



VILLAGE OF NORTH SYRACUSE

Regular Board Meeting

Thursday, May 23rd, 2019 @ 4:30 PM

North Syracuse Community Center
700 South Bay Road, North Syracuse, NY 13212

The Village of North Syracuse Regular Board Meeting began at 4:30 P.M. with Mayor Gary Butterfield asking everyone to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Mayor Gary Butterfield, Deputy Mayor Browning, Trustee Pat Gustafson, Trustee LouAnn St. Germain, and Trustee Art Steere.

Personnel Present: Village Clerk/Treasurer Dianne Kufel, CEO Brian Johnstone, DPW Superintendent Ed Ware, Parks Director Teresa Roth, Police Chief Steve Rotunno and Village Attorney Scott Chatfield, and Village Engineer Amy Franco.

Personnel Absent: Fire Chief Robert Liberatore.

RESOLUTION # 089-19

APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Trustee Gustafson made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 9th, 2019 Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee St. Germain. The motion was approved with Trustee Gustafson, Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Steere, and Deputy Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 090-19

GENERAL FUND ABSTRACT APPROVAL

Deputy Mayor Browning made a motion to approve the General Fund Abstract #26 in the amount of \$103,934.44 covering Voucher #1295 to Voucher #1380. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gustafson. The motion was approved with Trustee Gustafson, Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Steere, and Deputy Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 091-19

BUDGET TRANSFER(S)

The Mayor stated the transfer of monies as mentioned previously, the Fire Dept. was in a disagreement over the painting that was unanticipated for this rehab; nevertheless, they are not able to complete this rehab in this fiscal year, therefore, they have requested the allotted monies be placed in their reserve for next year. Deputy Mayor Browning made a motion to approve the budget transfers from A3410.25 Fire Dept. Engine 6 Rehab to increase A231F Fire Dept. Repairs/Mtc. in the amount of \$45,000. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gustafson. The motion was approved with Trustee Gustafson, Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Steere, and Deputy Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.



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OLD BUSINESS:

**UPDATE "5G" - CELL WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY:
REVIEWING RATE STRUCTURE**

The Mayor stated we are reviewing the rate structure, the Board is still reviewing these agreements and evaluating other agreements, within the next week we will be zeroing in some agreeable fees that look and appear to be reasonable; there will be more to follow. He asked if there were any thoughts or comments from the Board. He continued they are just pushing this out a little bit, with no response he moved on to the next item.

NEW BUSINESS:

**DPW HIGHWAY DEPT. - APPOINT R. SCARCELLA-
LABORER, EFFECTIVE MAY 24TH, 2019**

Deputy Mayor Browning made a motion to authorize the appointment of Rocco Scarcella for DPW as a Laborer I. effective May 24th, 2019 at \$24,960 per year. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gustafson. The motion was approved with in Trustee Gustafson, Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Steere, and Deputy Mayor Browning, all voting favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 092-19

**APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS OF (8)
NORTH SYRACUSE FIREFIGHTERS**

Deputy Mayor Browning made a motion to approve the appointments of the following Junior Firefighters: Dylan Camps Dorta, Sofia LoVetere, Joshua Daugard, Angeleque Simmons Trease, Nathan Daugard, Hayden Smith, Allison Gratién and Audrey Gratién. The motion was seconded by Trustee St. Germain. Trustee Gustafson stated she felt it was great that they are coming up from the family and taking part. The motion was approved with Trustee Gustafson, Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Steere and Deputy Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 093-19

**DISCUSS/ REVIEW AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO
SIGN THE GERMAIN AND GERMAIN AGREEMENT**

The Mayor stated the Board has received the agreement from Germain and Germain. He continued this is an extension of service over and above our annual legal representation from Atty. Chatfield. Deputy Mayor Browning made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Germain and Germain



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Agreement for extension of service over and above our annual legal representation with Atty. Chatfield to provide legal "labor" expertise. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gustafson. The motion was approved with Trustee Gustafson, Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Steere, and Deputy Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 094-19

