

REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 12, 2011

PRESENT: Patricia Sweetland, Mayor

TRUSTEES: Nancy Murphy, Brian Thomas, Christopher Singleton, Philip Chatterton, Keith Perry

ABSENT: Bud Masters

ATTORNEY: Eugene Renzi

OTHERS: Rick Bisig, DPW Superintendent; James Thomas, Sr. Officer; Sarah Haase, Watertown Daily Times; Dustin Clark, Barton & Loguidice

Mayor Sweetland opened meeting at 7pm.

Trustee Thomas led with the pledge.

Trustee Chatterton moved to approve the minutes of 8/15/11 as presented, seconded by Trustee Perry. Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent.

Trustee Perry moved to approve the Financial Reports, Collateral report and Budget Modifications as presented, seconded by Trustee Murphy. Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent.

Trustee Chatterton moved to approve the payment of bills for the period of 8/16-9/12/11 on abstract # 4 as presented, seconded by Trustee Perry. Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent.

General Fund	\$ 25,644.70
Water Fund	8,501.59
Sewer Fund	7,765.34
Trust & Agency Fund	33,017.42
Jt. Municipal Building Fund	1,639.26

Commission reports:

There was no monthly report for zoning.

The monthly report for the fire department was reviewed by the board as presented. Their monthly meeting was tonight so no members are present. They have been looking at replacement vehicles and had one to look at on Long Island, but due to Hurricane Irene were not able to make the trip. The Mayor asked the board if they would consider helping the members wanting to go look at the truck with travel expenses with air flights. They are willing to have the money spent from the fire department contractual budget. Trustee Murphy moved to approve the payment for expenses of members to go to Long Island, seconded by Trustee Thomas. Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent.

The Mayor has received a letter from the Town of Lorraine board and a verbal from the Town of Adams board concerning the Village's proposal for fire contracts. Trustee Perry moved to table further discussion until all responses are received back, seconded by Trustee Singleton. Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent.

The police department monthly report was reviewed by the Board as presented.



Trustee Thomas moved to approve removing Nicole Lasoda from the active police roster, she has moved out of state, seconded by Trustee Chatterton. Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent. Officer Thomas reported on the high extent of burglaries at the Pinehurst Apartments on Institute St. and over \$15,000 worth of property has been taken. There are no security camera's of any kind in the building. He also reported on all the vehicles left unlock that have been entered and items or money has been stolen out of them. The patrolmen are interested in purchasing tasers for use in the Village and all training would be obtained thru the Sheriff's department at no cost to the Village. Officer Thomas will report back on this after further information is received.

The DPW monthly report was reviewed by the Board as presented. Rick reported that the water table took another drop this morning. The pumps have been running 18-20 hrs a day. The Town pump station needs more work done to get it up to par. David Kellogg stated that the Town has no more money in their fund for this work. Rick is working on some quotes for the parts and labor, but wants the Town to be aware of what needs to be done and the cost of such work. Rick has always covered the village workers time at this station as shared services and has not charged back to the Town. Rick is following the maintenance plan that was put together for this pump station. Trustee Thomas stated that the decision to go ahead with this work to be done should be made by the Town of Adams board and for them to spend the money to have it done. Rick will put together the figures for the repair work and parts that need to be done and give it to David Kellogg for the Town to decide.

Trustee Thomas & Rick Bisig will be working together with the Tree Committee on another tree grant.

The dog control officer's monthly report was reviewed by the board as presented.

#### New Business:

Interviews for a new full time hiree for the DPW will take place this week. Mayor Sweetland asked the board to authorize her to hire a new employee. Trustee Perry moved to authorize this request, seconded by Trustee Singleton. Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent.

Dustin Clark spoke to the board about Corr Pro coming to inspect the North Main water tower tomorrow and look over the cathodic protection so we hope to keep this out of litigation court with Spensieri.

He spoke to the board on the issue of a lot of contaminated soil being removed from the N. Main Brownfield's project approximately 1100 tons of soil. This was not part of the original contract for this project. The engineers have put in a request to NYS DEC to approve more funding for this project to be able to complete it and cover the costs of the contaminated soil. An additional amount of \$87,500 has been sent to them for additional costs.



A change order No. 1 for Op-Tech's contract is needed for the additional contaminated soil to be removed and was reviewed by the board. The tipping fees at DANC have been reduced which will help with the costs of this project.

Also the engineering costs for this project have increased because of the contaminated soil.

Trustee Chatterton moved to approve the increase in costs for change order No. 1 to the Op-Tech contract in the amount of \$67,276.93 for a total contract of \$179,451.93. This was seconded by Trustee Singleton. Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent.

Trustee Thomas moved to approve the increase to the contract with the Engineers for Addendum #1 as presented, seconded by Trustee Chatterton. Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent.

Trustee Perry moved to approve Payment #1 to Op-Tech in the amount of \$99,938.55 which has already been approved within the current contract with NYSDEC, seconded by Trustee Murphy. Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent.

Trustee Singleton reported that he has spoken to the owner of 11 Spring Street about his property and he is hoping to begin work to demolish the home this fall.

Trustee Thomas moved to close the meeting, seconded by Trustee Perry. Vote: 5 ayes, 1 absent. Time: 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Darlene M. Rexford, Clerk

