

The regular meeting of the Walton Village Board was held on Monday, November 2, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Clerk's Office, 21 North Street, Walton.

Present: Edward H. Snow, Sr., Mayor
Trustees: Teresa O'Leary
Denise Church
Rich Morley
George Ostrowski

Attorney: David Merzig, Esq.
Clerk: Jody Brown

Reporters: Glenn Graves – Walton Reporter
T.J.E. Productions – Channel 23

Mayor Edward H. Snow, Sr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Reverend Brad Johnson of the Reformed Presbyterian Church led the invocation.

SHEFFIELD ESTATES John McAteer and Cole Hayes spoke about the current plans for Sheffield Estates. Current plans are to change the scope from condos to one-bedroom apartments.

ABSTRACTS: The audit committee reviewed the abstracts and recommended approval as follows:
The General Fund Abstract in the sum of \$27,917.95 was presented to the Board.
The Water Fund Abstract in the sum of \$8,040.18 was presented to the Board.
The Wastewater Fund Abstract in the sum of \$116,256.54 was presented to the Board.
The Small Cities Fund Abstract in the sum of \$0.00 was presented to the Board.
The Capital Fund Abstract in the sum of \$34,835.68 was presented to the Board.
After review and discussion, Rich Morley made a motion to approve the abstracts as submitted. George Ostrowski seconded. Carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

CODE ENFORCEMENT John Esposito, Code Enforcement Official submitted his written monthly report for October 2009. Building and/or sign permits issued during the month of October 2009 are as follows:

Eric Parry	17 Munn St.	Addition
Glen Pomeroy	147 Townsend St.	New Steps
John Bair	27 High St.	New Roof
Greg Gardocki	6 Quarry St.	Closing In Car Port.
Joan VanLoan	22 Gardiner Pl	New Roof
Vern Wildenstein	23 South St.	Demolition
Joel Griffin	27 St. John St	Foundation Repair
Smoker's Choice	169 Delaware St.	Sign
Four Seasons' Auto	278 Delaware St.	Sign

FLOOD PLAIN ADMINISTRATOR Mayor Snow appointed John Esposito as Flood Plain Administrator for the Village of Walton. George Ostrowski made a motion to approve John Esposito as Flood Plain Administrator. Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.

LOCAL LAW #7 – FENCES After discussion on the changes to the fence code, John Esposito will send the changes to Atty. Merzig to draft a new law.

FEE SCHEDULE CHANGE John Esposito asked the Board about raising the current fee for Certificates of Occupancy. After discussion, Teresa O'Leary made a motion to raise the fee for a Certificate of Occupancy from \$10.00 to \$35.00. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.

VILLAGE ENGINEER David Ohman of Delaware Engineering submitted a written monthly report for October 2009.

RESOLUTION WATER EQUIP. STANDARDIZATION Dave Ohman presented the Board with specs. for standardizing the fire hydrants, valves and other appurtenances. After discussion and review, George Ostrowski made a motion to pass the resolutions as submitted. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.

ADVERTISE FOR BIDS-SLUDGE HAULING The Clerk requested permission to advertise for sludge hauling bids for 2010. Denise Church made a motion to allow the Clerk to advertise for sludge hauling bids for January 1, 2009-December 31, 2009 to be opened on November 30, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. George Ostrowski seconded. Carried unanimously.