DISCUSS/APPROVE SUMMER PARKS SEASONAL HIRES

Trustee Gustafson made a motion authorizing the hiring/rehiring of the seasonal summer hires as set forth in the list attached as Exhibit A. The motion was seconded by Trustee Steere. The motion was approved with Trustee Gustafson, Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Steere, and Deputy Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 095-19

**DISCUSS/APPROVE M&S FIRE PROTECTION,
LLC: 6/01/19-5/31/20**

Trustee Gustafson made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the M & S Fire Protection, LLC. Agreement for the Annual Fire Sprinkler Inspection at the Comm. Ctr. in the amount of \$400 for 6/1/19 - 5/31/20. The motion was seconded by Trustee St. Germain. The motion was approved with Trustee Gustafson, Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Steere, and Deputy Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 096-19

**DISCUSS/APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
SIGNATORY STAMPS FOR CLERK TREASURER
AND DEP. CLERK TREASURER**

Trustee Gustafson made a motion to authorize signatory stamps for the Clerk-Treasurer and Dep. Clerk-Treasurer to use affixed stamps of their signature for Accounts Payable Checks. The motion was seconded by Trustee Steere. Trustee Steere asked if they would be secured. Village Clerk-Treasurer Kufel stated that they will keep them secured and locked up. The motion was approved with Trustee Gustafson, Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Steere, and Deputy Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 097-19

**DISCUSS/APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO
SIGN THE (2) MODIFICATIONS TO THE MS4
STORMWATER COALITION AGREEMENT**

Deputy Mayor Browning made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign MS4 Stormwater Coalition Agreement with the (2) changes. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gustafson. The motion was



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approved with Trustee Gustafson, Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Steere, and Deputy Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

RESOLUTION # 098-19

**DISCUSS/APPROVE LABOR READY SERVICES FOR
TEMPORARY SEASONAL SUMMER HELP**

Deputy Mayor Browning made a motion to authorize DPW Sup't. Ware when necessary, to hire some Temporary Employees. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gustafson. The motion was approved with Trustee Gustafson, Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Steere, and Deputy Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

CITIZENS' VOICE: The Mayor invited anyone that wished to share concerns or thoughts to address the Board.

Melissa Scott of 106 Watson Road stated she is here to discuss the parking and traffic situation on her street. She continued she has incurred a lot of damage to her lawn due to people parking on the grass. She has noticed in addition to her and the neighbors' properties damage, the street seems a bit narrow to be two-way and it congests the traffic, because of the parking; not to mention people parking there have their cars damaged, the kids playing in the street and having blind spots and they are not quite seeing the traffic. She asked if she could have a motion or petition filed to have no parking on Watson Road. The Mayor stated he can have the Police go down and he understands that there may be some overflow parking from some of the businesses at the end of the street. He continued we could put some "No Parking" signs up especially if it restricts emergency vehicles from going thru there. Police Chief Rotunno asked if there was a time she noticed it more often than not. Ms. Scott stated usually it is heavier in the spring time all the way up until about 5:00 PM; she has incurred some nasty damage to her grass, but more so if somebody parks there and gets side swiped by a traveling vehicle, and shared concerns if a little kid cannot see and gets hit, or if a person just walking. The Mayor stated they will take a look.

Pat Ferguson reminded everyone of the opening ceremonies on Saturday, May 25th at 11:00 AM for the Festival. She continued there will be a dunk tank, and they will be selling raffle tickets. She went on to thank the Parks Director Roth and DPW Sup't Ware ahead of time; for all of their determined efforts. She commented she will see everyone there.

Chris Strong of 202 Lynhurst Ave. stated he wanted to officially announce that he was nominated and he is accepting the nomination for the two yr. Trustee position to run for the June 18th election to fill the spot for Trustee Steere who is moving out of the Village. He thanked everyone who has reached out, showed support and look forward to working with everyone.



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Sue Hammond of Elaine Ave. stated one of her concerns is the 5G Plan and asked when they will have a final proposal, can one see it, and will there be a Public Hearing regarding the 5G issue. The Mayor stated we are still working through details, so he guessed at least 1 to 2 months before they are ready to do a Public Hearing. Atty. Chatfield stated the Public Hearing is only on the proposed law; not the execution of the agreement. He continued the proposed law we have to have the lead time notice and that sort of thing, so he is going to say anywhere between 1 to 2 months from now. Ms. Hammond went on to say the in terms of the law; it is pretty generic, right. Atty. Chatfield agreed. Ms. Hammond stated in terms of the actual agreement; they are sort of tied together in my mind. Atty. Chatfield explained he is saying there is not any Public Hearing requirement for the execution of the agreement. He stated there is a Public Hearing requirement for the execution of the law. Ms. Hammond clarified that the agreement would not be dealt with until after the law is passed. Atty. Chatfield continued he thinks it could be done at either time, but probably would not be until after the law is in place, because the law is going to authorize the fees which are part of the agreement. Ms. Hammond stated so basically after the law is passed it is a done deal; the public does not really have any input at that point. Village Clerk-Treasurer Kufel stated you are welcome to get a copy of the agreement or anything that is present at this Board meeting; you are welcome to get a copy of that before the Board meeting, if you would like. Atty. Chatfield stated you can read it, it is no secret. The Mayor asked again if anyone else wished to speak and closed Citizen's Voice.

ATTORNEY REPORT: No Report.

ENGINEER REPORT: Engineer Franco stated we just have this project; it is basically done. She continued there are still some outstanding items that need to be finished up by the contractor and she had some work with the DPW to kind of finalize it; pretty much it is all in place, so you can see how it looks in real life.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Police Department: He stated the following:

- The drug box has made its way to the new conference room
- They are placing temporary no parking signs around where the festival is going to be, so emergency vehicles can get through and assist the people with the festival
- One of the Police cars have been re-stripped with the Village colors; he is getting a lot of positive feedback on it
- So far in May: 778 Total Calls for service, 431 Property Checks, 11 Domestic, 14 Motor Vehicle Accidents, 118 Traffic Stops, 122 Traffic tickets, 11 arrests



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Fire Department: No Report.

Public Works Department: He stated the following:

- They picked up a 175,000 lbs. of brush
- With almost 6" of rain, they have fallen behind in the parks; cannot mow, so wet
- The float is ready for the parade and flags are out
- New Bucket Truck is working good; replaced a plug and need to repair one of the injectors

Parks and Recreation Department: She stated the following:

- Family Festival 5/25 from 11:00 AM-5:00 PM; moved to the Gathering Place (Park too wet)
- She thanked the Gathering Place for allowing them to host the Festival there
- She thanked the Town of Cicero Parks Dept. for loaning them their portable stage and several sponsors that will be listed in the program
- She encouraged every to come and join them; lots of free entertainment, raffle prizes and food vendors
- Memorial Day Parade 5/27, starting at Lonergan Pk. at 9:00 AM going down Rt. 11 and there will be a ceremony at Veterans Pk. from the local VFW Post 7290
- Summer Camp Registration started last week; going pretty well
- Pool opens on 6/14, next week cover will come off and have chlorine delivered
- She thanked the Board for authorizing the hiring of all the life guards tonight; there are a few summer camp staff on that list, but meeting will have more to have you approve for summer camp

Codes Department: He stated the following:

- On 5/16 Planning Comm. granted Morales Collision Site Plan Approval and Special Use Permit for the 802 N. Main St. property; he needs to close on property, and he hopes to open by end of July

Clerk-Treasurer: She stated the following:

- Winding down the year here with a week left for the Old Budget cycle
- Workers' Comp for upcoming year was a projected cost, with Safety Meetings and improvements in that area, we budgeted \$105,000; it came in at \$93,000, substantial savings for the Budget
- DPW Sup't Ware stated the flowers are typically up at this time, but had no sunshine, so they are not really ready to put up; typically they are ready for the Festival, another week or two before those are up
- On Monday, Memorial Day Village Hall is closed



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DEPUTY MAYOR-TRUSTEES REPORT:

Trustee St. Germain: She stated that had met with one of her neighbors who had questions about a fence issue. She continued she got some preliminary questions answered from CEO Johnstone and he went up and saw the neighbor; so that was really good.

