# Village of Walden Board of Trustees Regular Meeting July 5, 2016

Mayor Rumbold called the regular meeting of the Village of Walden Board of Trustees to order at 6:30pm.

On roll call the following were:

Present:

Mayor Sue Rumbold Trustees Brenda Adams

Edmond Leonard Gerald Mishk, Jr. John Ramos Brian Sebring

Absent: Deputy Mayor Sean Hoffman

Also Present: Tara Bliss, Village Clerk

Dave Donovan, Village Attorney

Mayor Rumbold announced the passing of the Village Manager's grandfather James John Revella, Sr. We all send our condolences to him and his family.

## **Public Hearing – CFA Application**

Trustee Mishk made a motion to open the public hearing for CFA Application. Seconded by Trustee Adams. All ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Ramos made a motion to close the public hearing for CFA Application. Seconded by Trustee Sebring. All ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Ramos made a motion to approve the CFA Application and Resolution 7-16-17. Seconded by Trustee Mishk. All ayes. Motion carried.

## **Approval of June 21, 2016 Minutes**

Trustee Adams stated the motion for Angry Orchard needs to be amended as they will not be selling samples of their cider, they will be offering samples, not selling them.

Trustee Adams made a motion to approve the June 21, 2016 Minutes with the aforementioned correction. Seconded by Trustee Mishk. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **Trustee's Committee Reports**

## Town of Montgomery & Library Board liaison - Trustee Leonard

Trustee Leonard reported that he went to the Friends of the Library meeting who is planning the end of life seminar for September 17, 2016 from 10am-1pm. They are lining up speakers and things are going along well.

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# Recreation & Parks Department and Valley Central School Board Liaison – Trustee Ramos

Trustee Ramos reported that 360 kids were at summer camp today and they all had a great time and they look forward to more registrations coming. July 11<sup>th</sup> is the new school board member swearing in.

# Planning and Zoning Boards as well as the Building Department Liaison – Deputy Mayor Hoffman

Deputy Mayor Hoffman was absent.

## **DPW Liaison- Trustee Sebring**

Trustee Sebring reported that Fred is out due to an illness. Guys are busy sweeping and repairing catch basins. New meter installation is going forward. They are filling in holes on Main Street left by the trees removed and are almost done with that.

## Village Offices Liaison – Trustee Adams

Trustee Adams reported that the finance offices are preparing for the audit and Kelly should have the cash flow report soon.

#### Police Department and Justice Department Liaison - Trustee Mishk

Trustee Mishk reported that he met with Chief and he reported that they did another survey of traffic Westwood Drive and the highest average speed was 23 MPH further proving we don't have a speeding problem over there. Chief is on vacation tomorrow until the 13th. Active Shooter training on the 30<sup>th</sup> was a scaled down version at MPB and it went well.

Mayor Rumbold read the community events into the minutes.

## **Public Comment on Business of the Board**

None.

#### **Action Items**

### **Hearing Request – 65 Sherman Avenue**

Trustee Ramos made a motion to set a hearing for 65 Sherman Avenue for Tuesday, July 19, 2016 at 6:30pm or as soon thereafter as the matter could be heard. Seconded by Trustee Mishk. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **Ethics Board Appointment**

Trustee Sebring made a motion to appoint Even Panagiotopoulos to the Ethics Board with his term to expire on April 1, 2017. Seconded by Trustee Mishk. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention (Trustee Adams). Motion carried.

## Resolution 6-16-17 – Adding official depository

Trustee Adams made a motion to approve Resolution 6-16-17 - Investment Policy Amendment adding the Greater Hudson Bank as an official depository. Seconded by Trustee Mishk. All ayes. Motion carried.

## **Temporary Event Sign Request – Walden Humane Society**

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#### **Public Comment**

Mickey Millspaugh, 10 Jessup Street, was absolutely surprised about the boat launch dedication. He was overwhelmed and pleasantly surprised. He thanked everyone for such a great honor.

