

RUSHVILLE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

November 18, 2013

TIME: 7:00 PM

PLACE: Rushville Village Hall

PRESENT: Mayor Jon Bagley

Trustees: David Field, Chuck Elwell and John Sawers and Timothy Jabaut.

ABSENT: None

ATTENDANCE: Art Rilands, Dodie Baker, Janet Landcastle, Ted Baker, Ray Hagen, Alan Goda, Jr., Dawn Goda, Chandra Gilman, Chris Esburtson, Cole Esburtson and Alex Lyons.

RE: Calling the Meeting to Order

Mayor Bagley called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:00pm.

RE: Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes from the October 21, 2013 Board meeting. A motion was made by Trustee Charles Elwell to approve the minutes as printed. Trustee John Sawyer seconded the motion. Unanimously carried.

RE: Tobacco Action Coalition

Helen Dunlap was unable to make it to this months meeting. She is hoping to be able to make January's meeting to discuss No Smoking Signs in public locations.

RE: Boy Scout Pack #43

Boy Scout Pack #43 are working on getting there Communication Badge. Part of the requirements to receive the badge is to attend a public meeting.

RE: Public Work's Supervisor: Art Rilands

A copy of this report is on file with these minutes.

Fall leaf pick up will end this week. Picked up less leaves than last year.

RE: Fire Department Report

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There is currently no President at the Fire Department due to Bill Gardner resigning because of health issues. Vice President Jim Santee has been taking care of things until they can find a replacement.

RE: Reading Center Director: Dodie Baker

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Dodie Baker is looking into a few grants for the Reading Center and will report more at December's meeting.

RE: Code Enforcement Officer: Reggie O'Hearn

No report provided. Reggie O'Hearn was not in attendance.

RE: Planning Board Replacement

A motion was made by Trustee Timothy Jabaut to appoint Jason Green to replace Pam Brown on the Planning Board. Trustee Charles Elwell seconded the motion. Unanimously carried.

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RE: Adjustment to the June 1, 2013 Tax Levy

The Village acquired the Martin property after March 1st, therefore the property was still on the tax roll for the June 1st tax warrant date. Since the Village is in ownership of this property, there is no tax due by the Village and the total levy needs to be reduced to reflect accurate ownership.

A motion was made by Trustee Charles Elwell to adjust the June 1, 2013 tax levy by reducing the total by \$1,680.04. Trustee Johns Sawers seconded the motion. Unanimously carried.

RE: Notice Fee for Second Tax Notices

The Clerk explained that Rushville is the only municipality that still charges a \$2.00 notice fee to send second notices of unpaid tax to residents. The fee causes more work for both the Village personnel and the County than the revenue it creates.

A motion was made by Trustee John Sawers to remove the \$2.00 notice fee for the second tax notices. Trustee David Field seconded the motion. Unanimously carried.

RE: Relevy of Unpaid Taxes

The Board of Trustee's reviewed the list of unpaid taxes that was prepared in advance to be sent to Ontario and Yates Counties.

A motion was made by Trustee David Fields to relevy the unpaid taxes to Ontario and Yates Counties accordingly as provided by the Village Clerk-Treasurer. Trustee John Sawers seconded the motion. Unanimously carried.

RE: 2014 Fire Agreement

The Board of Trustee's reviewed the Fire contract with the Town of Gorham for 2014. There was a slight increase for the dollar amount provided for in the agreement.

A motion was made by Trustee Charles Elwell to authorize Mayor Jon Bagley to sign the 2014 Fire Agreement with the Town of Gorham as provided. Trustee Tim Jabaut seconded the motion. Unanimously carried.

RE: 2014 Reading Center Agreement

The Board of Trustee's also reviewed the 2014 Reading Center Agreement with the Town of Gorham. Again there was a slight increase in the dollar amount provided for in the agreement.

A motion was made by Trustee Charles Elwell to authorize Mayor Jon Bagley to sign the 2014 Reading Center Agreement with the Town of Gorham as provided. Trustee John Sawers seconded the motion. Unanimously carried.

RE: 2014 Village Elections

A motion was made by Trustee John Sawers and seconded by Trustee Charles Elwell to hold the next annual election for the Village of Rushville on Tuesday, March 18, 2014. The offices to be voted on are as followed: Trustee-4 year term and Trustee-4 year term. Unanimously carried.

Trustee Chuck Elwell and Trustee John Sawers are up for re-election.

