

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rouses Point, New York held on Monday, February 2, 2015 at Halstead Hall commencing at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: George A. Rivers, Mayor
Brad M. Martin, Trustee
Joseph R. Treadwell, Trustee
Andrew P. Vincelette, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Jean M. LaBombard, Administrator
Arsene F. Letourneau, Treasurer
Brian S. Pelkey, PWS

ABSENT: Arvil J. Moore, Trustee
Clifford Sterling, Code Enforcement Officer

RECORDING SECRETARY: Carol A. Hanfield, Village Clerk

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Mayor Rivers called the meeting to order and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No one chose to address the Board.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS:

Trustee Martin made a motion to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of January 20, 2015 as presented; Seconded by Trustee Treadwell; AYE CARRIED

BILLS: VOUCHER NOS: 20295 – 20335 \$65,216.93

The Treasurer stated there were no additions or deletions. Trustee Martin made a motion to pay the bills as presented; Seconded by Trustee Treadwell; AYE CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Clerk read a letter from Montgomery Hose, Hook & Ladder Co., No. 1, Inc. notifying the Board of two new members: Anna Snide from Champlain and Robert Rabideau from Rouses Point for a probationary period of six (6) months. Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the two new members; Seconded by Trustee Treadwell; AYE CARRIED

The Clerk read a letter from Linda Fredette, Town of Champlain Recreation Director, requesting use of the warm up room at the Civic Center from July 7th – July 29th on Mondays & Wednesdays from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. for the Arts and Craft Program. She also requested use of the inside hockey surface for Street Hockey instruction on Tuesday and Thursdays from July 7th – July 31st from 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. Instruction will be by USA Hockey Certified Coaches Norm Lague and Matthew Fredette. Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the request for use of the Civic Center warm up room and the inside hockey surface for the Youth Commission Summer Programs; Seconded by Trustee Vincelette; AYE CARRIED

The Clerk stated she received a reminder that the Annual Frostbite Run is scheduled for Sunday, February 8, 2015 commencing at noon, running the same route as last year. Mary and Gerry Duprey are chairing this event again.

REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR AND BOARD:

MAYOR GEORGE A. RIVERS:

Mayor Rivers presented a Budget Modification Resolution and asked the Treasurer to review. Treasurer Letourneau reviewed the modifications. Trustee Martin made a motion to approve this Budget Modification Resolution as presented; Seconded by Trustee Vincelette; ROLL CALL VOTE (SEE ATTACHD)

Mayor Rivers presented an Election Resolution naming the Inspectors of Election. The Clerk read the Resolution naming the Inspectors of Election. Trustee Martin made a motion to approve this resolution; Seconded by Trustee Vincelette; ROLL CALL VOTE All Ayes (SEE ATTACHED)

The Mayor presented an Election Resolution setting forth Voter Registration Day and naming the location and time for the March 18, 2015 Village Election. The Clerk read the Resolution in its entirety. Trustee Martin made a motion to approve this Resolution; Seconded by Trustee Treadwell; ROLL CALL VOTE All Ayes (SEE ATTACHED)

Mayor Rivers requested permission to hire an Independent Appraiser to do a Fair Market Value Appraisal on the parking lot at the D & H. John Cooper, from the Town of Champlain, said that the Town just had two pieces of property appraised for the water towers in Champlain, so to call the Town Assessor for the name. Trustee Treadwell made a motion to authorize the hiring of an Independent Appraiser to appraise the D & H Parking Lot; Seconded by Trustee Vincelette; AYE CARRIED

TRUSTEE MARTIN:

Trustee Martin had nothing to report.

TRUSTEE TREADWELL:

Trustee Treadwell requested authorization to send Jason Juneau and Andrew Anctil to the MEUA Engineering Workshop in East Syracuse March 19th. Trustee Martin made a motion to allow Jason and Andrew to attend the MEUA Engineering Workshop; Seconded by Trustee Vincelette; AYE CARRIED.

Trustee Treadwell addressed the Transformer School being held on May 7th and asked if it was for Andrew or both. Brian Pelkey said that it would be for two people. Right now they don't even have a location. Brian said the school is for training on the Waukeshaw Transformers and that is what we have. Trustee Treadwell made a motion to allow two (2) to attend this workshop on May 7th; Seconded by Trustee Martin; AYE CARRIED

Trustee Treadwell addressed the moving of Adam Menard to a new position. The Administrator said that she did have that conversation. Brian will be submitting his recommendations as to why Adam would qualify for this position. Brian said that he is working on this.

Trustee Treadwell addressed the policy for the Sale of Surplus Items. There were seven (7) rules and now the Village Board would like to add that 'Village Employees and immediate family members are prohibited to bid on any items that have been surplus by the Board'. Trustee Martin asked that this be addressed with the full board present. Trustee Treadwell stated that this will be tabled until the next meeting.

TRUSTEE MOORE:

Absent

TRUSTEE VINCELETTE:

Had nothing to report.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No one chose to address the Board.

OTHER REPORTS:

PWS PELKEY:

PWS Pelkey stated that he is working with our Electrical Engineer, Curt Wilson on an ARC Flash Study which is a study of our whole electric system on how long the lines are, the size of them, and what the fall current is. They are going to mandate what calorie of clothes we wear. The clothes we wear now are FR rated, but our tee shirts would not qualify because they are rated a seven (7) and we need a fifteen (15). With our system being underground it is one of the cons because you have a lot of fault current and it is easy to create an arc. Curt is working with Tupper Lake, ourselves and two other entities on this. He stated that he has purchased the program and the cost will be divided evenly amongst the four of us. One part of the Engineering workshop is on the ARC Flash Study requirements. This will be discussed further at our budget meetings.

Trustee Treadwell asked if there was a problem on the north end of the Village today with the water. Someone called him about not having any water pressure. Brian said that he noticed it at his house that there was low water pressure. He is looking for a water leak.

Brian stated that an Insurance Company came forward and claimed that they hit the light pole by Dollar General and a bill was done up and sent to them for payment. They will pay it in full.

Trustee Treadwell asked if our Engineer was here this week looking at the leaning pillar. Brian explained that when he downloaded the pictures for the light pole there were pictures of the pillar that he had previously taken. He printed them off and they were forwarded to the Attorney for his review. The Mayor said that there was a letter from Doug Ferris that was previously sent to Clifford on the pillar. The Clerk explained that the Attorney is looking at everything to advise us as to what our next step will be. We sent him the pictures and everything explaining what is going on. The Treasurer explained to the Board what the bill from the Engineer was for.

Trustee Treadwell asked about the status of the library ramp. The Administrator told him that she had submitted to Doug Ferris the drawings and he evaluated them for functionality and

safety compliance and he came back with only a couple of suggestions. John was in the process of ordering the supplies.

Mayor Rivers said that something has been brought up many times at the MEUA meetings is that there are four (4) systems that require a Reliability Study and what they are saying is that the PSC will be requiring this study from everybody. This study is quite involved so it is something to think about.

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Martin made a motion to adjourn at 7:24 p.m.; Seconded by Trustee Vincelette;
AYE CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carol A. Hanfield". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Carol A. Hanfield
Village Clerk