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TRUSTEE STOCKMAN: Grant money workshop; Herman Park Grant; Lakeshore Ed.

TRUSTEE WILSON: NEST Meeting; CSX Bridge; Commended Fire Comm.; Waterline replacement

TRUSTEE DIMARTINO: Waterline replacement; “Rachel’s Challenge”

MAYOR FRAWLEY: XPAND Properties; State of the County address; Tri-board meeting; Erie County Village Assoc. meeting; Erie County Assoc of Towns Mtg.

ATTORNEY: None

POLICE: None

GENERAL CREW CHIEF: Sander maintenance

FIRE COMMISSIONERS: Fire hose repair; Lake Shore Bottle and Can drive; Sirens Alarm Clock; Replacement of light bars; Fireman’s Installation Dinner;

CODE ENFORCEMENT: CSX rubbish removed

PLANNING: Goya Expansion workshop

ZONING: Business Seminars

CLERK-TREASURER: Budget requests; Code Book updates; Medical Insurance Information

OLD BUSINESS: Sale of Water Plant; Thruway Water; Senior Housing; Outside Delinquent Water accounts; Intercontinental Bldg. repair

NEW BUSINESS: None

RESOLUTIONS:

- #1 Resignation of Thomas Crupe
- #2 Mathew Stonitsch from Part-time to Full-time
- #3 NEST Representatives
- #4 Appointments of 2 Water Meter Readers
- #5 Negative Declaration change to Long Form, SEQRA
- #6 Contract for Police Vehicle
- #7 Code Enforcement Fee Schedule

MINUTES
Village of Angola Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday January 16, 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 16, 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 -Fire Commissioner; Jeff Kaminski-General Crew Chief; Charles LaBarbera-Code Enforcement Officer; Paul Cooper-Zoning Board Chairman; Bill Herold-Planning Board Chairman; Matthew Stonitsch-Police Officer and Mike Zuccala-Police Officer; Patrick Puckhaber-Police Chief.

GUESTS: in attendance were Brian Campbell (Hamburg Sun); Evelyn Eriksen (Town Crier); Paulette Grabowski; Lisa O'Connor; Teresa Cybulski; Renee Stonitsch and Barbara Ahrens.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: was led by Matthew Stonitsch

CALL MEETING TO ORDER at 7:30PM

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES of January 3, 2007: Motion made by Trustee Wilson, seconded by Trustee Houston **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

VISITORS:

- Lisa O'Connor- of Woodward Ave. Member of the Parent Teacher Group at the William T Hoag Elementary School asked if the Board was aware and how they stand in regard to Lake Shore Central School Board talking of closing the William T. Hoag Elementary School in 2008-2009. The board fully supported the parents concerns. Trustee Houston gave some advise on what to ask of the School Board, and some possibilities they can advise the School Board to look into before making this decision, if attendance is an issue, one would be redistributing which school the children attend. Both Ms. O'Connor and Trustee Houston were aware of 2.8 million dollars just put into the Hoag School. Trustees also advise the concerned parents to investigate 6 years back on the Waugh School. The parents seemed please with the guidance of the Board. The Board thanked the parents for showing their commitment and attending tonight's board meeting.
- No other comments came from the floor

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Mayor Frawley announced the association of Erie County Governments meeting on January 25th at Michaels Banquet Facilities, any Trustees interested in going should contact the clerk.
- Mayor Frawley announced the scheduled Village Official Association Meeting this Thursday January 18th at the Holiday Inn, asked the Board to RSVP with the Clerk Treasurer if attending
- Mayor Frawley read correspondence from the New York State Department of Environment and Conservation regarding our application for a Tree Planting Grant- The Village application was not selected for funding.

(Communications Cont'd)

- Mayor Frawley received a letter from Erie County Department of Environment and Planning, in regard to the CDBG (Community development Block Grant Application) the Village was denied funding for the N. Main Street Sidewalk in the requested amount of \$43,890, But the Village was awarded the Application for funding for the School Street Water System Improvements in the amount of \$90,000.00. Rural Transit Van Service has been awarded \$234,633.
- Trustee Houston read correspondence from Alice Escott informing the Village Clerk that she has filed an application with the NYS Liquor Authority for 159 N. Main Street known as the Village Inn.
- Trustee Houston also announced a fundraising event sponsored by the Buffalo Aqua Club on Tuesday January 23, 5-10PM called Band Aid. This event features live entertainment by “Underground Stampede” and will be held at the Evans Center Fire Hall, the proceeds from this fundraiser will benefit the Claddagh Commission’s Day Habilitation Volunteer Program.
- Asked for continued support and letters to be sent in to Governor Spitzer in regard to the Tri-County Hospitals, TLC closing issues.

