

VILLAGE OF CANASTOTA
MINUTES
January 21, 2015

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

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Rapasadi; Trustees Bill Haddad and Jeffrey Carpenter; Village Administrator Larry Carpenter; Code Enforcement Officer Mike Adsit; Fire Chief John Massarotti; Police Chief James Zophy; Anthony Palamara, Lenox Councilman.

ABSENT: Mayor Carla DeShaw; Trustee Rosanne Warner.

Motion by Trustee Carpenter, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2015 meeting. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Haddad, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2015 meeting. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Carpenter, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2015 meeting. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Haddad, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, to approve the General Fund Abstract in the amount of \$45,198.41. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Carpenter, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract in the amount of \$42,509.78. Passed 5 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Haddad, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, to approve the WWTP Capital Upgrade Abstract in the amount of \$240.00.

Delegations.

None.

Department Heads.

Chief Massarotti spoke with the Board about the box alarms. He thinks it is time that we take action to remove the boxes. The Mayor has previously sent letters to businesses with box alarms. Chief Massarotti gave the list of businesses that still have the box alarms. Trustee Rapasadi asked about alternatives for the business that are on the box alarms. Chief Massarotti stated that those businesses will have to contract with an alarm company such as ADT or a similar service. Chief Massarotti noted that the firemen all have pagers and they receive alerts on their phones from the 911 center. Chief Massarotti believes that a date should be sent to have all of the boxes removed. He suggests September 1, 2015. Administrator Carpenter asked what happens when a box alarm is pulled. Chief

Massarotti explained the process when the box alarms are activated and noted that the box alarms do not alert the 911 center. The firemen have to do that manually at the fire house. Someone has to hear the box alarm, respond to the fire house, read the tape, call the 911 center and then the 911 center will send out an alert over the pagers and to the cell phones. Trustee Haddad thinks that a September 1, 2015 date is very adequate. Administrator Carpenter noted that we can draft a letter. Trustee Haddad asked if this will alleviate any cost. Chief Massarotti stated that it will alleviate maintenance costs. The Board discussed how the process of getting rid of the alarms and taking out the boxes would work.

Chief Massarotti is asking for permission for the Fire Department to start the Fish Fries on February 20, 2015.

Motion by Trustee Haddad, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, to allow the Fire Department to start the Fish Fry on February 20, 2015 and run through Good Friday, April 3, 2015. Passed 3 to 0.

Chief Massarotti noted that he and Doug Chandler brought the annual campaign letter to the Mayor for her review. She made some minor changes. They would like to send the letter out on February 26, 2015, and wants to make sure that everyone knows that the letters are going out.

Administrator Carpenter advised the Board and Chief Massarotti that he has found a grant through the Fire Department insurance company that he would like to use for the lift that we talked about during our last meeting. Chief Massarotti advised that he should have a price for the work needed to be done to the floor to accommodate the lift. He will get it to Administrator Carpenter.

Chief Zophy is all set.

Code Enforcement Officer Adsit advised that we are revising the proposed Sandwich Board Sign Law from last year. He will email the revisions to the Board and will ask for their comments.

Motion by Trustee Carpenter, seconded by Trustee Haddad, approving the attached Preventative Maintenance Agreement with Power Generation & Industrial Engines, Inc. in the amount of \$731.30 for a year for a 3-year period beginning on February 2, 2015 and continuing through January 31, 2018, for maintenance on the generators located at Village Hall, the Fire Department and on Rescue Truck 125, and authorizing the Mayor to execute same. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Haddad, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, to approve payments totaling \$6,405.21 from the General Fund to MBI for health insurance debit card transactions from December 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Carpenter, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to appoint John Ryan as a member of the ZBA with a term expiring on April 2, 2018. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Haddad, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, to amend the mileage resolution to \$.575/mile in accordance with the IRS increase effective January 1, 2015. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Haddad, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, to authorize a wire transfer to be sent from the Sewer Fund to M&T Bank in the amount of \$30,000.00 for principal (97106.02 Debt Service) and \$4,773.48 for interest (97107.02 Interest on Debt Service) owed on the 2004 EFC Phase 3 and 4 Bonds. Passed 3 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Carpenter, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to authorize Clerk/Treasurer Williams to participate in a 1 hour webinar on February 4, 2015, entitled "The Property Tax Freeze Webinar - What You Need to Know", sponsored by NYCOM, at a cost of \$15.00. Passed 3 to 0.

Correspondence.

- Letter from National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund office that Village Historian David Sadler is responsible for adding the name of another police officer who was killed in the line of duty to the memorial in Washington DC. This officer was from Glen Campbell, Pennsylvania.

Administrator.

Administrator Carpenter meets monthly with communities on the Canal about ways to promote the Canal. The End to Enders are proposing a two-day ride on the Canal. After the first day, Administrator Carpenter is proposing that the group stay in Canastota, shop here, eat here. He also suggested that maybe they could camp here in the Industrial Park. The Village would need to provide porta-potties. It would be some time near the end of July. The date is yet to be determined.

Administrator Carpenter advised that the refuse contract is coming up at the end of August. He would like to start working on this now so that we can have a contract in place before we budget for next year.

Administrator Carpenter recognized Chief Zophy and Officer Gayring for helping to put out a fire recently at former Trustee Margaret Peters' home. They were the first on the scene and held the fire at bay until the fire department arrived.

The Village purchased a new loader last year. Administrator Carpenter thinks that we should auction that loader and that we can get a good price and then buy a new one with the money that we make.

He anticipates that we should receive a minimum bid of \$160,000.00. Currently, we owe \$126,415.70 on the financing.

Motion by Trustee Carpenter, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to auction the John Deere 544K front end loader, vehicle ID 1DW544K2TEE657909, at a minimum bid price of \$160,000.00 through Auctions International. **Discussion:** Trustee Haddad asked if that minimum price was too low. Administrator Carpenter stated that it could be higher and he would be very happy with \$160,000.00. The Board discussed the timing of the sale and the needs of potential bidders. Passed 3 to 0.

Administrator Carpenter would like the Board to approve a motion for budget modifications for the purchase of furniture and money for SnowBlast.

Motion by Trustee Carpenter, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to make the following budget modification: increase 14104.01 (Village Clerk Contractual) by \$4,098.68 (this modification is for furniture in the Clerk's reception area); increase 2088.01 (SnowBlast) by \$400.00; increase 73104.01 (Recreation Contractual) by \$400.00. **Discussion:** The Board discussed the costs for SnowBlast and the planned activities. The Board talked about planned events for the weekend of SnowBlast. Passed 3 to 0.

Administrator Carpenter asked for a motion to move \$500.00 from Children's Council to SnowBlast.

Motion by Trustee Haddad, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, to transfer \$500.00 from 71804.01.116 (Children's Council) to 73104.01 (Recreation Contractual) for SnowBlast. Passed 3 to 0.

Trustee Comments.

Trustee Carpenter is all set.

Trustee Haddad is all set.

Trustee Rapasadi is all set.

Motion by Trustee Haddad, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. Passed 3 to 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine E. Williams
Clerk/Treasurer