Mayor Rumbold stated that it was a well-deserved. It was a great event. He has a very special family to pull of such a great event in your honor.

Anita Vandermark, 76 Highland Avenue, thanked everyone for the ethics board appointment for a 1 year period of time. Thanks for the temp sign approval and they will cooperate with the Humane Society to bring it in and out in a timely fashion. She commented that the brush at the end of Highland on the Tin Brook bridge needs cutting.

Becky Pearson, 167 Walnut Street, asked if we were planning to have a tri board meeting, it would be nice just to keep everyone on all 3 boards in the loop of what is going on with each of them. She asked for a solar moratorium update. She thanked the Board for letting her speak at Mickey's park dedication. She also thanked everyone for a wonderful Flag Day ceremony.

Mary Ellen Matise, 54 Gladstone Avenue, stated that she got the applications in for the historic markers last week and it sounds very promising, they were happy with what she and Mickey submitted. She asked about the landlord registry and if it's working. She confirmed that we don't have single family houses included to it and that the Board took away the fee away.

Clerk Bliss clarified that for the first year there are fees but there are no fees for the subsequent years if no information has changed.

Mary Ellen continued that she was having an issue with a neighboring property and didn't know how to get in touch with the landlord. She called Vicki and found out she only has a P.O. Box. If you want to get in touch with the landlord how do you do it? She thought the reason for the landlord registry was so that we could reach those people. She feels that maybe we need to look at the registry and what's going on with it. We need follow up at this point.

## Payment of the Audited Bills

Trustee Adams made a motion to pay the audited bills. Seconded by Trustee Ramos. All ayes. Motion carried.

# Correspondence

None.

#### Miscellaneous Comments from the Board of Trustees

Trustee Leonard commented enjoyed that he thoroughly enjoyed the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday party for Mickey. He was impressed with how fast they put it all together with the hard work of the Recreation & Parks Department, DPW, and the Boy scouts.

Trustee Ramos echoed Trustee Leonard's comments.

Trustee Sebring agreed there was a lot of work done in a short amount of time. July 5, 2016

Trustee Adams agreed.

Trustee Mishk stated it was his honor to be there to present the proclamation to Mickey on behalf of the Board. He commented that there are still crosswalk problems going on. He witnessed right here in the square a few boys who almost got hit. It seems to have fallen to the wayside and we need to do more. Lastly the property next to him, 67 Wait Street, has been an ongoing issue with an open hole in the ground in their back yard. It is an abandoned property and there was a buyer who initiated a tank removal but after the soil analysis came back and they found out the price they abandoned the removal and the sale fell through. No one has returned his calls or the Building Inspector's calls. It is an exposed tank covered by a few pieces of ply wood no to mention that when it rains the water just pours into the hole creating a breeding ground for mosquitos and whatnot. He is not sure what it is going to take as he can't seem to get anything done. Perhaps the new Zombie property law may help?

Attorney Donovan stated that he would speak to Dean to find out who the mortgage holder is and if there is anything we can do about it.

Trustee Mishk added that in Dean's last report he stated that he was instituting legal action against those that didn't comply with the Landlord registry.

Mayor Rumbold asked about the Beautification committee and when they might be meeting again to discuss what the plan is for Main Street where the trees were removed. She's had a lot of people ask her questions about it. She added that we have had correspondence with IWS about cans being let in the street again.

Clerk Bliss replied yes. Anytime anyone has an issues with the garbage company they need to call Village hall as we need to document it with locations, dates, times, and even photos so that we can do something about it. We cannot fine them without the details. Everyone in the office knows the procedures so it is not just one of us in the office that can handle these types of issues.

Attorney Donovan confirmed.

Trustee Mishk added that last week Wait Street had a lot of cans in the street as well.

### Adjournment

Trustee Leonard moved to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Adams. All ayes. Meeting adjourned.

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