

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rouses Point, New York held on Monday, February 1, 2010, at Halstead Hall commencing at 7:00 P.M.

**PRESENT:** George A. Rivers, Mayor  
Jean L. Birtz, Trustee  
Dennis Roberts, Trustee  
Francis J. Baker, Trustee  
Brian Jefferson, Trustee

**ALSO PRESENT:** Arsene Letourneau, Treasurer

**ABSENT:** Carol Hanfield, Village Clerk

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** Tracy Graves, Deputy Village Clerk

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

Mayor Rivers called the meeting to order and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

Tom Batha chose to address the board regarding the debt load on the water plant. He has a great concern about what will happen when or if Wyeth dramatically cuts their usage or leaves the area altogether. Discussion followed.

**MINUTES OF MEETINGS:**

Trustee Jefferson made a motion to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of January 19, 2010; Seconded by Trustee Baker; AYE CARRIED

**BILLS: VOUCHERS # 13493-13532 Total - \$28,058.50**

Treasurer Letourneau stated that there were no additions and no deletions to the bills. Trustee Jefferson made a motion to approve the bills; Seconded by Trustee Birtz; AYE CARRIED

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

The Deputy Clerk read a letter from The Village Court informing the Board that it is time for their yearly audit of the court records. In the past Trustee Penfield has performed this procedure, Treasurer Letourneau has agreed to take over the task this year.

**REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR AND BOARD:**

**MAYOR GEORGE A. RIVERS:**

Mayor Rivers read the Resolution regarding the upcoming Election and appointing of inspectors. Mayors Rivers made a motion to approve the Resolution immediately; Seconded by Trustee Jefferson; Roll Call Vote; ALL AYES

**TRUSTEE JEFFERSON:**

Trustee Jefferson had nothing to report at this time.

**TRUSTEE BIRTZ:**

Trustee Birtz had nothing to report at this time.

**TRUSTEE BAKER:**

Trustee Baker confirmed the fee discussed for use of the Civic Center by non-profit organizations is \$350.00 per day. Trustee Birtz stated that it was a fee that is “fair and adequate” as quoted from the lease agreement in our code book. Trustee Baker made a motion to impose a \$350.00 fee per day for use of the Civic Center by non-profits; Seconded by Trustee Roberts; AYE CARRIED

Trustee Baker discussed the request by Jason Andrews to use the Civic Center. Mayor Rivers asked if Mr. Andrews had cleared this time frame with Mike O’Brien. Mayor Rivers stated this should be done before planning the event as Mike has other events scheduled that may conflict. Trustee Birtz stated that the Youth Program is running swimming and tennis programs at the same time that Mr. Andrews is planning his event. Thus it would be a duplication of programs and he will have to be notified in writing as so. However, Mayor Rivers re-iterated the importance of Mr. Andrews coordinating the timeframe with Mike O’Brien provided he is still interested.

Trustee Baker stated that the Civic Center had an excellent month with \$23,000 in revenue. Discussion followed.

**TRUSTEE ROBERTS:**

Trustee Roberts made a motion requesting an Executive Session regarding Personnel; Seconded by Trustee Jefferson; Roll Call Vote; ALL AYES

**OTHER REPORTS:**

**TREASURER:**

Treasurer Letourneau kindly reminded all to hand in their budget sheets, as the due date has passed.

**PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR:**

Brian Pelkey relayed to the Board that he has spoken with two different companies about taking down the old water tower. It was discussed that both interested parties should draw up proposals and insurance bonds should be requested. After some discussion Mayor Rivers suggested bringing them in for a joint meeting with Wyeth to explore both plans further.

Brian asked the Board to look at a few large trees by the Lake that need cutting quickly. The two trees that need to be looked at quickest are down by the Last Resort. He is worried about them coming down in a storm and ripping the road out. There are also two by Delagar that have dead limbs and need work.

Brian informed the Board that the street crew is working on some of the building maintenance programs that had been discussed most recently. They are currently working on the gazebo roof in between the smoke lights and the windows in the civic center.

**OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:**

No one chose to address the Board

**RECESS:**

Trustee Birtz made a motion to recess at 7:52; Seconded by Trustee Roberts; AYE  
CARRIED

**RECONVENE:**

Trustee Roberts made a motion to Reconvene at 7:56; Seconded by Trustee Jefferson; AYE  
CARRIED

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

No action was taken during Executive Session regarding Personnel

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Trustee Roberts made a motion to adjourn at 8:05; Seconded by Trustee Jefferson; AYE  
CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracy Graves  
Deputy Village Clerk