

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rouses Point, New York held on November 6, 2017 at Halstead Hall, 39 Lake Street, Rouses Point, NY commencing at 7:00 PM

PRESENT: Daniel H. Letourneau, Mayor
Benjamin J. Arno, Trustee
Dale M. Menard, Trustee
Thomas D. Batha, Trustee
Thomas M. Dart, Trustee

OTHERS PRESENT: Arsene F. Letourneau, Treasurer
Steven M. Peters, Administrator
Brian Pelkey, Public Works Supervisor

RECORDING SECRETARY: Donna J. Boumil, Village Clerk

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Mayor Daniel H. Letourneau called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. PUBLIC HEARING:

Local Law 3-2017: Chapter 104-21 “Cold War Veterans Exemption”

No comments or questions from the public.

II. MINUTES:

Motion by Trustee Arno to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 2, 2017 and Special Meeting of October 10, 2017; Seconded by Trustee Menard; AYE CARRIED

III. BILLS: Voucher 17340 – 17406 \$ 35,306.53

No additions or deletions:

Motion by Trustee Batha to approve and pay the bills; Seconded by Trustee Menard; AYE CARRIED

IV. CORRESPONDENCE:

No correspondence

V. REPORTS:

MAYOR:

- 1) Introduction of Steve Peters, Village Administrator
- 2) Crown Victoria bids:
 - There were 4 bids received ranging from \$1,200 – 3,155
 - Discussion:
 - Water plant vehicle (Durango) out of commission 3 weeks
 - Durango is 17 years old

- Cost to fix the Durango unknown
- According to CCHD all water plants have vehicles. There is mandatory testing and it is a public health issue
- Crown Vic has approximately 36,000 miles on it
- There is no cost to put Crown Vic in service
- The Village needs an extra vehicle. Many of the vehicles need repairs
- Further discussion ensued.

Motion by Trustee Menard to reject the bids and keep the Crown Vic for the Water Treatment Plant; ROLL CALL VOTE: Trustee Arno – AYE; Trustee Batha – No; Trustee Menard – AYE; Trustee Dart – NO; Mayor Letourneau – AYE. Motion carried. The Durango will be surplus or scrap

3) NYPA – Revised Contract Demands November 2017

Informational purposes

- Mayor Letourneau read the letter dated October 23, 2017.
- The demand for the Village is up 70 KW

4) Press Release for the CP Rail Holiday Train

- Expected to arrive in Rouses Point on November 27, 2017 at approximately 9:00PM at the Welcome Center (train station)

5) Resolution 2017-37: General Election Offices and Terms

- Motion by Trustee Menard to approve the Resolution; Seconded by Trustee Arno: ROLL CALL VOTE: Trustee Batha – AYE; Trustee Dart – AYE; Trustee Arno – AYE; Trustee Menard – AYE; AYE CARRIED

6) Informational purposes:

- The CC Sheriff's Office and State Police provided coverage on Halloween night. It was a quiet and safe evening. Thank you to these agencies.

7) Annual Parade of Toys

Press Release: The Annual Parade of Toys is scheduled for December 1, 2017 at 6:45PM at Rouses Park. The Sheriff's Office will provide traffic control

8) Leveraging Downtown Redevelopment Initiative

- Mayor Letourneau summarized:
- There are four (4) Project Categories (rehabilitation/reconstruction of residential, commercial or mixed use structure; façade renovations; streetscape enhancements; demolition of vacant structures)
- Discussion followed:
The Board discussed and determined that an inquiry would be made regarding the façade renovations of downtown properties.

9) Information purposes:

A member of the Fire Department was involved in a minor accident with the FD Pickup. It has been determined that the damage is under \$1,000. Information was exchanged and a report filed by NYS Troopers

TRUSTEE ARNO:

1) Welcome Center: Ice Stops

- The ice stops cost 294.32. They have been purchased and are awaiting installation

2) Flag pole at Gallagher Memorial Park

- The pole will be taken down for the winter and placed back in the spring

- 3) Welcome Center: Trash cans
 - Discussion followed.
 - There will be a trash can left at the Welcome Center during the winter months. Public Works will empty one (1) time a week.
- 4) Inquired about the Water Plant testing schedule
 - Mayor Letourneau will re-send schedule to Trustee Arno

TRUSTEE DART:

Nothing to report

TRUSTEE MENARD:

- 1) Thank you to the Sheriff's Office for the coverage on Halloween.
The Village looked great the next day, no trash

TRUSTEE BATHA:

- 1) Inquiries regarding the transition of Sheriff's Office:
 - Status of sale of firearms
 - Status of usage of evidence room at Village garage
 - Status of usage of lockers in Village garageVillage Administrator will contact the Sheriff's Office

OTHER REPORTS:

CLERK:

Nothing to report

ADMINISTRATOR:

TREASURER:

- 1) Unpaid taxes have been turned over to the County for collection

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR:

- 1) Update on Water Plant upgrade
 - The new system has been started and working well
 - Staff is reviewing operating procedures and training
 - Plan to begin dismantling the old system next week
 - The skid units have been finalized based on recommendations from AES.
- 2) Finishing up black topping (patchwork) Tuesday.
- 3) There was a water leak on Maple Street from Pine to Champlain Streets (10" main)

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

- John Cooper, Pine Street. Recognized and welcomed the new administrator, Steve Peters

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Trustee Arno to recess for an Executive Session at 7:50PM to discuss the employment history of a particular person; Seconded by Trustee Batha; AYE CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Arno to enter into Executive Session at 7:52PM; Seconded by Trustee Batha; AYE CARRIED

No action taken in Executive Session

Motion by Trustee Menard to close Executive Session at 7:58PM; Seconded by Trustee Arno; AYE CARRIED

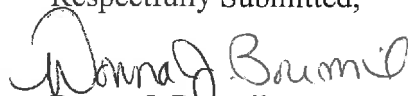
REGULAR SESSION:

Motion by Trustee Menard to enter into Regular Session at 7:59PM; Seconded by Trustee Arno; AYE CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Trustee Arno to adjourn at 7:59PM; Seconded by Trustee Menard; AYE CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Donna J. Boumil". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Donna J. Boumil
Village Clerk