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TRUSTEE HOUSTON: Verizon Phonebooks; Councilman Cooper; Community Caroling; Christmas Candles; Historic Homes Meeting; Southtowns Coalition; Garbage Contract; Economic Development Committee; 2007 Budget; Dale Volker letter; Childhood/Lead program; Water rates.

TRUSTEE STOCKMAN: Depot meeting; Herman Park grant money.

TRUSTEE WILSON: Water Meter readers; NYCOM Legislative meeting.

TRUSTEE DIMARTINO: Business Strategy Workshops: Southtowns Business to Business Program.

MAYOR FRAWLEY: Councilman Cooper; Christmas Decoration removal; XPAND; People, Inc/Senior Housing.

ATTORNEY: Water plant sale; Evans Bank assessment; Police issue.

POLICE: Monthly report

GENERAL CREW CHIEF: Salt budget; Hydrant schedules; Water line maps; Hydrant flushing.

FIRE COMMISSIONERS: Vehicle registrations; Fire hose tests; Siren; Monitor System; Re-inventory fire truck and hall; Installation dinner; Depot status; High school bottle drive; Garbage; Commend Comm. Kaminski.

CODE ENFORCEMENT: Monthly report; Fee schedule; Code changes; Hammond bldg; N. Main St.; CSX clean-up;

CLERK-TREASURER: Budget Workshops; Spending; Planning and Zoning training.

OLD BUSINESS: Water Plant; Thruway water; Senior Housing; Outside delinquent water; Intercontinental bldg. Repair.

NEW BUSINESS: None

RESOLUTIONS: #1 Publish Election Notice
#2 Extension of Website Contract

MINUTES
Village of Angola Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday January 3, 2007 – 7:30 P.M

At a Regular meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Angola held at the Village Hall, 41 Commercial St. Angola New York, County of Erie, on January 3, 2007 at 7:30 PM, there were **PRESENT:** Mayor Howard M. Frawley, Trustees: Jonica DiMartino; William G. Houston; Michael Stockman; John Wilson

ALSO PRESENT: were; Linda Giancarlo-Clerk-Treasurer; Andrew Yusick-Attorney; Lynne Kaminski and James Davis-Fire Commissioners; Jeff Kaminski-General Crew Chief; Charles LaBarbera-Code Enforcement Officer;

GUESTS: in attendance were Brian Campbell (Hamburg Sun); Evelyn Eriksen (Town Crier); Jill Barrett; Salvatore Mogavero.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: was led by James Davis

CALL MEETING TO ORDER at 7:31PM

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES of December 18, 2006: Motion made by Trustee Wilson, seconded by Trustee Stockman **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

VISITORS: No comments.

COMMUNICATIONS: No communications

DEPARTMENT HEADS, COMMITTEE REPORTS:

TRUSTEE HOUSTON –

- Mentioned a large pile of Verizon Phonebooks in the Village Hall if anyone cares to take one
- Attended the swearing in of Evans Town Councilman Paul Cooper, it was nice to see his brothers Justice's Timothy Cooper and Michael Cooper, as well as his family present.
- Community Christmas caroling went well, the Gazebo Committee had to finance the Legion Band from Hamburg due to the unavailability of anyone from the Lake Shore School band.
- Christmas Eve candles/bags for the "Light the Way for Jesus" looked really beautiful. This is sponsored by the "Friends of the Village" organization.
- Announced a meeting that will be held by the "Historic Homes" society. It will be held on January 10th at the CAO Building, he plans to attend.
- The "Southtowns Community Enhancement Coalition" celebrated a small Christmas Party at the Village Inn, paid for by each attendee. It was nice to see people from Eden, North Collins, Brant and Farnham all joined with Evans and Angola for this get together, it went very well.
- New Garbage contractor Allied Waste, started yesterday. He heard good comments already from a few residents. The new workers are friendly and do a great job.
- Southtowns Coalition attended a meeting at the Board of Education Building in Tonawanda, the coalition was awarded \$25,700.00 for their program, and the money will be used by the coalition to become a 501c3 group.
- The Town of Evans Economic Development Committee met at Dan's Restaurant for a breakfast meeting on 1/3/07.

