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TRUSTEE HOUSTON: CDBG tour; Angola sign re-installed; DPW Clean-up; “Rachels Challenge”; Southtowns Coalition Award; Preservation League Meeting

TRUSTEE STOCKMAN: None

TRUSTEE WILSON: Friends of the Village; Village Christmas Tree; Christmas Decorations Up.

TRUSTEE DIMARTINO: Village Christmas Tree; Christmas Tree Lighting; Angola Historic Homes Society meeting; Christmas in the Village

MAYOR FRAWLEY: Friends of the Village election; Village Decorating; Train display; Tri-County Health meeting; Penflex meeting

ATTORNEY: Local Law #2 and #3; Water Plant sale; DEC Letter; Intercontinental Building Violation; XPAND properties; Desperados BBQ

POLICE: Police assistance with street lights; Police report

GENERAL CREW CHIEF: Leaf pick-up; Tree Memorial stones; Electrical outlets;

FIRE COMMISSIONERS: Siren; FEMA Application

CODE ENFORCEMENT: Monthly report; K & L Building

ZONING: Variances on Lerczak and John R Drive

CLERK-TREASURER: Village Hazard Plan; ENB Insurance/National Grid; Abatement Rebate; MAOA Luncheon; Penflex Meeting; Garbage Bids; Holiday Luncheon; ERP for Village Water; Time Warner Cable; Website; Evans letter; Updated Treasurers report; Rural Development

OLD BUSINESS: Sale of Water Plant; Thruway Water; Senior Housing; Outside delinquent Water accounts; Intercontinental Building; Pending Code violations

NEW BUSINESS: None

RESOLUTIONS: #1 Application for Christmas Caroling in the William G. Houston Gazebo at Centennial Park
 #2 Resignation and Advertising for Part-time Water Meter reader
 #3 Correction of the Re-Organization Meeting to the Holiday Schedule
 #4 Local Law #4 - Alternate Zoning Board Members

MINUTES
Village of Angola Regular Board Meeting
Monday December 4, 2006 – 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 December 4, 2006 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 –James Davis-Fire Commissioners; Jeff Kaminski-General Crew Chief;

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: was led by Jill Barrett

CALL MEETING TO ORDER at 7:30PM

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES of November 20, 2006: Motion made by Trustee Houston, seconded by Trustee DiMartino, request by Mayor Frawley, state he reported in error in regard to the Lockport Senior Housing Project, he reported they did not receive approval, since then notification by People Inc indicates the Lockport Project was approved. **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

VISITORS:

- Jill Barrett-334 N. Main St.- requested the Boards position on the proposed new Walmart coming to the corner of Rt.5 and Lake Street, she is concerned there will be no traffic coming off of Route 5 into the Village, and local business's will suffer: The Board understands Ms Barrett's concerns, they all agree that this could be an asset to the local Village Business's, our Village Business's are considered "nitch" business's which offer specialty services, such as a tattoo parlor, dance studio, appliances, bakery, restaurant and theater. These business's have to work together to draw people in, and the Village Board will do all they can to help. The Board feels that this will draw more traffic into the area, and money will be spent in our area. The local businesses have to learn to capitalize on this. Jill Barrett-asked the board to keep communications open with local businesses and the community, the Board will make sure to keep communication open and also suggest that Miss Barrett address the Town of Evans Board with her concerns as the Town Planning board will now major input on the proposed project.

VISITORS, Cont'd

- Lynn Kaminski-29 Stellane - thanked Board members, Jonica DiMartino, William Houston and John Wilson for attending Rachels Challenge held at Lake Shore Middle School. When she spoke to the project coordinators at the National Level, they congratulated The Lake Shore Middle School for having the largest turnout out of any of the schools in the Country with an attendance of almost 900 people. What an inspiration from our community. They stated it was nice to see the Fire Department and Police Department in attendance and in uniform. A committee was formed of Children and Teachers in an effort to continue this 2-year program, to keep compassion and kindness alive. There will be a 1-hr meeting on Wednesday December 20, at 7:00PM at the Middle School and she requested that everyone in the community, especially leaders get involved.
- Salvatore Mogavero- mentioned his appreciation of the DPW workers for the quick mailbox installation at the Fire Hall main station – “51 Commercial Street”. They did a wonderful job. He also showed a picture of the good results of the canned food drive the Explorers and the Fire Dept. held on Saturday to help the VFW with the food baskets.
- Mayor Frawley thanked the Fire Department for all of their help during the October Storm.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Mayor Frawley read a letter from NYS Occupational Safety and Health Hazard Abatement Board stating that the Village will finally receive their 1996 reimbursement for the Capital abatement (for the stairwell and the new steel stairway at the rear of the Fire Hall) in the amount of \$24,750. Trustee Houston thanked Attorney Yusick for following up over the years to and get this funding resolved.
- Mayor Frawley read a letter from the Governors Traffic Safety Committee on behalf of Governor Pataki addressed to Sergeant Thomas Crupe notifying him that the Village of Angola has been awarded \$3,500 for participation in the statewide “Selective Traffic Enforcement Program”.
- Trustee Houston- mentioned the support letters he copied the board on regarding the TLC Health Network (Lake Shore Health Care Center and Tri-County Memorial Hospital)- showing our opposition in the cutting of acute care out of the system. Letters should be directed to our Assemblyman and Senators asking them to reject the Commission of Health Care Facilities. Trustee Houston stated that the actions of the Commission will eliminate over 900 jobs and destroy access to health care service in our community.
- Trustee Houston mentioned an Article in the Buffalo News he received from People Inc representative Kevin Horrigan, shedding enlightenment on Group Housing in a community.

