

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rouses Point, New York held on Monday, December 5, 2016 at Halstead Hall commencing at 7:00pm.

PRESENT: Daniel H. Letourneau, Mayor
John A Mott, Deputy Mayor
Arvil J. Moore, Trustee
Benjamin J. Arno, Trustee
Thomas M. Dart, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Jean LaBombard, Administrator
Arsene F. Letourneau, Treasurer
Brian S. Pelkey, Public Works Supervisor
Clifford Sterling, Codes Enforcement Officer

RECORDING SECRETARY: Donna J. Boumil, Village Clerk

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Mayor Daniel Letourneau called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No comments from the public

MINUTES OF MEETINGS:

Trustee Moore made a motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 21, 2016; Seconded by Trustee Arno; AYE CARRIED

BILLS VOUCHER NOS: 15838-15865 \$167,507.80

Addition: Clinton County Treasurer \$50 for 5 computers

Motion by Trustee Arno to approve and pay the bills; Seconded by Trustee Dart; AYE CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter from Montgomery Hose, Hook & Ladder requesting permission to provide fire truck rides on December 10 during their annual Children's Christmas Party.

Motion by Trustee Moore to approve request; Seconded by Trustee Arno; AYE CARRIED

REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR AND BOARD:

a. MAYOR DANIEL LETOURNEAU:

1) Wastewater Treatment Facility Asset Management Program

Mayor Letourneau explained that “the object of this project is to provide municipalities, wastewater treatment governing boards and plant operators with the necessary tools for effective asset management of small to medium-sized WWTF’s in the lake Champlain basin. With proper operational maintenance and financial guidance, meeting the goal of long-term sustainability of the sewer infrastructure systems can be accomplished while decreasing the risk of pollution to the lake”.

- There is no cost to the Village – funder by Lake Champlain Basin
- This Program will evaluate the WWTP for efficiency
- We made the 1st cut
- The WWTP Chief Operator provided responses to the questionnaire provided by MJ Engineering and Land Surveying, P.C.
- This is not an audit
- According to DEC and EFC this is a great opportunity with no cost to the Village

Benefits:

- Provide recommendations for a more efficient WWTP
- Could lead to future grants

The WWTP was built in 1985

No objections by the Board

2) Resolution 2016-30: Resolution to Override the Tax Levy Limit for Fiscal year 2017-2018

Motion by Trustee Moore to approve Resolution 2016-30; Seconded by Trustee Arno: ROLL CALL VOTE: Trustee Mott – AYE, Trustee Moore – AYE, Trustee Arno- AYE, Trustee Dart – AYE, Mayor Letourneau – AYE; Motion Carried

3) Mayor Letourneau reported he attended the CP Rail Holiday Train where he and his wife carried on the tradition of distributing hot cocoa to 275+ people. He thanked Trustee Arno for his help. Additionally, St. Patrick’s food bank received a check for \$4,000.

b. TRUSTEE MOORE:

Nothing to report

c. TRUSTEE MOTT:

Nothing to report

d. TRUSTEE ARNO:

- 1) Library Update: The library board is seeking individuals to serve on the Library Board when 2 of the current member’s terms end. If interested contact Jim Gero or the Village Clerk.
- 2) Water Plant: Trustee Arno inquired about the installation of the compressor. The Mayor clarified that the compressor has been installed.

- 3) Trustee Arno thanked the Village Crew for the marvelous job they did in putting up the Christmas decorations in the village.

e. **TRUSTEE DART:**

Nothing to report

OTHER REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATOR:

Administrator LaBombard echoed thanks to the Village Crew for the installation of the Christmas Lights. Everything looks wonderful. Additionally, she thanked Donna Boumil and village staff for the work they did on the Parade of Toys. She also thanked Santa, Mrs. Claus and the Elf.

VILLAGE CLERK:

Announcements:

- Rouses Point Fire Department Annual Kids Christmas Party and fire truck rides on December 10th from 12-3pm
- Clerk Donna Boumil reported on the Annual Parade of Toys: Library Director Susan Sullivan and the Friends of the Library distributed approximately 150 books. There were over 100 “goodie cups” handed to children. Donna thanked everyone who helped make this event possible: village employees/crews; Santa and Mrs. Claus; Joy the Elf; Trustee Dart for taking pictures; Becky & Brian Pelkey who helped hand out the hot chocolate and cookies; and Anee & Nakita Tipaldos for handing out the “goodie cups”.
- A reminder that village events are on the Village Website.

TREASURER:

Nothing to report

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

- Working on budget items – PWS Pelkey welcomes input from the Board regarding projects.
- Stage is leveled and blocking is being added

CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:

- CEO Sterling thanked the fire department for their help at the Parade of Toys
- CEO Sterling is working on budget items anticipating upgrading his computer system

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No comments

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Trustee Moore to request an Executive Session to discuss the employment history of a particular person(s); Seconded by Trustee Arno; AYE CARRIED

Motion by Trustee Arno to enter into Executive Session at 7:18pm; Seconded by Trustee Mott; AYE CARRIED


No action taken in Executive Session

Motion by Trustee Arno to enter into Regular Session at 7:31pm; Seconded by Trustee Moore; AYE CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Trustee Dart to adjourn at 7:31 pm; Seconded by Trustee Mott; AYE CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,



Donna J. Boumil
Village Clerk