

Minutes of the Interlaken Village Board of Trustees meeting held on May 12, 2010 at the Village Hall on Main Street, Interlaken, NY.

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

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Steve Mount has moved from the area, as announced last month.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None,;

OTHERS PRESENT: Ray Langlois DPW superintendent; Nancy Swartwood Clerk/Treasurer; Jeff Bond Chief of Police Diane Bassette Nelson Deputy Clerk; Aneta Glover, Charles Bosman, Sue Vigor & husband, Tom Scoles, and Cynthia Kloppel, Lee Braden, Chris Kempf, Greg VanNess, from Conifer Village, Johan Aho.

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 Jay and seconded by Barb Stewart to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2010 with the following corrections Ken Cramer, of the. Motion approved unanimously.

PUBLIC TO BE HEARD:

**Greg VanNess, Manager at Conifer Village**, everything going well, thank you for use of the village office space, 11-12 application in, 35-40 sent out, most from immediate area, a few from out of the area who want to be closer to family. Also talking with Better Housing of TC about people from Juniper Manor's waitlist who might want to consider Conifer. Construction progress is moving well, driveway coming along. By late June they should have a ground floor unit available for walk through viewing. Pets, small dog under 25 pounds or single cat, \$100 pet deposit. Mid-August move-in still the goal.

Tom Scoles, Seneca County Health Dept. to answer questions on the wells and second source for water. Because we have ground water source we have to have 2<sup>nd</sup> backup source. Attended water workshop meetings, and was recently approached by reporter asking why Interlaken doesn't have to have 2<sup>nd</sup> source. If our current system is a groundwater system a 2<sup>nd</sup> source is needed; if surface water a filtration system needed. Tom has not had a great need to push village system. Tom has also considered spring systems as emergency, (Bill noted that we do not have/use those springs anymore). Options are out there for second source, most in future. Barb and Ray talk regularly with Tom. Need to get determination on the existing well and what ways to go in the future. We are a pro-active community and all testing is current which makes it easier to monitor. All parties work well together.

Sue Vigor, of Lodi, raised questions about new water system. Barb noted that the Village of Lodi board is of one position on community water; the town is of the other position. Because our communities are small and rural, bringing in water will assist in bringing in businesses, tourism, residences.

Bill & Ray reviewed the cost for village residents to have water. Tom noted that if the question is the cost to develop a new source the cost is in the millions of dollars. Our current water main

system has been here since 1935; in the 1980s \$800,000 was spent to develop current source of water.

Lee Braden & Johann Aho, Main Street revitalization, Bill has received materials from Peter about the guidelines. Part of the grant program recommends design guidelines. Two items frowned upon, vinyl siding and/or non-wooden windows on the front of a building. Cornell Historical preservation is willing to come in this fall and help with streetscape design, Façade design. Survey of Main Street buildings (this has been done).

Design guidelines need to be reviewed by the village board, need action on them by September. They are suggestions and assist in developing a master plan. Grant application with federal or state funding has to adhere to these guidelines. The state will reimburse 75% of the cost of these repairs. All contractors have to have worker's comprehensive insurance. Community Bank wants to restore bank to 1911 appearance, others are wanting to remove paint from brick work. It would be good to have village board, revitalization group and Cornell students involved in a joint meeting in September. Four grant applications are from Railroad to West Avenue. Ray noted that the realtors should be involved with the program. Group at Cornell would also be able to make recommendations on new business development. The Grant has been applied for; there is less funding available this year than in prior years. We are working on Village Master, Plan.

Cynthia Kloppel, Interlaken Memorial Garden and clay Totem pole structure. This proposal needs to be taken to the Interlaken Community Action Group. The next meeting of that group is May 20<sup>th</sup>, they have to approve the project.

Question about the theatre building which has been condemned. The owner has received a 90-day grace period to show that rehab is happening, but if not that it will be torn down. Some work was done today by the owner, not clear what work was done. This has been an on-going project since 1979.

Barb noted that the old Minor's Hardware building has also recently seen some work being done.

Chris Kempf is interested in the open village board position, he runs AlarmTech, his father owns Gunblack; he and his wife live on Railroad Avenue.

Charlie Bosman Mr. Sepos, town attorney does not see a need for a public hearing on the annexation of the Bosman property into the Village. Several years ago the Conifer property was annexed into the village. Now the Bosmans are petitioning to have their property annexed. Gabriel has noted that a joint public hearing between the town and village for the annexation. Chuck has visited the Town Board, they will have a public hearing at their June 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. Gabriel has recommended that the joint meeting be the public hearing at the town meeting. The school also needs to be advised of the public hearing. A resolution is needed from the Village Board to participate in the public hearing.

Keith moved that the Village of Interlaken will participate in the public hearing for the annexation of the lands of the Charles & Marsha Bosman Trust, second by Barb, carried unanimously.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A **Fire** Jim Wyckoff provided a review of the proposed insurance coverage. The board needs to interview one or more of the companies. The current policy ends June 16<sup>th</sup>. Need to meet with the two preferred by the Fire Department, 6:00 and 6:45, also would want

reasoning on which company. Meeting will be Thursday May 27<sup>th</sup>. (5:45 year end meeting, followed by insurance meetings.

SCBA training this month and ground operation training for the non-interior fire personnel. Car show is August 8<sup>th</sup>, Ruby Shoes will be in concert August 7<sup>th</sup> at the Fire Grounds, there will be a cover charge for the evening. This is a celebration for the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Car Show.

Village needs to have an insurance certificate for the youth program to be provided to the Fire Department Grounds

## **B Water**

Starting on Monday the rebuilding of the water lines on Cayuga Street. Should take three days. County has also offered to help with the repaving of the street.

Issue at the pump house, phone problems are not calling out properly, autodialer probably needs to be replace.

Auqurotol panel parts can still be obtained. The power flashes are raising problems with the system. Secondary monitoring will help determine future needs.

Couple other valves will be replaced after school gets out.

Health Department has been here and done extensive testing.

Bill Palmer has looked at the water tower and has ordered the needed materials to install new lights.

Hunt Engineer Report on study to be done with Village of Interlaken, Town of Lodi, Trumansburg and Town of Covert, total fee of \$25,500 to be split between four governments. Expected that the grant will repay a large portion of that cost. Need approval/agreement that we put forth the funds to start the process of reviewing the possible scenarios involving Lodi, Interlaken, Covert, Hector, Ovid and Ulysses. May need to allocate funding split based on scenarios.

**C Library** two new board members will be coming onboard. Chris Wolff has stepped down, Andy & Kim are leaving, a lot of changes, wanting to use the library more for the community. Nancy will be handling the payroll portion for the new librarian. Issues with the building have been addressed. Still some problems with the alarm system.

**D Sewer** Mike would like input for a commercial rate for the sewer system. Can we afford to change some the rates? Commercial rate if it would encourage development with a reduced rate.

Gun Black rate has been discussed over the years. If they are using our water we have a set rate. If they are using their water then we can bill based on historical data. Mike needs to meet with Frank.

E **Street** Spring cleaning is going good, dumpster day is Saturday; limit is one truckload per household.

Leaf & brush pick up is almost done; items will be picked up as they go along. You can not dump brush over a bank. Ray would like to propose using a commercial grinding. Probably have 4 hours of work for grinder. Also reduced/free time to trim trees on Main Street.

Discussion on taking the sign at the Farmers' Museum down, needs to be discussed with the village board.

Flower group wanted the planters moved, after snow storm planters should not be moved.

Follow up on sluice pipes on 96 and 96A preliminary design part of construction project for 2012 and 2013. If flooding increases could be reconsidered.

No mowing by state crews this year.

Nate Schrader will be starting on Monday

Dial a truck working well

Four way stop, has contacted people in Syracuse. We have to have a resolution to make it a four way stop. Table until June meeting.

Hit with PESH, shop, water plant, sewer plant, with minor items.

F **Police** Dumpster day two dumpsters, will need to monitor space for the weekend. Need to post no trespassing signs.

Higher number of V&T items, property maintenance, curfew violations, unnecessary noise, trash violations, dog & animal, domestic complaints, miscellaneous items, parking in the fire lane.

Gerry is resigning at the end of the school year per his verbal comments. Jeff will talk with him again.

Need to address speeding in the school zones.

G **Treasurer: See attached**

CD are due, motion by Barb to reinvest for six month, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Keith.

Resolution needed for Wes to be in the NYS deferred compensation plan.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

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

Library Drainage Issue: noting new

Historical Property transfer from the Village to the Historical Society: what's in it for us: village would not have to pay one insurance, if Historical society dissolved, would the land come back to the Village. Transfer for one dollar. Need to examine pros and cons

NEW BUSINESS:

Code of Ethics (Office State Comptroller) not required yet.

Employee Guidelines, reviewed

Schedule Year End Meeting May 27<sup>th</sup> 5:45 pm

Board Levies Taxes-Mayor & Clerk Execute Warrant Tax Collection

Tax Roll & Warrant to Treasurer-legal notice 2 consecutive weeks

Workplace Violence Prevention Policy & Incident Reporting (NYS) this is now required by PESH. Bill needs to meet with Scott Riddick from PESH.

James Gabriel retiring May 25th, and then will continue on a voucher basis if interested.

Next meeting will be June 10th, 2010

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Keith and seconded by Barb to adjourn the meeting at 10:02 pm. Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Bassette Nelson

Deputy Clerk