

VILLAGE OF CANASTOTA
MINUTES
December 4, 2006

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

PRESENT: Mayor Todd Rouse, Deputy Mayor Scott Rapasadi and Trustee AnnMarie Rossi, Historian David Sadler and Margo Frink from the Bee-Journal.

ABSENT: Trustees Theodore Lumbrazo and Chuck Sweeney

Motion by Trustee Rapasadi, seconded by Trustee Rossi, to approve the minutes of the last Board meeting. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rapasadi, seconded by Trustee Rossi, to approve the General Fund Abstract in the amount of \$250,888.67. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rossi, seconded by Trustee Rapasadi, to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract in the amount of \$1,567.24. Passed 3 to 0

Motion by Trustee Rapasadi, seconded by Trustee Rossi, to schedule a Public Hearing to be held on December 18, 2006 at 7:15 p.m. regarding the proposed Local Law amending Chapter 179 of the Village Code to provide for the rules and regulations in the permitting and placement of dumpsters, containers and/or receptacles for solid waste disposal within the Village. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rossi, seconded by Trustee Rapasadi, to schedule a Public Hearing to be held on December 18, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. regarding the proposed Local Law creating Chapter 67 of the Village Code to provide for the administration and enforcement of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building. **Discussion:** The Mayor advised the Board that this is a State mandated Local Law. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rossi, seconded by Trustee Rapasadi, to accept the Business Proposal of Mohawk Valley Information Technologies, Inc., dated November 22, 2005, Reference #: MVINTECH-0646, for Web Site Development for the Village of Canastota at a cost of \$4,070.00 and web site hosting at a monthly cost of \$35.00, with a one-time web site setup fee of \$75.00, and to authorize the Mayor to execute same. **Discussion:** Mayor Rouse advised that this is the same company that has done the work for the City of Rome. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rapasadi, seconded by Trustee Rossi, to create a permanent full-time police officer position effective December 19, 2006, and to appoint Jonathan Doyle to fill said position, pending receipt of a satisfactory background investigation by Chief Zophy, all pursuant to the recommendation of Chief Zophy dated December 4, 2006. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rossi, seconded by Trustee Rapasadi, to accept the resignation of Officer Jason Wallace as a full-time police officer and to change his status to part-time officer effective January 2, 2008, at which time the full-time position held by Officer Wallace would be terminated leaving no vacancy in the Police Department. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rossi, seconded by Trustee Rapasadi, to concur with the attached Draft Resolution of the Madison County Board of Supervisors Authorizing the Chairman to Enter Into an Agreement with the Village of Canastota for payment of outstanding property taxes owed to the Village by the Oneida Indian Nation through tax year 2005/2006 in the amount of \$210,628.02. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rapasadi, seconded by Trustee Rossi, to authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to issue a check to Warnock Fleet & Leasing in the amount of \$25,341.00 upon delivery from Warnock Fleet & Leasing and acceptance by the Village of Canastota of the 2006 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor as described in Village of Canastota Purchase Order No. 2663. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rapasadi, seconded by Trustee Rossi, to authorize the Mayor to execute the Subordination of Mortgage from the Village of Canastota to CitiMortgage, Inc., regarding the HUD Consensual Lien given by Tina M. Flynn to the Village of Canastota in the amount of \$14,605.00 and recorded in the Madison County Clerk's Office on June 2, 1998. Passed 3 to 0.

Correspondence

- Letter from Canastota Canal Town Corporation regarding the Christmas Gala at the Museum on December 10, 2006 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m..

Department Head Comments.

Historian David Sadler reminded the Board of the dedication for the new historical marker at the Quality Hill Green on December 7, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.

Codes Enforcement Officer Mike Adsit reported that he is continuing the fall clean-up of junk vehicles in the Village. Construction of the salt storage building at the DPW has been completed and the salt has been delivered.

Mayor Comments.

The Mayor stated that the tree lighting ceremony was successful. The weather was great and the crowd was bigger than ever. He is still working with the DEC on the sewer treatment plan for

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upgrades and is still working on the language for the new sewer billing that will take effect in June 2007 when the capital expense will be billed on a unit charge.

Trustee Comments.

Trustee Rapasadi asked if the DPW is still using the loader to get the salt from the new building. Codes Officer Adsit stated that the building is closed on one end and open on the other, allowing the DPW access to the salt using the loader.

Trustee Rossi asked if the Village could put lights on the trees in the area on New Boston and North Main Streets between Casatina's and the Grey Stone. Mayor Rouse suggested that she speak with Ron Bennett tomorrow. Trustee Rossi has received a complaint from a resident regarding speeding cars on Delano Avenue. Trustee Rossi suggested that the Village invest monies in putting extra police officers on the road to catch speeders throughout the Village. Mayor Rouse stated that we could look into this with the Chief, stating that it could be an expensive venture. Trustee Rapasadi stated that he had recently had a discussion with Chief Zophy regarding the amount of vehicles and how fast they travel in the Village.

Motion by Trustee Rapasadi, seconded by Trustee Sweeney, to adjourn at 7:13 p.m. Passed 3 to 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine E. Williams
Village Clerk/Treasurer