

A Regular Board Meeting was held in the Tannersville Village Hall on Thursday, July 18<sup>th</sup> 2002

Present: Glenn Weyant, Mayor  
Paul Morra, Trustee  
Daniel Powell, Trustee  
Bill Simon, Attorney  
Jill Dodds, Clerk

Also present: William Kimble of the Daily Freeman, Joe Prout of the Daily Mail, Mary Palividas, Berna Showers, Mr. & Mrs. Norarevian, Natalina Vosilla, Jim and Joan Jerro, and on behalf of "Where It's At"... Richard Rem, Gillian Rem, Heidi Moran, Maureen DeMent, Teresa Cahill, Natalie Moran, Dan Breck, Robert Abrahamsen, Andrea August, June Jacobs, Carmine Cortazzi, Jessica Greenberg.

The Mayor welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of the Public Hearing and Open Meeting held on June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2002 were approved by motion of Trustee Morra, seconded by Trustee Powell. The Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2002, were approved by motion of Trustee Morra, seconded by Trustee Powell. The Mayor was in favor subject to a couple of amendments which he had noted and showed to the other Trustees. Both motions carried.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:** General Account Vouchers # 17-51, Water Account Vouchers #8-18 Mayor Weyant made a motion to approve these vouchers, Trustee Powell seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Events

6/22	First day of Camp Registration
6/24-28	Village trash pick up
6/24	Mountaintop Supervisor's Meeting
6/25	Meeting with Seth Grossman on Trailhead development
6/25	Evening meeting of the Business Council
6/26	Meeting with the CWC and Fraser Engineering on the storm water retrofit grant.
6/29	Second day of Camp Registration
7/6	Boy Scouts Car Wash
7/6	Neighborhood barbeque at the Pavilion
7/13	Jensen family reunion at the Pavilion
7/15	Camp started
7/16	Business Council Meeting

Letters of appreciation went out to Bruce Femi and Bart Hill for their assistance in destroying a bear that was entering homes on Sunset Avenue. The two bear cubs were taken to a rehab center in Syracuse.

Tannersville Justice Court has been selected for a study by the New York State Comptroller's Office.

Contacted the State regarding the removal of a dead tree on Route 23A by Colonial that is posing a danger to the community and also to repaint the lines on Main Street. Their time frame will be some time in September.

Sent documentation that we had from the DEC to Linda Marino of FEMO regarding the repairs to Reservoir #3 that were never completed from the 1996 flood. We are hoping to receive financial assistance to have these repairs completed.

Our Building Inspector wrote a letter on Barbara Rosica's behalf to assist her in getting the insurance to rebuild her house.

We are applying to the insurance company to repair the bike path fence on Bloomer Road after a car flipped over and damaged it.

We closed on the Johannessen property and the deed has been recorded. There will be no more blockages at that end of the bike path.

We had some problems with the alert tones and sirens in the firehouse. Pittsfield Communications were notified. The box has not yet been repaired – they are figuring out an estimate for the repairs. The Mayor wanted to know if there would be a charge for the service call from Pittsfield.

Met with the contractor who is doing the sewer repair work for the DEP.

We had problems at the well house at the Lake with the electricity. Central Hudson came in and replaced some fuses.

Volunteers painted Cheers and we thank everyone who contributed.

We had a request for "Clean Up After Your Dog" notices to be placed at the Lake.

We received two letters of support from John Sweeney – one for the firemen's grant for \$40,000 to bring all our fire equipment up to NFPA grade and another for our grant for Small Cities Economic Revitalization.

We received notification that we will be receiving \$22,010 through the SARA grant we submitted to build and equip a records retention room utilizing the garage bay adjacent to the Clerk's office.

We have been working hard with Gordon Realty and Seth Grossman for a sewer connection for the Trailhead Village development of eight single family homes.

I had a meeting with Richard Rem and the police department following numerous complaints from residents regarding the lack of security in the Village.

Had a meeting with Pat Leach on the sidewalks for Park Lane. He is heading up a committee to set up a plan to make this happen.

There have been complaints about loud music on Saturday nights and we have notified the appropriate people and if necessary will have the decibel levels taken so that it does not happen again.

Met with Paul Bulmer who is interested in bringing a Stewarts into the area.

A representative from N.Y.S. Insurance Fund did a walk through inspection of the Village operations properties and told us that we are in good shape.

Received grant paperwork for Main Street Beautification projects which we will be looking into to try to get some additional funds.

The Mayor then made a motion to authorize the Fire Department to have Garrisons do an annual maintenance check on all their equipment. Trustee Morra seconded. All in favor Motion carried.

The Mayor presented a list of our current grants with their status.

The sewer contractor had left off paperwork applying for their road permit but it had not been notarized. The Mayor made a motion to return the application and request that it be notarized Trustee Morra seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Mayor then reported on the Village's financial situation. We are now out of deficit and moving in a very positive direction.

