

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Norwood was called to order August 18, 2014 at 5:00 by Mayor McFaddin.

Also Present: Trustees Levison, Besaw, diVincenzo
DPW rep. Dan Monica
Clerk Susan Bartlett

Moment of silence observed in honor of recently deceased Pete LePage.

Jack Farnsworth presented with citation from the Board in thanks and appreciation for 30 plus years of service to the Village, recently retired from DPW crew.

Motion Besaw/Levison to suspend the rules of order for action on resolution of request to the St. Law. Co. Legislature on property at 25 Mechanic St. in order for it to be given to Jason Clarke for the County meeting at 5:30. The following resolution was proposed:

WHEREAS, a property known as 25 Mechanic Street, Parcel ID#42.074-1-17.1, in the Village of Norwood is included in the list of tax sale properties to be publicly auctioned by St. Lawrence County and;

WHEREAS, this property is derelict and not fit for occupancy, in fact has been posted as such and

WHEREAS, revitalization of the property would eliminate a health and safety factor as well as provide an opportunity for business growth in that area putting it back on the tax roll.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Village of Norwood Board hereby requests this parcel be removed from such tax sale allowing the Village of Norwood to purchase said property through negotiation of satisfactory monetary consideration. The Village of Norwood will assume costs of code compliance and if and when sold would return any excess of its investment back to the County. **1. Motion to approve foregoing resolution made by Trustee Besaw, seconded by Trustee Levison. Ayes 3. Nays 0. Absent Boprey.**

The resolution was given to Mr. Clarke. Trustee Levison referred to the recent comp case problem and feels that the County has to do a better job of representing the municipalities. Jason responded that the Legislature has been looking in to new things that would do that; it was agreed that certainly things need to be different.

Motion diVincenzo/Levison to approve minutes of the last meeting. Ayes 3.

Motion di/Vincenzo/Besaw to approve payment of the abstracts of audited bills. Mike diVincenzo brought up the Grasse River Asphalt bill for the operator they supplied for recent paving problem. It includes "insurance and administration fees" and "overhead & markup @ 15%" as well as the actual operator's wage; He feels that is excessive just for use of the operator. The Mayor will call Grasse River. Otherwise, bills approved. Ayes 3.

DEPT REPORTS:

DPW Report. Working on Maple St with some problems; want thank you sent to Norfolk for their help. The new Kubota tractor has arrived.

WATER & SEWER: Report. Roof has been bid out (Tisdell's handling it).

POLICE: no one present, but Sue Bartlett complained of continued speeders, trucks, and atvs on Morgan St. Just last night a mc and 4-wheel atv were running up and down Morgan St., even after dark. She did call the police and they came right over, but it is difficult to catch them. The time spent by police on the speeding has not seemed to help either. She also witnesses a lot of trucks, even tractor trailers, traveling the street. The Mayor will speak to Jay about arranging for more police presence. The police have been putting hours in on Morgan and Lakeshore Drive, which also still has speeding problems.

RECREATION: Beach closing Wed. Aug. 20th.

MAYOR:

- Gov. signed legislation and Clarkson ready to start building boathouse. Agreement is for \$500 (to be billed to them each Sept.) and help with milfoil and/or possible grant writing. Paul Smiths is coming back to do "variable leaf" study.

- plant roof out to bid and plan to have it done this fall.
- Bence Construction awarded job on the Mechanic St. building.
- there are still some new businesses interested in locating in the Village.
- Hewitville bridge receiving an upgrade.

- port-a-potties for the ball fields cost quite a lot...will be put out to bid next year.

Dan Monica had a few requests from the DPW for the fire department put to Trustee Levison: the FD has a 911 app for fire calls that he would like them to give to him and the Supt. Also, when the FD does their breathing apparatus tests he would like them to include at least two DPW crew for "confined space" cert.; and finally, the FD is getting lax on the work order paper trail.

TRUSTEES:

- Tim brought up that pylons are needed along Main St. the days the Farmers Market is there; sight distance is very limited. Donation to be sent to SPCA in memory of Pete. Also, he suggests at budget time a line item be added for funds to help in dealing with the milfoil. He remarked on the salt truck traffic. Tim asked what the crew situation was – how many cdl drivers we have. Dan responded he and Pat O’Brien. Village can’t really go into the winter like that. Jack is willing do some driving, but he is also looking for other part time work. The Mayor stated we have some qualified applicants and need to fill the position.

VISITORS:

John Burke was in attendance again; thanked the Board for the hospitality.

Tim Simcox

Joshua Levison said he is aware of the speeding and trouble on Lakeshore Drive.

Joe Liotta started to tell of his “solution”, but left abruptly.

ACTION ITEMS:

2. 2nd NOTICE FEE: Motion Levison/Besaw to approve \$2.00 second notice fee for taxes. Ayes 3.

3. TOWN OF STOCKHOLM FIRE CONTRACT: Motion Levison/Besaw to approve and authorize signing of 2015 fire contract with Town of Stockholm. Ayes 3.

Meeting adjourned 5:45PM.