- Asked that with the preparation of the new budget, that all departments hold the line on expenses.
- Letter to Dale Volker regarding the Tri-County Hospitals and issues on the Berger Commission, went out. Waiting to hear reports.
- Forwarded some information to Grant Writer Lori Szewczyk and CEO Charles LaBarbera regarding funding opportunities for the Childhood/Lead Poisoning program.
- Asked the Deputy Clerk to copy everyone on the Erie County Water Authorities letter and water rate increase. He feels that the Village should hold back on raising any rates as of now.

TRUSTEE STOCKMAN –

- A Depot meeting is scheduled for January 10th at the First Congregational Church.
- Meeting with Noelle Kudos from NYS Office of Park and Recreation and Grant Writer Lori Szewczyk at Herman Park to discuss plans to move forward with the Grant monies awarded to the park, and what actions and steps need to be taken to get started. Trustee Houston asked if they could try to include some work on the Creek Bank located at Herman Park. It is in poor condition and is washing away.

TRUSTEE WILSON –

- Expressed a Happy Holidays to all
- Stated that he will be holding interviews next week for two new Water Meter Readers.
- Will be attending the NYCOM Legislative meeting in Albany at the end of February, with Trustees DiMartino and Stockman and Mayor Frawley.

TRUSTEE DiMARTINO –

- Announced a few scheduled business strategy workshops being planned to assist the local businesses concerned with the proposed new Walmart Store and how their business will be affected. These workshops will be held at the New Angola Theater and information can be obtained by contacting the Evans Brant Chamber of Commerce. These workshops will help local concerned businesses maintain success. These workshops are available from the assistance of the Town of Evans (Councilman Paul Cooper); Evans Brant Chamber of Commerce; Town of Evans and Village of Angola Community Development and the Friends of the Village. Trustee Wilson stated that he was asked by Trustee Houston to represent the Village on this committee.
- Trustee Stockman asked if these seminars could be taped for the business community.
- Trustee Houston also asked Trustee Wilson to contact Time Warner to have the seminars announced on the community billboard. He stated that these seminars will cost money for advertising etc. and there was a recommendation that the four involved entities should offer \$250.00 for a total of \$1,000.00 to cover expenses.

MOTION made by Trustee Houston, seconded by Trustee DiMartino to fund \$250.00 out of our Public Relations Economic Development line A6410.4 **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

- Announced that the Eden Chamber of Commerce and the Evans Brant Chamber of Commerce has joined forces to create a “Southtowns Business to Business Mentoring/Education Program”. This is an interactive peer advisory program providing training, counseling and technical assistance to help local business owners.

MAYOR FRAWLEY –

- Congratulated Paul Cooper on his swearing in as Evans Town Councilman
- Reminded the DPW Crew Chief of the scheduled take down of the Christmas decorations on Sunday, January 7th we (will meet at Dan's for breakfast).
- Scheduled to meet with Legislator Bob Reynolds in regard to XPAND properties.
- Announced that he and Trustee Houston were scheduled to meet with representatives from People Inc, in regard to Senior Housing but it was cancelled due to illness, they will re-schedule for Friday January 5th at 3:30.

ATTORNEY –

- Discussed paperwork he previously sent to the board in regard to the sale of the Water Plant. The General Services Administration changed their agreement to release the Village of Angola of the obligation of maintaining the intake, he forward this correspondence to the buyers Attorney and is waiting for a response.
- He discussed another letter he sent to the board regarding the DEC portion of the Water Plant sale, he still has not heard from them, after complying with their requests.
- Trustee Houston asked if the Evans National Bank assessment issue has been resolved, Attorney had no report.
- Trustee Houston asked if we have heard anything from the hearing officer in regard to the police issue. Attorney replied that he received the transcript this afternoon. The hearing officer will report to us when ready.

