

Minutes of the special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rouses Point, New York held on Monday, August 9th, 2010 in the upstairs of the Village Office located at 139 Lake Street commencing at 4:07 P.M.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Arsene F, Letourneau, Treasurer

RECORDING SECRETARY: Tracy L. Graves, Deputy Village Clerk

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Mayor Rivers called the meeting to order at 4:07 and turned the meeting over to Melissa McManus to give an update on the revitalization projects in the Village.

Melissa gave a short slide show on all the improvements that have been made in the Village such as the Boat Launch, The Pier and the ongoing effort to clean up the waterfront. It also included works to be completed such as the construction on the Veterans Park and the Route 2 Gateway.

Melissa informed the Board that some of the grants we have still available to us may be lost if we don't use them. She feels we are in a window of "use them or lose them." Some of her updates and recommendations are as follows.

2005 EPF – Planning and Construction to Advance Revitalization Grant (Codes Review)

Melissa explained to the Board that this grant will expire at the end of 2010. A committee had been formed previously to work on this project and much was accomplished, however they are no longer active in this effort. She feels that to complete this project properly the Village should confer with an attorney or a professional Planning Firm.

Downtown Lake Access Project

This is a walkway and former small marina between Kathy's Furniture and Calgah Computer. We have acquired this property and cleaned it up by removing the building behind. The Village never executed a contract for the 2006 EPF grant it received for development of a park on the site from the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. Melissa may be able to get more money for reimbursement of the Village's acquisition expenses from the 2007 member item from Senator Little. She will check further on this and follow up. Melissa suggested we weigh the pros and cons of whether or not to use the grant money to pursue the project at this time.

At this time there was discussion on the Downtown Lake Access Grant. A motion was made by Trustee Jefferson to close out the Grant on the Downtown Lake Access; seconded by Trustee Huchro; AYE CARRIED.

2006 Quality Communities Grant

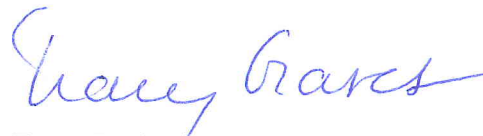
Melissa stated that this grant was used for Marketing and Promotion purposes. A portion has been used to upgrade and promote the Village website. She also stated there is about \$10,000 left of this grant and her recommendation is to hire a Marketing firm to form an Ad Campaign using the remainder to promote the Village.

Treasurer Letourneau asked if printing of informational brochures could be covered under this grant. Melissa stated that the volunteer hours used to produce the brochure could possibly be covered, but that the grant cannot be used for printing. Colored brochures listing Village businesses were done by Geri Favreau for an upcoming bicycle tour passing through Rouses Point. They would like to get 2000 copies done at a cost of \$334. Trustee Jefferson made a motion to print 2000 copies of the brochure in color with the Village Logo on the front; Seconded by Trustee Huchro; AYE CARRIED

Melissa advised that these grants should be addressed in the near future. Melissa will try to have additional information to the Board for their August 16th Board meeting. She stated that further down the road she would like to talk about a new program called the Micro-enterprise Grant Program which could be offered to start-up businesses.

Mayor Rivers made a motion to adjourn at 5:12; Seconded by Trustee Baker; AYE CARRIED:

Respectfully Submitted,



Tracy L. Graves
Deputy Village Clerk