

Parma Town Board meeting held on Tuesday, February 5, 2008 at the
Parma Town Hall, 1300 Hilton Parma Corners Road, Hilton, New York.

ATTENDANCE

Supervisor	Richard Lemcke
Councilman	Kenneth Blackburn
Councilman	Carm Carmestro
Councilman	James Smith
Councilman	Gary Comardo
Highway Supt.	Brian Speer
Building Inspector	Jack Barton
Recreation Director	Steve Fowler

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Michael Weldon, Linda Viney, Charlene Lockner, Gene Benson, Laurie Crawford, Dave Keech, Gene DeMeyer, Jim Zollweg, JoAnne Kruizengea, Scott Copy, Stan Hoy, Tim Spencer, Steve Fowler, Kathy Lemcke, Beth Martin, Russell Wood, Nick Coffee, Ignatius LaDelfa, Sonya LaDelfa and other members of the public.

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Lemcke called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and lead those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, followed by a moment of silence. Supervisor Lemcke noted emergency exit procedures. It was noted that the meeting is being digitally recorded.

PUBLIC FORUM

Supervisor Lemcke asked if anyone present would like to address the Town Board on any topic not on the agenda.

David Keech addressed the Town Board regarding the clarity of the tape recordings of the Town Board minutes. On occasions where he has requested copies of the recordings, he has found parts of discussion between the gallery and the Town Board unintelligible. He suggested finding another way of recording, moving the recording device closer to the gallery or asking the gallery to speak up. His request was prompted because of his understanding that the recordings are the only official record of meetings. This belief was based on a statement made by the Supervisor at a previous meeting. It was noted by the Town Clerk that the official record of Town Board meetings are the written minutes which are kept in a bound book. Mr. Keech felt that this was a contradiction and that one or the other had to be chosen as the official record. The audience was asked to speak up for this meeting and the Town Clerk was asked to see if we have any auxiliary microphones that can be attached to the recorder. There was discussion on the current and previous recording device used and the Town Clerk noted that she would continue to record the meetings to facilitate the taking of minutes.

Linda Viney presented the Town Board with a donation from the Hilton Apple Festival Committee in appreciation for the cooperation and services provided by the Special Police during the Apple Festival. It was noted that the unit expressed a need for new uniforms and that the Committee hoped this might assist them in fulfilling that need.

MINUTES – JANUARY 15, 2008

RESOLUTION NO. 44-2008 Motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Blackburn, to approve the Minutes of the January 15, 2008 meeting.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

MINUTES – JANUARY 24, 2008

RESOLUTION NO. 45-2008 Motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Comardo, to approve the Minutes of the January 24, 2008 joint meeting with the Village of Hilton.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Town Clerk reported that the signed intermunicipal agreement with Monroe County for Lost Revenue has been received.

The monthly Town Clerk Report and the VFW Summary for January have been submitted to Town Board members.

JOINT MEETING - TOWN OF PARMA AND VILLAGE OF HILTON

RESOLUTION NO. 46-2008 Motion by Supervisor Lemcke, seconded by Councilman Carmestro, to have the next joint meeting with the Village of Hilton on April 24, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. to be hosted by the Village of Hilton.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

VFW FEE WAIVER

Correspondence was received from Kayla Cordaro requesting a fee waiver for use of the VFW. Mrs. Cordaro explained the circumstances surrounding the request for a benefit dinner for an ill family member in April or May. The Town Board was in agreement to waive the rental and cleaning fee as long as there was no existing conflict and that the VFW was cleaned by the rental party. The security deposit would still be required and Mrs. Cordaro will work with the Town Clerk to determine a date.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Supt. Speer reported that usage of salt has been high resulting in higher expenses and that delivery of salt has been fine.

Supt. Speer recommended the purchase of a 2008 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 4x4 pick up with extended cab to replace a 1994 Ford F150. This truck would be purchased from state bid and the cost would not exceed \$21,000. Supt. Speer explained his reasoning for the request. There was discussion on what the current trucks are used for, the need for 4-wheel drive and the difference in fuel efficiency and seeking local bids using the state specs.

