

PROCEEDINGS OF A MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 9, 2007

Present:

Mayor	Robert C. Corby
Trustees	Steve Maddox Tim Galli Paula Sherwood John Limbeck
Treasurer	Mary Marowski
DPW Superintendent	John Cufari – arrived at 8:45 PM
Attorney	Jeffrey Turner
Recording Secretary	Anne Hartsig

Mayor Corby called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

TREASURER’S REPORT – MARY MAROWSKI

The Board reviewed the **vouchers for approval**. A **motion** was made **by Trustee Galli, seconded by Mayor Corby** to approve the following vouchers as presented and to charge them to the appropriate accounts and to include the list of prepaid checks listed in this report.

General Fund (#373 - #426):	\$ 33,750.86
Sewer Fund (#412)	\$ <u>85.50</u>
Total Vouchers for Approval:	\$ 33,836.36

Vote: Corby – yes, Sherwood – yes, Galli – yes, Maddox – yes. **Motion carried.**

Winter Legislative Meeting: Mayor Corby was asked to mediate a session on the Erie Canal development at the NYCOM Winter Legislative Meeting in Albany, February 25-27th. A **motion** was made **by Trustee Limbeck, seconded by Trustee Galli** to approve the attendance of Mayor Corby at the February NYCOM legislative meeting in Albany and to cover the cost of the conference.

Vote: Corby – yes, Maddox – yes, Galli – yes, Sherwood – yes, Limbeck – yes. **Motion carried.**

Other business that was discussed included the **new pick-up truck** that has been ordered and a **budget meeting schedule** for the 2007/08 fiscal year.

GONDOLA DISCUSSION

Mr. Joseph Deverell, a gondolier, came before the Board to obtain information regarding a potential business offering authentic Venetian gondola rides on the canal. He wanted to explore the possibility of mooring his boat in the village on the canal along Schoen Place. He anticipates mainly a walk up business but he will take some reservations for special events such as weddings. Different issues were discussed including the coordination of touring schedules with the Sam Patch, how and where tickets would be sold, storage of oars and other equipment, signage that would need approval, prevention of vandalism, and the need for maintained mooring poles for the gondola. One concern that was mentioned was the use of docking space for a specific vessel rather than having the space available for many different boats. Board members told Mr. Deverell that he would need a permit from the NY State Canal Corporation. Members were generally enthusiastic about the prospect of this business. They recommended that Mr. Deverell contact the Canal Corporation very soon to obtain a permit for the 2007 boating season and that he take a closer look at the shoreline area to determine his first choice for docking space. He was asked to return to a Board of Trustees meeting in February or March to make a formal request for a permit to dock the gondola in the village. A certificate of liability insurance naming the Village of Pittsford as additional insured would be a requirement of approval.

MEETING PROCEDURES

As a matter of review, Board members briefly discussed general meeting procedures and the Open Meetings Law.

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NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

The Board planned to hold an informal meeting on a Saturday morning to discuss various issues of concern for village residents and to explain to residents who the Trustees are and what they do as Village officials. Ideas of discussion were traffic calming, parking, the business district, merchant needs, and possibly resident input on the budget process. It was noted that issues of concern would be better served if they were addressed in smaller groups and at different times rather than attempting to address them all at one meeting. Members decided that Trustee Limbeck and Mayor Corby would meet with a Church Street neighborhood group to discuss issues of traffic. Mayor Corby will call resident Janet Reynolds to finalize scheduling for this meeting.

DPW UPDATE

John Cufari arrived at 8:45 PM. The issue of parking problems at Starbucks, 5 State Street, was discussed. The idea of installing granite curbs in this location at the same time they are installed on Schoen Place was considered. Mayor Corby will draw a sketch for curbing on both sides of the village sidewalk. He will provide a copy for the Trustees.

PVCA (PITTSFORD VILLAGE CIVIC ASSOCIATION)

Trustee Galli will circulate agenda ideas for a combined meeting of the Board of Trustees and the PVCA.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A **motion** was made by **Trustee Limbeck, seconded by Mayor Corby** to enter Executive Session to discuss the employment history of a specific employee and to discuss a matter of litigation.

Vote: Corby – yes, Maddox – yes, Galli – yes, Sherwood – yes, Limbeck – yes. **Motion carried.**

A **motion** was made by **Trustee Limbeck, seconded by Trustee Maddox** to authorize Village Attorney Jeff Turner to file an appeal in the matter of the Article 78 filed by CNB against ESL and the Village of Pittsford with the condition that ESL also appeals the decision and with the understanding that ESL will bear the cost of preparing the record for this appeal.

Vote: Corby – yes, Maddox – yes, Galli – abstain, Sherwood – yes, Limbeck – yes. **Motion carried.**

A **motion** was made by **Mayor Corby, seconded by Trustee Sherwood** to leave Executive Session and reenter the regular session of the meeting.

Vote: Corby – yes, Maddox – yes, Galli – yes, Sherwood – yes, Limbeck – yes. **Motion carried.**

2007 TRAFFIC CALMING PLAN DISCUSSION

Trustee Maddox presented a spread sheet with possible traffic calming activities for 2007. Board members reviewed the list. Specific issues that were discussed were widening the shoulders and the striping of South Street, more “yield to pedestrian” signs, the cost of the South street sidewalk from Elmbrook to Jefferson Road and the addition of a small sidewalk extension on the south side of State Street east to the village line. It was noted that CSX Railways representatives said plantings on their right of way on Monroe Avenue near Monoco Oil would not be permitted.

