

VILLAGE OF CORNWALL-ON-HUDSON BOARD OF TRUSTEES

July 18, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 P.M., with the Pledge of Allegiance, at 325 Hudson St., Cornwall-on-Hudson, N.Y.

The following Board Members were in attendance:

Mayor Brendan G. Coyne
Deputy Mayor Mark J. Edsall
Trustee James P. Kane
Trustee David Carnright
Trustee Kenneth A. Schmidt

Also present were: DPW Superintendent David Halvorsen, Code Enforcement Officer Ben Maggio, Attorney for the Village Joseph McKay, and Village Clerk Jeanne Mahoney.

Mayor Coyne announced that there is a binder on the back table for anyone interested in looking at resolutions and meeting-related documents that will be discussed this evening.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Carol O’Keefe of 2 Payson Road stated that the July 4th parade was very nice; however, there was a lot of garbage and debris left along Payson Road by parade participants while waiting for the parade to begin. She suggests garbage cans be placed along the road in the future.

David Goldfarb of 152 Duncan Avenue stated that there is an ongoing water run-off issue on upper Duncan Avenue. After heavy rainfall, a large amount of gravel from neighboring unpaved driveways washes down and ends up at the foot of his driveway. This has been going on for years and he is requesting assistance from the Village to resolve this issue, possibly with a culvert system.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Coyne is in receipt of the following correspondence:

- Letter from Town of Newburgh Supervisor Gil Piaquadio thanking the Village and Water Superintendent June for sending Water Department personnel and our remote controlled mower to cut brush at their dam. The work was completed in a professional manner.
- Letter from Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro requesting the Village Board consider adopting a “Think DIFFERENTLY” program to bring awareness for various disabilities. Mayor Coyne tabled this item for discussion at the August 8th work session.

MINUTES

Mayor Coyne made a motion to accept the June 20, 2016 Business Meeting Minutes as presented which was seconded by Trustee Carnright and carried upon a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

Mayor Coyne tabled acceptance of the July 11, 2016 Special Meeting Minutes which was seconded by Trustee Carnright and carried upon a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

TREASURER’S REPORT

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

Village water, sewer, garbage & penalties	\$ 317,050.86
Town water & penalties	242,192.35

which included 4 finals/adjustments for the Village and 8 for the Town.

Warrant #7 – Trustee Carnright made a motion to approve July 2016 Warrant #7 and authorize payment of \$244,934.84, which was seconded by Trustee Kane and carried by a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

Treasurer Mahoney reported that the Village is in receipt of \$3,019,814.44 (42.64%) in anticipated revenues and \$2,359,361.49 (33.31%) in anticipated expenditures through the end of June.

The Sewer Capital Fund balance is \$138,908.12 (including interest) through June 30th.

The amount collected in 2016 Village property taxes is \$2,549,268.01 through June 30th.

Ms. Mahoney reported that Nugent & Haeussler has completed their audit of the Village’s financial statements for fiscal year ending February 29, 2016. The financial reports will be provided shortly.

Ms. Mahoney further reported that the final payment was made on July 15th for the 2001 bond sale.

BOARD DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Building Department Trustee Carnright reported 9 building permits were issued, 9 certificates of compliance/occupancy were issued, 35 onsite inspections were performed, 1 violation was issued (5 Maple Ave), 2 fire inspections were conducted, and 4 municipal searches were completed. Inspector Maggio worked 80 hours in June.

Fire Department – Deputy Mayor Edsall reported 4 automatic alarms, 1 motor vehicle accident, 1 high angle rescue, 1 mutual aid, 3 medical calls, 3 meetings, 6 drills, 7 state/federal training classes, 3 work details, 1 fund raising detail, 2 public relations details, and 2 fire prevention details for a total of 34 events and 598 volunteer man hours.

Deputy Mayor Edsall further reported that firefighters Andrew Cucci, John Ketchell, Carl Kumpel, and Greg Scharfenberg graduated from NYS Firefighter 1 training course, 19 firefighters completed the

United States Coast Guard Boater Safety Training Course, and the department will participate in an Orange County Battalion 4 Drill – MVA Extrication.