He also requested a 2007 Sterling 10-wheel dump truck with wing and plow to replace a 1985 Mack 6wheel dump truck. This truck would also be purchased from state bid and

the price would not exceed \$166,000. Supt. Speer explained his reasoning for the requests. There was discussion on changing from a 6-wheeler to a 10-wheeler, rebuilding the cab and box which are in poor condition, emission controls, whether it should be put out for bid and whether financing should be looked into. Supt. Speer felt that no more money should be put into the truck. There was additional discussion on putting both trucks out for bid and whether local dealers could touch the state pricing. Supt. Speer indicated that there would have to be two bids for the 10-wheeler. One for the cab and chassis and one for the snow package and dump box. Pictures of both existing trucks have been provided to Town Board members.

ADVERTISE FOR BIDS – HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT TRUCKS

RESOLUTION NO. 47-2008 Motion by Supervisor Lemcke, seconded by Councilman Blackburn, to advertise for bids for a 2008 ½ ton Truck as specified by the Highway Superintendent and a 10-Wheel Dump Truck with Plow and Wing package as specified by the Highway Superintendent Bids will be opened at noon on March 18, 2008.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

Supervisor Lemcke noted that in researching the responsibilities of the Highway Superintendent and the Town Board the Highway Superintendent is to provide a monthly report of monies received and work orders to the Town Board. A sample of a spreadsheet that the Finance Director will be providing was given to the Highway Superintendent to be used monthly to meet the requirement. There was discussion on whether this information was not already available. Supervisor Lemcke stated that he would like to use the spreadsheet so that the Town Board will know monthly where the department stands with revenues and expenses. Supt. Speer agreed to provide the report.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT

Jack Barton reported the January Building Department Report has been submitted. He reported that work continues on the model Stormwater Ordinance and that it is before the Monroe County Department of Planning and Development. After their input has been received, he expects that a public hearing can be scheduled the Illicit Discharge Connection, Construction and Post Construction Stormwater Ordinances.

Permits are being entered in the new BAS software for permit tracking. There will be additional training for staff in March and they will start tracking zoning and planning board applications.

Councilman Smith wanted to know where we stood as a result of another letter received from Mr. Dyminski's attorney. There was discussion on the list of open permits provided by the Code Enforcement Office, their attorney has presented conflicting statements, and the Code Enforcement Officer has contacted our attorney. It was noted that there has not been a response as to whether the guilty plea had been accepted.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT REPORT

Mr. Fowler reported he will be meeting with a representative from Bill Simione and Associates on Wednesday to discuss design layout and costs associated with a Town Park Field Lighting project. Mr. Fowler expects to receive a project site plan and costs so that the Town can focus on available revenue sources. Mr. Fowler explained that the proposed lighting would be in a triangular configuration which would light the main football/soccer field and two softball/baseball fields in the back area of the park. A proposal will be submitted to the town Board and the goal is to obtain 80% of the funding from alternative sources. The Park Foreman noted that there have been add-ons made to

the electrical work in that area and requested that he be contacted before the project is scoped out. Mr. Fowler indicated that he would be included.

It came to Mr. Fowler's attention that some individuals on the Commission were not aware of the amenities associated with the design of the Community Center Study. He provided a partial listing of events associated with and influencing the present program design since 2000.

The winter celebration was cancelled and the annual Sweetheart Dance is scheduled for Saturday, February 9, 2008.

PARKS DEPARTMENT

Mr. Petricone reported that he has received prices for double doors and attic pull down stairs for the Historical Building. It was originally thought that 2 sets of stairs would be needed but it was discovered today that 3 would be needed. The Countryside Building Supply Cabinetworks quote was adjusted to reflect the 3rd set for a total of \$1500 installed. Two quotes were received for a double door unit at the east end of the building: Countryside Building Supply Cabinetworks - \$2474 and Rochester Colonial -\$2485. It was noted that the closers and panic exit devices were included in the Countryside quote but would be an additional charge for the Rochester Colonial quote.

Councilman Smith asked for clarification on the need for 3 sets of attic pull down stairs. Mr. Petricone noted that there were 2 firewalls and 3 access points would be needed.

HISTORICAL BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

RESOLUTION NO. 48-2008 Motion by Supervisor Lemcke, seconded by Councilman Comardo, to approve the quote provided by Countryside Building Supply Cabinetworks for 3 attic pull down stairs installed for \$1500 and 1 double door unit for \$2474 for the Town of Parma Historical Building with money to come out of B Surplus.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

HISTORICAL BUILDING USE

Mr. Petricone noted that he has met with Paul Wadsworth today. Mr. Petricone indicated that Mr. Wadsworth's vision for the building differed from that of the Town Historian. There was discussion on what space was to be used for and who determines use of the Town building. The Town Board wanted to be very clear on the use of the east end addition to the Historical Building. Supervisor Lemcke will contact Mr. Wadsworth.