SERVICE ESCOR CONTROL PANEL Dave Ohman requested service on the Escor control panel for the activated sludge aeration tank blowers. George Ostrowski made a motion to have Dresser Roots service the control panel at the cost of \$1,400.00 paying from the G08130.415 account. Teresa O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC SAFETY	Police Chief David Halaquist submitted his written monthly report for October 2009.
VETERAN'S PARADE	A letter was submitted to the Board for approval of the Veteran's Day Parade. Denise Church made a motion to hold the Veteran's Day Parade on November 11, 2009 at 10:40 am from Gardiner Pl. to the Old Armory and back with a ceremony at the old armory. George Ostrowski seconded. Carried unanimously.
PUBLIC WORKS	Roger Hoyt, D.P.W. Superintendent submitted his written monthly report for October 2009.
BID AWARD 1997 LUMINA	The two bids received for the 1997 Chevy Lumina were submitted to the Board. Denise Church made a motion to except the high bid of \$250.00 from Edward Stanton for 1997 Chevy Lumina. Rich Morley seconded. Teresa O'Leary voted no. George Ostrowski, Denise Church, and Rich Morley voted yes. Motion carried.
FIRE ALARM SYSTEM	The fire alarm inspection report from the Village Hall was submitted to the Board. It has been recommended that the entire system be upgraded to meet NYS Building Code. Roger Hoyt will be requesting quotes.
LEAK DETECTOR	Roger Hoyt submitted a request to purchase a new leak detector. The current detector is old and no longer operational. Teresa O'Leary made a motion to purchase a new digital leak detector from Vellano Bros. for \$3,000.00 plus shipping from the transmission/distribution equipment budget. George Ostrowski seconded. Carried unanimously.
PURCHASE WATER METERS	Roger Hoyt submitted a request to order water meters/heads. \$19,000.00 was budgeted for equipment. Teresa O'Leary made a motion to purchase additional water meters and heads from Vellano Bros. using the transmission/distribution equipment budget at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.00. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously. George Ostrowski will look into finding grants for additional meters to finish the new radio read meter project.
OUTDOOR WOOD FURNACE	Roger Hoyt submitted a request to purchase an outdoor wood furnace for the D.P.W. garage. After discussion, Teresa O'Leary made a motion to purchase an outdoor wood furnace at a cost not to exceed approximately \$20,000.00 from Halloran Farms. George Ostrowski seconded. Carried unanimously.
WATER STREET DEDICATION	The process of dedication Water St. as a street was discussed. Attorney Merzig suggested that we have the property surveyed.
TRUSTEES REPORTS:	George Ostrowski reported that on donations for the Walton Senior Citizen's Club Thanksgiving Dinner, the Walton Vet's Club and a couple private donations.
PUBLIC INPUT	Mayor Snow laid down the ground rules for public input and then opened the floor to the public. Mayor Snow asked people to stand, identify themselves, and state their address.
OLD FASHION TOWN SHOPPING	Maureen Wacha, Walton Chamber of Commerce, informed the Board that they are sponsoring the "Old Fashion Town Shopping" again this year from Nov. 5 to Dec. 15.
CHRISTMAS PARADE	Maureen Wacha requested the Christmas Parade be held on November 28, 2009. Teresa O'Leary made a motion to hold the Christmas Parade on November 28, 2009 from the Walton Bus Garage to the Christmas tree behind the National Bank of Delaware County. Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.
MEET THE CANDIDATES NIGHT	Mayor Snow said Thank you to the Walton Chamber of Commerce for sponsoring the "Meet the Candidates Night". He was disappointed by the poor attendance.
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FISCAL YEAR MAY 31, 2009	Financial Statements for Fiscal Year ending May 31, 2009 were submitted to the Board. Rich Morley made a motion to accept the financial statements as submitted and to allow the Clerk to publish the legal notice in the Walton Reporter. Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.
BUDGET MODIFICATIONS	The Clerk presented the Board with Budget modifications. Rich Morley made a motion to approve the modifications as submitted. George Ostrowski seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.
LEGAL NOTICE VILLAGE ELECTION	The Clerk requested permission to publish a legal notice on the March 16, 2010 Village election. Teresa O'Leary made a motion to allow the clerk to publish a legal notice on the March 18, 2009 Village election. Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.

**MAYOR'S
REPORT**

- CWC GRANT
EXTENSION** The Village was awarded a grant from the Catskill Watershed Corp. in the amount of \$8,202.00 to put decorative streetlights on Bridge Street. A letter is needed requesting an extension if the Board is still interested in pursuing this project. George Ostrowski made a motion to have the Clerk send a letter requesting an extension until 2012. Teresa O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.
- ELECTRICITY
SUPPLIER** The annual contract with Integrys Energy is due to expire. The current rates were presented to the Board. Teresa O'Leary made a motion to accept the rates that were submitted from Integrys. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.
- POOL
SIDEWALK
INCIDENT** Rich Morley made a motion to pay Deanna O'Connor \$60.00 for the expense not covered by her health insurance for the injury to her ankle when she fell at the pool. Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.
- EXECUTIVE
SESSION** Denise Church made a motion to go into executive session to discuss court personnel salary and contract negotiations at 7:40 p.m. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.
- No action was taken during executive session.
- Denise Church made a motion to come out of executive session at 7:59 p.m. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.
- JUDGE GUMO
SALARY** Denise Church made a motion to pay Judge Gumo a salary of \$450.00 a month. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.
- MOTION TO
ADJOURN
NEXT
MEETING** Denise Church made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.
- Next regular meeting of the Village Board will be held on Monday, December 7, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Clerk's Office, 21 North Street.

Jody Brown, Clerk/Treasurer