

The regular meeting of the Walton Village Board was held on Monday, September 14, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street, Walton.

Present: Edward H. Snow, Sr., Mayor
Trustees: Teresa O'Leary
Denise Church
Rich Morley
George Ostrowski
Attorney: David Merzig, Esq. was not required to attend
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.

Rev. Jay O'Connor led the invocation.

ABSTRACTS: The audit committee reviewed the abstracts and recommended approval as follows:
The General Fund Abstract in the sum of \$31,604.92 was presented to the Board.
The Water Fund Abstract in the sum of \$4,843.61 was presented to the Board.
The Wastewater Fund Abstract in the sum of \$176,941.22 was presented to the Board.
The Capital Fund Abstract in the sum of \$63,819.45 was presented to the Board.
After review and discussion, Rich Morley made a motion to approve the abstracts as submitted.
Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.

DELAWARE OPERATIONS CONTRACT AMENDMENT John Moffett of Delaware Operations, was present to discuss the contract amendment for the W.W.T.P. After discussion and review, George Ostrowski made a motion to amend the Delaware Operations contract by \$2,000.00 to meet the prevailing wage mandate. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

CODE ENFORCEMENT: John Esposito, Code Enforcement Official submitted his written monthly report for August 2009.

PERMITS Building and/or sign permits issued during the month of August 2009 are as follows:

Steven Harrison	26 Fitch St.	Roof
Robert Vitti	38 West St.	Deck
Cal Courtney	25 Townsend St.	Steps
New Hope	45 Stockton Ave	Fire Alarm
LeAnn Knapp	13 Liberty St.	Electric, Roof, Windows
Richard Wright	30 Burton St.	Pool, Fence
Tom Austin	14 Mead St.	Spa
Gert Loker	32 Platt St.	Roof
Dorothy Benson	1 Guild Ave	Roof
Bruce Henderson	25 Holley St.	Roof
Lisann Reese	5 Ogden St.	Roof
Dale Babcock	58 St. John St.	Shed
Justin Robinson	16 Liberty St.	Roof, Deck
Vincenzo Biundo	73 Mead St.	Roof
LeAnn Knapp	13 Liberty St.	Fence
Gail McNee	60 Townsend St.	Roof
Shane Mouse	47 North St	Boiler
Fred Robillard	13 Pine St.	Garage Door

CODE FOR FENCES John Esposito presented the Board with a draft copy of the proposed code for fences. John will forward it to Attorney Merzig and have him write Local Law 2009-7 for fences. After discussion and review, Teresa O'Leary made a motion to hold a public hearing on October 5, 2009, 6:00 pm and to authorize the Clerk to advertise it. Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS Roger Hoyt, DPW Superintendent submitted his written monthly report for August 2009.

N.Y.W.W.C. SCHOOL Roger presented the Board with a request to attend water training by SE NY Water Works held in Sidney on October 8, 2009 from 8-4 for himself, Foreman Matt Myer, and Ernest Smith. The cost is \$13.00 each and they will earn them 4 credit hours of their continuing education credits. Teresa O'Leary made a motion to allow Roger Hoyt, Matt Myer and Ernest Smith to attend the training seminar at the total cost of \$39.00. Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.

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

W.W.T.P. PURCHASES Requests for parts & replacement equipment from the August 9, 2009 storm damage:
-Relay for the influent pump level sensors – USA Blue Book - \$17.95 – Village expense
-Alarm auto dialer, USA Blue Book, \$559.95 plus shipping. 50% City & Village expense, Administration Building
-Alarm auto dialer, USA Blue Book, \$359.95 plus shipping. 100% City expense, CBUDSF

Building
 -PC repairs and router work, unknown cost at this time. Village expense, Administration
 Building
 -PC replacement requested to replace the six year old damaged PC, Dell, \$600 – 100% Village expense.
 Requests for parts & equipment:
 -Sludge thickeners, McMaster Carr, \$2,700.00 plus shipping. 20% City, 80% Village expense
 Denise Church made a motion to approve the above listed purchases and repairs. George Ostrowski seconded. Carried unanimously.

WATER PROJECT

NEGATIVE DECLARATION S.E.Q.R. George Ostrowski made a motion to pass a resolution for the SEQR Review – Project Determination and Finding Statement for the water project and authorizing the Mayor to sign them. The project will have no adverse environmental impacts. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.

D.W.S.R.F APPLICATION RESOLUTION Rich Morley made a motion to pass a resolution authorizing the execution, filing of an application to D.W.S.R.F., the execution and delivery of an agreement for project financing for the NY Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for Project #16653 and giving Mayor Snow authority to execute and deliver the application. George Ostrowski seconded. Carried unanimously.

BOND COUNCIL RETAINER Rich Morley made a motion to accept the Bond Council Retainer agreement with Joan Blienkamp of Walsh & Walsh, for the short-term and long-term financing for the water project with a not to exceed amount of \$12,500.00, as submitted. Teresa O’Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

MERZIG RETAINER Rich Morley made a motion to accept the retainer agreement submitted to the Board from David Merzig, to act on our behalf in all matters relating to the water project #16653 at a rate of \$195.00 an hour. George Ostrowski seconded. Carried unanimously.

BOND RESOLUTION WATER PROJECT Rich Morley made a motion to authorize the issuance of serial bonds in an amount not to exceed \$3,802,237.00 to finance improvements to the water system. Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.

BOND RESOLUTION STORM SEWER PROJECT Denise Church made a motion to authorize the issuance of serial bonds in an amount not to exceed \$125,462.00 to finance improvements to the storm sewer system. Teresa O’Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Police Chief David Halaquist submitted his written monthly report for August 2009.

VILLAGE VEHICLES The discussion about which of the Village vehicles to remove from service was tabled until more information could be obtained.

WCS HOMECOMING PARADE A letter from Walton Central School District regarding the annual homecoming parade was submitted to the Board. After discussion and review, George Ostrowski made a motion to allow the Walton Central School District to hold its annual homecoming parade on October 3, 2009 starting from the Walton School Bus garage at 10:00 am. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.

HALLOWEEN TRICK-OR-TREAT After discussion, the Board agreed that Walton should celebrate Trick-or-Treating on Friday night, October 30, 2009, starting at 6:00 pm.

TRUSTEES REPORTS: Everything covered by the department heads.

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. No public input.

TOWN OF WALTON RECREATION CONTRACT A contract between the Town of Walton and the Village of Walton for the Village to provide recreation services to the Town residents was submitted to the Board. After discussion and review, Rich Morley made a motion to allow Mayor Snow to sign the contract on behalf of the Village. George Ostrowski seconded. Carried unanimously.

WAIVER OF WAITING PERIOD LIQUOR LICENSE A letter from Mary Jeanniton requesting a waiver of the 30-day waiting period requirement for an alteration of their liquor license for West 38 Family Dining & Gathering Place to add the banquet room and change the hours of operation was submitted to the Board. After discussion and review, George Ostrowski made a motion to approve the waiver of the 30-day waiting period for the addition to the liquor license for West 38 Family Dining & Gathering Place. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.

RED FLAG POLICY A written Identity Theft Prevention Program Policy is now required. Teresa O’Leary made a motion to accept the “Red Flag Policy” as written. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.

C.D.B.G. FUNDING A letter was received September 3, 2009 from the Office of Community renewal stating that we are the recipients of a \$400,000.00 for Housing Rehabilitation. Teresa O’Leary made a motion to accept the grant agreement and authorizing the Mayor to sign the agreement. George Ostrowski seconded. Carried unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Snow read a letter from Vet's Help.com regarding the closing of the Sheffield Estates property and their continued interest in the housing project and the manufacturing plant.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Rich Morley made a motion to enter executive session to discuss contract negotiations, property negotiations, and a police department personal issue. Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.

No action was taken during executive session.

Teresa O'Leary made a motion to come out of executive session at 7:48 p.m.
Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.

**207-C
FAIRCHILD**

The Village Board has determined that the injuries suffered by Police Officer Jackie G. Fairchild were injuries incurred in the performance of his duties and that he is eligible for compensation benefits as set forth in General Municipal Law 207-c. The Clerk is authorized to take such steps as to accurately implement those benefits and that they be thereafter reflected on the books and records of the Village. The Clerk is further authorized and directed to apply for and receive any and all reimbursements or payments due the Village from Worker's Compensation or from any other reimbursement source so long as those benefits continue. Denise Church made this motion and Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

Rich Morley made a motion to adjourn the meeting a 7:50 pm. Teresa O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

**NEXT
MEETING**

Next regular meeting of the Village Board will be held on Monday, October 5, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street.

Jody Brown, Clerk/Treasurer