

Parma Town Board meeting held on Tuesday, July 5, 2006 at the  
Parma Town Hall, 1300 Hilton Parma Corners Road, Hilton, New York.

**ATTENDANCE**

Supervisor		Richard Lemcke
Councilman		Kenneth Blackburn
Councilman		Joseph Reinschmidt
Councilman		Carm Carmestro
Councilman		James Smith
Highway Supt.		Brian Speer
Entered Late	Building Inspector	Jack Barton
Absent	Recreation Director	Steve Fowler

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Pamela Spross Tenny, Stan Hoy, Gene DeMeyer, Richard DeMeyer, Carolyn Munger, Timothy C. O'Neill, Mary Ellen DeGraeve, Marilyn DeMeyer, Elizabeth DeMeyer, John Brazas, Joshua Reichardt

Supervisor Lemcke called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and Richard DeMeyer led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, followed by a moment of silence. Supervisor Lemcke noted emergency exit procedures.

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

**WILDER ROAD SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION GRANT**

Pamela Spross Tenny, 558 Wilder Road – conveyed her disapproval of the application for a sidewalk grant. Tenny expressed concerns that included students gathering, the effect on her well, people being five feet from her bedroom window, loss of driveway space for parking cars and the continued encroachment on property and decisions made without consulting and care given to residents affected. She also expressed concern for runoff on to her property. The Town Board has received a copy of the letter addressed to Steve Fowler, expressing her concerns and opposition to the project. Included with the letter was a petition in opposition signed by homeowners on Wilder Road.

Supervisor Lemcke clarified that a grant has already been received through a Monroe County Community Development Grant for sidewalks from the High School to Carrie Marie Lane. Construction cannot start on this until August of this year. The sidewalk grant that is currently being applied for is for the remainder of Wilder Road from Carrie Marie Lane to Manitou Road. Sidewalk construction would be in the current right of way and a pedestrian bridge would be built over Salmon Creek. The Monroe County Water Authority will be extending the water line east on Wilder Road that will include crossing over Salmon Creek or boring underneath. If the water line was hung over the creek, the sidewalk bridge would go over the top of it. Only upon successfully getting the grant would the Town move forward and at that time construction concerns would be addressed by engineers and the Town.

Councilman Smith stated that currently he feels there is a certain amount of logic for a sidewalk to Carrie Marie Lane and that the value to the community goes down the farther it is extended.

Councilman Blackburn stated that he did not realize that there was an existing grant for the portion from Bennett Road to Carrie Marie Lane had already been approved. There was discussion regarding notice of the project and the short time residents had to respond.

Councilman Blackburn felt that all comments should be forwarded with the grant application.

Councilman Reinschmidt felt that the Town should not ignore the opportunity to get grants, that timelier seeking of input from residents regarding the project would have been appropriate and thanked Tenny for her input.

Councilman Carmestro agrees with the first part of the project, from the school to Carrie Marie Lane, but is not sure about beyond that. He wants to evaluate each section on its cost and value to the Town.

Tim O'Neill, 526 Wilder Road – expressed his opposition to the sidewalk. He felt that the addition of a sidewalk will add to the existing drainage problem and is concerned about kids hanging out on the sidewalk. He felt that an alternative to this sidewalk project would be a sidewalk to the Town Park.

### **SOCCKER COMPLEX**

Stan Hoy, 99 Burritt Road – complimented the Town on the paving of the Town Hall parking lot. He also wished to express the need for a larger location should the proposal for the Soccer Complex be presented. He wanted the Town Board to expect a large group in attendance for it.

John Brazas, 112 Bailey Road – wanted to know what other locations might be used and expressed the possibility for a Preservation Board.

Supervisor Lemcke responded that use of a school district location would be sought. The Town is still waiting for a proposal from the developer. If the town is made aware in advance, the proposal would be added to the agenda. There would be a public information session scheduled and advertised in the Suburban News. This could take anywhere from seven to ten days depending on the timing to advertise.

Gene DeMeyer, Butcher Road - wanted to know how the tax burden compares for subdivisions and open farmland and how the expense of the school district compares.

### **PUBLIC WATER – CURTIS ROAD**

Mary Ellen DeGrave, 693 Curtis Road –stated she is having trouble with her well and wanted information on how to get water to her property and state that she is not in favor of the sidewalk grant.

### **MINUTES – JUNE 20, 2006**

**RESOLUTION NO. 201-2006** Motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Carmestro, to approve the Minutes of the June 20, 2006 meeting. Councilman Carmestro requested an amendment to Resolution No. 200-2006 to change the Highway Foreman position from hourly to salaried, for a biweekly salary of \$1,846.40 for the last thirteen pay periods of 2006 to read *for a biweekly salary of \$1,886.35*.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

### **TOWN CLERK REPORT**

The Town Clerk report for the month of June was submitted. Monroe County will be using new tax collecting software starting with the September school tax collection. Staff will be attending training next Tuesday and Thursday.

## **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Supt. Speer reported that paving has been completed on the Town Hall parking lot.

As a follow up to discussion on bridge replacements needed in the town, Supt. Speer plans to submit requests for grant funding for three bridges - Collamer Road over West Creek, Hill Road over Brockport Creek and Hill Road over Salmon Creek. He will be working with Monroe County on the grant writing process.

