

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FEBRUARY 11, 2015**

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2015, BOARD ROOM, VILLAGE HALL.

PRESENT: Mayor Gregory Rogers; Trustees James Bonacquisti, William Kettle, Robert D. Taylor, Jr, Michael Tucci; Clerk-Treasurer Sharon Jeary; Chief of Police Christopher Hayward; DPW Supervisor Robert Lathan, Jr; 5 citizens.

Mayor Rogers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and asked everyone stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – A motion was offered by Trustee Bonacquisti to approve the minutes of the Board of Trustees dated January 28, 2015 as previously printed and presented. Seconded by Trustee Taylor and on a call of votes Trustee Bonacquisti – Aye, Trustee Kettle – Aye, Trustee Taylor – Aye, Trustee Tucci – Aye, Mayor Rogers – Aye, carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

GENESEE COUNTY YOUTH BUREAU – Letter received from Genesee County Youth Bureau that included nomination forms for Youth, Adult Youth Worker, and Adult Volunteer Awards that gives the Village the opportunity to recognize local individuals.

DEPARTMENT CONSIDERATIONS:

DPW Supervisor Lathan: letters of release for sidewalk installation through the Safe Roads to School Grant are in the process of being signed.

Chief of Police Hayward: testing of the County radios began three weeks ago. The overseer of the project has determined the system is not timed correctly. It is in a holding pattern right now.

NEW BUSINESS:

REQUEST TO REZONE PORTION OF WEST MAIN STREET – Jason Beaumont owner of 26-28 West Main Street addressed the Board regarding changing zone for the property from an R-2 zone (residential) to a C-2 (commercial) zone. He explained that at the time Walgreen's was considering building in LeRoy the Village changed from a residential zone to a commercial zone at the properties located at 14 – 22 West Main Street. He has spoken to others in the neighborhood that would also be in favor of the change. A suggestion was offered to consider both sides of West Main Street. The Mayor will reach out to the owners on the south side of West Main Street to determine if that should be included.

SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL - Chief Hayward advised that there is concern from the Department of Public Works for snow removal. We are running out of room to place the snow. One of the problems is local contractors are moving snow from residences into the

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street, therefore adding to the difficulty. The DPW Supervisor has spoken to many of the businesses that remove snow and asked for their cooperation. It is the property owner's responsibility to remove snow from sidewalks and hydrants. The Village is providing a courtesy to remove the snow in these areas. Board members expressed their concern regarding the intersections and the lack of visibility. Mr. Lathan stated that the department is trying to keep up with clearing site lines.

OLD BUSINESS:

PROPOSED LAW, REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR RESIDENTIAL HOMES – Trustee Kettle chaired a Committee to explore the possibilities of a real property tax exemption for residential properties. A real property tax law had been passed for commercial properties. He had spoken with the Town Council and they have a number of concerns, one being the comprehensive plan. He would like to see the other two taxing entities (Town and School) join with the village and have the same law. The Board is in favor of reaching out to both to see if they are on board. A motion was offered by Trustee Kettle to hold a public hearing on Local Law #1 of 2015, Real Property Tax Exemption for Residential Homes on Wednesday, March 11, 2015 at 7:00 pm. Seconded by Trustee Bonacquisti and on a call of votes Trustee Bonacquisti – Aye, Trustee Kettle – Aye, Trustee Taylor – Aye, Trustee Tucci – Aye, Mayor Rogers – Aye, carried.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Jennifer Keys – offered her appreciation to the DPW for working so hard to keep the streets, walks and intersections cleared of snow.

Jason Beaumont – asked about ice skating on the creek. The Village would like to see the creek used for that purpose. Ray Yacuzzo has a plan to help with the authorization of such a project. We will look into grants for skating on the creek.

OFFICIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Trustee Bonacquisti – observed a village resident cleaning off fire hydrants.

Trustee Kettle:

- He attended the Business Council meeting and a meeting has been scheduled for March 7th at 9:00 am to discuss LeRoy Ambulance. Mercy Ambulance and the Fire Department will also be present. The meeting will take place at the Masonic Temple at 16 Bank Street.
- Easter Egg Hunt will be held at Hartwood Park on March 28th.
- Group Relay for Cancer will be held on August 8th at Hartwood Park from 7:00 pm to 7:00 am. He will be helping with the music.

Mayor Rogers – Annual Firemen's Banquet was held and David Ehrhart received the Fireman of the Year Award. Congratulations to a very well deserving individual.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was offered by Trustee Kettle to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matter. Seconded by Trustee Taylor and on a call of votes Trustee Bonacquisti – Aye, Trustee Kettle – Aye, Trustee Taylor – Aye, Trustee Tucci – Aye, Mayor Rogers – Aye, carried. Mayor Rogers requested Clerk-Treasurer Jeary presence. Session entered at 7:30 pm.

REGULAR SESSION: A motion was offered by Trustee Tucci to enter Regular Session seconded by Trustee Kettle and on a call of votes Trustee Bonacquisti – Aye, Trustee Kettle – Aye, Trustee Taylor – Aye, Trustee Tucci – Aye, Mayor Rogers – Aye, carried. Regular session entered at 8:00 pm. Mayor Rogers announced no action was taken during the Executive Session.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS – A motion was offered by Trustee Taylor to pay bills as presented, seconded by Trustee Bonacquisti and on a call of votes Trustee Bonacquisti – Aye, Trustee Kettle – Aye, Trustee Taylor – Aye, Trustee Tucci – Aye, Mayor Rogers - Aye, carried. Payment is as follows:

General Fund – check number 18556 – 18582: \$206,798.84

ADJOURN – There being no further business a motion was offered by Trustee Tucci to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Kettle and on a call of votes Trustee Bonacquisti – Aye, Trustee Kettle – Aye, Trustee Taylor – Aye, Trustee Tucci – Aye, Mayor Rogers – Aye, carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon M. Jeary,
Clerk-Treasurer

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