

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE NORTH HORSELL VILLAGE BOARD
MONDAY FEBRUARY 12, 2007**

ATTENDANCE: Mayor John Falci
Trustees: Glenn Thomas, Joseph Dick & Frank Libordi
Village Clerk Kristene Libordi
DPW Supervisor and Fire Chief Phil D'Amato
ZBA Chair Doug Dunn
Code Enforcement Officer James Scheider

Mayor Falci opened the meeting at 7:00PM with pledge of allegiance.

MINUTES

Minutes from the January 8 & 22, 2007 meetings were approved on a motion made by Glenn Thomas, second by Joseph Dick and carried.

TREASURERS REPORT

The Treasurers report for December 2006 & January 2007 were approved on a motion by Joseph Dick, second by Glenn Thomas and carried.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Marcus Smith was not present. Mayor Falci read the police report. There were 2 General complaints and 1 Criminal complaint. There were 7 tagged cars in the village.

One personal injury from a motor vehicle accident and one domestic violence arrest. One Assist with other law enforcement agencies at a motor vehicle accident A total of 60 combined hours worked for the month.

The new light bar was installed on the police car.

Trustee Libordi reported that the department was not using the correct schedule for reporting weekly hours. He talked to Chief Smith and has given him the Sept to June schedule sheet. He also stated we are not getting what we are originally asked for in weekend hours. Only one Friday night and no Saturdays were covered during the past 4 weeks.

Trustee Libordi will talk to Canisteo Mayor Jim McGee in regards to having their police work some hours in our village. Trustee Thomas concerned of added costs by employing additional employees. Mayor Falci will talk to the three police officers and report back to the board on the February 26th meeting.

A motion was made by Mayor Falci to accept the police report, seconded by Glenn Thomas and carried.

DPW REPORT

Supervisor D'Amato reported the department was plowing snow and salting roads. He reminded residents not to park cars on the streets especially with an upcoming snow storm forecasted for Tuesday. There are still problems with residents parking on the streets which will inhibit snow plowing.

The department is working on a continuing sewer problem on Linwood Ave. There is preventative maintenance being done on snow plows. Greg Zdanowski is updating the water & sewer lines on the village maps. When that is complete, Joe Flint will put them on the CAD software. Supervisor D'Amato also reported they are rebuilding a 4" pump for the water jobs in the summer. Trustee Libordi asked that the Supervisor present a copy of the Spring projects that are scheduled to the clerk

Motion made by Frank Libordi to accept the DPW report second by Mayor Falci and carried.

FIRE REPORT

Fire report given by Phil D'Amato. He noted that there were 133 calls up from the past two years. The monthly report showed a total of 22 incidents with 7 in the Village and 15 in the Town. One mutual aid with the Howard Fire dept. The Fire chief handed out a graph showing the percentages of calls made by the individual fire members. He also introduced the names of three new Fire department members: James Williams, Jeremy Smith and Irene Spangenberg.

A motion made to accept the Fire report by Glenn Thomas second by Joseph Dick and carried.

A motion was made to accept the three new members to the fire dept by Frank Libordi second by Glenn Thomas and carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Falci handed out a report on the updated Lowes Pilot. The board will probably be voting on this in March. The Village attorney has looked at the pilot and believes it is an impressive package. If there are any questions from residents, the Mayor has asked that they call him. The following revenues are based on Lowes assessed value of \$8,000,000.

If the project remains in the Village, total revenue would be \$55,756 (sales and property tax combined)

If the property is annexed to the City of Hornell the Village Pilot for the first year will be \$136,000 plus \$6150 in sales tax. Net difference in the first year (our gain) \$86,902.

The total combined pilot for the first year, village, town and city is \$390,000 The Village & the Town share 50% (\$195,000) of the total pilot. The Village will receive 35% and give the town 15% of its share. This is how it was done in the first pilot (Wal Mart-Wegman's). That will give the Town \$58,500. The city will receive \$195,000. They will share with the school and county. 32% will go to the City - \$62,400, 44% to the school - \$85,800 and the county will receive 24% - \$46,800.