A second call had been received by the Supervisor regarding an incident involving a Parma highway truck. Supervisor Lemcke asked that Supt. Speer follow up and report back to the board. Councilman Blackburn wanted to know if the individual could positively identify the Parma Town truck. Supervisor Lemcke responded that the complainant could identify the truck and describe the gentleman.

## **BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Mr. Barton reported that a copy of the June Building Report has been given to the Town Board.

Bob Prince has been called out by C.E.D.A.R. (Code Enforcement Disaster Assistance Response) to help inspect buildings in Binghamton after the recent severe flooding. It is unknown at this time exactly how long he will be there.

## **KIRBY MOTEL DEMOLITION**

An application for demolition of Kirby's Motel has been received. A recent inspection showed that the majority of them were not livable. A site plan for development of the property has also been received. It shows storage and retail directly west of the existing storage building. A first look at the plan shows that it will meet set back requirements and distance between any new and existing storage units.

## **DRAINAGE SWALE – WILDER ESTATES SECTION I**

Mr. Barton will be doing an inspection of the drainage swale in Section I of Wilder Estates. The Town Board has received a copy of a letter sent to Section I residents on Marjorie and Judd Lanes informing them of the inspection. Mr. Barton informed the Town Board that there is no easement on the subdivision map for this section. The original flow of drainage water has been altered by changes made by some homeowners. This is causing water to backup for other residents.

## **BUSINESS ITEMS**

### **SPECIAL POLICE TRAILER**

The trailer is no longer being used and can be advertised for two weeks. Sealed bids will be accepted through August 1, 2006 and opened at the August 1, 2006 Town Board meeting.

**RESOLUTION NO. 202-2006** Motion by Councilman Blackburn, seconded by Supervisor Lemcke, to advertise for sale of used trailer.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

## **COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS**

Supervisor Lemcke sought discussion on a proposal to create a department of public works. This would modernize the highway function to include not only highway and

road improvements but would also cover areas such as lighting, sewers, water and sidewalks which the Town is currently facing. Topics such as these do not currently fall within the obligation or under the purpose of the Highway Department. Creation of a Department of Public Works would require enactment of a local law that would be subject to a mandatory public referendum. A Commissioner of Public Works would be appointed rather than elected as is the current Highway Superintendent position. If this was approved it would take place no earlier than 2007. Supervisor Lemcke requested that after discussion and questions are answered that a town information meeting be held to see what the people in the town feel and if it is something worth pursuing.

Discussion followed resulting in the majority of the board felt that the need is not significant enough at this time to warrant a change.

### MISCELLANEOUS

#### VERIFICATION CHECK

As requested by the Town Board, the Town Attorney reviewed and has provided a recommended employee verification check release form. Concern was again expressed over the depth of the information being requested. It was determined that the prospective employees can have copies of any statements and that signatures should be notarized.

**RESOLUTION NO. 203-2006** Motion by Councilman Carmestro, seconded by Councilman Smith, to approve the use of the verification check form and that it includes a statement that the prospective employee can have copies of any statements received and the addition of a section for notarization of the signature.

Motion carried: Aye 4 Nay 1 Councilman Blackburn

Supervisor Lemcke asked about the status of Buttonwood Farms. Mr. Barton reported that nothing has changed since the last meeting.

Supervisor Lemcke provided information on legislation drafted by the Monroe County Supervisors Association on the Community Opportunity Promotions Enhancement Act (COPE Act). This pertains to legislation passed by the House of Representative allowing companies to offer new services for video and digital communications systems without local franchise fees. The Supervisors Association is opposed to this.

Supervisor Lemcke reported that estimates have been sought for a wireless connection for the Parks Department. Steve Fowler has applied for a grant from Assemblyman Hawley's office. Several departments could benefit from its implementation, if approved. Researching the cost of a direct line run to the Parks department by Time Warner is also a consideration.

A letter has been sent to all Town of Parma employees introducing the safety first program from Supervisor Lemcke and Safety Coordinator Donald Wells.

### LIAISON REPORTS

\*\*Councilman Smith reported that he received information on scheduling software from the Town librarian that might be of use for scheduling park usage. He will be contacting the company to research further. He also spoke to the Park Foreman and he will be taking an inventory of repairs needed for the boards in the skate park and do whatever repairs he can before the town celebration. Any equipment determined to be unsafe will be decommissioned. For the long term, a budget should be established to cover the costs and how to maintain the skate board park.

\*\*Councilman Carmestro reported that Councilman Smith attended the Recreation Commission meeting in his absence. The Hilton Parma Fire District Meeting is tonight and Mr. Fritz continues his stellar work in identifying violations.

\*\*Councilman Reinschmidt provided Board members with a copy of an article on open space planning. The Spencerport Fire District continues to move forward with their plans for the new fire hall on West Avenue.

\*\*Councilman Blackburn reported that there was no Library Board meeting for July. Everything is going well in the Assessor's office.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**RESOLUTION NO. 204-2006** Motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Carmestro, to enter into Executive Session at 9:18 p.m. for personnel matter.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

**RESOLUTION NO. 205-2006** Motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Carmestro, to close the Executive Session at 9:45 p.m. and return to regular session.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

There being no further business brought before the Town Board, Councilman Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:48 p.m., seconded by Councilman Carmestro and all were in favor.

Respectively submitted,

Donna K. Curry  
Parma Town Clerk