

MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
VILLAGE OF RICHMONDVILLE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

August 18, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Richmondville was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Kevin Neary. Present were board members David Hotzler, Natasha Foote and Joan Radliff. Also present were Superintendent of Public Works Jim Swartout, Village Attorney Marvin Parshall, Jr., Superintendent of Power & Light Vince Perry (6:58 pm arrival), Clerk-Treasurer Ashley Puro (6:35 pm arrival), Vicki Swartout, Fire Chief Dennis Cole, Code Enforcement Officer Don Clarke, Lee and Herman Peterson, Andrew Diamond, Keith Manson, Alex Chacho, Michael Suchocki, Joseph Suchocki, Rich Bermudez and Michele Schaffer. Trustee Milan Jackson and Beautification Committee Chairperson Denise Smith were excused.

Mayor Neary requested a moment of silence for the passing of three individuals.

Public Hearing for Proposed Joint Village and Town Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Board

Mayor Neary opened the public hearing at 6:04 pm for comment. Hearing none, Mayor Neary stated the public hearing would remain open for approximately thirty minutes.

Privilege of the Floor

Mayor Neary requested civility in the Board room during any discussions to be held. Herman Peterson requested and was granted privilege of the floor. Mr. Peterson discussed open fires in the village, stating he would like a Village law. The fire department was called. Mr. Peterson would like a ban on open burning. He stated the smoke is entering his house and he has a breathing problem. Alex Chacho stated there is a pit in the ground and admitted that they are having fires and put chicken wire over the fire. The fire department asked them to put out the fire and they complied. A discussion followed. Code Enforcement Officer Don Clarke stated they are burning construction materials. Keith Manson stated the pit is fifty feet away from Peterson's house. Mrs. Peterson expressed her concern over what is used as an accelerant. Mayor Neary stated he and Code Enforcement Officer Clarke would go to the house on August 19th at 6:30 pm to further observe and discuss the matter.

Adoption of Minutes

Trustee Foote moved to accept the July 21, 2015 board meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Trustee Hotzler; carried unanimously.

Resolutions

Trustee Foote moved adoption of Resolution #28-15 designating Vince Perry as delegate to MEUA Annual Conference, seconded by Trustee Hotzler; carried unanimously.

Department Reports

Superintendent of Public Works Jim Swartout provided a report for Board review.

Trustee Hotzler moved to accept the Superintendent of Public Works' report as presented, seconded by Trustee Foote; carried unanimously.

Code Enforcement Officer Don Clarke provided a report for Board review.

Trustee Foote moved to accept the Code Enforcement Officer's report as presented, seconded by Trustee Hotzler; carried unanimously.

Fire Chief Dennis Cole presented a report for Board review. Fire Chief Cole stated a committee is needed to assess the work to be completed at the fir house. A meeting was scheduled for August 26th at 6:00 pm.

Trustee Radliff moved to accept the Fire Chief's report as presented, seconded by Trustee Foote; carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer Ashley Puro provided a report for Board review.

Trustee Hotzler moved to accept the Clerk-Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Trustee Foote; carried unanimously.

Youth Committee Chairperson Denise Smith was excused but provided a report for Board review. Varsity football coach Ed Hantho requested permission to use the Village pool on August 24th from 12:00 pm – 12:45 pm. Trustee Hotzler moved to allow the varsity football team to use the village pool at that time, seconded by Trustee Foote; carried unanimously.

Superintendent of Power & Light Vince Perry provided an oral report to the Board explaining previous work completed as well as anticipated projects.

Trustee Radliff moved to accept the Superintendent of Power & Light's report, seconded by Trustee Hotzler; carried unanimously.

New Business

- RP&L – New Bucket Truck Specs/Bids

Superintendent of Power & Light Perry presented his recommendation for trucks. A discussion followed. Mayor Neary stated the information would be reviewed and further discussed.

Closing of Public Hearing

Trustee Radliff moved to close the public hearing at 6:42 pm, seconded by Trustee Hotzler; carried unanimously.

Trustee Hotzler moved adoption of Resolution #29-15 authorizing the dissolution from the Joint Town/Village Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals, seconded by Trustee Radliff; carried unanimously.

Audit of Bills

Trustee Radliff moved to approve payment of General and Electric Abstracts #3, seconded by Trustee Hotzler; carried unanimously.

Executive Session

Trustee Radliff moved to enter into executive session at 7:11 pm to discuss matters related to a real estate matter and a Union negotiation matter, seconded by Trustee Hotzler; carried unanimously.

Trustee Foote moved to return to regular session at 7:42 pm, seconded by Trustee Radliff; carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Trustee Radliff moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 pm, seconded by Trustee Hotzler; carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Radliff
Trustee