DEPARTMENT HEADS, COMMITTEE REPORTS:

TRUSTEE HOUSTON –

- Attended the CDBG tour. Announced that the attendees at the walk through were very supportive. Mark Lee of Erie County Department of Environment and Planning even gave some positive suggestions, which indicated a good perspective for the Village projects.
- Thanked DPW for the new Village of Angola sign on North Main “re-installation”. It was moved from the West side to the East side of the street as per residents concerns. It looks very nice in the new location.
- Complimented the DPW workers for the continuous work on the on going cleanup throughout the Village of leaves and brush and snow and storm damage. Everything was well addressed in preparation for the winter months.
- Attended Rachels Challenge at Lake Shore Middle School, mentioned that he noticed the table covers looked very nice and laughed as he was aware that they were from old rolls of material donated to the school from New Era Cap, years ago, when he was superintendent.
- Will be traveling to Albany on December 11th via Train, with several members from the Southtowns Coalition where the coalition will receive a “Quality Communities Award for Excellence” for the seven communities working together and forming this coalition to develop projects to promote tourism, business and attract people to our communities.
- Went to a meeting in Jamestown, based on “Enhancing Main Street Making Upper Floors Work” this seminar was very informative and there was much information handed out to the attendees. This information will help with the earlier discussion of the concerns of Walmart coming into our area. Spoke of the Jamestown area and many of the restoration projects they have done and are planning. The meeting was put on by the “Preservation League of New York State”. Trustee DiMartino asked Mr. Houston to attend in her place as she wanted Angola represented and she was unable to go. She was given a full package of material from the full day session.

TRUSTEE STOCKMAN –

- Nothing to report at this time.

TRUSTEE WILSON –

- Congratulated Joan Houston for her election of President to the Friends of the Village organization, and remarked that she will do a wonderful job. Thanked Maria Carlson, for her successful job as out going President of the organization.
- Thanked all involved with the set-up of the Village Christmas Tree. Anthony Klimowitz donated the tree and everything went well.
- Thanked Mayor Frawley for doing a great job organizing a very successful Village decorating event on Sunday, everything went smooth.
- Trustee Houston mentioned two (2) groups that can help next year. Asked the Mayor to contact Lake Shore High School “HOOP” organization and David Shean of the First Congregational Church, Youth Group leader and they are willing to help.

TRUSTEE DiMARTINO –

- Thanked ENB Insurance Agency for the donation of the lawn location for the Village Christmas Tree. She stated that this is a wonderful location. This will be a permanent spot for this project. The Friends of the Village will be donating a tree to be planted in this area in the Spring of 2007. They will coordinate efforts to maintain it and keep it trimmed and pruned.
- Trustee Houston mentioned the Christmas tree lighting program went well and laughed in regard to a glitch in the timing on “the countdown”. Mayor Frawley laughed in adding his difficulty in finding the three-way prong outlet in the dark. Stated that the whole program went well. The Whistle Stop Bake Shop provided hot chocolate for this event.
- Attending the “Angola Historic Homes Society” meeting on Wednesday December 13th and will discuss the “Walk the Village” project.
- Schedule is out for the “Christmas in the Village” celebration that will be held on Saturday December 9th. Parade scheduled for 11:15 at the Fire Hall. The Village will have a Float for the Officials to ride on. The Town Crier is providing a song booklet. Erie County Sheriffs Pipe and Drum Band will be in the Parade sponsored by Nickel City Funding. Trustee Houston mentioned the Evans Township Lions Club are sponsoring a movie “Flicka” at the Angola Theater that afternoon at 1:00. Tickets are being given away at local businesses.