#### **REPORT OF TRUSTEE MORRA:**

Summer Camp – We started late because we had trouble in finding a camp director. We did find one just at the deadline we had set but since she was a full time teacher still working, she had to do all her DOH training in the evenings. However, she and the assistant director did get qualified in time to start camp. We finally just got a lifeguard so that the children will be able to swim and we ordered fresh sand for the beach. We have 37 children, four counselors and eight junior counselors.

The Water Department had three new taps this month, two on Spring Street and one at the sewer treatment plant which was to increase fire safety at that location. Because of the lack of rain in the last month our reservoirs have been going down at the rate of 2" a day and so we have put a water advisory out requesting voluntary conservation at this time.

The garbage account is such that it will be paying for half of the tipping fees which were incurred during the trash clean up week and if the sale of bags continues even at the current rate, the garbage account should be able to pay all the tipping expenses.

This week we found a 1979 Chevy Bucket truck for \$3,500. Trustee Morra made a motion that we purchase the Bucket Truck for \$3,500. Mayor Weyant seconded. All in favor Motion carried

Trustee Morra made a motion that we pay off one of the Water loans which was taken out in 1983 and would have run to 2022. The pay-off figure now is \$29,323.78 which would result in a savings of approximately \$60,000 over the life of the loan. The interest rate on this loan was 6-1/4% and, of the anticipated savings, approximately \$50,000 of that would be the interest. It will also reduce our long term debt by around \$80,000. Mayor Weyant seconded. All in favor Motion carried

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

There were four resolutions which the Mayor read in their entirety to the meeting:

- Resolution #16 Cablevision Franchise Agreement
- Resolution #17 Supporting Greene County's Designation as an Empire Zone
- Resolution #18 Establishing a Village Publicity & Events Committee
- Resolution #19 Establishing Rules & Regulations for the use of Village Hall

The Mayor made the motion to approve each resolution, Trustee Morra seconded each motion All in favor. All four motions carried.

### **JERRO ROAD:**

The tax map was brought into the meeting but after much discussion between the parties, the Village Attorney explained that this is not a matter in which the Village should be involved. This is private property, is a dispute between neighbors and should be settled between them

### **YOUTH CENTER:**

James Learnihan addressed the meeting on behalf of the Youth Center requesting a conditional Certificate of Occupancy for 60 days. They propose to take care of everything listed by the Building Inspector that is of concern and in that 60 days they will produce a set of prints stamped by an architect of the State of New York. We will have the electrical inspection completed During the occupancy there will be less than 50 people upstairs. There are two events scheduled - July 26<sup>th</sup> and August 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> - and that is why they are requesting the conditional C of O at this time. It was the Board's understand that the occupancy restriction was for the entire building, not just the upper floor. Much discussion ensued but it was the understanding of the Village Attorney that the building needs the inspection and certification of the New York State Underwriters. In response to a question from Trustee Powell as to whether the prior Certificate of Occupancy existed, Mr. Learnihan stated that he brought in the architect and together with the Town Building Inspect and the contractor, they did a walk through of the building, prior to their fundraising event, and addressed things that needed to be done to be issued a C of O for the event. The architect's stamp is on the window stating that the building is safe for the one event The Mayor stated that we knew that floors were leveled, steel columns and beams were placed

and the entire building was rewired, which in his opinion automatically warrants a New York State Underwriters Certificate. However, to simplify the entire problem and avoid repetitive phone calls and discussions, he has asked that James Learnihan, on behalf of the Youth Center, and Keith Griffin, on behalf of the Village, get together on a one-on-one basis and iron out the problems. If they can come to a mutual agreement, then the Board will have no problem in authorizing a C of O; if they have a problem which stalls the process, then that should be brought before the Board. The Village's only concern is one of safety.

This suggestion was agreeable to all parties. Mr. Learnihan did want to discuss the issue of the raised seal. He stated that architects and engineers no longer use them and would the Board accept a rubber stamp. The Mayor agreed provided that Mr. Learnihan obtain a letter from the Department of State confirming that raised seals are no longer necessary since it was his understanding from Mark Anderson who is the Regional Director for New York State Building Codes that raised seals are still required.

Mr. Rem addressed the Board and undertook that the requirements of the Village Building Inspector would be taken care of and an underwriters certificate produced before the Youth Center asked the Board for the C of O. However, in view of the time constraints he did ask for 60 days in which to get the stamped plans. This was agreeable to the Board.

Heidi was concerned about the first event and had spoken to Mr. Schilling who is the N.Y.S. Underwriter. He is tentatively scheduled to come in on Tuesday. Her question was, if we get the electrical sign off and everything else is done, how long will it take to get a condition C of O. Trustee Powell responded that it was between Jim and Keith. Keith has the authority to issue a C of O without any further consultation with the Board.

The Mayor asked if anyone had anything further to ask.

The Mayor made a motion to close the meeting. Trustee Morra seconded. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned.