

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

Present:

Mayor	Robert C. Corby
Trustees	Tim Galli Mary Beth Cleary Steve Maddox Paula Sherwood
Attorney	John C. Osborn
Treasurer	Mary Marowski
Recording Secretary	Anne Hartsig

Mayor Corby called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

RIT BIG SHOT – MICHAEL PERES

In July, Mr. Peres requested approval to shoot the 24th RIT Big Shot photograph in the Village of Pittsford in May of 2008. The Village Board was enthusiastic about the proposal. This evening Mr. Peres presented a short video explaining the history of the Big Shot and the procedure for the planned photo shoot on Schoen Place. Issues needing collaboration from Village officials include turning off the street lights and stopping traffic on Schoen Place for about 5 minutes during the actual shoot. RIT will take the responsibility for contacting the business owners. RIT representatives stated that this a community event with participation open to anyone.

Board members consider it an honor that the Village has been selected as the site for this photograph. Mayor Corby will inform the members of the Leadership Committee.

BOY SCOUTS CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

Mr. William Pfeiffer, a representative from Troop 129, addressed the Board regarding advertising signage for the 25th annual Christmas tree sale. Trustees asked for a letter from the Troop including information about the start and end dates of the sale, a contact name and number, and the location of the sale. The sign policy was reviewed with Mr. Pfeiffer. The Board asked the scouts to comply with the sign and banner policy by using signs that have a dark background and light, legible letters. They were also asked to secure the signs in a way that would be safe for pedestrians and vehicles.

The Board granted approval for two double sided A-frame signs. One will be located by the Village Clock on the northeast corner of the four corners intersection, and one will be located at the northwest corner of the South Main Street and Jefferson Road intersection. The signs should be no larger than 6 square feet. If the scouts use signs cut into the shape of Christmas trees, the size could be adjusted.

Board members thanked Mr. Pfeiffer for his cooperation.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Treasurer Marowski presented the vouchers listed on Abstract #9 for approval. Following discussion of the vouchers, a **motion** was made **by Trustee Galli, seconded by Trustee Maddox**, to approve the following vouchers and to charge them to the appropriate accounts.

General Fund (#185-#193, #195-#207):	\$ 6,838.97
Sewer Fund (#194, #201):	\$ 58.20
Canal Improvements –Greenway (#208)	<u>\$ 10,998.76</u>
Total vouchers for approval:	\$ 17,895.93

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

A **motion** was made **by Trustee Galli, seconded by Mayor Corby**, to include voucher #209 in Abstract #9 for the amount of \$2039.32 for the purchase of two commemorative benches.

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

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The Treasurer reported that Mr. Cufari presented three quotes to repair the pavers near the pavilion at the Erie Canal Park. The least expensive estimate was for \$4720.00. Trustee Maddox reported that the sidewalk repair project on Jefferson Road would cost an additional \$10-\$15,000. The increase in cost is due to the fact that a contractor would have to be hired in order to complete the project.

The Treasurer presented a report including revenues and expenses as of September 30, 2007 and discussed the status of the current fiscal year's budget with Board members.

PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #5 – AMEND CHAPTER 195

Proof of the legal notice below having been published, a **motion** was made by **Mayor Corby, seconded by Trustee Sherwood**, to open the public hearing to consider the adoption of proposed local law #5 of 2007.

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

*“Please take notice that a public hearing will be held before the Village of Pittsford Board of Trustees, Tuesday, October 9, 2007 at 8:00 PM at the Pittsford Village Hall, 21 North Main Street, Pittsford, NY, to consider the adoption of **Proposed Local Law #5 of 2007**, which local law would amend **Chapter 195** of the Code of the Village of Pittsford as follows:*

Add to:

195-31 Schedule VI: Parking Prohibited at All Times.

<i>Name of Street</i>	<i>Side</i>	<i>Location</i>
<i>Village Grove</i>	<i>South</i>	<i>From South Main Street to a point 145 feet west of South Main Street</i>
<i>South Main Street</i>	<i>West</i>	<i>From Village Grove to a point 35 feet south of Village Grove</i>

Add to:

195-32 Schedule VII: Parking Prohibited Certain Hours.

<i>Name of Street</i>	<i>Side</i>	<i>Hours/Days</i>	<i>Location</i>
<i>North Main Street</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>10:00 PM to 7:00 AM</i>	<i>99 feet north of Schoen Place to 285 feet north of Schoen Place”</i>

Village Grove resident George Wallace stated that the proposed law accomplishes rectifying the safety concerns presented by Village Grove residents.

Board Members discussed the proposed hours of prohibited parking on North Main Street. Quality of life for nearby residents versus the benefit of more village parking places and the effect that parked cars, which narrow the street, have on traffic calming were the issues that the Board attempted to balance. Resident Pauline Riley stated that parking for pub patrons is better in a designated parking lot than on the street. Resident George Wallace suggested a 2 hour time limit for parkers on North Main Street.

There being no one further who wished to speak for or against the adoption of this proposed local law, a **motion** was made by **Trustee Maddox, seconded by Mayor Corby**, to close the public hearing.

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

A **motion** was made by **Trustee Maddox, seconded by Trustee Galli**, to adopt proposed local law #5 of 2007 modifying the hours of prohibited parking on North Main Street (§ 195-32) from 10 PM to 7 AM to 9 PM to 7 AM.