It was also reported that the rescue boat is in the water and members are currently undergoing operation training. Chief Armitage thanks DPW Superintendent Halvorsen and DPW employee Tom Lyons for their efforts with getting the boat in service. On July 10th, the department responded to its first water rescue call for an overturned vessel near the public dock. Earlier this month, the fire company and Deputy Mayor Edsall met with the kayak tour groups in the Village to discuss safety concerns. Also present was the Cornwall Fire Chief, Vails Gate Fire Chief, Orange County Deputy Fire Coordinators, and Cornwall OEM Kurt Hahn. Safety improvements are currently underway.

In addition a new key system has been installed, the new command vehicle was delivered on July 8th, information is being gathered from multiple vendors for air conditioning repairs and a new exhaust system (\$65,000 in funding is potentially available from Assemblyman Skoufis' office to help pay for the exhaust system and other building improvements), 7 scholarships were presented to graduating Cornwall High School seniors from the fire company and auxiliary, and the fire company participated in Riverfest.

Deputy Mayor Edsall announced that the Annual Fireman's Fair starts this Wednesday, July 20th and will run through Saturday, July 23rd. He encouraged people to attend.

Police Department Trustee Kane reported 1 felony criminal mischief, 1 fraud, 2 petty larcenies, 1 felony arrest, 2 misdemeanor arrests, 1 violation arrest, 2 property damage accidents, 16 traffic summons issued, 18 traffic warnings issued, 10 parking summons issued, 4 fire response calls, 5 domestic incident calls, 13 alarm response calls, 4 noise complaints, 1 suspicious person call, 3 suspicious vehicle calls, 1 suspicious activity call, 10 animal complaints, 9 assists to the Town of Cornwall Police Department, 6 EMS assist calls, 1 assist to other agencies, 5 welfare checks, and 2 assists to citizens for a total of 325 total calls for service.

Trustee Kane further reported that during the month of June, all police department officers attended Domestic Violence Training held in the Village Hall Board Room, continued participation in Orange County "STOP-DWI" enforcement, and assisted with traffic and security for the "Girls on the Run" 5K road race, and the Cornwall High School prom picture taking event at Donahue Memorial Park.

Department of Public Works – Trustee Schmidt reported mowing and trimming of Village owned properties, sewer main maintenance, cleaning of catch basins, sweeping of streets, weekly yard waste collection, repairs and maintenance to Village owned vehicles, trimming of trees and bushes along Hudson Street, preparation and setup of Donahue Memorial Park for Riverfest, provided traffic control devices at Donahue Memorial Park and Shore Road to assist the Police Department with senior prom event, and repairs to guiderail on the Boulevard.

Trustee Schmidt further reported that the Central Hudson gas main replacement project in the Homeland Avenue area is finished (only a few items remain open), and delivery of the new pickup truck is expected in July.

Water Department – Trustee Carnright reported an average daily production of 1,047,000 gallons. The required monthly and quarterly samples were collected (a total of 49). On June 20th the sample taken from Village Hall failed (total coliform CL2 1.0 ppm). Samples taken before and following passed. It

was determined that the failure of the Village Hall sample was due to a sampling technique. All other bacteria samples passed N.Y.S. Standards. A total of 89 utility mark-outs were done, 6 meters were replaced, 19 miscellaneous repairs were completed, and 9 final meter readings were done. A valve box was repaired, all pressure reduction valves were serviced/rebuilt, fire hydrants were serviced and painted, grass was cut at all Water Department properties, cutting of dams was completed, and the department assisted the Town of Newburgh with the cutting of their dam.

It was also reported that Thomas Rabey has been issued his 2A-SW/GUI Filtration Plant and D-Distribution Certificate #NY0339535. Dan Nye has been issued his D-Distribution Certificate. Water Superintendent congratulated both men on their accomplishments. It was noted that Mr. Rabey has now been assigned to the weekend rotation for water treatment.

Mayor Coyne reported that he toured the Black Rock Clearwell with Water Superintendent June last week and it is “quite a project”. He suspects that it may be a larger job to repair than originally anticipated. Mr. Coyne invited other Board members to tour the Clearwell.

RESOLUTIONS

VILLAGE HALL ASBESTOS ABATEMENT

Clerk Mahoney reported that she is in receipt of proposals from PAR Environmental Corp. (4,950.00) and BSB Construction, Inc. (\$5,439.00) to remove and dispose approximately 63 square feet of asbestos containing roofing at Village Hall.