RESOLUTION NO. 49-2008 Motion by Councilman Blackburn, seconded by Councilman Smith, that the east end addition of the Town Historical Building is to be designated for use by the Town Historian.

Discussion: Councilman Smith asked that there be a report back to the Town Board on how the space will be used so that everyone is in agreement. Supervisor Lemcke acknowledged the good intentions and support that Mr. Wadsworth has made for the Historical Building. He also noted that the Town has an investment and that there are items that need to be addressed within the next few weeks so that Park department staff can move forward with their work. This resolution is intended to solidify the Town Board's position.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

Mr. Petricone reported that signs will be posted at the VFW, Historical Building and Meeting House with Park Department contact numbers so that the proper entities are contacted when there are problems.

Work on the divider door between the court and board rooms has been completed. The switch panel will need to be replaced and he will be contacting the electrician. It was noted that when opening and closing the unit the switch must be held until the unit is completely opened or closed.

Chip Crawford has submitted his resignation. There was discussion on the timing of hiring a replacement. Posting of the position will be discussed at the next Town Board meeting.

BUSINESS ITEMS

HILTON HEAT DRAFT AGREEMENT

Kathy Lemcke, President of the Hilton Parma Soccer Club, presented a draft proposal for an agreement between the Town of Parma and the Soccer Club. It was submitted as a starting point and the Club did not expect the Town Board to take action on this matter tonight. She would like to set up times to work out a final agreement. There was discussion on whether there should be a meeting of the Town Board to discuss before meeting with the Soccer Club. The Town Board would like time to review and the opportunity to discuss. Ms. Lemcke was thanked for the effort that was made in compiling the draft. Revisions and comments from Town Board members should be submitted to the Supervisor by the Wednesday before the next meeting for compiling and review as part of the next meeting. Councilman Blackburn would like to see discussion on use of the fields within the confines of the law and indicated that it might take several meetings before an agreement acceptable to all can be achieved.

PARMA BLAZE FIELD REQUEST

A request was received from the Parma Blaze soccer team to use Field #1 off Parma Center Road for 6 home games. Supervisor Lemcke read the request. Their schedule must be submitted by February 25th and is coordinated with the Hilton Heat scheduler. The team plays on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

There was discussion on whether this affected any baseball diamonds or Park Department personnel on the weekends. It was determined that neither would be affected. It was also noted that the team always picks up after themselves.

RESOLUTION NO. 50-2008 Motion by Supervisor Lemcke, seconded by Councilman Carmestro, to allow the Parma Blaze Soccer Team use of a Town Hall Park soccer fields as scheduled.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

HEALTHCARE COVERAGE

Currently, the Town has no employees that are participating in Blue Choice Select. Elimination of this plan would leave the Town with Blue Choice 25 as the basic plan and Blue Choice Value as the upgrade plan.

RESOLUTION NO. 51-2008 Motion by Supervisor Lemcke, seconded by Councilman Comardo, to discontinue offering Blue Choice Select as a health insurance plan choice.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

Supervisor Lemcke also noted that the Town will be looking at a Health Care Savings Account. There was a brief discussion on how the plan works. It was noted that if this option was pursued with Blue Cross/Blue Shield they would have to be the Town's only provider.

HISTORIAN APPOINTMENT

During the organizational meeting the Supervisor asked that the Historian be appointed on an interim basis. Supervisor Lemcke has met with the Historian and his helpers and would like to renew the official appointment of the Town Historian

RESOLUTION NO. 52-2008 Motion by Supervisor Lemcke, seconded by Councilman Blackburn, to renew the official appointment Thomas Burger as the Historian for the Town of Parma.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

HARTER SECREST LEGAL BILL

Supervisor Lemcke noted that the Harter Secrest bill for legal services regarding the lawsuit between the Village of Hilton and the Town of Parma over the annexation of the Beehler property was paid from the B Fund. An interpretation was requested from the Town Accountant and the response indicated that we have an option to pay out of the A Fund. Supervisor Lemcke indicated that there was nothing legal or illegal in paying from either Fund. It was his opinion that it made no sense to use the Village resident's tax dollars to sue them and is the reason why he suggested that the funds come from the B Fund which is money that is accumulated outside of the Village tax rate. He stated that if the majority of the Town Board feels that we should sue them with their money then the monies would have to be transferred from the A Fund.

