

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

PRESENT: George A. Rivers, Mayor
Brian B. Jefferson, Trustee
Francis J. Baker, Trustee
Dennis F. Roberts Trustee
John F. Huchro, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Arsene F. Letourneau, Treasurer
Brian S. Pelkey, PWS

RECORDING SECRETARY: Carol A. Hanfield, Village Clerk

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

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

PUBLIC HEARING: Review & Completion of a SEQRA for Verizon

Mayor Rivers opened the Public Hearing and announced that Verizon has attached an SEQRA form for an unlisted action only to be approved by the Board and asked the Clerk to review the SEQR.

Before review of the form Trustee Huchro made a motion to deem this an Unlisted Action for purposes of SEQR and to also have the Village of Rouses Point named as the Lead Agency for purpose of SEQR; Seconded by Trustee Jefferson; AYE CARRIED

The Clerk reviewed the questions to the Board and they answered NO to all of the questions outlined in Part II – IMPACT ASSESSMENT. (SEE ATTACHED)

No one chose to address the Board regarding this matter so Mayor Rivers asked that the Public Hearing be closed. Trustee Jefferson made a motion to close the Public Hearing seconded by Trustee Baker; AYE CARRIED

Trustee Jefferson made a motion to have a Negative Declaration for the Verizon project; Seconded by Trustee Huchro; AYE CARRIED (SEE ATTACHED)

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

John Cooper, 11 Pine Street, stated that on behalf of the Town of Champlain that they are working on the purchase of a crack sealing machine and asked the Board if they had made a decision. John explained that there is approximately \$8,000 to go towards the purchase of this item and expressed that this is a good opportunity for the Town and Villages to purchase this. The cost of the machine is about \$18,000 and before he can commit to the purchase of it he needs to know if the Village is going to participate in this purchase and how much. Discussion followed.

MINUTES:

Trustee Jefferson made a motion to approve the minutes of May 17, 2010 and May 28, 2010 regular meetings as presented; Seconded by Trustee Baker; AYE CARRIED

BILLS: VOUCHER NOS: 13971 – 14003 \$50,115.34

Trustee Jefferson made a motion to pay the bills as presented; Seconded by Trustee Roberts; AYE CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Clerk read a note from Ruth Fitzgerald thanking the Board for solving her problem that she had in such a short time.

REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR AND BOARD:

MAYOR GEORGE A. RIVERS:

Mayor Rivers announced that the Annual IEEP meeting is going to be held on September 30, 2010 in Syracuse. Trustee Jefferson made a motion to allow he and the Mayor to attend this meeting; Seconded by Trustee Baker; AYE CARRIED

TRUSTEE JEFFERSON

Trustee Jefferson made a motion authorizing the Clerk to publish a Legal Notice to go out to bid for high voltage cable; Seconded by Trustee Huchro; AYE CARRIED

Trustee Jefferson made a motion authorizing the Clerk to publish a Legal Notice to go out to bid for a sectionalizing switch; Seconded by Trustee Huchro; AYE CARRIED

Trustee Jefferson made a motion requesting an Executive Session to discuss Electrical Customers; Seconded by Trustee Baker; ROLL CALL VOTE All Ayes

TRUSTEE BAKER:

Trustee Baker stated that he was not in favor of changing the \$350 fee for non-profit and \$500 for all other groups who wish to use the Civic Center for events. Discussion followed. The Board decided to not change the amount or waive the fee for non-profit groups.

TRUSTEE ROBERTS:

Trustee Roberts gave an update on the July 4th celebration. He stated that the weekend will be in place as in the past except there will be no 'beer tent' this year and the events will be held on Saturday & Sunday only.

TRUSTEE HUCHRO:

Trustee Huchro spoke about an article he read about the State and the use of road salt. They have been using a type of brine which is less destructive and asked that the salt be used sparingly this year for the streets and sidewalks but still keep our roads safe.

OTHER REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR:

Brian Pelkey, PWS, stated that the County and Town will be here on Wednesday to do the shimcoat on the streets and then will be back on Thursday to do the blacktop and when this is done we will be going up to the back of the school to finish the storm drain.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:

John Cooper stated that everytime an event is held the Village is covering the insurance for these events so \$350 is not a high price to have to pay to rent the Civic Center. Discussion followed.

RECESS:

Trustee Roberts made a motion to recess at 7:25 p.m.; Seconded by Trustee Jefferson; Aye Carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No action was taken during Executive Session regarding Electrical Customers

REGULAR SESSION:

Trustee Baker made a motion to go back into regular session at 7:30 p.m.; seconded by Trustee Jefferson; AYE CARRIED

Trustee Baker made a motion authorizing the Mayor to talk to the Village Attorney about submitting the names on the electrical bad debt accounts to the Credit Bureau; Seconded by Trustee Jefferson; AYE CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Huchro made a motion to adjourn at 7:32 p.m.; Seconded by Trustee Roberts; AYE CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,



Carol A. Hanfield
Village Clerk