MAYOR FRAWLEY –

- Congratulated Joan Houston on her election as President of the Friends of the Village organization.
- Thanked all the volunteers for their help with decorating in the Village. Will contact Trustee Houston’s suggested help for next year. Mentioned some small issues on the lighting, DPW Crew Chief will check them out. Went to Whistle Stop Bakery Shop and supplied hot chocolate and pastries to the volunteers. Stated that the train display layout that Gifford Swyers had set up at the Bakery Shop was very authentic and everyone enjoyed it.
- Trustee Houston mentioned some details on the train set up.
- Trustee Houston mentioned that Gifford Swyers did the reading at the Tree Lighting Ceremony. Joan Houston and Carol Kin coordinated the readings and program. Wants to put on record that he also congratulates his wife; Joan on her election
- Will be attending a meeting in Gowanda regarding the Tri-County TLC Health network issue, reported earlier, providing weather in good.
- Will be meeting with Attorney Yusick and Clerk-Treasurer on Thursday, December 7th at noon, with Penflex representative Ed Houlihan, in regard to the Firemen’s Service Award Program.

Excused zoning Board Chairman, Paul Cooper contacted him, he can not attend, stuck traveling in bad weather

ATTORNEY –

- Contacted the secretary of the Department of State, apparently they misplaced our last two (2) local laws. Local Law #2 and 3 for the year 2006. They did finally find them and sent confirmation to the Village.

ATTORNEY , Cont'd

- Contacted General Services in regard to the pending sale of the Water Plant. Attorney Yusick asked that some wording in the agreement be changed in regard to water intake maintenance. Waiting for response.
- Wrote another letter to Mr. Keeting of DEC, waiting for a reply.
- Stated that Charles LaBarbera has served a violation notice in regard to the Intercontinental Building. Hoping this will get the process moving on either the sale or demolition of this property. Will follow up.
- Mayor Frawley asked what actions the interested party needs to take to purchase this property. Attorney Yusick suggested they contact the owner's son. There are two people interested in re-habing this property.
- Mayor Frawley stated that he, Trustee Houston and Gifford Swyers will be meeting with County Attorneys to follow up on XPAND properties.
- Trustee Houston stated that the gentlemen from the NYCOM Main Street conference is helping on ideas as to redevelopment projects in the Village.
- Trustee Houston also stated that everyone has to be patient and take on the improvement of "one building at a time"! (as stated at the referenced Jamestown meeting)
- Trustee DiMartino mentioned that Desperados BBQ will be opening soon. They will be involved with the "Christmas in the Village" celebration.

POLICE – Excused

- Trustee Houston mentioned that the police officers have assisted with getting the pole numbers on several streetlights that were out.
- Trustee Houston also reported there was a mix up at National Grid, they had the wrong street name and will now schedule removal of the old, broken pole #2 on Mill Street. They had it reported as Main Street and could never find it!
- Mayor asked DPW crew Chief to check the wreath on the pole on Main Street in front of the Village Inn.
- Mayor Frawley read the Police Report.

GENERAL CREW CHIEF –

- Today was last day to pick-up leaves, Snow is here. Will go into winter mode.
- Trustee Houston mentioned that two Tree Memorial Stones have been corrected and replaced. Stones are also on hand for two new trees that will be planted the spring of 2007.
- Trustee Houston thanked the DPW Crew Chief for repairing and replacing electrical outlets at the trees on the west side of N. Main Street.

FIRE COMMISSIONERS –

- DPW Crew Chief made a very nice cabinet/container for the second siren, now ready for installation across Commercial St. from the Village Hall.
- Mayor Announced that the Village received the paperwork from Fire Chief Dybdahl to file with the FEMA application.

CODE ENFORCEMENT –

- Submitted monthly report to the board, nothing else to report.
- Trustee Houston mentioned his appreciation for the follow-up work on several violations.
- Code Enforcer mentioned that the K&L local paperwork is completed and we can start the bid process for demolition after a contract is finalized with New York state. The board will contact Lori Szewczyk for guidance.

PLANNING – Absent**ZONING –**

Previously excused, now in attendance

- Chairman Paul Cooper stated the zoning board had no new variance requests. He inspected the results of the last variance for the porch on Lerczak and John R Drive, everything looks great.

CLERK-TREASURER –

- Spoke with Carol Fuller of ISO in regard to the Village Hazard Plan. Notified her that we fall under the Town of Evans Plan. Ms. Fuller congratulated DPW Crew Chief for implementing a Water Emergency Respond Plan.
- Contacted ENB Insurance for the proper certificate for using the National Grid Light Poles for Christmas decorations, as required by National Grid.
- Received voucher for the Abatement rebate, Mayor will sign for her to mail out.
- Will attend the MAOA Luncheon on December 12th in Akron at the Akron House.
- Meeting with Penflex, Ed Houlihan, Attorney Yusick and Mayor Frawley on Thursday December 7 to review the Service Award Program for needed updating.
- Reminded the Board of the Bid opening next Thursday December 14th at 2:00 for a new Garbage Refuse Contract.
- Distributed a Holiday flyer to officials and employees for a holiday luncheon.
- Contacted Rural Development and prepared a letter for Mayor Frawley to sign in regard to certification of the ERP (emergency respond plan) for the Village Water System.
- Prepared a letter for the Board and Mayor to sign to send to Time Warner Cable in opposition of their canceling any local channels.
- Stated that all the local Christmas events are now on the website.
- Trustee Houston asked if she received a reply to the letter sent to the Town. No reply yet.
- Trustee Houston asked for an updated treasurers report through the end of November to start planning for next years budget. All board members will receive a copy.
- Trustee Houston thanked the Clerk for responding to Rural Development, they financed our new water tower and recent water system updates.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Sale of Water Plant-reported
2. Thruway Water – Trustee Houston contacted Shaw & Shaw. Mayor Frawley asked why they denied our plan for pump and is concerned that the Village has waited long enough for this money owed to us buy the Thruway authority and he feels we should get Congressman Higgins involved. Trustee Houston stated that we need to be patient, we hired Attorney Shaw and Shaw for this reason, lets get things that were started finished and then move forward to other options if we need to.
3. Senior Housing- waiting for report on why we were denied.
4. Outside delinquent water accounts- no report.
5. Emergency repair of Intercontinental Building Commercial St.-discussed
6. Resolution of pending code violations in Village Court-pending

NEW BUSINESS: None

RESOLUTIONS BEING OFFERED DECEMBER 4, 2006

#1 APPROVE ASSEMBLAGE APPLICATION FOR CHRISTMAS CAROL SINGING AT CENTENIAL PARK

RESOLVED that the Village Board hereby approves the application from the “Angola Parks and Gazebo Committee” & “Lake Shore Association of Christian Churches” to assemble a “Christmas Carol Singing” for Wednesday, December 20, 2006 at 6:30-8:30PM, all local enforcement agencies will be notified, **Offered by Trustee Stockman, seconded by Trustee Houston, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

#2 APPROVE RESIGNATION AND ADVERTISING FOR PART-TIME WATER METER READER

WHEREAS, the Village Board received a letter of resignation effective 11/27/06 from Part-time Meter reader Carolyn Densmore, be it

RESOLVED, the Village Board approves said resignation and authorizes the Village Clerk to Post an advertisement for a Part-Time Meter Reader position, accepting applications at the Village Hall through December 22nd 2006. **Offered by Trustee Houston, seconded by Trustee Wilson, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

Offered by Trustee Wilson

#3 APPROVE CORRECTION OF THE RE-ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING TO THE HOLIDAY SCHEDULING

WHEREAS, the Village Board will change the dates for the Christmas and New Years Holiday from Friday December 22 to Tuesday December 26, and Friday December 29 to Tuesday January 2, this correction in accordance to the employees union contract, and

WHEREAS, this will also change the scheduled board meeting for the first week in January from Tuesday January 2nd to Wednesday January 3rd

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Village Board approves said correction of the April re-organizational meeting in regard to Holiday Scheduling from December 22nd to December 26th and from December 29th to January 2nd and the Tuesday January 2nd meeting to Wednesday January 3rd
Offered by Trustee Wilson, seconded by Trustee DiMartino, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS, Cont'd

#4 ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW #4 FOR THE YEAR-2006 ALTERNATE ZONING BOARD MEMBERS

WHEREAS, proposed Local Law #5 for the Year 2006 has been presented to the Village Board of the Village of Angola, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on the 20th day of November 2006.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that proposed Local Law #5 for the Year 2006 is hereby adopted as Local Law #4 for the Year 2006, to take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary Of State, a copy of said Local Law #4 is attached hereto:

Local Law #4 for the Year 2006

Amends Section 30.87 to repeal sections 30-87(1) and 30.87(2) and replace them with a new Section 30.87(1) of the Village of Angola Municipal Code entitled,

“Alternate Zoning Board Members”

Said Local law repeals sections 30.87(1) and 30.87(2) and replaces with a new Section 30.87 (1) which provides for two alternate zoning board members. **Offered by Trustee DiMartino, seconded by Trustee Wilson, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

AUDIT OF BILLS – motion made to approve the bills, by Trustee Stockman, seconded by Trustee Wilson regarding the following: **General Fund Abstract #14, Checks #5117 to 5150 in the amount of \$44,753.79 plus Payroll #24; Water Fund Abstract; #14, Checks #1299 to 1303 in the amount of \$35,753.93 plus Payroll #24; UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

ADJOURN to the next scheduled regular Board Meeting December 18, 2006 at 7:30 PM, with a workshop at 7:00PM with Police Chief Puckhaber. **Motion made by Trustee DiMartino, seconded by Trustee Wilson UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED** meeting adjourned at 8:47PM

Submitted By

Linda D. Giancarlo
Village Clerk-Treasurer