

VILLAGE OF CANASTOTA
MINUTES
December 5, 2016

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

PRESENT: Mayor Carla M. DeShaw; Deputy Mayor Scott Rapasadi, Trustees Rosanne Warner Bill Haddad and Jeffrey Carpenter; Bill Buchan and Dean Merritt of OMI; Lenox Councilman Anthony Palamara; and Bruce Burke of PAC 99.

ABSENT: None.

Motion by Trustee Warner, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Passed 5 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Warner, seconded by Trustee Rapasadi, to approve the General Fund Abstract in the amount of \$32,747.32. Passed 5 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Carpenter, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to approve the Sewer Fund Abstract in the amount of \$6,504.89. Passed 5 to 0.

Discussion with OMI regarding revised industrial user formula. Bill Buchan of OMI provided the Board with a memo explaining the proposed new industrial user formula and provided examples to illustrate how the proposed new formula would streamline user fees. He explained the components that will be used and how they determined the fees for these components. This new fee would only apply to industrial users as defined in our local law - residential and commercial users would be unaffected. Mayor DeShaw explained to the Board the reason why we are looking at revising this formula. Bill Buchan advised the Board that after the adoption of the local law changing the formula, the fees can be changed by resolution going forward - we would not have to do another local law. The Mayor asked if the new formula should keep Queensboro's cost consistent with what they have been paying. Bill Buchan stated that it is and that it is a much more transparent way to bill them. Clerk/Treasurer Williams asked if this would change the way we bill for violations. Bill Buchan stated that it would not. Trustee Carpenter asked if these fees will be the same for someone else coming in to the Village. Trustee Haddad asked about how the rate will have to change based on a new user. Bill Buchan advised that we should not have to change the rate much, but we could change it by resolution if we need to. The Board discussed with OMI how this new formula will work with the new fish plant. They also talked about how this would impact a commercial user, such as a hotel. Bill Buchan stated that the industrial formula would not affect a commercial user and our local law currently provides for other categories of users. Bill Buchan asked for permission to talk with Queensboro Farm Products before we put this out to a public hearing. Trustee Haddad asked for an explanation of the numbers in the proposed formula. Dean Merritt broke down and explained the figures from the QFP Example on page 2. He expects that Queensboro may have minor changes, but these numbers should be close. Administrator Carpenter asked what the Board needs to do to move this forward. Bill Buchan will have a conversation with Queensboro and bring

back any requested changes for consideration by the Board. After that, it is a local law process. The Mayor would like to be present at any meeting with Queensboro.

Motion by Trustee Haddad, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, to approve the membership of Mark Beaulac into the Canastota Volunteer Fire Department based upon the attached request dated November 15, 2016. (Note: A copy of his driver's license has been received.) Passed 5 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rapasadi, seconded by Trustee Warner, to approve the attached Intermunicipal Agreement with the Village of Fayetteville for the purchase of salt brine by the Village of Canastota from November 1, 2016 through October 31, 2017. **Discussion:** Trustee Warner asked if this is an increase from last year. Administrator Carpenter stated that it is not - it is the same as last year. We replace whatever salt they use in the process. Passed 5 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rapasadi, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, to approve the following budget transfers: \$3,156.00 from 19904.01 (Contingency) to 90108.01 (Employees' Retirement System); \$7,898.00 from 19904.01 (Contingency) to 90158.01 (Police & Fire Retirement System). **Discussion:** Trustee Warner asked why this is necessary. Clerk/Treasurer Williams explained that the actual numbers came in higher than the estimates that were used for budgeting. Passed 5 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Warner, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to authorize the following wire transfers to be sent to the NYS & Local Retirement System: \$73,963.62 from the General Fund (90108.01) for the 2017 ERS Contribution; \$19,971.38 from the Sewer Fund (90108.02) for the 2017 ERS Contribution; \$95,176.00 from the General Fund (90158.01) for the 2017 PFRS Contribution. Passed 5 to 0.

Motion by Trustee Rapasadi, seconded by Trustee Haddad, to amend the list of items on the bulk pick up brochure to include toilets and set the fee at \$12.50. **Discussion:** The Mayor asked where this fee came from. Administrator Carpenter explained why we are doing this and how the fee was established. Passed 5 to 0.