Councilman Smith and Carmestro agreed with the logic and did not want an already bad situation to become worse. Councilman Blackburn did not disagree with the logic but questioned if it was the legal thing to do and wanted to know what the State auditors would say. Supervisor Lemcke responded that it was the Town's call and that we are not suppose to allow the Village residents to choose or not choose what the A Fund is used for but ethically it makes no sense to use their tax money. Councilman Blackburn stated that it was a double hit but the law states that it must benefit the entire Town. He agreed with what was being said but felt that the Town Board could be criticized for it in the future.

The discussion ended on the fact that the Town Board had already made the decision to pay out of the B Fund and that the decision would stand unless there is a motion to pay out of the A Fund. There was no motion.

BICENTENNIAL – TOWN CELEBRATION

There was discussion on having the Summer Celebration cover Thursday, Friday and Saturday this year due to the start of the Bicentennial. The celebration would start on July 31, 2008 with campers coming into the Park and continue August 1st and 2nd. There was discussion on whether events would be scheduled for Friday and Saturday and what was budgeted. It was noted that anything extra for the Bicentennial would have to be brought before the Town Board. Mr. Fowler noted they are looking for direction and that the portable stage had been reserved from the Town of Greece for Friday and Saturday.

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL GRANT

There was discussion on whether a packet had been received from Stuart Brown and Associates. It was noted that it would be coming to the Supervisor's office but coverage in the office was short due to a staff absence. A letter was received from Stuart Brown and Associates, proposing that they would prepare the application for approximately \$4,000 with the stipulation that there would be Town involvement in gathering information. Supervisor Lemcke briefly reviewed the grant and stated that he had attended a workshop regarding the grant. He also attended the last school board meeting where he asked for and received their support. The Village has already been approached and is on board.

There was discussion between Mr. Keech and Supervisor Lemcke on whether money had been budgeted for application of the grant, reiteration of discussion that took place during the budget process and that funding for this would temporarily come from A Surplus and then be 100% reimbursed by the grant.

Mr. Keech stated that he had found information on the NYSDOT website indicating that preparation costs expended before the grant is awarded are not reimbursable. Supervisor Lemcke responded that it appears he stood corrected but that at the meeting he attended he was told that it was 100% reimbursable. He asked that the Town Board take into consideration that this expenditure might not be reimbursable.

Mr. Keech also wanted to clarify that the payment for this expense would be coming from the same funds that during the budget process discussion included an unwillingness to draw down this account to prevent a loss in head count. Supervisor Lemcke noted that the previous head count discussion included the A and B Funds and that this was drawing from A Fund.

RESOLUTION NO. 53-2008 Motion by Supervisor Lemcke, seconded by Councilman Smith, to employ Stuart Brown and Associates for preparation of the Safe Routes to Schools grant for an amount not to exceed \$4000 to come out of A Surplus.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

Mr. Keech referenced the minutes of the January 24th joint meeting with regard to where the sidewalks would be located. Mr. Keech asked for verification that the Town Board is supporting a grant application for sidewalks along a portion of Dunbar Road between Carter Street and Collamer Road and Collamer Road from Summertime Trail to Hojack where the majority of favorable survey responses were received and specifically that it did not include Dunbar Road between North Avenue and Carter Street. Supervisor Lemcke confirmed that this was true.

Mr. Keech also wanted clarification on the intent of the roll call polling that occurred at the January 2, 2007 meeting in regards to pursuing the sidewalk grant application. He did not feel that the record indicates what the intent of the Town Board is and wanted to know if the Town Board is unified in the intent to install. It was determined after a great deal of discussion and clarification that it was the intention of the Town Board to install sidewalks if the grant was approved and the motion was carried this evening. Supervisor Lemcke polled the Town Board again. Each member voted yes that they were in favor of pursuing the grant and if the grant was received sidewalks would be installed.

