# REGULAR MEETING OF THE NORTH HORNELL VILLAGE BOARD MAY 14, 2007

**ATTENDANCE**: Mayor John Falci

Trustees: Deputy Mayor William McNelis, Joseph Dick & Frank Libordi

Village Clerk Kristene Libordi

DPW & Fire Supervisor Phil D'Amato Planning Board Chair Timothy McDaniel

ZBA Chairman Doug Dunn ZBA Co-chair Peter DiRaimondo

# **MINUTES**

Minutes of the April 18, 2007 public hearing approved on a motion by Frank Libordi second by William McNelis and carried.

# TREASURERS REPORT

Treasurers reports from March 2007 & April 2007 approved on a motion by William McNelis, second by Frank Libordi and carried.

#### POLICE REPORT

Chief Marcus Smith not in attendance. Mayor Falci read the April police report:

1 criminal and 3 general complaints

1 arrest and 10 vehicle stops

Total of 43 hour worked.

The mayor noted that two of the officers were on vacation during the month. Trustee Libordi noted that three weekends had no police coverage. The Mayor and board not happy with the coverage that is being given. Trustee Dick mentioned that he saw the police car out of the village by North Main St. Mayor Falci said they may have had to go to BOCES to question a student.

Police report was approved on a motion by William McNelis, second by Mayor Falci and carried.

## DPW REPORT

Mayor Falci noted that Supervisor D'Amato will be keeping a log of what activities he and the DPW crew are scheduling on a daily basis.

Supervisor D'Amato reported:

Work on 3<sup>rd</sup> St. installing water services to two lots

Spring cleanup on village properties

Bring two trucks in for service

Clean out storm basins

Numerous markouts

Cleaning of sewers

Maintenance of lawn equipment

Street cleaning on Seneca Rd.

Cleaning bridges on Seneca Rd.

Supervisor also reported there will be landscaping on 3<sup>rd</sup> St. by Mr. Bebouts house. The DPW will be doing the landscaping with stones. Next week will be Spring clean up in the Village. A letter went out to all Village residents explaining what they can put out and what days pick up will be on their street. All debris will be going to the town barns. If needed the Mayor will call the city to ask permission to use their land fill.

They will be painting the striping in the Village parking lot, sealing and then restriping.

A hand out was given to the Trustees that outlines the work scheduled for this summer. Also a projected cost from AL Blades on road work to be done. The total of 667 tons of 7F top - \$46,423.20. Prices are per Steuben County 2007 bid.

A motion was made by William McNelis, second by Mayor Falci to accept the DPW report. Motion was carried

#### FIRE REPORT

Report given by Chief D'Amato:

Total calls 24 Village 5 Town 18 Mut Aid 1

The chief reported numerous brush fires. The new siren is on it's way and will be installed by McCarthy Electric.

A request was made to take the engines to the Arkport and the Hornell Memorial day parades. Also two new fire fighters – Jimmy Dessana & Justin Washburn (both pending background checks).

A motion was made to accept the Fire report by Joe Dick, second by William McNelis and carried.

A motion was made by Mayor Falci to accept Jimmy Dessana & Justin Washburn to the Fire Dept (pending background checks) .Motion second by Joe Dick and carried.

A motion was made to take the trucks to the Arkport and Hornell Memorial Day parades by Joe Dick, second by Mayor Falci and carried.

A motion was made by Mayor Falci to approve the newly elected fire officials:

Phil D'Amato Fire Chief , Lorne Courtney  $1^{st}$  Asst Chief, Charlie Chick  $2^{nd}$  Asst. Chief and Mike Robbins  $3^{rd}$  Asst. Chief. Motion second by William McNelis and carried

## **NEW BUSINESS**

# **GARBAGE QUOTES**

As of today the only quote we have received has been from SDS @ \$16/mo., with 1 pickup per week and once per month for recycling. A total of \$192 per year.

# LOWE'S TRAFFIC STUDY

The traffic study is available at the Village hall for all residents to view. The Planning Board will be holding a meeting in regards to the Lowe's project on Monday May 21<sup>st</sup> at 7PM.

## **TOWN & COUNTY ELECTIONS**

Mayor Falci wanted residents to be aware of upcoming vacancies at the county. Ken Isaman is currently our county legislator and cannot run for re-election. The Town will also have numerous positions that will be up for election. As more information is available such as petitions being signed and turned in we will notify residents.

# UNAUTHORIZED CONTRACTORS

Mayor Falci warned residents to check at Village hall before having work done in their home. Make sure they have a contractors permit. Two of our residents were quoted a price for black topping (out of town company) and were charged a much higher price. The Mayor was able to get a small refund of cash for one of the residents.

