

VILLAGE OF CORNWALL-ON-HUDSON BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 19, 2006

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:30 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance, at 325 Hudson St., Cornwall-on-Hudson, N.Y.

The following Board Members were in attendance:

Mayor Edward C. Moulton, Jr.
Trustee Charles R. Hahn
Trustee Mark J. Edsall
Trustee Peter J. Miller
Trustee William T. Fogarty

Also present were: DPW Superintendent Robert Gilmore, Police Chief Charles Williams, Water Superintendent Robert June, SKEC #2 Fire Chief Jeffrey Armitage, and Village Clerk Jeanne Mahoney.

Trustee Hahn moved for the acceptance of the May 15, 2006 Regular Meeting Minutes and June 12, 2006 Special Meeting Minutes as written, on a motion seconded by Trustee Miller, the minutes were approved 5 ayes and 0 nays.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mayor Moulton stated that a treasurer's report has been prepared and distributed to the Village Board for review.

The open utility balances report for the end of May read as follows:

Village water, sewer, garbage & penalties	\$ 63,360.40
Town water & penalties	348,037.72

Which included 6 finals/adjustments for the Village and 5 for the Town.

The following claims were approved for payment:

General Fund claims in the amount of \$	346,719.52
Water Fund claims in the amount of	133,927.77
Sewer Fund claims in the amount of	208,693.54
Trust & Agency claims in the amount of	81,671.98
Capital Water claims in the amount of	3,500.00

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Committee – Trustee Hahn reported that proposed increases to the firefighter annuity plan will stay within the current budget, but will require a public referendum. This matter will be discussed in more detail at the next work session.

Trustee Fogarty made a motion to hold a work session on June 26, 2006 at 7:00 PM and to move the regular meeting for July to the 10th at 7:30 PM, in order to accommodate vacations, which was seconded by Trustee Edsall and carried by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Summer Playground - Trustee Edsall reported he and Playground Director William Hall conducted interviews for Counselors last week.

Upon the written recommendations of Director Hall, Trustee Edsall made a motion to appoint Counselors, Substitute Counselors and Counselors-In-Training, along with proposed budgetary spending as listed, which was seconded by Trustee Miller and carried by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Mayor Moulton thanked Village Clerk Mahoney for making arrangements with St. Thomas of Canterbury Church to hold this year's Summer Playground program at their school and property. A construction project has been scheduled at Cornwall-on-Hudson Elementary School this summer, preventing us from holding our program there. In addition, Mayor Moulton thanked Father Heter and Mrs. Agnes Maleakas for their generosity in allowing our program to be held at no charge. Students at St. Thomas of Canterbury School who have completed Kindergarten through the fifth grade will be invited to attend this year at no charge.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

The Fire Department reported 32 responses, including multiple emergency medical service (EMS) calls, for a total of 503.5 volunteer man hours.

The Police Department reported 11 COVAC assists; 8 calls were covered for/assisted to Town Police; 12 responses to burglar alarms; 3 E-911 hangups; 3 domestic incidents; 28 crimes were committed; 7 vehicle lockouts; 5 accidents were investigated; 49 moving violations; and 10 parking tickets were issued. Total patrol miles = 3,725, not including mileage on Chief's vehicle.

Chief Williams reported that Sergeant Christopher Park continues investigation of six (6) open cases. Two (2) crimes reported this month were closed by arrest.

Chief Williams also reported that the department is in receipt of new firearms for full time personnel. All full time personnel were qualified to use the new weapon.

Trustee Hahn made a motion to accept the resignation of Richard Peters, a Crossing Guard for the past several years effective the end of the current school year, which was seconded by Trustee Miller and carried by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays. Trustee Hahn then made a motion authorizing Chief Williams to advertise for a replacement and substitutes which was seconded by Trustee Miller and carried by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Mayor Moulton is in receipt of a letter and petition from residents of Bayview Terrace and Taft Place requesting installation of a sign to warn drivers to “slow down Children at Play”. He requested Chief Williams conduct a traffic study at that location.

The Water Department reported an average daily production of 1.164 million gallons with all bacteria samples passing N.Y.S. Standards. The required monthly and quarterly samples were collected. It was also reported that 102 utility locations were made, 19 meters were repaired or replaced, and 11 special readings were taken. In addition to routine maintenance and completion of town and village hydrant flushing, a water leak was repaired at 71 Academy Avenue, two 1’ taps were performed at the Cornwall High School, a fire hydrant at Orrs Mill Rd and Lyndon lane was repaired, water leaks at New York Military Academy were repaired with department assistance, and main line pressure reduction vaults (PRV’s) were serviced.