Mr. Keech expressed his disapproval that there was not a public information meeting held as had been indicated in August 2007 minutes. He read excerpts from the August 7th and August 21st meetings. It was noted that there had been discussion on the topic during later Town Board meetings and that the proposed route does not include the majority of the people that were opposed, that being the segment of the people along Collamer Road between Dunbar Road and Summertime Trail. Mr. Keech indicated that he was not going to oppose the grant at his point but that he did not understand why the public information

meeting that was previously committed to was not held. Supervisor Lemcke acknowledged that there was not an additional public information meeting held. Councilman Blackburn noted that even though there was not a specific meeting held that the topic was discussed in the presence of the public at meetings. Mr. Keech noted that the topic was not specifically mentioned on agendas even though it may have been discussed.

Mr. Keech also expressed that this was a reimbursement program rather than a grant as stated in the Safe Routes to Schools Guidebook. He would like the Town to use the correct terminology.

MISCELLANEOUS

SCIORTINO – LIBRARY COMMUNITY CENTER PROPOSAL

Two maps were provided by Schultz and Associates of the property Joseph Sciortino would like to donate to the Town of Parma for a combined Library Community Center. They include a visual rendition of the building and the second placed the building in relation to a proposed subdivision on Route 259 just south of Unionville. Supervisor Lemcke will have copies available for the Town Board, relevant departments and the public.

APPLIED RESEARCH SURVEY – LIBRARY/COMMUNITY CENTER

Supervisor Lemcke reported that Sarah Warmbrodt had approached him after the joint meeting with the Village regarding doing an applied research survey for the Library/Community Center project. Ms. Warmbrodt is completing a degree at Roberts Wesleyan College and would undertake this as a part of her final project. This would be a multifaceted survey and research encompassing information gathered from mailers and online and phone surveys. She will provide an outline for how to proceed, will research communities that have stand alone libraries, community centers and combined facilities. It was noted that she will be working independently and chose the participants. It is hoped that the results will be tabulated online.

Councilman Blackburn felt that a survey would only divide the community further. He was of the opinion that there should be no action taken for at least 6 months so that thoughts could be put to rest, the playing field evened and offer the opportunity to rethink what is best for the community.

An outline will be provided by Ms. Warmbrodt and an estimate of cost.

FARMLAND AND OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Scott Copey requested that the Town Board approve a mailing to invite the farm community to participate in the early stages of the planning process. This would be the first of three meetings to get input on preservation of open space. A preliminary list includes roughly 200 parcels zoned for agriculture, land that has agricultural assessments and others that farm in Parma. They plan to have representatives from various agencies and are seeking input from participants as well as the opportunity to share information and answer questions. Mr. Copey also explained many of the things the committee had been working on.

Councilman Blackburn asked for clarification on the difference between a farm easement and open space. Mr. Copey indicated that both are open space. Farmland is dependent on the lands use agriculturally and conservation easements can be a variety of things including agriculture and the purchase of development rights.

RESOLUTION NO. 54-2008 Motion by Supervisor Lemcke, seconded by Councilman Comardo, to authorized expenditure of \$250 out of the Miscellaneous Contingent account for the cost of a mailing to the farming community by the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Committee.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

HILTON AREA YOUTH LACROSSE ORGANIZATION (HAYLO)

A letter was submitted by the HAYLO Board Members requesting use of the Town Hall Park on Saturday June 28, 2008. They requested use of the 3 soccer fields off Parma Center Road, the football field and the multi purpose field. There was discussion on the size of the event and whether this can be accommodated, this being an opportunity to consider user fees as are done in other parks and that there is additional property off Parma Center Road that was planned for field development. It was noted that this was graduation weekend and that last year the group earmarked the Lloyd Pavilion so that additional parking would be available. It was agreed that the Lloyd Pavilion could be set aside for their use if it was not already rented.

Mr. Petricone expressed concern for over use and double booking. He referred to land that was originally intended to be additional fields off Parma Center Road and felt the Town Board should consider the completion of that project.

RESOLUTION NO. 55-2008 Motion by Supervisor Lemcke, seconded by Councilman Blackburn, to allow use of the Parma Town Park by the Hilton Area Youth Lacrosse Organization for their tournament on Saturday, June 28, 2008.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

**POST COMPLETION ONSITE INSPECTION OF THE
PARMA TOWN HALL PARK**

A letter was received indicating that a post completion onsite inspection of the Parma Town Hall Park had been done as a result of grant money that had been received. The report stated that signs were not posted acknowledging that grant money had been received from the EQBA and EPF. There was discussion. It was noted that signs from both grants are posted, that pictures should be taken and response instructions will be followed up on.

