

A Regular Board Meeting was held on November 21st, 2002, in the Village Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Glenn Weyant, Mayor
Paul Morra, Trustee
Dan Powell, Trustee
Jill Dodds, Clerk

Also present: Joe Prout from the Daily Mail, Martin Mathis and David Maendel from the Bruderhof, Dan Breck and Dolph Semenza.

The Mayor opened the Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Powell made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous Board Meeting held on October 17th, 2002 and the Special Meeting held on October 31st, 2002. Trustee Morra seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

PUBLICITY & EVENTS: The Mayor went over the arrangements for the upcoming Tree Lighting Ceremony scheduled for December 8th.

Flyers and posters: We have last year's on the computer. We need to get the "specials" from the restaurants.

We have a tree and we have sent out a letter acknowledging the donation and we will be cutting it on Monday. Crane will be coming up on Tuesday to put it in place with the help of Bob Kerns and John Farrell from the Town.

Santa: The Fire Department are not going to provide the Santa this year since their event is being held on December 15th. We will have to find our own Santa.

Grab bag: We are going to have a grab bag for the children. Betty Garrison has donated a lot of small gifts. We are looking for more – just small items of around \$1.

Music: We have a person for the event who will come in and set up a sound system. The high school will be providing a choir and ensemble as they did last year. The Greene Room Players and the Bruderhof will also be performing. We invited the Methodist Chorus and the Reverend Ferris will be getting in touch with us on that. In between sets, we will have CDs playing seasonal music. Pete Greco will have music on the weekends as he did last year.

Police: Dolph will speak to Jen Reich to see if she can co-ordinate between the Sheriff's Department, the State and Local but we will also send out letters. We would like to close the road off at around 4:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Invitations: We will be sending out invitations to local dignitaries.

Advertising: Once we get the flyers done we will send them out to radio and tv stations.

Donations: We have received \$275 in cash and the grab bag gifts. Contributors will be acknowledged on a lighted sponsor sign that our engineers are going to produce. The sign will be displayed on the site. The Lion's Club has promised to supply cookies and the Bruderhof will have hot cider.

Bruderhof – Nativity: David Maendel regretted that the Bruderhof would not be able to perform the Nativity this year. They may instead be having it at their premises to which everyone would be invited.

Trustee Powell made a motion to approve the vouchers (General 149 to 179 ; Water ~~70~~ to 81). Trustee Morra seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Three fire trucks were sent down to Garrisons for service and we have a check list of some minor repairs that need to be taken care of. All the trucks now have chargers.

Met with Mike Brown from Fraser with regard to a NYS Parks and Recreation Trails grant in the amount of \$100,000.

Met with Linda Geary, Fraser and the stream corridor people on the Bike Path repairs and we might possibly have a solution soon.

Hosted the Mountain Top Supervisors' Meeting, introducing Senator Seward.

Met with Richard Rem and American Retold who are looking to open a warehouse and hire employees. We will be doing our best to try to keep them up here.

The hydrants were flushed with no incidents apart from a call to my home at 11:00 at night from someone thinking it was a Halloween scam.

We called a Special Meeting to approve the resolution authorizing the Trails grant and approving the roll over of the RAN for a further six months.

Met with Guido Tocci, Chris Morley and Marty Murin on the Façade Improvement Grant.

We authorized the purchase of a storage shed to be installed at the water plant to store chemicals and a quantity of water supplies.

Attended a Hunter Mountain Chamber of Commerce Meeting.

Met with Fraser and an attorney in Albany.

Met with the sound system provider for the Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Met with a representative from IKON regarding a copy machine.

Met with Ralph Marino to get the children involved with the Tree Lighting.

Received a Resolution from the CWC authorizing them to give us \$160,000 for the engineering of the SPPP and the repairs to the Bike Path. The engineering is already being done and we anticipate that we will be tackling the repairs in the Spring. The \$160,000 is not only for the SPPP engineering and the repair of the three stations but it is for an operational maintenance plan. Over and above that and the money we will get for the major landslide, the CWC will reimburse the Village for the work we perform in accordance with the plan and also includes money for the purchase of maintenance equipment. The taxpayers will not be burdened with these expenses.

We rolled over the RAN for a further six months and I spoke to Senator Seward asking him to help us push the special legislation through the Senate. If nothing gets done in the December session of the Assembly, we will have to start all over again in January of 2003.

I called Bruce Whitaker of the Greene County Savings Bank. He was not available but we are looking specifically to refinance the fire truck for the remaining 8 years. At a previous meeting he was extremely amenable to helping us.

We made a first payment under the refinanced water bonds. \$60,000 in principal and \$4,898 in interest.

I talked to two property owners in the Village to see if they are interested in selling their property so that we can keep business up on the Mountain Top. We are working with Richard Rem and the IDA of Greene County on this.

On Sunday, November 30th there will be a craft fair in the Village Hall.

We paid off Osborn who provided the rides at the Black Bear Festival at a much reduced fee.

We received our second payment under the SARA grant. This will cover a Records Management Consultant, who has started this week to organize the system and who will produce a short and long-term plan for records storage and inactive records management program. It will also cover the cost of installing the security system and once the front wall is installed, will cover the cost of air conditioning and heating.

Financial Status:	Publicity & Events	\$2,850
	General	\$130,000
	Water	\$67,000
	Garbage	\$1,275

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:

All the park benches and picnic tables are stored away for winter.

All plows and sanders have been repaired and painted. There are still some small items of repair necessary.

New signs have been put up at the west end of Spruce street, near Trailshead, and the brush cut back since there was the potential of a dangerous situation there.

A new gate has been installed on the Bike Path on lower end of Bloomer Road entrance.

Pot holes have been patched with black top throughout the Village.

The '96 Dodge had a new front end installed, aligned and new tires.

The Highway Department was out early Saturday and Sunday plowing the roads with the first snow fall of the season. The State, however, plowed some businesses in and the Mayor received a complaint.

The skate board ramps have been put away at the water plant and covered for the winter.

The Boat House and Pavilion have been drained.

Hydrants have been pumped out after the flushing.

Got rid of the old Hahn fire truck.

The area where the new storage shed is going to be located at the water plant was framed out and filled.

There being no further business, Trustee Powell made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mayor Weyant seconded. All in favor. The Meeting was adjourned..