

January 2nd, 2013: Regular Meeting

There was a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tully on Wednesday, January 2nd, 2013 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
Ruth Van Buskirk, Clerk/Treasurer
Thomas Chartrand, Accountant
Ralph Lamson, Codes
Harold Kiehl, DPW

Absent: none

Visitors: Jeff Rothery
Sandy Rothery
Gary Malone
Mike Hoke

Pledge of Allegiance/Call to Order

Mayor Greenwood led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Motion was made by Trustee Poellot, 2nd by Trustee Flaherty to approve the minutes for the December 5th, 2012 meeting. Ayes carried.

Upon motion by Trustee Yonko, 2nd by Trustee Poellot it was unanimous to approve the transfers.

Upon motion by Trustee Flaherty, 2nd by Trustee Yonko it was unanimous to accept the treasurer's report, subject to audit.

Budget letters will be sent out 2/1/2013 to be returned to the accountant by 3/1/2013. Budget workshop will need to be scheduled for the 3rd or 4th week of March and the public hearing will be before April 15th, 2013.

Public Comment

DPW

WWTP wall heater replacement: Three quotes were obtained by DPW (see attached)

Upon motion by Trustee Coffin, 2nd by Trustee Flaherty it was unanimous to accept the bid by FireHoke, for \$1800.00.

Small portable generator: Upon motion by Trustee Poellot, 2nd by Trustee Coffin it was unanimous to purchase a small portable generator for \$999.00 (Honda) which came in under budget.

2-Way Radios: Upon motion by Trustee Poellot, 2nd by Trustee Flaherty it was unanimous to declare the old 2-way radios as scrap (it would be illegal to use the bans). They will be disposed of at the May clean-up.

Digester: is done

Maintenance Report: There was a water main break Saturday night on Onondaga Court.

Training Report: Nothing new was presented old materials were reviewed

COUNSEL:

Fire Commissioners:

The Board confirmed the prior appointment for the Fire Commissioners.

Upon motion by Trustee Flaherty, 2nd by Trustee Yonko it was unanimous to confirm the December appointment of Jeff Rothery to the fire commissioners for a 5 year term.

First Niagara:

Paperwork was returned from Onondaga Planning Board (see attached). The ZBA will meet on January 16th, 2013 for further discussion.

Time Warner Contract: Upon motion by Trustee Poellot, 2nd by Trustee Flaherty it was unanimous to accept the Time Warner contract even though they would not agree to run cable to the WWTP.

CODES:

Ralph completed the 24 hours of service training.

Engineer:

Monies for State Street are coming in slowly.

New Business:

Upon motion by Trustee Flaherty, 2nd by Trustee Poellot it was unanimous to appoint Catharine Shaughnessy and Norma Richards as inspectors of elections.

The tree grant that we applied for through Niagara Mohawk was denied.

Upon motion by Trustee Coffin, 2nd by Trustee Yonko it was unanimous to appoint David Meixell to the Joint Planning Board for a seven year term ending in December of 2019.

Public Comment:

Gary Malone requested that the Board enter executive session to discuss his not being reappointed to fire commissioner. It did not meet the requirements for executive session.

Counsel stated that the vote remained the same. The Mayor stated that the decision was not made based on past performance of Mr. Malone. Despite the initial erroneous interpretation of the residence requirements for members of the Board of Fire Commissioners, the Board would have voted the same. The Mayor stated that there were several factors in this decision that came up during discussion between Village Board members. The Board felt that Mr. Rothery would

bring new ideas and perspective to the Commissioners, and felt that his experience and relationships with the Fire Department would further a positive working relationship between the Fire Commissioners and the Fire Department. Additionally, the Mayor added that she personally felt that when a Village resident expressed interest in a position in their local government it was important to encourage active participation in the community. There will now be one village resident on the joint 5 member board.

Audit Bills

Upon motion by Trustee Coffin, 2nd by Trustee Flaherty, it was unanimous to review and authorize the accountant to pay the bills.

Upon motion of Trustee Coffin, 2nd by Trustee Flaherty it was unanimous to adjourn at 7:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Ruth C. Van Buskirk
Clerk/Treasurer