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL -CONTINUED

Mr. Keech asked if the application would be available prior to its submission. He would like the opportunity to verify that the location of the sidewalks being requested in the application are the same as is what has been stated by the Town Board as the location for the sidewalks. Supervisor Lemcke indicated that a copy would be available from his office.

Mr. Keech also requested that the minutes reflect the clarification of the roll call vote which took place at the January 2nd meeting and the intent of the Board. Supervisor Lemcke noted that it was polling and not a vote. Mr. Keech agreed to the proper wording. Mr. Keech wanted to know if it was the intention of the Board and the polling that if the grant was approved they would implement the sidewalks. Supervisor Lemcke stated that the resolution passed tonight was the Town Board's commitment to go forward with sidewalks if the grant was received. To clarify one more time, Supervisor Lemcke stated that the original polling of the Town Board which took place at the

January 2nd Town Board meeting was to give direction on whether they wanted to proceed with the grant. Town Board members were in agreement.

There was more discussion and reiteration of what had been previously discussed. Mr. Keech stated that he did not feel that the Town Board was doing a good job of making it clear what the Board's intent was. Councilman Blackburn asked Mr. Keech what his recommendation to clarify this. Mr. Keech stated that his recommendation is to state that clarification of the roll call vote as taken in the earlier meeting includes the intent to actually install sidewalks given the fact that the application is actually approved. Supervisor Lemcke asked the Town Clerk to include this statement in the minutes.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

DEPUTY SUPERVISOR

Supervisor Lemcke and Councilman/Deputy Supervisor Carmestro will be away February 20th through the 22nd. Councilman Smith will be acting Deputy Supervisor during their absence.

2008 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT (CDBG) APPLICATION

The application for the 2008 Community Development Block Grant has been received. Mr. Fowler has been successful in obtaining funding in the past and suggested the highway garage 2nd floor egress which was cited for violations last year. Alternate ideas and projects were discussed. A water line extension for Moul, Curtis or Bennett Roads, an emergency generator relocation or assistance for acquisition of space and storage containers for the Community Council of Churches space needs were suggested. Mr. Fowler was asked to check with Mr. Fritch at Monroe County to see what might meet the most criteria.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Attorney General's Office has instituted a Complaint Form that they would like us to make available to the public so that full details are obtained concerning a constituents' complaint when filed with that office.

Negotiations continue regarding the impasse between the Town of Parma and the union. Both sides have mutually consented to postpone the executive determination. Attorney Holahan and Mr. George from the Union feel that there is room for settlement. Employees were scheduled to meet this past Friday but weather conditions did not allow them to meet. Councilman Smith requested and Councilman Blackburn concurred that they would like Mr. Holahan to attend a meeting and update the Board on the status and terms of the negotiations. Supervisor Lemcke indicated that he would come when there was information to report.

SIGNS AT ENTRANCES TO TOWN

There was discussion on having signs at several entrances to the Town and have to have them indicate that this is our bicentennial year. The Town Board was in agreement to proceed with gathering information on who manufactures this type of sign and the cost. Several locations for placing the signs were discussed.

LIAISON REPORTS

**Councilman Smith reported that the Spencerport Fire Department rebid their new fire hall and overall there was not a significant change in the amount of money that would need to be spent even after changes were made. The Special Police Annual Report for 2007 has been submitted. They are looking to register their officers with Monroe County. The Bicentennial Committee has held 2 meetings and has generated numerous ideas. Work had been done on a job description for the Safety Coordinator, a copy has been given to Bob Prince and it was suggested that Jim Volkmar be approached.

Councilman Smith would also like to see the project list on the agenda for periodic updates so that lingering items can come to completion. Supervisor Lemcke noted that he would have it added under the informational section of the agenda as a regular listed item. There was discussion on replacing the AED devices versus replacing the battery packs which are outdated and not upgradeable. Zee Medical will be asked to supply a quote and it was suggested that we check to see if they are listed for NYS pricing. The existing one should be removed if it is not working. The Parks Department was charged with following up on getting a replacement and removing the existing AED.

**Councilman Comardo reported that he had attended the Planning Board meeting and he was able to begin learning the process. He also met with the Parks Department for an orientation and a better understanding of the Department and their issues.

**Supervisor Lemcke reported that he is trying to set up a meeting with the North Greece Fire Department and noted that his residence is in that district and that the fire district tax was higher than the Town taxes.

