

VILLAGE OF NORTH SYRACUSE

Regular Board Meeting

Thursday, May 12th, 2016 @ 6:29 PM North Syracuse Community Center 700 South Bay Road, North Syracuse, NY 13212

The Village of North Syracuse Regular Board Meeting began at 6:29 P.M. with Mayor Gary Butterfield inviting everyone present to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A public hearing was held by the Board of Trustees of the Village of North Syracuse amending Chapter 169 of the Village Code relating to Peddlers and Solicitors and they will hear all persons in support of such matters, or any objections thereto. Attorney Chatfield noted that there is an error showing 168 and it should read 169. He stated the Village Law requires a license to do soliciting within the Village. Currently, commercial companies that wanted to do door-to-door sales would have to apply for a license and go thru the licensing process. Polls have been conducted in the Village and the overwhelming majority of residents do not want soliciting in the Village or be subjected to commercial solicitors. Accordingly the existing law is being amended to eliminate the reference to the permit process and leave the remaining restrictions intact. The civic organizations like the boy scouts, churches and groups like that could still do door-to-door, but commercial solicitation would be prohibited across the board in the Village. The Mayor brought up the pamphleteering, and Attorney Chatfield stated that he had not done that, but it could be addressed as a minor amendment to the law this evening. It doesn't refer to the definitions, but it is just adding a word in the fourth line of the definition for Hawker, Peddler or Solicitor-if we inserted after the word item the phrase "or literature relating thereto," then continue. This would address those people who pamphleteer who do not necessarily come to your door, but hang something "if interested call this number and we will be happy to come over and demonstrate a vacuum to you." This avoids the conflict with the 1st amendment associated with religious pamphleteering and that sort of thing; that kind of thing you simply cannot prohibit because the 1st amendment protects it. Ken Ryan asked if it applies to Village resident's kids who are selling something for school, sports or raising money for a fundraiser. The Mayor clarified it would be deemed "not for profit".

Roll Call: Mayor Gary Butterfield, Deputy Mayor Fred Fergerson, Trustee Diane Browning, Trustee Pat Gustafson and Trustee Paul Linnertz.

Personnel Present: Village Clerk/Treasurer Dianne Kufel, DPW Superintendent Gary Wilmer, Parks Director Teresa Roth, Police Chief Michael Crowell, Deputy Chief Chris Strong, Village Engineer Amy Franco, and Village Attorney Scott Chatfield.

RESOLUTION # 088-16

APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Deputy Mayor Fergerson made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 28th, 2016 Board



Meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gustafson. The motion was approved with Trustee Browning, Trustee Gustafson, Deputy Mayor Fergerson and Trustee Linnertz, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 089-16

GENERAL FUND ABSTRACT APPROVAL

Deputy Mayor Fergerson made a motion to approve the General Fund Abstract # 25 in the amount of \$69,501.53 covering Voucher # 1310 to Voucher # 1370. The motion was seconded by Trustee Browning. The motion was approved with Trustee Browning, Trustee Gustafson, Deputy Mayor Fergerson and Trustee Linnertz, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 090-16

SEWER FUND ABSTRACT APPROVAL

Trustee Browning made a motion to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract # 25 in the amount of \$7,233.13 covering Voucher #25. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gustafson. The motion was approved with Trustee Browning, Trustee Gustafson, Deputy Mayor Fergerson and Trustee Linnertz, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 091-16

BUDGET TRANSFER

Deputy Mayor Fergerson made a motion to approve a budget transfer for \$131.46 from A7110.424 Parks Water/Bathrooms to increase A7020.400 Parks Miscellaneous by \$7.29, increase A7180.424-Pool-Water by \$5.65 and to increase A7181.447 Comm. Center-Equip/Maint. By \$116.84 to balance out Parks accounts for end of year. The motion was seconded by Trustee Linnertz. The motion was approved with Trustee Browning, Trustee Gustafson, Deputy Mayor Fergerson and Trustee Linnertz, all voting in favor of the same.

CITIZENS' VOICE:

Ken Ryan of 211 Herman Drive mentioned having concerns of existing code violations next door and he didn't want to deal with the mosquitoes again; something needs to be done. He also referenced previously speaking on the budget increase from the last meeting and was displeased. Christopher Strong of 202 Lynhurst Ave. asked the Board members to consider a motion this evening to add back the monies that were taken from the Fire Department when they adopted the Model #2 budget. Attorney Chatfield stated the budget had been adopted, as required by May 1st, and it cannot be amended now.

OLD BUSINESS:



BOARD FEEDBACK ALLOWABLE % OF ASPHALT/STONE ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY

Mayor Butterfield explained there has been little feedback from the website; 131 people voting "they do not want to change" and 64 "do want something changed" since posting the sketches and ideas, so this item is being tabled until the Board has more feedback to formulate this.

RESOLUTION #092-16

DISCUSS LOCAL LAW #2 OF 2016-AMENDING CHAPTER 169 OF THE VILLAGE CODE RELATING TO PEDDLERS AND SOLICITORS

Trustee Browning made a motion to adopt Local Law #2 which amends Chapter 169 of the Village Code with slight modifications that were made and to open it up for discussion. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Fergerson. After much discussion pursued, Trustee Linnertz made a motion to table this item until the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Browning. The motion was approved with Trustee Browning, Trustee Gustafson, Deputy Mayor Fergerson and Trustee Linnertz, all voting in favor of the same.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION # 093-16

INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH TOWN OF **CICERO FOR CODES ENF. SVCS.**

Trustee Linnertz made a motion that authorizes the Mayor to enter into an inter-municipal agreement for three months with the option to renew for one year with the Town of Cicero to provide Code Enforcement Services at a cost of a maximum of \$2800 a month, plus \$75 per new home inspection and \$125 a month per new commercial inspection. The motion was seconded by Trustee Browning. The Mayor stated that will give us time to canvas the list. Engineer Franco clarified whether this person would be dealing with the applications for the Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals. The Mayor confirmed they would. The motion was approved with Trustee Browning, Trustee Gustafson, Deputy Mayor Fergerson and Trustee Linnertz, all voting in favor of the same.

DISCUSSION OF PART -TIME TEMPORARY CODES ASSISTANT FOR CODE VIOLATIONS

The Mayor suggested hiring someone on a temporary part-time basis to check on nuisance type violations that would not require Code certification for between \$12-\$15 per hour for a maximum of 15 hours per week. After much discussion, the Board decided to table this item.



RESOLUTION # 094-16

DISCUSS WOODCOCK/ARMANI QUALITY PREV. MTC. AGR. 2016-ANNUALLY FALL/COR-RAY VAC.

Trustee Linnertz made a motion to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Woodcock & Armani to do annual maintenance on the Cor-Ray Vac. System for 2016; not to exceed \$2,000. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Fergerson. The motion was approved with Trustee Browning, Trustee Gustafson, Deputy Mayor Fergerson and Trustee Linnertz, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 095-16

DISCUSS WOODCOCK/ARMANI-SEMI-ANNUAL PREV. MTC. HVAC & A/C CONDENSER COILS

Trustee Linnertz made a motion to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Woodcock & Armani to do semi-annual maintenance at a cost of \$1545 per year payable by two installments of \$772.50 beginning May 1st, 2016. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Fergerson. The motion was approved with Trustee Browning, Trustee Gustafson, Deputy Mayor Fergerson and Trustee Linnertz, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 096-16

APPROVAL OF DPW SUMMER HIRE

Trustee Gustafson made a motion to approve the appointment of Temporary Laborer Ron Forss effective May 16th, 2016 at \$11 per hour not to exceed a maximum of 20 weeks. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Fergerson. The motion was approved with Trustee Browning, Trustee Gustafson, Deputy Mayor Fergerson and Trustee Linnertz, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 097-16

APPROVAL OF 2016 SUMMER PARKS STAFF

Trustee Linnertz made a motion to approve the list of Summer Parks Staff to be hired for the 2016 Summer Parks Program (Exhibit A). The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Fergerson. Parks Director Roth noted that there a couple that are year round staff on that list and a special event person. The motion was approved with Trustee Browning, Trustee Gustafson, Deputy Mayor Fergerson and Trustee Linnertz, all voting in favor of the same.

APPOINTMENT TO PLANNING BOARD

The Mayor shared the Planning Commission is short a member and an alternate. He has received two names and asked if anyone knows of anyone else that might be interested; we need to fill two spots.

DISCUSS POLICE CONTRACT 6/1/16-5/31/20

The Mayor stated he and Deputy Mayor Fergerson had met again with the Police Union



Representative and they are very close to having an agreement in place. There is some language that needs to be addressed, but he hopes to have it at the next meeting before the contract ends on May 31st, 2016.

ATTORNEY REPORT: No Report.

ENGINEER REPORT: She mentioned what a valuable member William Winstanley was to the Planning Commission and how much he will be missed.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Police Department: No Report.

Fire Department: Deputy Chief Chris Strong commended the crew that was sent to Mattydale to a fire where a victim succumbed; they did a wonderful job with the vertical ventilation. He thanked the many staff for the recruit NY; they have one returning member and one new that is interested this year. There are two who have shown interest for next year. At the Dept. Heads meeting, he shared Truck #1 was having problems with corrosion at the bottom of the safety rails that came loose in their hands when doing preventative maintenance and stated he supplied pictures. This needs to be fixed so we can keep it in service.