RESOLUTION #1 OF 2007 ELECTION LAW § 15-118(3)

PURSUANT TO ELECTION LAW § 15-118 (3),

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Pittsford Board of Trustees has determined that there shall be no village registration day for the March 20, 2007 Village Election.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was presented at a meeting of the Village Board of Trustees on January 9, 2007 on a **motion** made by **Mayor Corby, seconded by Trustee Limbeck** and duly put to vote as follows:

Vote: Corby – yes, Maddox – yes, Galli – yes, Sherwood – yes, Limbeck – yes. **Motion carried.**

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RESOLUTION #2 OF 2007 ELECTION LAW § 15-104 (3)

PURSUANT TO ELECTION LAW § 15-104(3),

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Pittsford Board of Trustees has determined that the polling place for the March 20, 2007 Village Election shall be the Pittsford Village Hall at 21 North Main Street, Pittsford, NY and that the polls will be open from 12:00 noon until 9:00 PM on that day.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was presented at a meeting of the Village Board of Trustees on January 9, 2007 on a **motion** made by **Trustee Maddox, seconded by Mayor Corby** and duly put to vote as follows:

Vote: Corby – yes, Maddox – yes, Galli – yes, Sherwood – yes, Limbeck – yes. **Motion carried.**

HARASSMENT TRAINING DISCUSSION

As requested, the Clerk presented three alternatives for harassment/sensitivity training opportunities for all Village personnel. After reviewing the options, a **motion** was made by **Mayor Corby, seconded by Trustee Limbeck** to schedule a two hour training session with Margaret Sánchez, an associate of the Rochester Business Alliance.

Vote: Corby – yes, Maddox – yes, Galli – yes, Sherwood – yes, Limbeck – yes. **Motion carried.**

Trustee Maddox agreed to be the point person for this project. The Clerk was asked to give Trustee Maddox's phone numbers to Ms. Sánchez so he could discuss the content of the training and a date for the training.

PERFORMANCE EVALUATION UPDATE

A **motion** was made by **Trustee Sherwood, seconded by Mayor Corby** to enter executive session to discuss the employment history of a specific employee.

Vote: Corby – yes, Maddox – yes, Galli – yes, Sherwood – yes, Limbeck – yes. **Motion carried.**

Having taken no action, a **motion** was made by **Mayor Corby, seconded by Trustee Sherwood** to leave executive session and reenter the regular session of the meeting.

Vote: Corby – yes, Maddox – yes, Galli – yes, Sherwood – yes, Limbeck – yes. **Motion carried.**

VILLAGE STREET LIGHTING

Mayor Corby presented a cost proposal for decorative street lighting for seven poles on State Street. The proposal is part of a phased lighting plan that was implemented several years ago. If installed, the plan would complete the lighting plan for Route 31 within the village. The proposal will be discussed as part of the 2007/08 budget process.

MEMBER ITEMS

Newsletter: Board members suggested possible topics for the spring newsletter. Trustee Sherwood is keeping a list of the suggestions.

North Main Street garden proposal: Trustee Sherwood reported that her garden club may be interested in donating money and services toward landscaping for the proposed island on North Main Street. Mayor Corby will provide the schematic drawings for Trustee Sherwood to present to the garden club. It was suggested that consideration be given to having Bristol's Garden Center maintain the space and/or do a yearly "spiff up" in that garden.

Joint Board Meeting update: Trustee Galli reported on a meeting he and Trustee Limbeck had with the Building Inspector, PZBA member Ted Weniger, and APRB Chairperson Paul Zachman. He said the focus of the meeting was the application process. Mr. Weniger will provide input he gathers from the PZBA. Trustee Limbeck will collate that information with information received from the APRB. The Clerk will begin to arrange a meeting date in late March.

Signs and banners: Mayor Corby and Trustee Sherwood will meet to resolve the banner issue. Trustee Galli will resend his memo on this topic to members of the Village Board.

Fiber Optics: Mayor Corby will contact Frontier to discuss the installation of fiber optics for Village buildings.

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Jefferson Rd./Sutherland St. intersection: Trustee Maddox reported that a petition drive is being organized to request that safety concerns at this intersection be addressed by the NY State DOT. Board members determined that this could be a Leadership Meeting topic. A joint Village/Town/School resolution of support could be written and mailed to the DOT along with the petition.

Alternate APRB member: Trustee Limbeck suggested that an alternate member be appointed to the APRB. Mayor Corby will review résumés and talk to potential candidates.

MINUTES

December 12, 2006: A motion was made by Trustee Galli, seconded by Mayor Corby to approve these minutes as amended

Vote: Corby – yes, Maddox – yes, Galli – yes, Sherwood – yes, Limbeck – yes. **Motion carried.**

December 22, 2006: A motion was made by Trustee Limbeck, seconded by Trustee Galli to approve these minutes as written.

Vote: Corby – abstain, Maddox – yes, Galli – yes, Sherwood – abstain, Limbeck – yes. **Motion carried.**

January 4, 2007: motion was made by Trustee Limbeck, seconded by Mayor Corby to approve these minutes as written.

Vote: Corby – yes, Maddox – abstain, Galli – yes, Sherwood – yes, Limbeck – yes. **Motion carried.**

VILLAGE WIDE DOG OWNER LETTER

Due to complaints received from village residents about owners neglecting to properly dispose of pet waste, the Board reviewed a letter that will be sent to dog owners. The letter is being mailed to remind to pet owners of their responsibilities and the stipulations written in *Chapter 69 Animals* of the Village Code.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 PM.

Anne Z. Hartsig, Recording Secretary