Delegations.

None.

Correspondence.

None

Administrator.

Administrator Carpenter gave an update on the Fire Department Truck Committee - they went to the Sutphen factory and were very pleased with the visit. The Truck Committee, through their research, found a problem with the cabs in these trucks leaking so as a result the truck was redesigned by Sutphen to take care of that. Administrator Carpenter will have an answer on the Chief's car tomorrow - Minoa's board meeting is tonight and we were the only ones to submit a purchase offer.

Administrator Carpenter advised that the Christmas Tree Lighting went very well - Administrator Carpenter believes that we had the biggest crowd that we have ever had. Administrator Carpenter thanked Bimbo Bakeries for the baked goods, Steve Nellis and Physical Therapy Plus for the candy canes, Key Bank for letting us use their building, the Canastota Fire Department for bringing santa, Canastota DPW for all that they do for that evening, Ralston Enterprises for the tables, the Canastota Community Band and Brent Buneo and the CHS Select Choir, Community Bank for the cookies, the Recreation Committee and everyone who helped.

Administrator Carpenter distributed a copy of an email that he sent to the Mayor regarding the Aposolistic Church on Route 5 that is requesting to join our sewer system. The Board discussed the possibility of requiring the Church to annex into the Village in order to be allowed to join the sewer system. Administrator Carpenter advised that if we want to require annexation we have to do it now - we can't do it after we have given permission to join the sewer system. The Board members asked about what the Village's responsibility would be if the Church annexed into the Village. Administrator Carpenter advised that we would be required to provide services for that property now. The Board discussed why we should or should not require the property to be annexed.

Motion by Trustee Haddad, seconded by Trustee Carpenter, that we annex this piece of property into the Village located at 3160 Seneca Turnpike, for the purposes of providing sewer services, based on the adjacent Village property across Route 5. **Discussion:** The Board further discussed the benefits of requiring or not requiring annexation. Ayes: Mayor DeShaw, Trustee Haddad, Trustee Carpenter. Nays: Trustee Rapasadi, Trustee Warner. Passed 3 to 2.

The Mayor asked Administrator Carpenter to get on this tomorrow and move this forward.

Mayor.

Mayor DeShaw read the transcript of a voice mail that Administrator Carpenter received regarding the DPW. The message was from Jim Musacchio and he was complimenting John Twomey and Ken Taylor-Roher for their recent efforts picking up brush at Jim's house.

The Mayor thanked everyone who attended the Christmas Tree Lighting event. The Mayor was not able to attend herself as she was attending an event in Canada where the Boxing Hall of Fame was recognized.

Mayor DeShaw advised that the owners of the yogurt plant are supposed to be in town. They are continuing to work and are making more progress than before. The Mayor is hoping that they will be successful. The Mayor reminded Administrator Carpenter to get the yogurt company's sewer discharge information to OMI.

The Mayor advised that the Barlow Street project ran into a snag. Mayor DeShaw will reach out to them. Kipp Hicks advised the Mayor that there was a little more petroleum than they thought. The developers are working with Kipp Hicks and EFC. They are hoping for more money from Restore New York to help cover more of the clean up costs. The Mayor will keep the Board updated.

The Downtown Enhancement Project is on hold until spring. The Mayor received an email from National Grid about the lights that we selected. We need to change the luminaire as the one that we selected is no longer available. The Mayor has made a new selection.

The REDC announcements are tomorrow in Albany. The Village has a grant application in for the Center Street Sewer Project.

Trustee Comments.

Trustee Rapasadi is all set.

Trustee Warner is all set.

Trustee Haddad reported that the House Decorating Contest is underway - applications must be in by December 16 at 4:00 p.m. Judging will take place on the 18th. SnowBlast planning is also underway. It will be held on January 21. Trustee Haddad commented on the recent incident at the school - the police department was highly visible and got there quickly. The School Board will be doing a full debriefing to talk about what went right and what went wrong. The Mayor asked if an alert went out. Trustee Haddad stated that it did. The Mayor advised that not everyone received it. The Board discussed the response.

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Motion by Trustee Haddad, seconded by Trustee Warner, to adjourn at 8:28 p.m. Passed 5 to 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine E. Williams

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Clerk/Treasurer