REGULAR MEETING OF THE NORTH HORNELL VILLAGE BOARD JULY 12, 2010 - 7PM

ATTENDANCE: Mayor John Falci

Trustees: Glenn Thomas, Joseph Dick, Frank Libordi

Peter DiRaimondo

Clerk Kristene Libordi DPW Rich Scavo OIC Marcus Smith

Fire Chief Michael Robbins
Fire Police Jim Bebout
CEO Jim Schieder
ZBA Chair Doug Dunn
WLEA Rep David Pascoe
Tribune Rep Tyler Briggs
Don Hoffman property owner

Mayor Falci opened the meeting at 7PM with the pledge of allegiance.

MAYORS OPENING REMARKS

Mayor has received many calls regarding the new flag banners displayed on Seneca Rd. He also received \$50 from a resident to be used towards the beautification projects in the Village. Lowes has contacted the Mayor with plans to build a gazebo and picnic benches for the Village residents. A site has yet to be determined.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Frank Libordi and seconded by Trustee Glenn Thomas to approve the June 14, 2010 minutes. Motion was carried.

Mayor Falci Yes

Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Libordi Yes
Trustee Dick Yes Trustee DiRaimondo Yes

TREASURERS REPORT

Motion made by Mayor Falci and seconded by Trustee DiRaimondo to approve the Treasurers Report. Motion was carried.

Mayor Falci Yes

Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Libordi Yes
Trustee Dick Yes Trustee DiRaimondo Yes

POLICE REPORT

Chief Marcus Smith reported the following for the month of June:

Complaints General 4
Complaints Criminal 1
Property Checks 141
Tag Vehicles 1
UUT 1
Vehicle Checks 7
MVA Personal Injury 1
Assists – SCSO 1
Total patrol hours 86

Mayor Falci asked if there could be problems with kids and the gazebo that Lowes is suggesting for the park. Chief Smith said he did not foresee any problems.

Trustee Libordi noted that he was contacted by the humane society regarding a dog at large from Heather Heights. He spoke with Mark Mahoney from the society. Mr. Mahoney asked that we give them a copy of out code regarding dogs. He said if someone has a complaint they can call the Humane Society and ask for Mr. Mahoney. He will take the complaint and contact our law enforcement to have the owner of the animal served an appearance ticket.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Mayor Falci read the following report for the month of June:

Work at Pump station

Mowing

Drainage behind Village Hall

Repaired catch basin on Jones St.

Put up flags and banners on Seneca Rd.

Put up new flag pole

Put in patio blocks in front of Village Hall

Put in Village Hall sign

Trim trees in park

Repair gate at garage

Cleaned storm drains and sanitary sewers

Cleaned plugged sewer on Cameron Ave. near pump station

Put in water valve on Berry property

Seeded and mulched all areas that we excavated

Mayor added that phase II at fire hall will start in the fall. Now CHIPS money needs to be used now for resurfacing streets. Also more catch basins to do on Bethesda, Elmwood and W Maplewood.

Motion made by Trustee DiRaimondo to accept the Maintenance Report. Motion was seconded by Mayor Falci and carried.

Mayor Falci Yes

Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Libordi Yes
Trustee Dick Yes Trustee DiRaimondo Yes

Discussion: Trustee Libordi questioned the hammer for the mini backhoe. Mayor Falci responded that it came out of the current budget and is needed for the break up of concrete in catch basins and at the old fire hall. It was asked that the DPW give the board a current inventory of equipment.

FIRE REPORT

Chief Michael Robbins gave the following report:

Update on OSHA PESH vaccinations and extension on rope training

Update on E58

Ground ladder testing on July 23 for E58 and other trucks

Mary Smith is working on USDA applications for a tanker

Parking in parking spaces in front of new fire hall

Thank you to those fire fighters who helped with parking at July 4th James St. Park

Yard sale and Rock & Roar this weekend

\$25,000 needed to be released to Colden for E58

Did not receive DEC grant

Total calls for the month 11
Calls in Village of North Hornell 2
Calls in Town 5
Fire Alarm checks 4
Total Man hours 48

Motion to accept the Fire report was made by Trustee Libordi, seconded by Trustee DiRaimondo and carried.

Mayor Falci Yes

Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Libordi Yes
Trustee Dick Abst Trustee DiRaimondo Yes

Discussion: Trustee Libordi asked Trustee Dick what the agreement with the Fire Company was regarding the repair of the Rescue truck. Trustee Dick thought that the fire department was to pay for repairs.

However the board has paid for some of the repairs. Chief Robbins stated that some of the bills are general maintenance and that they would maintain it until it was put in service.

Trustee Thomas questioned the sales tax on a voucher. Trustee Dick explained that a member purchased the items for the Department on his card because the Fire Department does not have a membership to shop at this particular establishment.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

CEO Schieder reported the following for June to July current:

Processed 62 phone calls

Certificate of Compliance issued 3
Certificate of Occupancy 1
Construction site visits under permit 24
Construction permits issued 3
Projects presented to the ZBA 3

Other Business:

Complaint on a fence in violation

Pool patrol by Mr. Charlie Bliss found none that were not in compliance. If he finds one, he can fine Mr. Schieder.

Mr. Schieder questioned if the contractors permits had been advised. Mayor Falci noted it is being updated. Mayor Falci thanked Mr. Schieder for his help on the LaPiana roof.

