

VILLAGE OF CANASTOTA
MINUTES
September 18, 2006

Deputy Mayor Scott Rapasadi called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Scott Rapasadi, Trustees AnnMarie Ross, Theodore Lumbrazo, Chuck Sweeney, Code Enforcement Officer Mike Adsit, Margo Frink from the Bee-Journal and Residents David Conklin, Mary Adasek

ABSENT: Mayor Todd Rouse

Motion by Trustee Lumbrazo, seconded by Trustee Rossi, to approve the minutes of the last Board meeting. Passed 4 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Lumbrazo, seconded by Trustee Sweeney, to approve the General Fund Abstract in the amount of \$43,426.93. Passed 4 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rossi, seconded by Trustee Lumbrazo, to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract in the amount of \$24,648.78. Passed 4 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Lumbrazo, to adopt the Bond Resolution authorizing the construction of a Salt Storage Building at a maximum estimated cost of \$110,000 and authorizing the issuance of \$110,000 serial bonds of the Village to pay the cost thereof. Passed 4 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rossi, seconded by Trustee Sweeney, to adopt the Bond Resolution authorizing the purchase of a street sweeper at a maximum estimated cost of \$150,000 and authorizing the issuance of \$150,000 serial bonds of the Village to pay the cost thereof. Passed 4 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Lumbrazo, seconded by Trustee Sweeney to award bids for the construction of the Salt Storage Building to low bidder Cover - All Building Systems for the top at a bid price of \$47,040.00 and to low bidder New Eagle Silo Corporation for the base at a bid price of \$48,020.00. **Discussion:** Trustee Lumbrazo asked Mike Adsit if the base was a movable one in case the structure had to be move. Mike Adsit said yes. Passed 4 to 0

Correspondence

- A letter from Ray & Linda Grimaldi notifying the Village that they are applying for a New York liquor license at 3177 Seneca Turnpike Canastota, New York.

- Letter from Linda Kendall, 217 Hills St. Chittenango, New York which praised the Canastota Pool Swim Program and the Director Marge Morgan.

- Letter from T.J. Tornatore, Fire Council Secretary, informing the board that a new cleaning service has been awarded the bid for \$587.00 per month to Perry's Contract Cleaning. Trustee Lumbrazo questioned if this was the same Perry's that cleaned a few years back and if they provided proof of insurance. Trustee Sweeney suggested Trustee Lumbrazo contact the Fire Council to verify this information. Trustee Lumbrazo agreed to contact the Council.

- Letter from Chief Zophy regarding the hiring of a part time Police Officer to fill vacant part time positions currently being filled by overtime. Chief Zophy would like to rehire candidate Frank A. Somers. Frank was employed with the Village of Canastota as a part time Police Officer and Investigator in 1993. Frank is currently employed as a lieutenant with the Syracuse Fire Department and is in good standing.

Motion by Trustee Lumbrazo, seconded by Trustee Rossi to rehire Frank A. Somers as a part time police officer. Passed 4 to 0.

Department Head Comments.

Mike Adsit was asked if he had any comments and he said no.

Historian David Sadler asked if the original budget of \$500.00 could be restored. David stated that for the first time in about seven years he will be attending a conference and that expense will leave his account very low.

Deputy Mayor Rapasadi said he will discuss this with Mayor Rouse.

Mayor Comments.

None.

Trustee Comments.

Trustee Sweeney commented that he has spoken to Ron and that they are almost done laying the 3000' of pipe in the Town of Sullivan. Ron had also mentioned to Trustee Sweeney the new street sweeper is here and the DPW is very pleased. The machine is much quieter and causes less dust.

Trustee Rossi stated that the 9/11 Reflection Park Dedication was a great success. The participation from the Town, Churches, Police Dept., Chamber of Commerce, and especially the Fire Dept. for all their help in setting up the reception. Deputy Mayor Rapasadi stated the only negative were the trains.

Delegations.

Mary Adasek stated that as a taxpayer she is concerned about the expense of \$11.5 million dollars required to do the upgrades that the DEC is saying has to be done to our Waste Water Treatment Plant for the separation process. Why weren't these requirements taken care of years ago with the original grant money we received.

Deputy Mayor Rapasadi said every action is being taken so that taxpayers will not be burdened.

Mary Adasek grant dollars should be used for entire project.

Trustee Sweeney stated at this time there is no grant money and that Syracuse is facing the same problem.

Deputy Mayor Rapasadi said the \$11.5 is an assumption and a comparison amount that the Mayor used in his meetings with DEC and others.

Mary Adasek stated we previously received grant money where is it all?

Trustee Rossi stated all kinds of maintenance and upgrades we have are to meet DEC standards are ongoing.

Deputy Mayor Rapasadi said that structure changes and charges offset by Queensboro will pay part of the upgrade and for their use they will have to pay accordingly.

Mary Adasek questioned what was suppose to be used for repairs where is that money?

Trustee Sweeney asked if she was asking if the money was spent elsewhere?

Trustee Lumbrazo said the money for separation with WWTP first project - Prospect St. only one pipe was replaced not both. Last Separation was Bruno Tract. All money from Bonds/DEC was used for separation. The DEC changes its mind on a daily basis. Streets were originally made of wood. 3/4 of village is already separated.

Mike Adsit stated that 2 major problems have been corrected by OCWA. The corner of Hickory and South Peterboro 2 major water leaks that were flowing into our sewer system at a rate of approx. 70 gallons a minute. A second repair was made at the corner of State St. and West Ave. Both leaks have been repaired by OCWA

Deputy Mayor Rapasadi stated that the \$11.5 million is not final.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Rapasadi, seconded by Trustee Sweeney to adjourn at 7:25p.m. Passed 4 to 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen A. Bombard
Deputy Village Clerk