POLICE –

- Read the monthly report.

GENERAL CREW CHIEF –

- Salt budget is doing great due to the good weather, he is still obligated to purchase 75% of the requested tonnage, but they will hold the salt in storage. This will help next years budget.
- Mentioned some of the Hydrant work scheduled.
- Working on the Water line map.
- Re-scheduling the Hydrant flushing for this spring, it was delayed due to the October storm.
- Also will be scheduling to work on the back-flow compliance law. Will work with the clerk on some sample laws from the company that is doing the Code Book update.

FIRE COMMISSIONERS –

- Commissioner Kaminski handed over vehicle registrations to the Clerk.
- Mentioned the results of the Fire Hose Tests that were done as a result of an incident reported at the last meeting where the hoses blew off the Fire Truck. The 16 couplings were all damaged and need to be replaced. The fire department is checking on prices. Also need to replace one length of hose. Contacted the insurance company to see what is covered, this is considered equipment. The cost from Sterling Refractory for testing the hose is \$480.00, which she will submit for payment. When we receive reimbursement from the Insurance Company, that budget line will be credited.
- The siren on Commercial Street is up and working, Trustee Houston asked to get the timing fixed. It has gone off at 11:10 for years. The fire department is having trouble finding anyone who could fix the problem. Trustee Wilson asked for them to contact him, he thinks he know someone who may be able to fix it.

- The county is in the process of setting up the Fire Department with the new minitor system. This will result in the eventual elimination of the scanner voice system. All calls will read across a screen on the hand held minitors and print out at the Fire Hall. The county is doing away with the voice scanner system.
- In the next two weeks all the fire trucks will be re-inventoried. The fire department will also be re-inventorying the entire fire hall, all equipment and uniforms, to get a better idea of what needs to be replaced and where we need to go with the department. Assistant Chief-Christopher Young is working on creating a three-year plan to continue these inventories.
- Installation February 3rd. The Board will receive invitations; reminded the Mayor of his donating of the stipend check.
- Asked Trustee Stockman what is the status regarding moving the Depot? Fire Department President asked due to concern of this area being used for training purposes. The board asked for patience, they are waiting to meet with XPAND for a possible location for the depot project.
- Asked for a motion from the board to allow the High School Band to use the Hall on February 10th for their bottle and can drive. The board agrees that they are disappointed with the Schools lack of participation in Village events, such as the Halloween and Christmas parade as well as the Christmas Caroling at the Gazebo. The motion to approve this function is with the understanding that the School be made aware of the boards concerns for joint participation and the Village and the Fire Department must be named **as additional insured on the schools insurance policy and a certificate stating so, be provided - not just a certificate of insurance**. Motion made by Trustee Wilson, seconded by Trustee Stockman, Board Polled-Mayor Frawley-aye; Trustee DiMartino-aye; Trustee Wilson-aye; Trustee Stockman-aye; Trustee Houston-abstained from voting.
- Trustee Houston asked that the Fire Department put the Fire Department garbage out at the appropriate times and not at noon on a Sunday for a Tuesday pickup.
- Trustee Houston asked that the Board commend Commissioner Kaminski. She deals with many issues within the Fire Department. He commends her and Commissioner Davis for the good job they do for the Village.

CODE ENFORCEMENT –

- Submitted monthly report, some corrections need to be made.
- Asked the board to review the new fee schedule for Code Enforcement in the Village. These fees will reflect all areas that the Code Enforcer enforces, (Town of Evans and the Village of Farnham). The Board asked that the Code Enforcer submit a fee schedule with just the Village Fees involved. The board agreed the fees are all justified. He will re-submit this as soon as possible for official board approval in January.
- Finished Code changes for the new codebooks. These changes are ready for adoption to replace Chapter 26 in the codebook. The fines were changed to reflect jail time. There are also changes in Chapter 27 and 28. Attorney Yusick will review and prepare these as new local laws for 2007 and prepare a resolution to schedule a public hearing at the next board meeting.
- Asked the Board if they were aware that the Hammond Building has activity in it. Trustee DiMartino stated that Pat Gresko Reality has moved his office there, the Code Enforcer thought a permit should have been acquired – he was asked to follow up on this item.
- Trustee Houston complimented the Building Department for the resolution of some long standing issues on some Main Street Property.