### VILLAGE HOLIDAYS

The Mayor and Trustees agreed on the following holidays for full time employees:

New Years Day Martin Luther King Day President's Day Good Friday Memorial Day Independence Day Labor Day Columbus Day Veterans Day Thanksgiving Day and following Friday Christmas Day One personal day

#### STAFF PHONES

The DPW and Police cell phones are all on Verizon Wireless. The DPW Supervisor and Fire Chief are also on Verizon under the North Hornell Fire Dept. account. Trustee Joe Dick will ask the previous fire chief Charlie Chick to have Verizon fax a corporate liability form allowing the clerk to have access to the account.

# ORDWAY SEWER CONNECTION

The Mayor is still waiting to hear from Dave Oaks from the City of Hornell in regards to the sewer hook up. The Mayor of Hornell has to say if it was put in correctly. If not we need an engineering study done and bill the town of Hornellsville.

Mayor Falci is to call Dave Oaks and the Dept of Health to see what needs to be done. He will report in June as to what direction the board should take.

#### SPRING CLEAN UP

Mayor Falci noted that a newsletter went out to all residents informing them of the upcoming spring clean up. Any questions may be directed to the DPW

#### CLEVELAND AVE SPEED LIMIT

There will be a speed limit counter on Cleveland Ave. Still complaints from residents that cars are traveling too fast. Trustee Joe Dick would like to see counters on both ends of Seneca Rd. Mayor Falci is going to move the Village police car to different locations on Cleveland Ave and Bethesda Dr. to deter some of the speeding. The Trustees did approve the Mayor moving the car.

# VILLAGE OFFICE HOURS

Mayor Falci noted to residents that the Village clerk is now full time and office hours are as follows: Mon 9AM - 8PM

Tues – Thurs 9AM – 5PM Fri – 9AM – 12PM Closed Sat & Sun

# **OTHER**

Mr. John McNelis addressed the board in regards to difficulties he has been having during the construction of his new home on Third St. He has gone to considerable expense to eliminate drainage problems. He believes there is a difference in interpretation of the codes. The Village should be responsible for bringing water and sewer service to the property lines. Due to the 100' of 1" water line to his home he is going to have to install a water pump. He also has very low water pressure -40#'s(the neighbor next door has 90#'s).Mr. McNelis has also encountered much construction debris that was dumped on his property by the village over past years.

Mayor Falci asked that Mr. McNelis present to the board what he anticipates his total sewer cost will be, including the removal of construction debris.

Mayor Falci wants to pursue the cost of a new water service from Elmwood going up Third St. This would enable all residents on Third to eventually hook up to the new line.

Mr. John Johnson asked if someone had purchased the Flaxington home on the corner of Seneca and Wightman Ave. The yard is not being maintained. Mayor Falci said he would call Mrs. Flaxington.

Mrs. Giles asked if metal garages or carports were allowed in the Village. Code enforcement officer Jim Scheider said that size determines if it needs a permit. He will check village code.

Trustee Libordi asked if the ZBA could determine if the house on the corner of Cleveland Ave. and Bethesda Dr. would be zoned commercial. A resident wants to purchase it and put in a law office. ZBA chair Doug Dunn said it would have to be purchased and then ask for a variance. Hector Hoyos who is on the ZBA and also lives across from the property has concerns over that property being changed to commercial. It will change the neighborhood. Now there will be commercial business moving farther into the Village.

# RESOLUTION

**RESOLVED THAT** all sewer assessments that are unpaid from June 2006 through March 2007 be added to the June 2008 Village taxes for collection.

Total amount to be added is \$5668.45.

Resolution offered by Frank Libordi and William McNelis and carried unanimously. The above resolution was passed at the regular Village Board meeting held on May 14, 2007.

Mayor Falci asked for a meeting to be held on Wednesday, May 30,2007 to close the books. All attending Trustees agreed to the date.

# PAY BILLS

A motion was made by Joe Dick to pay bills and transfer funds. Motion second by William McNelis and carried.

Transfer funds from:			Transfer fund to:	
A1620.2	\$614.86		A1490.4	\$614.86
A1620.4	\$1530.83		A1490.41	\$1530.83
A3120.2	\$431.28		A3120.4	\$431.28
A3410.2	\$5000.00		A3410.4	\$5000.00
A1440.4	\$4428.56		A3410.4	\$4428.56
A1440.4	\$416.32		A5142.4	\$416.32
A8320.4	\$526.13	`	A8140.4	\$526.13
A1440.4	\$692.17		A1910.4	\$692.17
G1440.4	\$1545.11		G8120.4	\$1545.11

Mayor Falci adjourned the meeting at 8:25PM.

Village Clerk

Kristene Libordi