Vote: Corby – yes, Galli – yes, Cleary – yes, Maddox – yes, Sherwood – no. **Motion carried.**

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The Board agreed that the parking monitor should observe this area periodically in the evening so that parking restrictions are enforced.

SUMMER FLOWERS COMPLIMENT

A village resident complimented Trustee Paula Sherwood on the beauty of the flowers that were in the village this season. Board members credited Trustee Sherwood, Pete Calabrese, John Cufari, and all DPW crew members who diligently worked to maintain and water the flowers.

INFORMATION ONLY – 25 STATE STREET

Vicky and Paul Powell addressed the Board for information regarding the granting of a special permit to operate a café for canines and people at 25 State Street. They presented their plan of action for dealing with noise, safety, odor, parking, signage, outdoor seating, restrooms, and hours of operation. They included a proposed menu and a floor plan. Trustees said primary concerns were the potential impacts to neighboring residents on Church Street and South Street, including the issues of noise and trash disposal. Mr. and Mrs. Powell were asked to walk around the neighborhood to see first hand the impact the business could have on residents. They were informed that the PZBA would be asked by the Trustees for comments regarding the proposal.

HEALTH INSURANCE DISCUSSION

Brian Hart, Brown and Brown Insurance of NY, presented an overview of the Village's existing employee health care plan and offered alternatives and recommendations regarding plans and employee contributions for 2008 employee health care. He told the Board the time line that should be followed regarding health care plan decisions and flexible spending sign up. The health care discussion will continue at the October 23rd meeting of the Board of Trustees.

DUMPSTER CONCERNS

Mayor Corby asked Board Members to observe dumpsters in the Burdett lot, as well as in the ESL lot, at Great Northern Pizza, Coal Tower, and Northfield Common. Complaints have been received, and the conditions surrounding the dumpsters are worsening. This will be discussed at the Oct. 23rd meeting.

EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION REVIEW

Upon the recommendation of the Village's insurance agent, labor attorney Bethany Centrone reviewed and revised the Village's employment application. A **motion** was made **by Trustee Maddox, seconded by Mayor Corby**, to approve and use the employment application presented by labor attorney Bethany Centrone.

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

CANAL BANK CONDITION

Board members discussed the deterioration of portions of the canal bank adjacent to the towpath, on Schoen Place, particularly the area near the floating dock in front of Aladdin's. Mr. Bailey will be asked to consult with the NYS Canal Corporation about the permit for that dock.

APRB MEMO

The Village Board received a memo from the APRB requesting action on signage at the Flour Mill that is not in conformity with signage that was approved. Mayor Corby said he had talked with Mr. Longwell who said he would submit an application. Mayor Corby will contact the APRB Chairperson with this information.

MEMBER ITEMS

Pittsford Youth Services: Due to concerns that Attorney Osborn had with the proposed Monroe County Youth Bureau contract, it was decided that the Village would contribute to Pittsford Youth Services directly without entering into a contract with Monroe County. Attorney Osborn presented a draft letter to Pittsford Youth Services explaining the contribution and the fact that the Village would not be entering into a contract with the County. A **motion** was made **by Mayor Corby, seconded by Trustee Maddox**, to share in the 2007 cost of services provided by Pittsford Youth Services to youth residents of the Village of Pittsford by authorizing a payment of \$637.00 to Pittsford Youth Services.

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

Newsletter: Members discussed the status of the fall newsletter.

Traffic Calming: Mayor Corby described crosswalks that light up with LED lights when a pedestrian enters the crosswalk area. He said they are effective and that he would obtain information on the crosswalks.

Candlelight Night: Trustee Sherwood will attend the first organizational meeting for Candlelight Night 2007. She will ask for an accounting of where funds from last year were spent.

Village logo clothing: Trustee Sherwood investigated logo clothing that could be offered for sale to the public. She will share written material with the board.

Landscaping: Trustee Sherwood met with Tom Sanna to discuss landscaping options for the garden that will be installed at Washington Road/North Main Street intersection. Mr. Sanna will make recommendations.

Joint Meeting of Village Boards: A fall joint meeting of all Village Boards is being scheduled. Trustee Galli will send minutes from the last joint board meeting to Trustee Cleary. Trustee Maddox gave a brief update regarding the website.

Sign Policy: The adoption of the sign and banner policy will take place at the October 23rd Board of Trustees Meeting. The Clerk will assemble a binder for Village Policies.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

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

DPW PROJECTS

Schoen Place pavers: Trustee Galli expressed concerns that the quotes received for repairing the sinking pavers near the pavilion didn't address the erosion problem that is causing the bricks to sink, but rather, just the laying of bricks. One cause may be a gutter problem on an adjacent building.

DPW project and purchase costs: Trustee Galli asked Trustee Maddox to meet with Superintendent Cufari to discuss the upcoming estimated costs for projects and purchases that are planned. This knowledge will assist the Treasurer in forecasting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

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

MINUTES

September 11, 2007: A **motion** was made by **Trustee Maddox, seconded by Mayor Corby**, to approve these minutes as amended.

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

September 25, 2007: A **motion** was made by **Mayor Corby, seconded by Trustee Sherwood** to approve these minutes as amended.

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:20 PM.

Anne Z. Hartsig, Recording Secretary

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