

A regular board meeting was held Tuesday, January 15, 2008 in the Tannersville Village Hall.

Present: Lee McGunnigle, Mayor
Linda Kline, Trustee
Greg Landers, Trustee
Mary Sue Timpson, Trustee
Anthony Lucido, Trustee
Robin Dumont, Village Clerk

Also Present: Judy Terns, DeDe and Ed Thorpe.

Judy Terns asked if Ed VanValkenburg was still getting paid.

The Mayor stated that he is getting paid, and audit and control is here doing an audit of all comp time. They will be reporting back to us regarding their findings.

The Mayor stated that there are new procedures in place regarding receipts. Deposits are done every day. He presented the treasurers report. There are also bank reconciliations done by Donna Bates for each account with a summary on top.

Donna Bates drafted a corrective action plan for review and some implementations have already taken place. Perhaps by the next meeting, each member can decide what they would like to review.

We changed process with ADP to use them for more services. Hope it will streamline and help do payroll quicker.

DeDe Thorpe stated that regarding the flowers, if the Village wants to do the baskets let them know by Jan 30. The Chamber would like to see if the flowers could be streamlined from the Village of Hunter through Haines falls.

The Mayor stated that last year we did 53 baskets on Main Street and they were 16 inch.

DeDe suggested that rather than having every pole with a basket do perhaps every other and extend the baskets to the ends of the Village. She stated that there is no pressure to the Village as it is a large commitment. They will need to be watered every other day.

Trustee Kline stated that under the grant from Greene County she is trying to find out if the Town can get \$2500, the Village \$2500 and the Village of Hunter get \$2500.

DeDe stated that she went to the Town and presented the same proposal to them. It is \$20 per basket. Kerns would pick up baskets, and deliver.

Trustee Landers stated that we will check on the status of the baskets to make sure they are re-usable.

DeDe stated that there could even be 3 different shades.

The Mayor asked when the bill would come for the flowers if we ordered them. DeDe replied most likely in July.

Trustee Landers asked about getting a Green Thumb person to do the watering of the flowers. Perhaps we could do it in conjunction with the Town.

Trustee Lucido made a motion for a \$1200 expenditure for the baskets under next years budget. This would be for 60 baskets. Trustee Kline seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Trustee Kline stated that if Carolyn Bennett writes the grant she would charge \$200 and the grant comes from Greene County Planning. The maximum to apply for is \$2500.

The mayor stated that we will re-visit this issue at the next planning meeting.

Trustee Kline made a motion to approve the minutes from previous meetings (November and December Meetings). Trustee Timpson seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

The Mayor stated that there is a resolution on this evening for support of Greene County Soil & Water's request to submit a revised application to the CWC for a Generic Environmental Impact Statement for the Town & Village of Hunter and the Village of Tannersville. The Mayor stated that this will assist us in the development and planning of the Village. It is at no cost to us. Trustee Timpson made a motion to approve this resolution. Trustee Kline seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Calendar of Events

The Mayor stated that for every event we need to have one board member present when it involves collection of funds.

St. Patrick's Day Parade: There has been no indication from Donna Kennedy yet. The parade begins down at the other end of the Village and ends at the village hall where there is a awards ceremony and refreshments. The board stated to get in touch with Donna Kennedy and see if she wants to do it. If she cant, then someone needs to take over. Rather than having hot dogs and sodas, we should have hot chocolate and cookies. The board stated that there doesn't need to be a dj for the parade. The Mayor stated to contact RIP 97.9 to see if they would like to participate.

Memorial Day Parade – Trustee Kline stated that she would be at the parade.

Duck Race – Trustee Timpson stated that she would be around and may be around for the Crazy race.

Trustee Landers stated that he would be here for the car show but not the duck race.

Circus – The Mayor stated that the Circus recommends that you do it for 2 years then take a year off. The board agreed that this year would be our year to take it off.

The Crazy Race- Trustee Landers stated he may be here for this event.

Christmas Tree Ceremony, explore option of combining it with the Fire Department. Look at the possibility of a street walk and get businesses involved. Trustee Kline pointed out that this is traditionally the first Sunday of December.

The Watershed Summit is held on January 19th. It will count towards your planning training requirements.

The Mayor stated that last month they approved the treasurers report. The Mayor made a motion to approve the treasurers report for this month. Trustee Kline seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Trustee Landers stated that he will review payrolls. Trustee Kline stated she will review water. Trustee Timpson will review court. The Mayor stated that he will review collections.

Trustee Lucido stated that there is no parking in this lot for the Village offices. He suggested asking the employees of Thorps to park in the back or across the street.

In regards to Pugliese Plaza, the board wanted to look into the contract.

Trustee Kline stated that our employee handbook is outdated and thought that we needed a new one. Trustee Kline stated she would leave a sample in the office for the board to review. It just needed names changed.

The Mayor made a motion to go into executive session. Trustee Kline seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Summary of executive session: Bereavement policy was discussed. A decision was made to grant Village employees for their immediate family 3 days.

The Mayor called the meeting back to order.

The Mayor stated that the issue of light duty in the Department of Public Works needed to be looked into. Trustee Kline stated that there is not much light duty. Trustee Lander's asked if there could be a full day's work with light duty. The Mayor stated that we needed to explore this further.

The board reviewed the vouchers. The Mayor stated that when it comes to budget time, we need to review the many insurance policies we have for employees and retirees. The clerk stated that we have 3 separate policies for retirees alone. The cheapest is Traditional blue with it being approximately \$90 per month per person. We have another policy for 1 person that is of Medicare age and another policy for 1 person that is out of state that the other policies won't cover. Trustee Timpson stated that she spoke with the High School and they stated that they are recycling.

The Mayor made a motion to accept the abstracts for General, Water and the Capital Improvement fund and to approve the vouchers except voucher #272 from the General fund to Rappleyea, which received no signatures or endorsements. Trustee Landers seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Trustee Landers made a motion to not include voucher #272 in future abstracts. Trustee Lucido seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Trustee Lucido asked about exploring other options for garbage collections. We could continue the service but privatize it. It would free up some time for the Village DPW. Trustee Lucido stated that some people take advantage of the system and it creates too much.

The Mayor stated that he contacted John Farrell at the Town and asked if we could store our sand and salt at the Town House shed.

The Mayor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Timpson seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Lee McGunnigle, Mayor