**Councilman Carmestro reported that the Gatti zoning application was tabled to the next meeting on February 28, 2007 due to parking access issues. He also reported that the tomorrow night the bids will be awarded for the new Hilton Parma fire hall. He attended the Library Board's meeting where it was noted that there were 98,000 visitors to the Library last year. Library Director, Sally Snow, is looking forward to working with Steve and hoped that the Town would not spend another \$3,000 for an additional study with the Village.

He also reported that he had been working with the Town clerk on getting additional information on the FAIR Plan. Per MCC, 510 students from the Town of Parma were taking classes through MCC as of the Fall 2007 semester. The individual that provided the information could not verify if this was the number used by Monroe County to calculate the new tax bill charge. The published per student charge is \$47.

Councilman Carmestro reiterated that he felt there should be a workshop to discuss a contract/service agreement for field usages. He would like to determine what direction we should go in, to see what it costs the Town to maintain the fields and determine if a fee needs to be instituted. It was suggested that the agreement that is being drawn up with the soccer club be used as a basis to work from with other clubs.

HILTON BABE RUTH FIELD REQUEST

Supervisor Lemcke reviewed the letter requesting use of ball fields this year. There was discussion on whether a roster was provided. There was discussion on the real volume of usage including practices in all areas of the park, the impact on the waste treatment system and again for the need to discuss issues of park usage and what steps should be taken.

RESOLUTION NO. 56-2008 Motion by Councilman Carmestro, seconded by Councilman Blackburn, to allow the Hilton Babe Ruth club to use baseball fields in Town Hall Park for the upcoming season.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

**Councilman Blackburn reported that he attended the Recreation Commission meeting and noted that they discussed the Community Center and the job description for a proposed employee Mr. Fowler is working on. He did not attend the Village Board meeting due to a conflict with a personal commitment.

Councilman Blackburn wished to read a prepared resolution as a tribute to Joseph Reinschmidt.

RECOGNITION – JOSEPH REINSCHMIDT

At the close of 2007, the Town of Parma lost the services of a long standing and valuable employee. I'm sure Joe Reinschmidt has more information about and cares more about the town than anyone since the death of Shirley Husted.

Joe began his tenure with the town in 1965 as an appointed member of the Planning Board. He served on the board until 1977 (as chairman from 1968 to 1977). He also was appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals from 1966 to 1974 (chairman from 1968 to 1974).

When Parma adopted a Zoning Code in the early 1940's, a Zoning Board of Appeals was created. Later a Planning Board was established using the ZBA members for both boards. For many years there was a 7 member Planning Board 5 of whom also served on the ZBA. (This was almost as confusing to the members as it was to the public until they were split). Joe coordinated this separation of the Planning and Zoning Boards in 1974.

In 1977, Joe was appointed Building and Development Coordinator. He served in this position until 1998. He had an office at the Town Hall and, being Joe, spent many long hours there attending evening meetings of the boards and working well beyond the usual 5:00 pm quitting time. Joe's dedication and commitment to any project is always at least 125%. While serving in this capacity, Joe coordinated the United Way Fund Drive for Parma employees from 1981 to 1998 as well. He was instrumental in forming the Finger Lakes Building Officials Association, holding many offices in the organization, including president.

Joe was elected to and served on the Town Board until Dec. 31st, 2007. He was a voice for the often neglected and forgotten south portion of Parma. Seldom raising his voice at meetings, it has been said he was often a voice of reason at the meetings. He also served as Deputy Supervisor.

He has and continues to volunteer many hours of service to his community and church. He has never been too busy to lend a helping hand to any worthy project. The often heard phrase, "Nice guys finish last" has new meaning. Joe is one of those nice guys. And what a tribute to a man connected to government and politics for so many years, to still be considered a nice guy.

RESOLUTION NO. 57-2008 Motion was made by Councilman Blackburn and seconded by all remaining members of the Town Board to enter the read tribute to Joseph Reinschmidt into the record.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

MISCELLANEOUS - CONTINUED

Mr. Petricone expressed concern that no expense has been entered for his department's cell phone usage and was concerned that service charges were being added to the account.

Mr. Fowler asked that time be given on a future agenda to discuss the merits of an employee proposal for his department. He currently has an open position and would like to present a justification for the proposal. This will be added to the next agenda.

There being no further business before the Town Board, Councilman Carmestro made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m., seconded by Councilman Blackburn and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna K. Curry
Parma Town Clerk