

December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012: Regular Meeting

There was a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tully on Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 7:00pm in the Municipal Building.

Present: Elizabeth Greenwood, Mayor  
Theresa Flaherty, Deputy Mayor  
Charles Yonko, Jr., Trustee  
Daniel Poellot, Trustee  
William Coffin, Trustee  
Steve Primo, Counsel  
Harold Kiehl, DPW Superintendent  
Ruth Van Buskirk, Clerk/Treasurer  
Thomas Chartrand, Accountant

Visitors: Jeff Rothery  
Bill Lund  
Frank Speziale  
Sonny Battle  
Mike Hoke  
Sandy Rothery  
Mike Bridenbaker  
The Canaans

Pledge of Allegiance/Call to Order

Mayor Greenwood led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order.

Upon motion by Trustee Flaherty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Poellot, it was unanimous to accept the minutes from the November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012 village board meeting.

### **Public Comment**

The Chatfield's, who owe property next to the Banner Farm, have experienced problems with someone killing their livestock. Chatfield's are requesting a easement so that National Grid can set additional supports that would allow an electrical fence with motion sensors. Upon motion by Trustee Poellot, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Coffin, it was unanimous to grant the easement. The Mayor will sign the paperwork on 12/6/12 and have it notarized.

### **DPW**

Lift Station Pump: 3 quotes are attached for the pump. The Board will budget the required funds in the 2013-2014 budget.

Digester: Harold reported that it is 95% done. They just have to reinstall the panels.

Water and w/w annual inspection: The Mayor has a copy of the report. (see attached) We did well.

Scrap Steel: The scrap steel deposited netted \$533.00.

Slayton Square: water service is in

Street Trees: Wilson's Tree removed trees on Lincoln and Onondaga. Harold will get quotes for the one on Warren.

Staggered hours for snowplowing: The DPW crew will be allowed to shift hours to cover plowing sidewalks during the week. Weekend plowing will be determined by the amount of snowfall.

Maintenance Report: gas heater at the plant office is not working properly and may need to be replaced.

Training Report: Harold reported that they had the usual daily work. They gained some experience tapping into the water main for Slayton Square, and worked on the digester.

## **Counsel**

Time Warner has returned the contract. Dan Poellot will look it over and the Board plans to vote on it at the January meeting. Time Warner would not agree to running the cable to the DPW plant.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Upon motion by Trustee Coffin and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Poellot, it was unanimous to approve the treasurer's report subject to audit. The reports are on file at the Village Office.

## **Codes**

Zoning Board had its first meeting regarding the First Niagara sign. They will meet again December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 7pm. Trustee Yonko expressed concerns over the sign at the new ski shop, next to Alliance Bank. The Mayor had a previous conversation with Codes and she will forward Ralph's response.

## **Engineer**

PER grant monies were received. The Mayor and Engineer will look into going for the full USDA grant. The initial outlay for the Village could be more than \$12,000.00.

## **Old Business**

Fire Commissioners: After a great deal of research it was determined that the position that the Village needed to appoint was the one currently held by Gary Malone. It was further determined that the Fire Commissioners were not in compliance with NYS Law. The fire commissioners must maintain a 3 town resident, 2 village resident ratio, if at all possible. Currently the commissioners are all from the town. According to counsel if someone from the village applies for the position they must be appointed. Frank Speziale asked counsel if there was no village resident to apply can a town resident be appointed. Counsel replied that wherever we can we should be compliant with NYS law. The oath of office should be recorded in the Village office, Town office and with the Fire District.

Upon motion by Trustee Coffin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Flaherty, it was unanimous to appoint Jeff Rothery to the Fire Commissioners for the term of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017. According to Counsel the Town board should appoint a village resident, if at all possible next year to be in compliance with NYS Law. (see attached info from Counsel)

Upon motion by Trustee Poellot, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Flaherty it was unanimous that there shall be no registration day for the General Village Election to be held on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of March 2013.

Upon motion by Trustee Flaherty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Yonko, it was unanimous to accept the voter registration list of the Onondaga County Board of Elections as the official voter registration list to be used by the official inspectors of the March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Village Elections.

Upon motion by Trustee Coffin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Yonko, it was unanimous to authorize the use of the Tully School District voting machines at the 19<sup>th</sup> day of March 2013 Village Elections.

Upon motion by Trustee Flaherty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Coffin, it was unanimous that the annual election shall be on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of March 2013, that the Village constitutes one elections district and the polling place for the district shall be the Municipal Building located at 5833

Meetinghouse Road, Tully NY; and the hours during which polls will be open shall be from noon to 9pm.

### **New Business**

Upon motion by Trustee Flaherty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Yonko, it was unanimous to approve the current members of the joint planning board to the comprehensive planning committee for the duration of the comprehensive plan update subject to their acceptance with no compensation. Mayor and the Board agreed that once work was completed on Christmas Eve day the DPW crew may take the rest of the day off.

### **Public Comment**

Santa Claus will be at the Tully Firehouse Saturday December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 7pm. Mrs. Claus will also be present.

### **Audit Bills**

Upon motion by Trustee Flaherty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Yonko, it was unanimous to review and authorize the accountant to pay the bills. All ayes carried.

Upon motion of Trustee Coffin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Yonko, it was unanimous to adjourn at 8:12pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Ruth C. Van Buskirk  
Clerk/Treasurer