Trustee Gustafson: She stated last week she attended the Mayors Meeting in Liverpool. She continued it was about sewers; she found it interesting and fascinating, what really happens when you flush that flush down. She stated there was a representative from the county from the Metropolitan Water Board who invited anyone who would like to take a tour to come over at any time.

Trustee Steere: He stated he was going to be in the dunk tank on Saturday in the midafternoon. He attended the Planning Meeting with Codes; it seemed like a great project for the corner of the Village. He continued that will look really good and not have vacant properties.

Deputy Mayor Browning: She stated she liked the Police car very much, but did not want to ride in it; it does look nice. She gave Kuddos to Parks Director Roth and the committee, it has been quite a challenge and she is exhausted, she is sure. She stated that it is beneficial and asked the people to please come and join us. She continued she is pleased with the response to the flowers from the businesses and we got almost as much as last year, but it is fantastic that the businesses pay for it; it is a lot of money. She wished everyone a Happy Memorial Day.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

He stated they reached out to Assemblyman Stirpe's Office to get additional help, because the project is a little over budget. He continued the project looks great so far. He stated the Charge Point Station is actually getting some usage; there is monthly activity, so we will keep you up to date on that. He continued the next thing we are going to do at Village Hall is put in a new phone system; some new updated computers, wiring, etc. He continued we have discovered as we were remodeling the basement and upstairs; we have wiring to cleanup to stream line, and we are due for some updates to the computers and phones.

The Mayor stated he would like to entertain a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a Safety/Health issue. He continued we will not be making any decisions when we come back out.

Trustee Gustafson made a motion to enter into **Executive Session** 4:53 P.M. The motion was seconded by Trustee St. Germain. The motion was approved with Trustee Gustafson, Trustee St.

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Mayor Butterfield made a motion to return to **Regular Session** at 5:45 P.M. The motion was seconded by Trustee Steere. The motion was approved with Trustee Gustafson, Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Steere, and Deputy Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

Mayor Butterfield made a motion to adjourn at 5:46 PM. The motion was seconded by Trustee Steere. The motion was approved with Trustee Gustafson, Trustee St. Germain, Trustee Steere, and Deputy Mayor Browning, all voting in favor of the same.

Respectfully submitted,


Dianne M. Kufel
Village Clerk



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Exhibit "A"

2019 Summer Parks Staff

Michael Ferguson - Recreation Leader - \$12.05/hr (start date retroactive to May 21st)

Madison Schrader- Recreation Leader - \$11.45/hr (start date retroactive to May 21st)

Garrett Coleman – Recreation Leader - \$11.80/hr (approx. start date of 5/29)

Ryan Heitman – Lifeguard - \$11.25/hr (approx. start date of 6/3)

Steven Cooley – Instructor Lifeguard - \$12.15/hr (approx. start date of 6/3)

David Campbell – Swim Facility Manager - \$14.65/hr (approx. start date of 6/11)

Jennifer Dahm – Ast Swim Facility Manager - \$13.25 (approx. start date of 6/11)

Owen Flaherty – Lifeguard - \$11.75/hr (approx. start date of 6/5)

John Harbaugh – Lifeguard - \$11.20/hr (approx. start date of 6/11)

Adam Rein – Lifeguard - \$11.20/hr (approx. start date of 6/11)

Sarah Walter - Lifeguard - \$11.25/hr (approx. start date of 6/11)

Mitchell Eager - Lifeguard - \$11.65/hr (approx. start date of 6/11)

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PLEASE SIGN IN

NAME	ADDRESS
Melissa C. Scott	106 Watson Road N. Syracuse NY ¹³⁰²⁷
Pat Ferguson	215 So Main St NoSy 13212-3100
Greg Hanky	
Christopher Strong	202 Lyndal Avenue N. Syracuse
Sue Hammond	107 Elm Ave. N. Syr,