

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

Village of Waddington, Thursday September 03, 2009

A regular meeting of the Village Board of Waddington, County of St. Lawrence, State of New York was held on Thursday September 03, 2009 at 6:00 pm in the Municipal Building, 48 Maple Street.

Call to order: Mayor Otto-Cassada called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 pm

Present were: Mayor Otto-Cassada
Trustee Bogart
Trustee Greene
Trustee Thew
Trustee Shoen
DPW, Chris Reagan
Clerk, Cheryl D. Dumas

Also present were Jane Layo, Shirley Robinson, Jim Pipher, Alicia Murphy, Nancy Oakes, Mark Scott, Patti Van Patten, Lou Matura and Peggy

Approval of Minutes

Minutes will be read upon request only; a motion was made by Trustee Shoen to accept minutes, seconded, by Trustee Thew. All in favor: Ayes Nays: None

Historian Report

The full report is available at the Village office during regular business hours.

DPW: Mr. Reagan stated that the walkway is complete and they will be working on the Village sidewalks next week. They have completed the cleanup of the Haley property and will be repairing Mr. Shoen's fence. The rabies bait drop was done today. They put in a new water pump and it is working well. They received the boat launch plans and will begin working on the stone in the upcoming weeks.

Fire Department No comments

Chamber Alicia Murphy told the Board that the Jr. Carp Tournament went very well. They had 109 participants. The Village clerk has now been trained to work on the Chamber website.

Citizen's Comments

Lou Matura spoke of the mowing of the lots and that land owners need to be mowing more than once a year. He spoke also of the lots that he has purchased. Discussion was made with the board and Chris Reagan regarding the drainage problem at Clark Point. Chris told Mr. Matura where all the drains run. Chris said that the DPW has done a lot of ditching to help with the problem. Mayor Otto-Cassada will be looking into this situation to see if anything can be done to solve this problem. Mr. Matura asked about the public access area near Mr. Acre's property. Chris stated that it was originally supposed to have a sitting spot there, because the lot is so small.

Nancy Oakes stated that she walked the new walkway and it was awesome and thank you.

Dog training is being done at Whittaker Park for controlling the geese by a company that has goose control in parks.

Mayor Otto-Cassada thanked the DPW crew for a job well done on the walkway.

Old Business:**Smoke Testing**

Trustee Thew asked the board to try the smoke testing to find infiltration issues with our sewer system. Sections of the Village would be done at a time. The DPW has a good idea where the problem areas are and would do those first. They would go door to door to homes to inform the public of when this would be done.

RESOLUTION # 18

A Resolution was made by Trustee Thew to proceed with the smoke testing, seconded by Trustee Bogart. All in favor: Ayes Nays: None

Job Description

Mayor Otto-Cassada told the Village Trustee's that example job descriptions are in their monthly folders for the Village Constable. These are to be used as a guide to review and think about what each member feels is an appropriate job description for this position and will be brought to the board at the next meeting.

CDGB Housing Grant

The Village was awarded a \$400,000.00 New York State Community Development Block Grant for the Housing Rehabilitation Program. More information will be coming as to how they will proceed.

NYPA Land

Trustee Shoen asked about the deeds for the property and is the Village going to sell the property. Discussion was made on how to go about the selling the property. The board will speak with Attorney Hill on how to proceed.

RESOLUTION # 19

A resolution was made by Trustee Shoen to get the land that has been given back by NYPA to the Village of Waddington appraised and ready for sale, seconded by Trustee Thew.

All in favor: Ayes Nays: None

NEW BUSINESS**Renewal Fire protection contract**

In your monthly packet is a copy for you to review of the present contract which is coming up for renewal.

Auction Solution

Auction Solutions will be holding another auction at the civic center on weekend of September 12th.

Resolution for Sales Tax

Mayor Otto-Cassada asked the board for a resolution from the Village Board to the County of St. Lawrence telling them we are against raising the sales tax or any property tax at this time.

RESOLUTION # 20

A resolution was made by Trustee Shoen stating that the Village of Waddington does not support the raising of either the sales tax or the property tax in St. Lawrence County, seconded by Trustee Bogart.

All in favor: Ayes Nays: None

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Audit of Claims: A motion was made by Trustee Shoen, seconded by Trustee Greene to pay the bills: Vouchers No. 187-301 \$53,527.03

Adjournment: A motion was made by Trustee Thew, seconded by Trustee Bogart, ayes all to adjourn at 6:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl D. Dumas
Village Clerk