DEPARTMENT HEADS, COMMITTEE REPORTS:

TRUSTEE HOUSTON –

- Attended the NEST (Northeast Southtowns Waste Management) annual meeting last week with Trustee Wilson, received reports at the meeting which he found interesting, he handed reports in to the Village Clerk for filing. See resolution to designating Village representatives to sit on NEST Board. Mentioned it was nice to see representation from the Town of Evans. New councilman Paul Cooper was in attendance.
- Mentioned very few complaints regarding the New Garbage contractor, new recycling bins will be distributed soon. The contractor will also be publishing a “Helpful Hints” article in the local paper regarding the garbage pick-up rules and recycling guidelines.
- Attended a meeting with Mayor Frawley and two representatives from People Inc. to review the Senior Housing application. The representatives highlighted areas that needed improvement on the previous application and encouraged the Village to resubmit application for this project year. Attorney Yusick reported that he had completed one of the requirements.
- Contacted the National Grid representative to remove a pole on Mill Street that has been neglected for 2 years. While there, National Grid found an issue with the electric service for the CAO Building, Trustee Houston called and wrote a letter to the site manager, to inform her of this dangerous issue.
- Received a complaint from a Village Taxpayer regarding a neighbor’s garbage storage. Trustee Houston contacted the owner and sent him a letter and a copy of the Village Law to get this issue resolved.
- Mentioned that there will be a business seminar this Thursday at the New Angola Theater.
- Announced that Saturday January 22, at 10:00 there will be a ribbon cutting at the “Whistle Stop Bake Shop”.
- Mentioned an article on the front page of Business First issue this week reporting on the Goya expansion project and the great impact for the company and the community.

TRUSTEE STOCKMAN –

- Planning to attend a workshop at Woodlawn Park on January 23, regarding the Grant monies for the Depot Project.
- Was not able to attend the meeting with Noelle Kardos of NYS Department of Parks and Recreation in regard to the Herman Park Grant, but outlines have been set and the plans to complete this fall are in place.
- Lakeshore Community education will be hosting some youth and parent programs at the library, advertisements will soon be out.

TRUSTEE WILSON –

- Mentioned the NEST meeting he attended with Trustee Houston, was very informative. Mentioned that the area was one of the first to start the recycling program and how well it has expanded to other areas.
- Mentioned a dangerous situation at the old CSX Bridge over Big Sister Creek. While there large pieces of concrete were sliding down the bank. He contacted CSX and they did some testing and are continuing to review this crumbling cement issue.
- Commended Fire Commissioner Lynn Kaminski and Jim Davis for their commitment to their jobs as Fire Commissioners and their honesty and hard work.
- Announced his excitement for the CDBG approval for the Waterline replacement for an old 1910 water line for School and Maple Street area and the great improvement this will be for the water quality in this area. Thanked the board for working together for the betterment of the Village

TRUSTEE DiMARTINO –

- Thanked the residents who issued support letters for the Water-line replacement project.
- Met with Principal of the Middle School, Mr. Smith in regard to the “Rachel’s Challenge” and coordinating Community and School involvement. There will be a meeting tomorrow night. Will hang a poster and flyers in the Village Hall. Asked for any interested parties to come to meeting.

MAYOR FRAWLEY –

- Still waiting to set a date with Legislator Bob Reynolds to meet with County Attorney’s in regard to obtaining XPAND properties.
- Will be attending the State of the County Address on February 15th.
- Angola Historic Homes society met last week, information regarding insuring banners was discussed.
- Will be attending the scheduled January 30th Tri-Board meeting at Lake Shore Central School’s Media Center.
- Will be attending the Erie County Village Association meeting with Trustee DiMartino, Thursday at the Holiday Inn in Hamburg.
- Mayor stated he also will be attending the Erie County Association of Towns meeting at Michaels Banquet Facility next Thursday.

ATTORNEY –

- Motion to adjourn into executive session at 7:55PM to discuss disciplinary matter regarding one of the employees. Motion made by Trustee Wilson, seconded by Trustee DiMartino, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

- Motion to re-enter the regular board meeting at 8:10PM made by Trustee Stockman, seconded by Trustee Wilson, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.
- No further report from Attorney Yusick.

POLICE –

- Nothing to report.
- Trustee Houston asked that they check Police Car gas tanks for any indication of tampering. Chief Puckhaber stated that the issue of the Police vehicles filter clog and fuel pump issues has been going on for years, the cars are used more than the DPW vehicles, and he has contacted another Police Department and they have the same issues. It's due to the high volume of gas being used in the patrol cars.

GENERAL CREW CHIEF –

- Having trouble with the older sander, it has a computer control that has been nothing but problems, he received an estimate to have it switched to a manual control, for \$1,800.00. This expense could come out of available monies in his snow equipment repair budget line to cover this. To replace this computer would cost approx. \$3,000.00

MOTION made by Trustee Wilson, seconded by Trustee Houston to convert the equipment to a manual control as per the recommendation of the DPW Crew Chief. UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

FIRE COMMISSIONERS –

- Commissioner Kaminski stated that Commissioner Davis asked to be excused tonight due to eye surgery.
- Waiting for a quote to come in from Dival Safety for the Fire Hose that was destroyed when it flew off the truck last month.
- Announced that the Lake Shore School Band will be holding their Bottle and Can Drive on February 10th at the Angola Fire Hall and stated that she met with Superintendent Rabey and Music Director Mr. Blodget in regard to the issues the Village Board wanted discussed regarding their efforts in cooperating with Village Function.
- Stated that Trustee Wilson has contacted an electrician to repair the Siren's alarm clock, this should cost around \$200.00. Waiting for more information.
- Asked for the Boards approval, to replace the Chief's Vehicle and assistant Chief's Vehicle's light bars. They are 9 years old. Brand new would cost \$1300.00 each, however John McEvoy from FM Communications has two used ones from the Town of Tonawanda that are only 2 years old, complete and in very good condition at \$500.00 each. Stated that the Fire Department has enough money in their budget line for this purchase.

MOTION made by Trustee Houston, seconded by Trustee DiMartino, to replace light bars in each vehicle with the \$500.00 used, with the provision that she looks into a warranty on these light bars. UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

- Asked for the Mayor to supply the centerpiece for the Firemen's Installation dinner, this is an annual contribution from the Mayor. Mayor approves.
- Reminded the Mayor of the \$1,000.00 stipend check that he presents to the Angola Fire Department annually during the Installation dinner.

CODE ENFORCEMENT –

- Excused Trustee Houston mentioned that CSX has removed the old rubbish near the tracks. He thanks the Code Enforcer for taking care of this issue.

PLANNING –

- Chairman, Bill Herold announced a workshop session scheduled for Thursday in regard to the Goya expansion project

ZONING –

- Chairman Paul Cooper reported on the business seminars that are scheduled at the New Angola Theater at 7:00PM on Thursdays, these are educational based seminars to help local businesses with ideas on how to market themselves when a larger retail business comes in the area.

CLERK-TREASURER –

- All budget request paperwork has been submitted to Department Heads.
- Working with Code Publishers on the Code Book updates.
- Submitted medical insurance information she received from Tom Gilmore, our insurance representative.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Sale of Water Plant- nothing to report
2. Thruway Water – re-sent the fax that their Engineer lost, meeting pending.
3. Senior Housing- had a meeting with People Inc. and starting the process of resubmitting the application after some minor issues get resolved.
4. Outside delinquent water accounts- no report.
5. Emergency repair of Intercontinental Building Commercial St.- nothing new to report
Attorney Yusick has been attempting resolution and contacting the owners son.

NEW BUSINESS:

- No new business to report.

RESOLUTIONS BEING OFFERED JANUARY 16, 2007

Offered by Mayor Frawley

#1 APPROVE RESIGNATION OF THOMAS CRUPE FROM THE VILLAGE OF ANGOLA POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, on January 6th 2007, the Village of Angola Police Chief Patrick Puckhaber received a letter of resignation from Police Lieutenant Thomas J. Crupe effective January 20th 2007, as he accepted a Full-Time position as a Town of Evans Police Officer,

THEREFFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Angola Village Board does hereby regretfully approve said resignation to be effective January 20, 2007, MOTION MADE by Trustee Wilson, Seconded by Trustee DiMartino, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Offered by Mayor Frawley

#2 APPROVE POLICE OFFICER MATHEW STONITSCH FROM PART-TIME TO FULL-TIME POSTION

WHEREAS, the Angola Police department has received a letter of resignation from Thomas J. Crupe effective January 20th 2007 which results in a loss of a full-time position, and

