

The regular meeting of the Walton Village Board was held on Monday, February 1, 2010, 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. was not required to attend  
Clerk: Jody Brown

Reporters: Glenn Graves – Walton Reporter  
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Mayor Edward H. Snow, Sr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Rev. Kirk Darville of the Assembly of God Church led the invocation.

**ABSTRACTS:** The audit committee reviewed the abstracts and recommended approval as follows:  
The General Fund Abstract in the sum of \$28,683.42 was presented to the Board.  
The Water Fund Abstract in the sum of \$5,490.89 was presented to the Board.  
The Wastewater Fund Abstract in the sum of \$104,682.45 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 \$7,942.75 was presented to the Board.  
After review and discussion, George Ostrowski made a motion to approve the abstracts as submitted. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.

**DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

**PUBLIC WORKS** Roger Hoyt, Superintendent of Public Works submitted a monthly report for January 2010.

**POOL OPERATOR CERTIFICATION** Roger Hoyt submitted a request for Brian Sprague to attend a Certified Pool Operation Course to receive the credits that are required to remain certified to operate the Village Pool. After discussion, Mayor Snow will check with the company to verify requirements for certified operators. George Ostrowski made a motion to allow Brian Sprague and another D.P.W. member (if required) to attend the two-day Certified Pool Operation Course on March 3 and 4, 2010 at a cost of \$305.00 and allow the clerk to send the check with the registration. Teresa O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

**WATER ST. DEDICATION** Rich Morley made a motion to pass the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board accepts Water Street as a Village street, subject to a final determination of its exact dimensions as to the actual boundaries of the roadway and right of way, which shall be measured and finally determined after consultation between the Village Engineers, the Village Attorney and the Superintendent of Public Works. The Board also authorizes the Mayor to execute and file any documents helpful or necessary to accomplish the same. George Ostrowski seconded. Carried unanimously.

**VILLAGE ENGINEER** William Brown of Delaware Engineering submitted a monthly report for January 2010.

**ROLL OFF CONTAINER** Plant staff have recommended that the Village declare the old roll off container as surplus and dispose of it in a reasonable manner. The container has not been used for two years. Teresa O'Leary made a motion to declare the roll off container as surplus and to request written quotes from any interested party. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.

**HVAC UNIT** Bill Brown recommended purchasing a new HVAC unit for \$1,100.00. The existing unit is 10 years old and is not functioning. George Ostrowski made a motion to purchase a new HVAC unit from Fisher Enterprises for \$1,100.00 with the cost being split 80% Village and 20 % New York city. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.

**POOL FLOOD REPAIR** Rich Morley made a motion to authorize Contract Amendment No. 2 for a not to exceed amount of \$5,427.00 for the preparation of the bids, construction documents, and administration of the pool repair to match the current FEMA PW. Teresa O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC SAFETY** Chief David Halaquist written monthly report for January 2010 was submitted. The annual report was also submitted.

**207c POLICY** After discussion, George Ostrowski will forward Attorney Merzig an amendment to Section 1, paragraph D for his review and input.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT** John Esposito, Code Enforcement Official, submitted a written report for January 2010. There were no building permits issued in January.

**TRUSTEES REPORTS:**

George Ostrowski – The next Teamster’s negotiation meeting is scheduled for February 11, 2010 at 3:00 pm.

Teresa O’Leary stated there were no agreements yet with the contract negotiations.

**MAYOR’S REPORT** Mayor Snow read a letters from Linda DuMond, 77 Townsend St. and Rich Kelly, 30 Bruce St. regarding the snow and ice removal code.

**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 identify themselves, and state their address.

Village residents that were present to question the snow & ice removal code were:

Linda DuMond – 77 Townsend St.

Rich Kelly – 30 Bruce St.

Jim Bill – 62 Griswold St.

Gil Williams – Ogden St.

Gil Williams also expressed his opinion that seniors should get a tax break.

**WALTON THEATER PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION** Paula O’Brien of the former Village Restoration Committee that they have received their 501 3c status. They will still need the Board’s cooperation because the Village owns the building. The Association will be applying for two grants this spring for handicap accessibility and balcony restoration.

**ELECTION INSPECTORS** Mayor Snow appointed the following as election inspectors: Judith Wildenstein, Chair, Margaret Haley, Mary Neale and Sara Rigas. Denise Church made a motion to approve the appointment of the election inspectors and set the salary at \$7.75 per hour. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.

**COUNTY STIPULATION RE: UNPAID TAXES** Rich Morley made a motion to allow the Village to enter into a stipulation with Delaware County regarding enforcement of unpaid Village taxes. George Ostrowski seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.

**FIRST TIME HOMEBUYER W4-71** An approval request was submitted by Delaware Opportunities for the First-time Homebuyers Program. Rich Morley made a motion to approve the request for \$16,000.00 for W4-71. Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.

**SEWER UNITS 4 WATER ST.** A letter was received from Holly Christovao requesting the reduction of the sewer units at 4 Water St. Currently the building is being charged nine sewer units. She is requesting the units be dropped to two. Per Village Code a minimum 6 units should be charged. Denise Church made a motion to charge 7 sewer units. George Ostrowski seconded. Carried unanimously.

**STORM WATER CD RENEWAL** Denise Church made a motion to renew the Stormwater CD for six months at .75% with the Bank of Delaware County. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.

**FEMA BUYOUT PROPERTIES** A resolution from the Delaware County Planning Department was presented to the Board to accept the transfer of ownership for three properties from Delaware County, tax identification numbers 251.20-5-7, 251.20-5-14, and 273.7-1-23. Shelly Johnson from the Delaware County Planning Board was present to explain the restrictions on the properties. This item was tabled until next month.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** Rich Morley made a motion to enter executive session to discuss contract negotiations at 7:55 pm. Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.

No action was taken during executive session.

Denise Church made a motion to come out of executive session at 8:37 p.m. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** Denise Church made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 pm. Rich Morley seconded. Carried unanimously.

**NEXT MEETING** Next regular meeting of the Village Board will be held on Monday, March 1, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street.

Jody Brown, Clerk/Treasurer