

Joint meeting with Parma Town Board and Hilton Village Board held on Tuesday, April 14, 2009 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	
Mayor	Larry Gurslin	
Trustee	Walt Horylev	
Trustee	Larry Speer	
Trustee	Joseph Lee	
Absent	Trustee	Jim Gates

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Art Cosgrove, Steve Fowler, Jim Roose, Pam Speer, Steve Speer, Carol Kluth, Helen Ives, Tom Ganley, Dave Wright, Donald Wasielewski, Dave Tresholavy, Al Howe and other members of the public.

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Lemcke called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and lead those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, followed by a moment of silence. Supervisor Lemcke noted emergency exits and welcomed the Village Board.

UPDATE ON WIND ENERGY INVESTIGATION

Mayor Gurslin explained that the Village has been researching the possibility of pursuing wind energy as a source of power for the Village. He noted limited space would necessitate use of property outside of the Village. There has been no decision on whether to go forward. They are doing their homework and pursuing avenues available.

Trustee Speer is the liaison for this research. He noted that the Village will be working with Empire State Wind Energy to assist the Village in its research. A key point of this organization is that the profits stay in New York State. Mr. Pittman will be coming for a workshop meeting with the Village Board next Wednesday and it is hoped that interested prospective landowners will attend. Trustee Speer will also be attending a conference on this topic. It will be necessary to work together with the Town should they decide to pursue wind energy.

Supervisor Lemcke noted that we want to avoid what happened in Hamlin. He also noted that this would be unique because it would be a municipal owned project and TARP dollars might be available.

HOJACK TRAIL

Supervisor Lemcke noted the Genesee Transportation Council has identified locations for trail corridors within Monroe County and is looking for proposals for concept level planning projects. The 2008-2009 Priority Trails Advancement (PTA) Program provides funding, technical assistance and project oversight for concept level planning and design. One of the near term project recommendations is a multi-use trail along the Hojack Line Railroad Corridor from Rt. 390 in Greece to the Village of Hilton. In addition a long range project has been identified that would encompass having the multi-use trail run from the Village of Hilton to the Monroe County line. There was discussion and it is

believed the property is owned by RG&E and used as an active utility corridor. It was noted by Village Board members that it would be important to them that any changes to the corridor not impede upon its use for utility access as this area is the primary feed for the Village. There is potential for shared costs to maintain the area as it is now being maintained by RG&E. Mr. Copey of the Farmland and Open Space committee is abreast of the status of the proposal.

VILLAGE MASTER PLAN UPDATE

The Village is ninety five percent developed and the Village Board will be reviewing their Master Plan. The last updates dealt with land use in the business district and the streets leading into the business districts. They are considering updates that would identify areas that might be adjusted to be compatible with the peripheral zoning of the Town taking into consideration sewers and sidewalks. Having an updated Master Plan is a positive component for receiving grant funding as well. They are currently in the planning stages for such an update and want to identify the associated costs and a professional to assist and would seek input/information from the Town on planned uses for areas surrounding the Village.

It was noted the Town's Master Plan was updated in 1998. Other items noted for consideration included stub streets and land prioritized for open space and conservation.

RENT PROPOSAL - RECREATION DEPARTMENT SPACE IN COMMUNITY CENTER

Mr. Fowler provided and reviewed a proposal to reallocate funds to senior programming and services through a 10% reduction in rent over a period of 5 years and then maintain the same rent as in 2013 for 2014 through 2018. The presentation was supported with examples of current senior usage, information on savings applied to senior services, population numbers and demographic figures. Mr. Fowler was acknowledged for the work of the department and its commitment to finding alternatives. There was discussion on the reasonableness of the current rent, commitment of Village ownership for the next five years, current rental situation and whether the building is self supporting. There was not sufficient support to move forward with the proposal.

VACANT LAND OLD HOJACK LANE – STAGING AREA FOR DPW NEEDS

Supervisor Lemcke opened discussion on whether the Town could use land on Hojack Lane west of Merton Williams as a staging area for Highway and DPW use for brush, woodchips, stone and excess materials. . It was noted the land is owned by the Hilton Land Development Corporation. Currently the Hunte's allow the Town to store excess stone and material on their property and this area could be cleaned up and material moved to Hojack Lane. There has been discussion at the Town to have an area where recyclable material could be stored. The Town is aware of a company who purchases quantities of brush recyclables and uses as a source of energy. This could be a staging area for this use. The kind of material, how much and when was mentioned as items to be determined if this was to move forward.

NON-PROFIT ROOM USAGE COMMUNITY CENTER

The Village Community Center has been able to rent additional space to the day care space. This has limited the space available to non-profits in need of meeting space. A list of organizations that might be affected was provided. It was suggested that organizations try the school district as this type of use was available in the past. Most evenings the meeting rooms are used in the Town Hall for court and board or committee meetings, with limited availability for other uses. No definitive solution was determined at this time.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The fire department has moved to their new location and the dedication for the new fire hall will be on May 16, 2009. Final steps are being taken with the Fire Commission for the transfer of the old fire hall property to the Village. As a stipulation of the grant received, the old building must be torn down. This will be starting shortly and the resulting area has to be green space. It has been suggested that pavers with grass will be used to cover the site. There was discussion on the entrances as the grounds will continue to be used for the carnival. Trustee Speer indicated that the south entrance would remain as the access to the Exempt Hall and the north entrance would be determined by the Village. There has been no definitive determination on where the north entrance will be located.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Hilton Rotary – Handicap Ramp

Supervisor Lemcke provided a picture of a handicap ramp newly acquired by the Hilton Rotary Club. The ramp is usually requested on short notice and there is concern for how to provide this service and still meet codes in the Town and Village. Mayor Gurslin noted that the Village of Hilton; like the Town's of Hamlin and Clarkson, does not charge for a permit but require the code be met. Supervisor Lemcke asked that both Boards look into ways to expedite and consider having the same policy.