Public Works Department: He stated there were a lot of complaints about water being dirty yesterday throughout the Village. He called OCWA and they had a disturbance in one of their transmission lines and would settle in 3-4 hours. Today there were still calls coming in again so he called OCWA back and they were sending crews out to flush the hydrants down by Shaver Ave and Chestnut Street to help clear up the situation.

Parks and Recreation Department: She just wanted to mention the Family Festival that is scheduled for Saturday, May 28th, 2016 at Lonergan Park from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Everyone should have a great time; weather permitting. Today in the Star Review should be the summer program flyer as an insert. Next week in the Star Review will be the full page ad with the program, all of our sponsors, and listing of the entertainment. Our summer camp registrations started this past week. We started making pool passes for the June 10th opening of the pool. Our Memorial Day Parade is scheduled for May 30th at 9:00 a.m.; I hope you all can participate and march in the parade. The Lonergan Park project was behind with the rain we had but is coming along really well this week. The concrete was poured, the ramp on the deck, the sidewalk, the pavilion area, and the shed are moving along. The deck looks really good; they just have to finish the stairs and the railing. We have run into a problem with finding an underground septic tank when we were doing the bathroom area, so that put us a



little behind schedule; but they will be fixing that today filling it in with stone. The Eagle Scout Project that is going on at the Lonergan Park entrance is underway; and if the weather is good, they will try to finish that this weekend.

Codes Department: No Report.

Clerk-Treasurer: No Report.

DEPUTY MAYOR-TRUSTEES REPORT:

Trustee Gustafson: She offered condolences to Vera Desimone and her family from the Village. She is very active in the Village and she lost her brother this week.

Trustee Browning: She spoke of the Mayor and herself going to Saratoga last week to attend the NYCOM Conference. After attending four of the seminars, she felt the Village was in pretty good shape. She stated, like any other conference, you spend breakfast and dinner with other Mayors from other areas who communicate different ideas so you learn a lot; what you might be able to do and what you have done.

Trustee Linnertz: He stated the first Cor-Ray Vac. System is \$1,106 annually to be paid in one installment and does not give a due date. He stated as the Liaison to the Codes and Planning he wanted to commend William Winstanley for his service on the Planning Board. He served many years on the Planning Board and then as Chairman; he did a great job for the Village.

Deputy Mayor Fergerson: He spoke of the Memorial Day Parade and who was going to lead it. He mentioned he had talked with Mark Atkinson and gave Gary the contact for the VFW so hopefully that will help it to go smoother. Parks Director Roth mentioned that she spoke to the gentleman this morning so they had made contact. The next Public Safety Meeting is going to be held Monday, June 6th, 2016 downstairs at 4:00 p.m.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Butterfield spoke of being in Saratoga Sunday thru Tuesday morning. He felt it was information overload with too much to absorb. We had things to bring home; it is intense but informative. He continued last week Trustee Gustafson, Deputy Mayor Fergerson, Police Chief Crowell, he and his wife were invited and attended the Grand Opening of the NAS Learning Center which is an Islamic Cultural Center located in the former Kelly Lynn building on Gateway Park Drive. He spoke of the warm reception they received. There was a multi room with lots of activities and ideas and we were treated like celebrities. He also spoke of the former Andrew's Memorial Methodist



Church being purchased by an Egyptian Coptic Christian Congregation. He had met the Priest who greeted him warmly. He wanted to welcome both groups that have joined our Village. At the next meeting or thereafter, we are going to propose a local law to better identify the costs and fees associated with the F.O.I.L. Requests and the Freedom of Information. There are some conflicts with how much we should or could charge, so the Attorney and the Police Chief are trying to codify and make some sense of that. He referred to himself as "The Crosswalk Mayor" and there are more people out walking with it being springtime out. He stated that Police Chief is planning another detail and working on some innovative ideas for the crosswalks. He spoke of Trustee Browning contacting our local churches and organizations within the confines of the Village or just outside of the boarders to find out what they have by way of helps such as clothing closet, food pantry, counseling for loss and there is quite a few. He spoke of trying to get our two new organizations on board. Then we will post the results on the Website and the Community Center so Village residents will know of places where they can get help. He thought there were about eight or nine organizations out there.

Mayor Butterfield asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Gustafson made a motion to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Fergerson. The motion was approved with Trustee Browning, Trustee Gustafson, Deputy Mayor Fergerson and Trustee Linnertz, all voting in favor of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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Village Clerk Treasurer

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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