

March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013: Regular Meeting

There was a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tully on Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 7:30pm 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  
Harold Kiehl, DPW

Absent: Ralph Lamson, Codes

Visitors: Darcy Sacks  
Richard Patterson  
Karen Patterson  
Mike Hoke

Pledge of Allegiance/Call to Order

Mayor Greenwood led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. Motion was made by Trustee Poellot, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Flaherty to approve the minutes for the February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013 meeting. Ayes carried.

Upon motion by Trustee Flaherty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Coffin it was unanimous to approve the minutes from the February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013 meeting.

Upon motion by Trustee Coffin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Poellot it was unanimous to accept the treasurer's report, subject to audit.

### **Public Comment**

Darcy Sacks requested that the Village consider servicing two water systems in the Valley either as a municipality (outside user) or contract with one of the DPW workers individually.

### **Budget:**

Accountant made cuts and adjustments to the 2013 – 2014 budget. June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 the DPW crew will be paid a weekly salary. Time cards will still need to be submitted. The salary has been calculated to reflect overtime estimates. DPW will be on call 24/7. Hours will be flexible. Time worked over 40 hours must be “comped” within 90 days. Snowplowing of Village sidewalks

must be finished before the start of the school day. The Village will try this out for one year and then reassess. Trustees Yonko and Flaherty expressed concerns about the new set-up but were willing to try it for a year. The DPW crew was willing to give it a try. The Mayor has the expectations that the flexible hours and consistent income will benefit both the Village taxpayer and the DPW workers.

Upon motion by Trustee Flaherty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Poellot it was unanimous to move tentative budget to preliminary. Note: Also see "BUDGET (CONT.)" following.

## **DPW**

Tree Removal: two quotes were obtained: Wilson for \$760.00 and Lowest Tree over \$1000.00 Upon motion by Trustee Poellot, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Yonko it was unanimous to use Wilson Tree Removal.

Maintenance Report: The rebates, for the drives, that the Village hoped to obtain may not materialize. We did budget enough to cover the cost without the rebates.

Training Report: Monthly reports have been done. Work is now starting on annual reports. The Mayor will meet with the DPW crew to assess what they need more training on and how to go about obtaining this.

## **COUNSEL:**

Time Warner Contract: Counsel is still waiting for a response from Time Warner. Proposed Local Law# 2013 To Override GML 3-c Tax Cap- Counsel advised that although the proposed budget would not result in a levy exceeding the statutory tax cap as a protective measure it should still be adopted. Following discussion amongst the Mayor, Trustees, Accountant and Counsel relative to the various unknown or unforeseen circumstances or interpretations that could unintentionally cause the cap to be exceeded it was proposed that a public hearing be scheduled for April 3rd at 7:35 PM for this proposed local law to override the GML 3-c tax cap in form substantially the same as last years however with prefacing language indicating the Boards intent to adopt a budget that would not result in a levy exceeding the tax cap. (Note: see blanket resolution setting public hearings for April 3rd under "Budget (Cont.)" following)

## **BUDGET (CONT.):**

Upon motion by Trustee Poellot, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Yonko it was unanimous to authorize the Clerk to publish the cancellation of the March 27<sup>th</sup> meeting, schedule public hearing on the budget for April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013 at 7:30pm, and proposed LL – 2013 regarding the GML. 3-c Tax Cap Override. Trustee Poellot will also post on the website.

## **CODES:**

No report

**Engineer:**

No report

**Unfinished Business:**

DPW superintendent and the Mayor will contact Potter in regards to the Banner Lease about extending the lease.

**Public Comment:**

**Audit Bills**

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

Upon motion of Trustee Poellot, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Yonko it was unanimous to adjourn at 9:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Ruth C. Van Buskirk  
Clerk/Treasurer