Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rouses Point, New York held on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at Halstead Hall commencing at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: William A. Maskell, Deputy Mayor
Brad M. Martin, Trustee
Arvil J. Moore, Trustee
Joseph R. Treadwell, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Arsene F. Letourneau, Treasurer
Clifford Sterling, Chief Code Enf. Off.

ABSENT: Francis J. Baker, Mayor
Brian S. Pelkey, PWS

RECORDING SECRETARY: Carol A. Hanfield, Village Clerk

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:
Deputy Mayor Maskell called the meeting to order and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:
No one chose to address the Board

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:
The Deputy Mayor presented the minutes of the regular meeting of February 3, 2014 Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; Seconded by Trustee Treadwell; AYE CARRIED

BILLS: VOUCHERS: 19025 – 19083 $463,967.98
The Treasurer stated that there were no additions or deletions. Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the list of bills as presented; Seconded by Trustee Moore; AYE CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:
The Clerk read a letter from the Village of Champlain, thanking Brian Pelkey, for the assistance in digging and repairing a broken water main in the Village of Champlain on February 7, 2014. They greatly appreciated the use of our backhoe and the services of employee Adam Menard, when their equipment broke in the midst of this project.

DEPUTY MAYOR MASKELL:
The Deputy Mayor presented an Election Resolution. The Clerk read the resolution naming the candidates nominated for office and the hours of the Village Election. This resolution will be published and posted in six (6) conspicuous public places. Trustee Martin made a motion to approve this Resolution; Seconded by Trustee Moore; ROLL CALL VOTE All Ayes (SEE ATTACHED)

The Deputy Mayor stated that the 2014 Legislative Forum will be held at the Holiday Inn in Plattsburgh on February 28th from 7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. and asked the Board if anyone wished to attend. Trustee Moore and Trustee Martin stated that they would like to attend. Trustee Moore made a motion to allow the two (2) to attend this forum; Seconded by Trustee Treadwell; AYE CARRIED

The Deputy Mayor announced that Mike O'Brian has been approached by the Martial Arts Fighting to host an event on August 16th. Deputy Mayor Maskell proposed that we go $1200 - $1500 cover the cost of Village expenses. Discussion followed. Trustee Martin made a motion to authorize Mike O'Brian to negotiate a price up to $1200 with a minimum of $1000; Seconded by Trustee Moore; AYE CARRIED

The Deputy Mayor talked about the need for a computer at the Welcome Center. Discussion followed. A decision was made that this will be tabled until next meeting.

The Deputy Mayor presented a Budget Modification Resolution and asked the Treasurer to review. Trustee Moore made a motion to approve this resolution; Seconded by Trustee Martin; ROLL CALL VOTE All Ayes

TRUSTEE MARTIN:
Trustee Martin stated that the guys did a good job keeping the streets clean during the storm. They had an ambulance call and Rouses Point was the one area that they were able to get through. They had to go down on the interstate about 45 mph.

TRUSTEE MOORE:
Trustee Moore made a motion requesting an Executive Session to discuss an Insurance Issue; Seconded by Trustee Martin; ROLL CALL VOTE All Ayes

Trustee Moore requested authorization for Tom Reid to attend the NYRWA Annual Technical Conference being held in April in Verona, NY. The cost is $1057 and he made a motion to allow Tom to attend this Conference; Seconded by Trustee Martin; AYE CARRIED

TRUSTEE TREADWELL:
Trustee Treadwell made a motion requesting an Executive Session to discuss Electrical Personnel; Seconded by Trustee Moore; ROLL CALL VOTE All Ayes

Trustee Treadwell made a motion requesting an Executive Session to discuss Code Issues; Seconded by Trustee Martin; ROLL CALL VOTE All Ayes

OTHER REPORTS:
TREASURER LETOURNEAU:
The Treasurer announced to the electric rate payers that in the Press Republican today there was an article about the high electric rates in the City of Plattsburgh. The same will be happening to us. It has been a cold winter this year and it has been a while since we

have had a large increase. The bill for March reflects Village usage from January as they are always two months behind and January was a cold month.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:
No one chose to address the Board.

RECESS:
Trustee Moore made a motion to go into recess @ 7:15 p.m.; Seconded by Trustee Martin; AYE CARRIED

Trustee Moore made a motion to go into Executive Session @ 7:17; Seconded by Trustee Martin; AYE CARRIED

EXECUTIVE SESSION:
No action taken during Executive Session regarding Code Issues.
No action taken during Executive Session regarding Electric Personnel.
No action taken during Executive Session regarding an Insurance Issue.

REGULAR SESSION:
Trustee Martin made a motion to go into regular session at 8:07 p.m.; Seconded by Trustee Moore; AYE CARRIED

Trustee Treadwell made a motion to authorize the Clerk to advertise in house for a Line Helper position and if no response then advertise in the Press; Seconded by Trustee Martin; AYE CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:
Trustee Martin made a motion to adjourn at 8:07 p.m.; Seconded by Trustee Moore; AYE CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted;

Carol A. Hanfield

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