RE: Water Improvement Project

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Wind-Sun Construction still has to finish the punch list and few other small issues. Mayor Jon Bagley explained that we are having issues with the electronics. There was discussion over what the warranty would cover. The Clerk shared that the Village will be getting an inspection from Rural Development in early February. Mayor Jon Bagley explained the Water Improvement Project to the Boy Scouts.

RE: Safe Route to School Sidewalks Project

Mayor Jon Bagley explained the Safe Route to School Sidewalk Project to the Boy Scouts. The new sidewalk will be 9/10 of a mile from Main Street to the Valley School. The kids will no longer have to walk in the road and will have a safe route to and from school, particularly during the emergency evacuation drills.

RE: Bay Water Easement

Attorney Bill Kenyon prepared the petition for interpretation of the Bay easements. The Board reviewed the petition and made comments. The Clerk will relay the comments to Attorney Kenyon. The Village of Rushville will now wait for the petition to be filed and for the Judge to rule.

RE: Sewer Beds

Some discussion about a possible sewer grant had taken place however the deadline is rapidly approaching. We should here about the sewer planning grant next month. Other grant opportunities will be explored.

RE: 2014 Health Insurance Premiums

Clerk Jennifer Gruschow and Public Work's Supervisor Art Rilands met with the health insurance representative and asked the Board if they would cover more than a single person health care plan. Jennifer Gruschow and Art Rilands both need family plans and the cost out of pocket would be around \$300-\$400 a pay period. The Board decided to create an Insurance Committee made up of Mayor Jon Bagley and Trustees Charles Elwell and John Sawers. Another meeting with the health insurance representative will be schedule to review more options. The Committee will also look into what health insurance coverage other municipalities offer to their employees. The Health Care Act is in place as of October 1st. We have until the end of December to decide on a plan.

RE: Lyons National Bank

Lyons National Bank currently has 3% savings accounts special and Community Bank is paying .25%. The Finance Committee will review the options.

RE: Douglas Drive

Mayor Jon Bagley addressed the Board members and would like the approval for an escrow account to be set up with the Village for the paving on Douglas Drive. He is the owner of the undeveloped lots in the Trimble Hill Heights Subdivision on Douglas Drive. Art Rilands has prepared preliminary figures of how much it would cost to pave the rest of Douglas Drive. Mayor Bagley stated with every lot sold he would deposit money into the escrow account with the Village and then that money will cover the paving expense. Mayor Bagley would like to pave as soon as he can and not wait until

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all the lots are sold and developed. He will pay for any difference in cost if the price for the asphalt increases and will be responsible for paying for all utilities to each lot. The biggest expense for Douglas Drive is the water line. Art Rilands would like to make sure there are no dead end water lines in the village. 350 feet of water lines 8 inches in diameter needs to be added, which Mayor Jon Bagley will pay for. He would like the Village to be responsible for putting on the final binder coat later on, as was done to other portion of Douglas Drive.

A motion was made by Trustee Charles Elwell and seconded by Trustee Jabaut to accept the offer made by Mayor Jon Bagley, as the owner of Trimble Hill Heights Subdivision, for paving the remainder of Douglas Drive. Unanimously carried. Mayor Jon Bagley abstained from voting.

An agreement with Mayor Jon Bagley will be drawn up and Trustee John Sawers will act as Vice Mayor in executing the agreement.

RE: Bills

A motion was made by Trustee Charles Elwell and seconded by Trustee John Sawers to authorize payment of the general bills in amount of \$21,745.03, noting \$61.94 had already received payment due to prior authorization or a due date prior to the Board meeting and \$9,284.67 is due to NYS & Local Retirement for annual payment. Unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee John Sawers and seconded by Timothy Jabaut to authorize payment of the Safe Routes to School sidewalk project bills in the amount of \$10,803.40. Unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Charles Elwell and seconded by Trustee John Sawers to authorize payment of the cemetery bills in the amount of \$1,069.15. Unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee David Field and seconded by Trustee Timothy Jabaut to authorize payment of the water bills in amount of \$10,979.09, noting \$9,284.67 is due to NYS & Local Retirement for annual payment. Unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Charles Elwell and seconded by Trustee John Sawers to authorize payment of the sewer bills in amount of \$11,368.38, noting \$9,284.67 is due to NYS & Local Retirement for annual payment. Unanimously carried.

RE: Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee David Field and seconded by Trustee John Sawers to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm. Unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenna Bergstresser
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

Jennifer Gruschow
Village Clerk-Treasurer

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