterloo is working on property near Emils,) there is a repealer in county law, that makes village law null and void, talked with county board on Tuesday, there are front end costs that you may or may not recover, enforceability of law, use county law to deal with unsafe buildings.

Bill: Building on Knight Street was condemned by county, minimal progress, now the county says they will not deal with.

If county enforces their own law, no costs, if Village “hires” there would be \$25/hour for Mitch or Chad. Mitch will see that enforcement does happen, as he now oversees that department.

2) Friday March 12, 2010; 3:30 p.m. doing a code-enforcement walk through of Village. What are the top property priorities? Reviewed list that has been prepared, Ray, Barb and Mike hope to attend.

3) Letter received about county comprehensive plan, March 1st meeting, next meeting next Thursday at Three Bears in Ovid. Surveys are available in paper form, need to put them in local areas, also available on “Survey Monkey” link.

4) Meeting to form an environmental committee, who is going to make appointments? Landfill is not part of the new committee work.

Doug VanBenschoten: committee wants to express appreciation for the Village support of the program. The Revilization committee is applying to Cornell to have Architect students supply ideas for building refurbishment. Has application that needs to be filled out. Application does not commit committee or board to work with Cornell to upgrade properties. No fees attached, no action expected before fall,

Doug wants to see if can get work done on one building, Masonic Hall; also new owner of business on corner of West Ave and Main Street, possibility doing something with south wall to remove paint and restore brick; If you see Beverly Aho, thank her for the planter signs “Think Spring;” she and Sharon Braden will be taking care of the planters. Two new members on the committee Steve Kempf & Cathy Bonnett of Glass Magnolia; replacing Allan Buddle and Chris Wolff; talked with Senator Nozoilio’s office, to write letter of support for grant application. Peter Brown and Mitch have been very cooperative and helpful.

Steve Hall will be at meeting tonight, Cornell Grad and has experience with Grant programs.

Peter has started the application and is now waiting for owners’ applications to know how much funding to apply for. Pre-application notices have been sent out to gauge interest. \$125K to \$175K for property work, \$25K for streetscape improvements.

Chuck Bosman: Handed out building timeline, completion date now July 14th. Two small problems, easement for electric and signage. Chuck and his attorney are also working on annexation request, including the needed property survey.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A **Fire:** Copy of draft Request for Proposals for insurance coverage. If satisfied will move to next step;

Bar-B-Q April 11th, not Palm Sunday; Banquet is March 27th, Fish, Chicken or Prime Rib, at the Sportsmen Club;

Ray and J. Wyckoff, walk through fire house to review maintenance needs.

B Water: no recent water breaks, they found the leak on Railroad Ave, additional consumption is down, there may have been a residential leak which has been repaired. Ray and Wes attended water meeting, next meeting is April 1st, Barb will attend with Wes; Water system seems to be back in order; Army Corps of Engineers: meeting on 26th to work on Retention Pond process.

C Library Steve attended the recent meeting, Barb has a suggestion for a new Library trustee, which she will share with the Library Board.

D Sewer no chance that we will have any problems; Recent problem sample taken at Trumansburg and it was above legal limits. Our samples are taken at the outflow. Talked to Yaws and Johnnys and there is no difference in prices this year.

E Street not much, lots of springtime cleaning, equipment show today talked with equipment dealer and will assist to provide timeline for equipment replacements. Conifer has to use Cayuga Street address, would like to use Village office for interviewing people, beginning next week.

CHIPs money will be same once budget is passed, but nothing until then. Politicians are trying to change fiscal year to June, could impact construction. Tension is very high within all departments. Over 650 highway association members were at the conference. Even though pre-registered, we were not on lists, Jeff Griswold from Preble is our rep, we now have four reps, Auburn, Palmyra. We are seeing problems, but it will get a lot worse. Mike called NYSEG about the problem lights; they don't know when they can get to them.

F Police: Mike has been out on medical leave;

G Treasurer: See attached

APPROVAL OF BILLS: A motion was made by Mike seconded by Barb to approve the bills as read. Motion approved unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Security at water tower-B Palmer will put up lights in better weather

List from DL Parkinson non-acceptable items in trash, Nancy to include request with payment.

Unsafe Building Law sent to J Gabriel 1/15/2010, see above.

Library Drainage Issue, the library has been asked to clarify with contractors if they have tiles leading away from the building, and if so where does the water go; they will get back to the village board

Fire Dept. Insurance quote specifications: see above. Going out to bid soon. Need to put notice in papers; specs will be available at Village Office and from Fire Dept. The noted figures are replacement values. Date to have back May 3rd to open bids, make decision at the May meeting.

Detention Pond: we have our DEC negative SEQUR, we can get our permit.

Annual department review with DPW: Budget items, plans and projects: Ray reviewed the inventory; need to replace the trash pump, and two new drills. Also looking for a bench grinder. Replace water line on Cayuga street, going to work on valves, paint outside of some buildings and put small truss roof of sewer plant, Seneca St and Mechanic street for stone and oil. Get price to replace windows in meeting room. .

NEW BUSINESS:

No village elections this year

Budget workshops

Schedule Budget hearing for April 8th before the regular meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Arbor Day Celebration:

No trash bid 5-yr contract until 2014, there will not be any date changes.

Need to put notice regarding use of bags when walking dogs.

Discussion on articles for newsletter, to be included in water and sewer bills and posted on the website.

Motion by Keith second by Mike to approve the Resolution to establish standardization on water system equipment, carried, copy attached.

Motion by Mike second by Barb to adopt the NYS Cross connection ordinance, carried, copy attached.

Next meeting will be April 8th 2010; 6:45 p.m. including public hearing on the 2010-2011 budget.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Barb and seconded by Keith to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 pm. Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Bassette Nelson
Deputy Clerk