

VILLAGE OF CANASTOTA
MINUTES
May 21, 2007

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

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Scott Rapasadi, Trustees Ann Marie Rossi and Chuck Sweeney, Fire Chief Tim Mitchell, 2nd Assistant Fire Chief Bruce Chandler, Canastota Firemen, Larry Pickard and Doug Chandler, Recreation Director Carla DeShaw and Margo Frink of the Canastota Bee-Journal.

ABSENT: Mayor Todd Rouse, Trustee Theodore Lumbrazo

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

Motion by Trustee Rossi, seconded by Trustee Sweeney, to approve the following budget transfers: \$508.92 from 11301.01 (Court Personal Services) to 11304.01 (Court Contractual); \$628.22 from 19904.01 (Contingency) to 16202.01 (Village Hall Equipment); \$5,519.86 from 31202.01 (PD Equipment) to 16204.01 (Village Hall Contractual); \$6,928.83 from 19904.01 (Contingency) to 34104.01 (FD Contractual); \$3,136.32 from 51421.01 (Snow Personal Services) to 51104.01 (DPW Contractual); \$6,629.51 from 51421.01 (Snow Personal Services) to 51824.01 (Street Lighting); \$1,000 from 89894.01 (Grant Writing) to 73101.01 (Youth Personal Services); \$822.65 from 90608.02 (Medical Insurance) to 19905.02 (OCWA Billing); \$838.52 from 90608.02 (Medical Insurance) to 81201.02 (Sanitary Sewers Personal Services). Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Rossi, to approve the General Fund Abstract in the amount of \$37,837.78. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Rossi, to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract in the amount of \$23,499.23. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rossi, seconded by Trustee Sweeney, to approve the wire transfer in the amount of \$100.00 sent by Clerk/Treasurer Williams to Hasler, Inc. on May 14, 2007 for postage. **Discussion:** Trustee Sweeney asked if this was related to the increase in postage rates. Clerk/Treasurer Williams advised that this was just to purchase postage in lieu of sending a check. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rossi, seconded by Trustee Sweeney, to authorize Clerk/Treasurer Williams to notify the County of the following items to be relieved to the 2007-2008 Tax Roll: \$525.32 owed to OCWA for unpaid water regarding property at 223 East Hickory Street bearing tax map no. 36.71-1-2; and \$332.50 owed to the Village for code violations regarding property at 1 Ball Street bearing tax map no. 36.64-1-12. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Rossi, to award the contract for the purchase of a 2000 gallon tanker/tender to Seagrave Fire Apparatus in the amount of \$189,762.00 less option #3 in the amount of \$10,300.00 for a total cost of \$179,462.00 and to authorize the Mayor to execute the contract therefor. **Discussion:** Firemen Doug Chandler advised that we were coming to the end of the grant deadline for having the contracts executed and returned to the vendor. Deputy Mayor Rapasadi advised that the contract could be signed by the Mayor on Wednesday and sent out the next day. Passed 3 to 0.

Correspondence

- Letter from Chief Zophy requesting that the Board appoint 3 part-time police officers to replace 2 part time officers.

Motion by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Rossi, to appoint Nicholas Connors, Kenneth Isaac and Will Stevens as part-time police officers for the Village of Canastota pursuant to the request and recommendation of Chief Zophy. **Discussion:** Trustee Sweeney asked if 3 officers were needed and Deputy Mayor Rapasadi stated that Chief Zophy is looking to replace the part-time officers that he is losing and also to help him cut down on overtime expenses with his full-time officers for weekend and other coverage. Passed 3 to 0.

- Tree letter from Timothy Mitchell at 413 State Street. This has been turned over to the DPW.
- Tree letter from William Yorton at 224 West Hickory Street. This has been turned over to the DPW.
- Monthly report from OMI.
- Letter from Canastota Fire Department requesting permission to hold a boot drive on June 10, 2007 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. under the bridge on South Peterboro Street. Deputy Mayor Rapasadi expressed concern that this would be during Boxing Hall of Fame Weekend and on the day of the parade. Deputy Mayor Rapasadi would like to discuss this with Chief Zophy before giving approval. It was noted that our Board does not meet again until June 4, 2007, which would not give the Fire Department much time to organize the drive. 2nd Assistant Chief Chandler stated that the Fire Department would modify the time of the drive if they were requested to do so.