Some additional benefits from the pilot are an extended water contract till 2025 and extended sewer contract to 2031. If we did not have the sewer contract we would be pay as much quarterly as we pay for water. Village savings is 2.1mill over 15 years.

There is a proposed agreement with the city with the Village receiving garbage pickup (city residents pay \$70 per year), use of the waste facilities by James Street Park, free mulch and top soil availability, free use of the recreation facilities at the park, North Hornell children will be considered for summer jobs and Seneca Rd. will be swept once a week by city (already being done).

The Mayor reported that he has not received building plans from Lowes. He had been advised that plans would be sent to the Village some time towards the end of January or February. Stacey Scheider, from Real Inc. said she has spoken to Taylor McDermott and he advised her that the plans should be sent out very soon - possibly within the next few days.

Mayor Falci also noted that near the end of the pilot, there is a possibility of extending the pilot for another 10 years.

He asked the board and village residents to consider the possible problems that will occur. Such as Seneca Rd. being torn up and redone. The need for a new Fire Station - new fire trucks will not go in our existing hall. The Village May need to purchase a new tanker. North Hornell is not a distressed area making it difficult to get certain grants.

The Mayor and Trustees set a date for a public hearing at 6:30 PM on the 26th of February concerning the Lowes project. At 7:00PM there will be a 15 min hearing to discuss the garbage contract. The regular meeting will begin at 7:15PM.

Mr. James Sparrow asked if out parcels have been taken into account. Mayor Falci responded that we would receive taxes on anything in out parcels that goes along with Lowes and North of the Wegman's plaza

Village resident Mr. Poplowski asked if the annexation would be outright or contingent of the site plan. Mayor Falci stated that we will have jurisdiction of the building. Our code enforcement people will work with the city code people. We will also have equal jurisdiction with fire and police. Mayor Falci also mentioned that a traffic study was done. Lowes has it and we will receive it.

VILLAGE CODES

Mayor Falci asked Jim Scheider to do a complete report on the Village hall in regards to meeting codes. He would like to have every thing in the building checked to make sure we are not in violation.

CONTRACTOR PERMITS

Mayor Falci asked the board to look at contractor permits specifically the one from the City of Hornell.

PROCUREMENT POLICY

The policy was adopted in 1992. It was to be revued or updated each year. Trustee Frank Libordi has recommended that a voucher be used for purchases under \$250. Mayor Falci asked Trustee Libordi to write out the wording for this new addition to the policy. This will be brought up at the next meeting.

FIRE VAN

The Fire department would like to use the fire Van and not put it out for bid. They can use it for transporting hoses and other items to and from a fire.

FIRE HALL

Mayor Falci is asking the board and residents to consider a new Fire Hall. Possibly two years away from this project but he would like to start collecting information now. DPW Supervisor D'Amato is working on two different studies as to location and costs. Costs range from \$170,000 to \$200,000. Trustee Libordi asked that it be note, he was not in favor of a new fire hall.

2007-2008 BUDGET

The Trustees and Mayor will soon be working on the new budget. Workshops will begin next month and will be open to Village residents. The Mayor has asked Department heads and employees to present to the board a list of equipment or services needed to complete their job for the new fiscal year. He would also like to receive requests for salary and wage increases.

OTHER

Trustee Joseph Dick is requesting a donation of \$500 to the Environmental Emergency Services. The Mayor and Trustees asked for more information.

PAY BILLS

Trustee Glenn Thomas asked that the Bridge Com telephone service be cancelled. Trustee Dick will call Dave Oaks at the City to have this cancelled. He will also call Bridge Com again to cancel.

Motion to pay bills made by Joseph Dick, second by Glenn Thomas and carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20PM

Village Clerk
Kristene Libordi