Deputy Mayor Edsall made a motion to accept the proposal from PAR Environmental Corp. in the amount of \$4,950.00 which was seconded by Trustee Carnright and carried upon a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING - INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2016 - AMENDING CHAPTER 155 OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF CORNWALL-ON-HUDSON, ESTABLISHING A NO PARKING AREA FOR CERTAIN LENGTHS OF HUDSON STREET WEST OF ACADEMY AVENUE AND A TIME LIMIT PARKING AREA FOR CERTAIN LENGTHS OF HUDSON STREET WEST OF CHERRY AVENUE

Mayor Coyne made a motion to reopen the public hearing at 7:25 PM which was seconded by Trustee Kane and carried upon a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

Carol O’Keefe of 2 Payson Road asked if parking is allowed on the right side of Cherry Avenue.

After some discussion, Mayor Coyne replied that he will look into it and get back to her.

Hearing no one further speak for or against the introductory local law, Mayor Coyne made a motion to close the public hearing at 7:30 pm which was seconded by Trustee Schmidt and carried by a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

After some discussion, Attorney for the Village McKay will remove “time limit parking” for certain lengths of Hudson Street West of Cherry Avenue and replace it with “no parking at any time” for certain lengths of Hudson Street West of Cherry Avenue.

RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF CORNWALL-ON-HUDSON
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CHERRY AVENUE

Mayor Coyne introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption.

WHEREAS, an Introductory local law entitled "A Local Law Amending Chapter 155 of the Village Code of the Village of Cornwall-on-Hudson Establishing a No Parking Area for Certain Lengths of Hudson Street West of Academy Avenue and a No Parking At Any Time Area for Certain Lengths of Hudson Street West of Cherry Avenue" was introduced by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Cornwall-on-Hudson on March 21, 2016 and upon notice duly published and posted, a hearing was held on April 18, 2016 before the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, based upon comments received from the public, the public hearing the proposed local law was continued on May 16, 2016 and June 20, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is the Lead Agency with respect to the consideration, review and determination of the significance of the aforementioned legislative action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) regulation section 617.6(b)(1)(i); and

WHEREAS, public comments were received by the Board of Trustees at such hearings concerning the merits and environmental impacts of said introductory local law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon due consideration of comments received from the public and examination of potential impacts within the relevant areas of environmental concern, the adoption of said Introductory local law is hereby determined not to pose any significant adverse impacts on the environment and the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Short Environmental Assessment Form ("SEAF") prepared in connection with the proposed action; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Introductory Local Law entitled "A Local Law Amending Chapter 155 of the Village Code of the Village of Cornwall-on-Hudson Establishing a No Parking Area for Certain Lengths of Hudson Street West of Academy Avenue and a No Parking At Any Time Area for Certain Lengths of Hudson Street West of Cherry Avenue" of the Village of Cornwall-on-Hudson be and hereby is adopted as Local Law #1 of 2016 of the Village of Cornwall-on-Hudson on July 18, 2016.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee Carnright and carried upon a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

MS4 MAPPING PROJECT – MASER PROPOSAL FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Deputy Mayor Edsall made a motion authorizing Mayor Coyne to execute the June 15, 2016 agreement with Maser Consulting in the amount of \$16,425.00 to provide GIS/GPS services to satisfy the MS4 mapping requirements of the NYSDEC Water Quality Improvement Project (WQIP) Program. The motion was seconded by Trustee Carnright and carried upon a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

TAYLOR ROAD WELL FIELD – MASER PROPOSAL FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Deputy Mayor Edsall made a motion authorizing Mayor Coyne to execute an agreement with Maser Consulting in an amount not to exceed \$66,200.00 to provide additional professional services for the Taylor Road Well Fields. The motion was seconded by Trustee Carnright and carried upon a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

OTHER BUSINESS

ANCHORAGE ON HUDSON RIVER

Mayor Coyne reported that the Coast Guard is proposing a plan to allow barges to anchor along the Hudson River from Yonkers to Kingston. Although most barges would anchor closer to Newburgh, Mayor Coyne has concerns about the impact on our waterfront. He has requested the public hearing be extended.

SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

Trustee Schmidt reported that the camp has gotten off to a “fantastic start” with about 110 registered campers, 12 counselors and 2 substitutes. Campers enjoy swimming in the Town pool on Mondays and Wednesdays, and trips are planned for Storm King Art Center, Splashdown, Tarsio Bowling, and the Fireman’s Fair.

HAZARD MITIGATION: EMERGENCY SHELTER

Mayor Coyne reported that he received correspondence from the county regarding the need for the Village to either have or the ability to use an “emergency shelter” in order to be part of the hazard mitigation program. He will discuss this with the Cornwall Town Supervisor.

BANDSTAND COMMITTEE: REQUEST TO HOLD FUNDRAISER FOR BANDSTAND KIOSK

Mayor Coyne is in receipt of a request from the bandstand committee to hold several fund raising events at the bandstand in order to rebuild the kiosk by the Centennial Bandstand.

Mayor Coyne made a motion approving the use of the Village Bandstand property by the bandstand committee to hold fund raising events, dates to be coordinated with the Village Clerk which was seconded by Deputy Mayor Edsall and carried upon a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

WATER DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE

Mayor Coyne tabled this item for discussion in closed session later this evening.

NON-UNION EMPLOYEES AGREEMENT

Mayor Coyne tabled this item for discussion in closed session later this evening.

FYI

ARTFEST – JULY 16, 2016

Trustee Schmidt reported that ArtFest was held on July 16th at Tarsio Bowling Lanes and he is pleased with the outcome. Mr. Schmidt estimates that 150 people attended the event that included 17 artists.

CAR WASHES

Mayor Coyne reported that the CCHS National Honor Society will hold a car wash on August 14th and the CCHS Varsity Girls Soccer Team will hold a car wash on August 20th. Both events will be held in the Village Hall parking lot from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

Deputy Mayor Edsall reported that Village Board previously authorized the Mayor and Village Clerk to process requests to hold car washes with a requirement to provide insurance certificates.

CORNWALL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH – PICNIC AT DONAHUE MEMORIAL PARK

Mayor Coyne announced that the Cornwall Presbyterian Church will hold a worship service and church picnic at Donahue Memorial Park on Sunday, September 18, 2016 from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

FILM SHOOT

Mayor Coyne is in receipt of a special event permit application to hold a film shoot in the Village on August 22nd. He tabled discussion on this application until the August work session.

BOARD ACTIVITIES/COMMENTS

Trustee Kane stated that the July 4th celebration and parade was “outstanding”. There were a large number of spectators, and he thanked the public for attending.

Trustee Schmidt stated that July 4th was impressive and crowded due in part to the great weather. He thanked Tarsio Bowling Time for hosting ArtFest at no charge.

Trustee Carnright stated that he has been on the July 4th committee for a long time and he is proud of the job everyone did this year. He thanked everyone in the Town and Village who helped with the planning and preparation for the event. He also thanked the participating vendors and local landscapers for their support. Mr. Carnright was not able to attend ArtFest, but he thanked Tarsio Bowling for once again helping out the community.

Deputy Mayor Edsall agreed with his fellow Board members about the wonderful July 4th celebration and ArtFest.

Mayor Coyne stated that this year’s July 4th Grand Marshals were Ed and Floranne Moulton. Ed Moulton was Mayor for 26 years and he accomplished a lot for this Village including acquisition of Donahue Memorial Park property, acquisition of our Village Hall, planting of trees along Hudson Street, water system improvements, etc. Floranne Moulton was the former Head Teacher of Cornwall-on-Hudson Elementary School and also taught there for many years. In addition she started the educational

program at Sands Ring Homestead. Mr. Coyne had the privilege of interviewing them for the July 4th program and it is very “fitting” that Ed and Floranne were our Grand Marshals this year.

Mayor Coyne also attended the recent fire fighter graduation. He congratulated our four new firefighters in the Village as well as Storm King Engine Co. #2 for bringing them along.

Having concluded the business set before them, Mayor Coyne made a motion to adjourn the business meeting into a closed meeting to receive advice of counsel at 7:50 PM with the Attorney for the Village to discuss a Water Department employee, non-union employment agreements, a Police Department personnel issue, and follow-up on a property dispute. The motion was seconded by Trustee Schmidt and carried upon a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.