Time Warner

Supervisor Lemcke noted use charges proposed by Time Warner have been put on hold for the present. The Town is up for negotiations with Time Warner and is currently in an extension period. The Village renewed 2 years ago.

Wilder Road Bridge and Sidewalks

Monroe County continues with plans for the reconstruction of the Wilder Road Bridge and the bid process will commence shortly. A sidewalk component from Bennett Road, over the bridge and to the project perimeter has been included. Supervisor Lemcke opened discussion on having a sidewalk from Fraser Drive to Bennett Road and to continue east of the project to Carrie Marie Lane. Mayor Gurslin noted there had been prior discussion on installing a sidewalk in front of the school with manpower coming from the Village and the concrete from the School District. The Town has entered into an intermunicipal agreement with Monroe County for the sidewalk. The County will provide 2 options; one that includes the County installing the sidewalk and a second without should the Town decide they would do the installation.

Councilman Carmestro questioned whether an alternate plan for closure would be provided as a result of feedback from the fire department regarding detours and access for emergency vehicles during an information meeting held by the County. Supervisor Lemcke indicated he had not heard anything about changes. The expected close date is June 25th and would reopen before the start of school. Councilman Smith, who also attended the informational meeting, indicated that the County would look into this and the length of time to complete the project would be extended beyond the date to open for the start of school and cost would be additional factors.

Grant funding was discussed and the topic will be revisited by the Village.

Disaster Plan

Trustee Horylev felt there should be a disaster plan drill. He attended the one held in the Town of Ogden and felt it was very beneficial. There is a written plan but it has never been tested in actuality. There was discussion on indentifying where problems or weakness might exist. In particular for climate/weather related disasters. Concern for

assisting invalids, medications and shelter/refuge requirements were discussed. Having an exercise in the fall was suggested and contacting the Fire Chief and having representatives from the Town, Village and the School district to plan.

Village Appointments

Mayor Gursslin informed the Town Board the Village has appointed Al Howe as a member of the Recreation Commission, Jim Volkmar as Assistant Code Enforcement Officer, Dick LaForce was reappointed to the Zoning Board and Mark Hedberg to the Planning Board. The Village was approached by 2 juniors from the high school students interested in the Recreation Commission. It was noted the by-laws state a member must be 18 years old. Steve Fowler noted this had been done in the past and there is a student representative job description but it has not been filled recently. In the past they have looked to the Student Council for recommendations. There was discussion on the age of participants, the length of term being 1 year, non-voting position and include all other responsibilities.

Town Bicentennial

Councilman Smith reported there will be a Townwide Garage Sale May 16th and 17th. Plans for a Pasta Dinner to tentatively be held that weekend at the Hilton Baptist Church as a community gathering are also in the works. Pasta and sauce has been donated by Barilla Pasta. The Bicentennial Parade is June 20th starting at 1:00 p.m. Line up will be at the High School and end at the Community Center where the Gazebo Band will play at approximately 2:30 p.m. People are welcome to stay enjoy the music, have food and look at the antique vehicles, horse and buggies; and miniature ponies.

Special Police

Trustee Speer reported the Fire Commissioners have discussed allowing the Special Police to store their bikes at the new Fire Hall. They will be working out a way for them to have access when there is no one in the building.

Village Budget

Mayor Gursslin noted their public hearing has been held on the Village budget. They have held the line again this year and the vote to approve will be forthcoming. He wanted to publicly thank Trustee Gates and Janet Surridge for their work on this.

Neighborhood Vandalism

Mayor Gursslin reported that a company has been hired to mow and clean up the undeveloped area in the Turtle Creek and Mockingbird neighborhood due to vandalism in the area. Input has been sought from property owners to have this designated as a park or leave as open space. Designation as a Village park will require it be regulated for use. So far the feedback is about 50/50 for each use. The Special Police and Monroe County Sheriffs have increased enforcement in the neighborhood and are trying to eliminate it as a problem area.

Public Market

Trustee Lee reported that the Farm Market will be held on Sundays starting on June 21st through October 24th in the parking lot to the west of the diner. The Farm Market will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Fire Department Memorial Park

Bricks for the Memorial Park can be purchased for \$100 each. The Village has purchased a brick and Trustee Speer provided a copy of the form for the Town.

ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION – TOWN BOARD

RESOLUTION NO. 113-2009 Motion by Supervisor Lemcke, seconded by Councilman Carmestro to enter into Executive Session to discuss a pending litigation.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION – VILLAGE BOARD

RESOLUTION Motion by Trustee Speer, seconded by Trustee Horylev to enter into Executive Session to discuss a pending litigation.

Motion carried: Aye 4 Nay 0 Absent – Trustee Gates

The Boards entered into executive session at 7:30 p.m.

CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION – TOWN BOARD

RESOLUTION NO. 114-2009 Motion by Councilman Carmestro, seconded by Councilman Smith, to close the Executive Session at 7:44 p.m. and return to regular session.

Motion carried: Aye 5 Nay 0

CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION – VILLAGE BOARD

RESOLUTION Motion by Trustee Horylev, seconded by Trustee Speer, to close the Executive Session at 7:44 p.m. and return to regular session.

Motion carried: Aye 4 Nay 0 Absent – Trustee Gates

There being no further business before the Town of Parma and Village of Hilton Boards, Supervisor Lemcke made a motion to adjourn the Town Board meeting at 7:45 p.m., seconded by Councilman Carmestro. On behalf of the Village of Hilton, Mayor Gurslin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m., seconded by Trustee Horylev.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna K. Curry
Parma Town Clerk