A motion to accept the Code enforcement report made by Mayor Falci, seconded by Trustee Thomas and carried.

Mayor Falci Yes

Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Libordi Yes
Trustee Dick Yes Trustee DiRaimondo Yes

Discussion: Mrs. Rutski asked why so many people are having items in their yards for sale. Is this not a code violation? It was noted that residents can have three garage sales three times a year and must get a permit from Village Hall. Mayor Falci asked that if residents note that there are residents selling with out a permit to please call the Village Hall.

OLD BUSINESS

HUNT ENGINEER CONTRACT - SENECA RD.

Motion was made by Mayor Falci to accept the contract with Hunt Engineer for scoping a study for the Seneca Road project in the amount of \$25,000. Motion was seconded by Trustee Dick and carried.

Mayor Falci Yes

Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Libordi Yes
Trustee Dick Yes Trustee DiRaimondo Yes

GENERAL CODES ANALYSIS

Trustees and Mayor Falci have received the analysis from General Code regarding the update of the Village codes. Mayor Falci would like to see approval of and possible adjustments by October.

TRUCK E58 UPDATE

Chief Robbins reported that parts are still being waited on and they did find problems with the pump. Some things will be covered by the insurance. Some of the damage to the pump was a result of the accident some is due to the age of the pump. The cost should not be more than \$1500 and most should be covered by the insurance. The truck cannot be certified until the pump is repaired. Trustee Thomas asked if there was a warranty after we take possession. He would like something in writing.

FIRE HALL UPDATE

Mayor Falci asked Contractor Joe Rose what he needs to complete. He had turned everything over to Architect Simpson last week. He has gone over all points that Trustee Dick had requested and were taken care of or marked N/A.

Architect Simpson stated that all items that are not finished are electric reel stop that has to be fixed. Connor Haus will take care of it. He has a meeting with Overhead door to fix a serving line that does not drop down.

Official truss signs that have to be placed in front door - visibly displayed will be available this week. Trustee DiRaimondo asked when we will receive a C of O. Mr. Simpson stated that once the overhead door is fixed then we should be OK.

Chief Robbins would like to have sensors for the overhead doors. Trustee Dick said that in New York state it is required to have sensors.

Trustee Dick asked if the plumbing going to produce a test for the back flow preventer. Architect Simpson said it has been done.

Mrs. Rutski asked when the new Fire Hall will be dedicated. Mayor Falci stated in September after Labor Day.

Mrs. Rutski stated that in the fall of 2009 it was told to her husband Walt and Mike Robbins to start on a tanker. She would like to know why it has been dragged out. The tanker could be used for water in case of emergency. She was told that when the new tanker would arrive when the fire hall was in place.

Trustee stated that we might need a pumper tanker. Trustee Dick stated that he wanted a tanker and not the ladder truck. He also noted that Walt Rutski years ago did not want a ladder truck because the City has one. At the time of the purchase of the ladder truck, he had wanted to purchase a tanker.

Mayor Falci told Walt Rutski that he did not want the tanker right now and Mr. Rutski agreed that the fire hall needed to be done first. Last January when the E58 was in an accident it was decided to fix the truck and put the tanker on hold. During the last three years we have been turned down on grants we have applied for. Right now our grant writer Mary Smith is in the process of writing a new grant for a tanker.

NEW BUSINESS

LOWES PROJECT

If any resident has questions on the Lowes project with the gazebo, contact the Mayor.

FOURTH STREET DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Jonchhe a resident on Laurel Lane asked if the Village would be developing Fourth St. The Mayor stated that an engineering and environmental study would need to be done by a developer.

DISABILITY INSURANCE

In 1979 the Village made a resolution (according to Workman's Comp Board) to cover the fire fighters with disability. The Clerk's office could not find mention of this resolution in the minutes. The Village has no records of payments for such a policy. Therefore, the Village has been fined by the Workman's Comp Board \$250. The Clerk spoke with a representative from the Workman's Comp board and was told that the Village did not have to offer a resolution stating that we didn't want disability. A letter was faxed to the Comp board from Mayor Falci stating that we did not want a policy for the firefighters. The Clerk did get a price for disability for employees in the Village. Cost would be \$309 for five males and three females. The Clerk was asked to contact the County risk manager and see if we could get a policy through them.

WIGHTMAN AVE – SEWER RENT

A motion was made by Mayor Falci to dissolve the sewer rent at 8 Wightman Ave., which is now being consolidated with the 6 Wightman Ave property. Motion was seconded by Trustee Libordi and carried.

Mayor Falci Yes

Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Libordi Yes
Trustee Dick Yes Trustee DiRaimondo Yes

OTHER

Trustee Libordi noted that former Mayor Steve Terry wanted to put a small park by the pump station and call it Veterans Park. Possibly we could look into this area for the Lowes project with the gazebo. The Mayor will have the DPW look into the possibility of that area and the size.

PAY BILLS

Motion to pay bills made by Trustee Thomas, seconded by Trustee DiRaimondo and carried.

Mayor Falci Yes Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Libordi Yes

Trustee Dick Abstained from Fire Dept Bills

Trustee DiRaimondo Yes

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:45 Mayor Falci made a motion to go into Executive Session regarding an employee issue. Out of executive session at 9:15PM and meeting adjourned.

Village Clerk Kristene Libordi