Upon the recommendation of Water Superintendent June, Trustee Edsall made a motion to create a Water Maintenance Worker position in the Water Department in lieu of one Laborer position which was seconded by Trustee Fogarty and carried by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Black Rock Water Superintendent June reported that he is in receipt of final prints from Hazen and Sawyer for installation of the surge tank. He has met with Waltech Construction to discuss the upcoming tank installation and equipment updates which will take approximately two (2) weeks to complete. A change order/proposal to the contract will be prepared for the scope of work. Waltech will coordinate the start up procedures at the plant once their work is finished.

The Department of Public Works reported completion of village wide clean up, continuation of work to repair sweeper, grass mowing, removal of dead trees, and blacktopping of potholes.

The Code Enforcement Officer reported 12 certificates of occupancy were issued. In addition, 1 property maintenance and 1 unregistered vehicle violations were issued.

The Building Inspector reported 40 on site inspections, 5 fire inspections, 2 stop work orders, and 15 building permits were issued.

DPW Superintendent Gilmore provided the Board with proposed revisions to the new fee schedule. This will be discussed at the next work session.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Moulton is in receipt of a letter from Roy Retta of 44 Washington Street requesting installation of a drain on the roadway at the dead end of Washington Street. He provided pictures showing how water is collecting and backing into his driveway and property.

OLD BUSINESS

BLACK ROCK FILTER PLANT STATUS/MODIFICATIONS

Mayor Moulton stated that this item was addressed earlier in tonight's agenda.

RIVER AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS 2006

Mayor Moulton stated that there is nothing new to report on this item.

JOINT SEWER PLANT DISCUSSION

Trustee Hahn stated that routine maintenance was performed.

ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT

Mayor Moulton stated that there is nothing new to report on this item.

STEEP SLOPES/VIEW PRESERVATION REVISIONS

Mayor Moulton stated that this item remains tabled for additional review.

RIVERFRONT PARK SHELTER

Mayor Moulton stated that the structure is complete.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mayor Moulton stated that the committee is working on a concept plan. Once completed, the plan will be provided to the Village Board for review and comment.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (LDC)

Mayor Moulton stated that the committee is continuing to pursue commercial development.

FEE SCHEDULE - REVISIONS

Mayor Moulton stated that this item was discussed earlier in tonight's agenda.

WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE

John Wenz, Chairman stated that committee members attended the recent public hearing held by the Master Plan members. He feels it is important that the two groups work in conjunction, and his group wanted a better understanding of that committee's goals relating to the waterfront.

FIRE DEPARTMENT FLOOR REPLACEMENT

Mayor Moulton stated that replacement of the concrete floor of the truck bay has been completed.

NEW BUSINESS

HISTORIAN GRANT – RESOLUTION FOR AUTHORITY TO SIGN LEGAL DOCUMENTS

Trustee Fogarty made a motion authorizing the Village Clerk to sign legal documents relating to the grant obtained by the Village Historian for digital imaging of pictures. The motion was seconded by Trustee Miller and carried by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

RIVERBANK - MISSERE

Anthony Missere, owner of The Riverbank Restaurant, gave a brief overview of his proposal for an outdoor dining platform and reconfiguration of the sidewalk including landscaping. His proposal will result in the loss of some parking on River Avenue, but in return will create additional parking on Village property off Maple Avenue Extension.

Trustee Edsall made a motion to grant conceptual approval, which will include preparation work and drainage for an additional 10 parking spots, subject to preparation of a lease agreement by the Deputy Village Attorney. The motion was seconded by Trustee Miller and carried by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

APPOINTMENT TEMPORARY VILLAGE MECHANIC

Upon the recommendation of DPW Superintendent Gilmore, and approval by the Orange County Department of Personnel and C.S.E.A., Trustee Fogarty made a motion to appoint Robert J. Gillim as Temporary Village Mechanic, effective June 19, 2006, at \$16.00 per hour which was seconded by Trustee Hahn and carried by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

RIVERFRONT PARKING

Trustee Miller suggested that the Village Board reinstate the issuance of day parking passes at Donahue Memorial Park. It can be done on a short term basis, using a temporary employee who would be set up at the Park. A nominal fee would be charged for the day pass. Discussion followed.

Having concluded the business set before them, Trustee Hahn moved to adjourn the meeting into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter with the DPW Superintendent which was seconded by Trustee Edsall and upon a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays, the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 PM.