

VILLAGE OF FREEVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Village of Freeville Board of Trustees was held on September 1, 2015, at the Village Hall.

Call to Order: Mayor Fogel called the meeting to order at 7:34 pm

Present: Mayor David Fogel, Trustees Diana Radford, Lotte Carpenter, & Jason Cuykendall, Public Works Superintendent Pat Brennan, Zoning Board & FCC member Holly Lockwood, Village resident Jim Rolfe, & Clerk-Treasurer Ron Campbell

Privilege of the Floor: Holly Lockwood brought in an article from the Ithaca Journal about solar energy. Would be great to have the Village Hall & Barn “off the grid”. Jim Rolfe wanted to show his support of keeping the Village Court. Tompkins County Council of Governments has formed a task force that is looking into improving efficiency without reducing the quality of justice. One option they’re looking at is eliminating 2 Village Courts in the county, with towns absorbing the caseloads. Jim brought up the possibility of having official local codes for traffic violations in the Village. These could mirror the NYS code. This would keep more court generated income within the Village.

Approval of Minutes: Trustee Radford motioned to approve the minutes of the August 4, 2015, Board of Trustees meeting. Trustee Carpenter seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Public Works: Pat has filed application with State Dept. of Trans to lay sidewalk on Railroad St to Factory St. Discussion about speed bumps in Village. In addition to slowing down the snowplow/winter cleanup it may be a liability to vehicles damaged. Reduced speed limit/No through traffic signs may be helpful. Trustee Cuykendall motioned to approve the Public Works report. Trustee Radford seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Code Enforcement: Trustee Carpenter motioned to approve the CEO report. Trustee Cuykendall seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Planning Board: Trustee Cuykendall motioned to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2015, Planning Board meeting. Trustee Radford seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Justice Report: Trustee Carpenter motioned to approve the Justice Report. Trustee Radford seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Clerk’s Report: Trustee Radford motioned to approve the Clerk's Report. Trustee Carpenter seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Trustee Cuykendall motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report. Trustee Carpenter seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Vouchers: Trustee Carpenter motioned to approve abstract #0915. Trustee Radford seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

New Business:

Village Court: Unanimous agreement to keep our Village Court. Mayor Fogel will draft letter to the TCCOG Task Force & present to Board of Trustees before sending.

Use of the Village Hall: Trustee Radford made a motion not to allow use of the Village Hall for Dryden residents to meet to discuss the idea of a Community Center in Dryden. Trustee Carpenter seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed. Ron will email them regarding decision and also to let them know that the Methodist Church and the Director's House at GWA are possible locations in the Village.

New Court Hours: Village Court is in session the first Wednesday of each month at 11am, beginning September 2, 2015.

Trustee Cuykendall motioned to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Radford seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Campbell
Village Clerk-Treasurer