- Also after sending a letter to CSX regarding some old unused equipment left near the RR Tracks, a response came from CSX stating that it will be removed and cleaned up soon.
- Trustee Houston mentioned some other problem areas that were also being resolved by the inspectors.

PLANNING – Excused

ZONING – Excused

CLERK-TREASURER –

- Preparing budget sheets for the new budget workshops, waiting to get an error from Williamson Law Book Program corrected in regard to the payroll.
- Scheduling budget workshops for Saturday Feb 3 through March 1st. The board will make it at 8:00AM the Clerk stated that she couldn't get here until 9:00AM but she will have work papers on the table for them to start reviewing.
- Trustee Stockman asked that she notify all department heads to hold the line on their requests, Trustee Wilson asked that this memo come from the Mayor.
- Trustee Houston asked what the status of the member item moneys are, she will contact Lori Szewczyk to set a meeting to review the status.
- Mayor Frawley asked the clerk to remind all members of the Planning and Zoning boards about the new law that went into effect regarding required Training.
- Trustee Wilson asked for her to notify them if they are not attending a Village Board meeting to at least send a report.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Sale of Water Plant- discussed
2. Thruway Water – scheduling a meeting in Buffalo for some time next week to review status with CRA Engineers.
3. Senior Housing- discussed
4. Outside delinquent water accounts- no report.
5. Emergency repair of Intercontinental Building Commercial St.- no report

NEW BUSINESS:

- No new business to report.

RESOLUTIONS BEING OFFERED JANUARY 3, 2007

#1 AUTHORIZE CLERK TO PUBLISH ELECTION NOTICE

Be It Resolved that the Village of Angola Board of Trustees does hereby authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to publish, pursuant to Section 15-104(3)(b) and Section 15-104(4) of the Election Law that:

1. The General Village Election of the Village of Angola will be held Tuesday, March 20th, 2007, and;
2. The polling place for the single Village Election District shall be the Village Hall, 41 Commercial Street, Angola, New York, and;

3. The hours during which the polls will be open shall be from 12:00 O'clock noon until 9:00 PM in the evening. **Offered by Trustee Stockman. Seconded by Trustee Wilson, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

#2 APPROVE EXTENSION OF WEBSITE CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the Village of Angola received a State Archives grant in 2005-2006 fiscal year to build a website, and

WHEREAS, the Village approved a one year contract with "Weaving a Website" and said contract allowed the option of purchasing additional years at one-thousand-four-hundred dollars (\$1,400.00) per year, and

WHEREAS, the original contract expired on November 1, 2006 with tract for the website designer expired on November 1, 2006,

Now therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Village of Angola Board of Trustees does hereby approve to extend said contract for one-year with "Weaving a Website" to continue the website updates and service, at a cost of one thousand four hundred dollars (\$1,400.00) as per original contract agreement for recurring years. **Motion made by Trustee Wilson, seconded by Trustee DiMartino, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

AUDIT OF BILLS – motion made to approve the bills, by Trustee Stockman, seconded by Trustee Wilson regarding the following: **General Fund Abstract #16 and #17, Checks #5183 to 5213 in the amount of \$18,791.55 plus Payroll #26; Water Fund Abstract; #16 and #17, Checks #1311 to 1319 in the amount of \$3,468.00 plus Payroll #26; UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

MEETING ADJOURN In RESPECT TO THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF FORMER PRESIDENT GERALD FORD, to the next scheduled regular Board Meeting Tuesday January 16th 2007 at 7:30 with a workshop at 7:00PM. **Motion made by Trustee Houston, seconded by Trustee Stockman UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED** meeting adjourned at 8:30PM

Submitted By

Linda D. Giancarlo
Village Clerk-Treasurer