WHEREAS, after receiving the Civil Service list of eligible Full-Time Police Officers for the Village, and upon recommendation of the Chief of Police, Patrick Puckhaber, **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Angola Village Board does hereby approve the appointment of Mathew Stonitsch from a Part-Time Police Officer to Full-Time Police Officer for the Village of Angola, effective February 3rd 2007. MOTION MADE by Trustee DiMartino, seconded by Trustee Wilson, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Offered by Mayor Frawley

#3-APPROVE NEST. REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2007

WHEREAS, the Village of Angola has received notification from NEST (North East Southtowns-Solid Waste Management) that according to Bi-Laws of N.E.S.T. the Village must appoint a representative to sit on the N.E.S.T. Board,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of the Village of Angola, hereby appoints Trustee Bill Houston as said representative. The Village also appoints Trustee John Wilson as an alternative representative for the Year 2007. MOTION MADE by Trustee DiMartino, seconded by Trustee Stockman UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

#4 APPROVE APPOINTMENTS OF TWO (2) WATER METER READERS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Angola Board of Trustees does hereby appoint David Skoczylas of 940 Lake Street and Michael Hehir of 115 Grove Street as part-time meter readers for the Village of Angola effective January 16th 2007. MOTION MADE by Trustee Wilson, seconded by Trustee DiMartino, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

#5 APPROVE NEGATIVE DECLARATION Change to LONG FORM, SEQRA

WHEREAS , on September 18th a Board Resolution was passed indicating a SHORT form environmental assessment statement has been filed for a RESTORE NY GRANT, and

WHEREAS, after being approved from the RESTORE NY program, to secure funding for the Demolition of the vacant K&L Building located at 83-87 North Main Street (SBL#235.20-1-4) in the Village of Angola, it has now been required to provide a LONG form Environmental assessment statement, and

WHEREAS, a long form environmental assessment statement has been filed, and

WHEREAS, the Village Board is the lead agency pursuant to the Angola Village Code, and

WHEREAS, said Environmental Assessment statement has been reviewed by the Village board, now

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Angola Board determines that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, and therefore issues a negative declaration for the purposes of SEQRA. MOTION MADE by Trustee Stockman, seconded by Trustee Wilson, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

#6 APPROVE MAYOR TO SIGN CONTRACT WITH FORD MOTOR/DELACY FORD for THE FINANCING OF ONE POLICE VEHICLE

WHEREAS, Chief Patrick Puckhaber has received three (3) proposals for a replacement Patrol Car on December 18th 2006 at which time presented information to the Board for review and approval, and

WHEREAS, the Board approved the Chief to gather further paperwork to lease one Crown Victoria from Delacy Ford, Inc,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of Angola Board of Trustees hereby approves the Lease/Purchasing agreement with Delacy Ford for one 2006 Crown Victoria, in the amount twenty-four-thousand-three-hundred-thirty-six-dollars (\$24,336.00) to be paid in semi-annual payments over a two-year period of \$6,381.17 at 6.55%, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Angola Board of Trustees hereby authorizes Mayor Howard Frawley to sign and execute said contract. MOTION MADE by Trustee Houston, seconded by Trustee Stockman UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

#7 APPROVE FEE SCHEDULE FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT

WHEREAS, the Village Board has received a schedule of fees from the Code Enforcer Supervisor Charles LaBarbera reflecting a change in fees, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Evans and the Village of Farnham have agreed to said fees as a means to stay consistent area wide, in regard to Code Enforcement,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board does hereby approve the new fee schedule proposed by the Code Enforcement department effective January 18th 2007. **MOTION MADE** by Trustee DiMartino, seconded by Trustee Houston, **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

AUDIT OF BILLS – motion made to approve the bills, by Trustee Stockman, seconded by Trustee Houston regarding the following: **General Fund Abstract #18, Checks #5214 to 5247 and #5250 in the amount of \$20,774.44 plus Payroll #1; Water Fund Abstract; #18, Checks #1320 to 1332 in the amount of \$25,899.67 plus Payroll #1; UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

MEETING ADJOURN, to the next scheduled regular Board Meeting Monday February 5, 2007 at 7:30 with a workshop at 7:00PM if needed. **MEETING ADJORNED IN RESPECT OF THE PASSING OF ANNA MARTORANA**, a Former Mayor for the Village of Farnham. **Motion made by Trustee Houston, seconded by Trustee DiMartino UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED** meeting adjourned at 8:37PM

Submitted By

Linda D. Giancarlo
Village Clerk-Treasurer