Motion by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Rossi, to approve the boot drive for the Canastota Fire Department on June 10, 2007 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. pending the approval of the Police Chief. Passed 3 to 0.

- Letter from the Canastota Fire Department requesting permission for the Patten Hook & Ladder Company to use the pole barn on August 25, 2007 for a fund raiser. Deputy Mayor Rapasadi asked if the fund raiser was for the fire department. Chief Mitchell advised that they would be holding a clam bake for another entity.

Motion by Trustee Rossi, seconded by Trustee Sweeney, to approve the use of the pole barn by the Patten Hook & Ladder Company on August 25, 2007 for a fund raiser. Passed 3 to 0.

Department Head Comments.

Recreation Director Carla DeShaw reported that Little League and softball were up and running. The soccer program will include boys in grades 3 - 8 this year with the girls in grades 3 - 8 and will be held at the school. Women's softball will start this Wednesday. Recreation Director DeShaw has been working on senior activities and has met with the residents and tenants at Stoneleigh. Two (2) musical events have been planned for this month for all seniors and will be held at Stoneleigh. There will also be a band on July 4 for all seniors. She is working with Fred Bragan to make a handicap accessible bus available to the residents of Stoneleigh for transportation to and from the Summer Concerts held at the Boxing Hall of Fame. The Summer Concert Series is all scheduled and the posters have gone to the printer for a proof. Clerk/Treasurer Williams advised that the proof was in her office. With the Mayor's cooperation and input, the Village will be hosting a 30th Anniversary Elvis Party featuring Joe Angerosa on August 16, 2007. She has discussed with the Mayor the increased cost of funding such a show and indicated that the Mayor has given the approval to proceed. She is working on having food available to purchase that evening - possibly a chicken BBQ and has asked for police assistance with traffic. The Recreation Commission is meeting tonight at 8:00 p.m.

Fire Chief Tim Mitchell thanked the Board for awarding the contract for the fire truck and advised that he has spoken with Margo Frink of the Bee Journal about running an article reminding residents that open burning is not permissible in the Village.

2nd Assistant Bruce Chandler asked about the status of the camera for the Fire Department. Clerk/Treasurer Williams advised that at the Mayor's direction she is looking for the money in this year's budget to fund the camera.

Trustee Comments.

Trustee Sweeney is all set.

Trustee Rossi asked Recreation Director Carla DeShaw about the sign at the Recreation Field. Carla produced 3 drawings that had been presented to her by Janet Conner and suggested that we seek a

proposal from Corcraft, the company that made the street and entry signs for the Village. It was the Recreation Commissions thought that the sign should be consistent with the other signs in the Village. She also asked if anyone knew if the entire Park had been dedicated to anyone so that if it had, that person's name could be placed on the sign. No one was aware of any dedication of the entire park. Clerk/Treasurer Williams was asked to make Mike Adsit aware that we may be asking for a proposal from Corcraft for the sign.

Trustee Rossi advised the Board that Kid's Day would be seeking additional funding from the Village this year in the sum of \$1,500.00, which is a \$500.00 increase from last year's contribution. Trustee Sweeney asked if Trustee Rossi could justify the 50% increase. Trustee Rossi explained that their funding is down approximately \$3,000 this year and that the cost of the rides and entertainment had increased, likely due in part to the increased cost of fuel. This matter will be brought up for consideration at the next Board meeting when all members will be present.

Trustee Rossi suggested that the sign for the Little League Stadium on North Main Street be replaced along with the sign in the park. We will ask for a proposal on this from Corcraft as well.

Trustee Rossi reminded everyone of the Memorial Day Parade this Monday, May 28, 2007.

Delegations.

None.

Motion by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Rossi, to adjourn at 7:31 p.m. Passed 3 to 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine E. Williams
Village Clerk/Treasurer