Regular Board Meeting
August 23, 2012 at 4:30 PM
North Syracuse Community Center
700 South Bay Road, North Syracuse, NY 13212

The Village of North Syracuse Regular Board Meeting began 6:30 PM with Mayor Atkinson inviting everyone present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Mayor Mark Atkinson, Deputy Mayor Chuck Henry, Trustee Gary Butterfield, Trustee Fred Fergerson and Trustee Paul Linnertz were present.

Personnel Present: Deputy Village Clerk/ Treasurer Denise Papa, Village Attorney Scott Chatfield, DPW Sup't Gary Wilmer, Parks Director Teresa Roth, Codes Enforcement Officer Pam DiCarlo, Police Chief Michael Crowell

RESOLUTION # 152-12 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Fergerson made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 9th, 2012 Board Meeting. Trustee Gary Butterfield seconded the motion. The Motion was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION# 153-12 **GENERAL FUND ABSTRACT APPROVAL**

Trustee Fergerson made a motion to approve the General Fund Abstract #6 in the amount of $60,092.99 covering Voucher # 266 to Voucher # 333; the motion was seconded by Trustee Gary Butterfield. The motion was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION #154-12 **SEWER ABSTRACT APPROVAL**

Trustee Fergerson made a motion to approve the Sewer Abstract #6 in the amount of $55.00 covering Voucher #4; the motion was seconded by Trustee Gary Butterfield. The motion was carried unanimously.

CITIZENS' VOICE: Joe Shickling – 106 Edden Lane spoke about the neighbors' barking dogs. Joe Shickling explained he had been here two or three times before with the same issue. They bark all the time. When I go to the Dog Warden they send them a letter and then go to court. That is not what he wants to do. He would like to cure the problem and he thinks he has a way to do it. He was working in his yard – the dog was barking, he went over to the fence and looked over and said – if that dog was over here – it wouldn't be barking. He then went into his house, the door bell rang and was a Police Officer. The Police Officer asked to come in, they started talking and the Police Officer said the neighbor said he was going to kill his dog. Those were not the words he used; he said if the dog was in my yard it would not be barking. Since the Police came, it has improved a little bit. He would like to see some law made for people

like him with dog barking issues where they could call the Dog Warden and have a muzzle put on the dog. Then the dog would learn. Mayor Atkinson explained he was sorry he was having this problem and he knows he has been here before. Mayor Atkinson explained he has gone over there, as well as the Animal Control person and the Police Officer. Mayor Atkinson explained he would put it on the agenda for his Staff meeting and discuss it further.

ATTORNEYS REPORT: No report

ENGINEERING REPORT: No report

DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORT:

Police Department: Chief explained he has spent the last week and a half getting acquainted with everyone. He attended the Park concert and met some people there. He would like to let the board know what he has been working on. There is an equipment issue; the computers in the cars are in really bad shape. He also, has been working on staff reviews, some of which are critical. As for the external things – it has been quiet, other than some car larcenies. He put out a press release for people to lock their vehicles, which is the best way to solve a problem like that. He also put out a message on the Village Beat. They have also had a couple domestic calls to apartments in the Village. He put a training bulletin out to the Officers; it references how to deal with Landlords and Tenants.

Highway Department: DPW Sup't Gary Wilmer explained paving is all done for this year; they got a little extra money left in Chips, so he will be looking to get some cheaper seal to cover up some of the cracks. They went through their first week of bulk pick up; there were a couple of little problems. He thinks they can work them out – they received 250 to 300 calls.

Parks and Recreation: Parks Director Teresa Roth explained the camp program ended Friday and was very successful. The pool will also be closing early, most of the staff is college students and they have returned to school. There will be one more week of the concert series and that is it summer programs are over.

Codes Department: No report

Clerk-Treasurer: No report

DEPUTY MAYOR/TRUSTEES REPORT:

Trustee Linnertz: Doesn't want the board to feel bad about the lack of participation from the citizens, he was in Chaumont – they are discussing dissolving the Village and no-one was at the public hearing.

Trustee Fergerson: Wanted to thank Chief Crowell for advertizing on the Village Beat – it is good to keep things in the public eye as much as they can. He would also like to remind everyone about the Safety Meeting on September 10th 2012 at 5:00 PM.

Trustee Butterfield: No report

Deputy Mayor Henry: No report

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Mark Atkinson explained he wanted to talk about the new bulk waste and that there will be bumps, expect it and they will deal with them as they pop-up. Mayor Atkinson explained all the feed back he has received has been good.

Trustee Butterfield made a motion to adjourn 4:48 PM. Trustee Linnertz seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Papa
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer