

The regular meeting of the Walton Village Board was held on Monday, April 5, 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
Patrick Meredith
Andrew Rutherford

Attorney: David Merzig
Clerk: Jody Brown

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

Reverend Larry Light led the invocation.

Mayor Edward H. Snow, Sr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ELECTION RESULTS The Village Election was held on March 16, 2010. There were a total of 279 voters, 264 in person, 15 absentee. The results: Patrick Meredith-209, Andrew Rutherford-149, George Ostrowski-105, and Rich Morley-65.

APPOINTMENTS: The clerk submitted the list of appointments to the Board:
Banks– The National Bank of Delaware County and Wilber National Bank
Radio Station – WDLA
Newspaper – The Walton Reporter
Television – Channel 23, Public Access Television
Committees – Attached

The monthly meeting will be held on the first Monday of each month at 6:00 pm except when it falls on a Holiday - then it will be held the second Monday of the month. Any other meeting to be fixed by the Board at its discretion.

The monthly meeting of the Village of Walton Planning Board will be held on the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm except when it falls on a Holiday, on which occasion the date will be determined by the Planning Board.

Patrick Meredith made a motion to approve the appointments as submitted. Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING SMOKE FREE PARKS Teresa O'Leary made a motion to open the public hearing regarding a smoke free park policy. Andrew Rutherford seconded. Carried unanimously. There was no public input.
Teresa O'Leary made a motion to close the public hearing. Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.

After discussion, Teresa O'Leary made a motion to declare Village parks (Austin-Lincoln, Upper Bassett, Lower Bassett and Harby) as smoke free with the parking areas designated as smoking areas. Patrick Meredith seconded. Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING LOCAL LAW #1-2010 Denise Church made a motion to open the public hearing regarding Local Law #1-2010, adding a Stop sign at the intersection of Bridge St. and Water St. Andrew Rutherford seconded. Carried unanimously. There was no public input.

After discussion, Patrick Meredith made a motion to close the public hearing. Teresa O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

Teresa O'Leary made a motion to amended Chapter 49, Article VII, §7A, of the Village of Walton code to add a stop sign at the intersection of Bridge St. and Water St. Patrick Meredith seconded. Carried unanimously.

FLOOD & HYDRAULIC STUDY Rick Woitd gave a presentation on the Flood & Hydraulic Study that was done for the Village. Teresa O'Leary asked if the NYC DEC would grant permits for the brooks to be cleaned out. Rick Weidenbach of the Delaware County Soil & Water stated that a permits would be automatically granted when the brooks reach a specified height.

Mr. Weidenbach suggested that the Village be proactive and develop a Flood Commission for Walton. The Soil & Water and the Delaware County Planning would be willing to assist the commission.

HAMDEN HILL RIDGE RIDERS David Sprague, Director of the New York State Snowmobile Association appeared before the Board for Earl Sines of the Hamden Hill Ridge Riders. The snowmobile club is asking for access to downtown from Austin-Lincoln Park. They are suggesting making Shepard St. one-way and using one side of the street for a snowmobile trail. Dave said the he had spoken to Bill Willis. There are 1410 members in the NYS association and they spent \$23,000,000.00 last year. Patrick Meredith made a motion to have a public hearing on May 3, 2010 at 6:00 pm to hear public opinion on making Shepard St. one way from East to Mead and using this street as a snowmobile trail. Teresa O'Leary seconded. Carried unanimously.

ABSTRACTS: The audit committee reviewed the abstracts and recommended approval as follows:
The General Fund Abstract in the sum of \$57,206.19 was presented to the Board.
The Water Fund Abstract in the sum of \$6,397.53 was presented to the Board.
The Wastewater Fund Abstract in the sum of \$136,644.82 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 \$3,029.54 was presented to the Board.
After review and discussion, Denise Church made a motion to approve the abstracts as submitted. Andrew Rutherford seconded. Carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

PUBLIC WORKS Roger Hoyt, DPW Superintendent submitted his written monthly report for March 2010.

BATTING CAGE AND SIGN The Walton Little League submitted a letter to the Board requesting permission to erect a batting cage on the ice skating rink and install a scoreboard on the unfenced field at the tree line. The Board felt that the ice skating rink should be left clear for the skateboards. There was also a question about insurance. The Board tabled the issue until next month.

VILLAGE ENGINEER David Ohman of Delaware Engineering submitted a written monthly report for March 2010.

W.W.T.P. COMMITTEE The W.W.T.P. committee will meet at 4:00 pm on May 3, 2010 to tour the sewer plant. Patrick Meredith will take the tour as well.

PUBLIC SAFETY Sgt. Paul Olsen submitted his written monthly report for March 2010.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TRAINING Sgt. Olsen requested permission to have four full-time officers attend training on Domestic Violence at the Delaware County Law Enforcement Academy on April 27, 2010 at 9:00 am. There is no fee for this training. Teresa O'Leary made a motion to send four full-time officers to the Domestic Violence Training on April 27, 2010. Andrew Rutherford seconded. Carried unanimously.

50's REVISITED CAR CRUISE The Walton Booster Club is requesting assistant from the Police Dept. for traffic control on July 3, 2010 for the 50's Revisited Car Cruise and after the fireworks. Sgt. Olsen mentioned that extra officers would be needed. Denise Church made the motion to approve the extra officers to help with traffic control on July 3, 2010 for the Car Cruise at 7:00 and after the fire works that night. Patrick Meredith seconded. Carried unanimously.

CODE ENFORCEMENT John Esposito, Code Enforcement Official submitted his written monthly report for March 2010.

Building and/or sign permits issued during the month of March 2010 are as follows:

Jeff Haggerty	36 West St.	Renovations
James Wright	119 Prospect	Porch
Jeff Haggerty	36 West St.	Sign

TRUSTEES REPORTS:

Andrew Rutherford stated he was excited to be here to help the Village.
Patrick Meredith stated that he was also excited to be able to serve the Village.
Denise Church welcomed the new Trustees.
Teresa O'Leary everything covered with 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.

Rich Kelley, 30 Bruce St., asked about amending the ice and snow removal code. The new Code Enforcement Committee will take a look at the code.

Dawn Davis and her Cub Scout Pack attended the meeting. The Cub Scouts are working on merit badges.

BOND RESOLUTION The clerk submitted a resolution for a \$300,000.00 bond to be paid off over 15 years. This is to pay off the expenses that were not reimbursable by FEMA, SEMO, or insurance. Denise Church made a motion to pass the Bond Resolution. Patrick Meredith seconded. Carried unanimously. Copy attached.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Snow read a letter from Kyle and Maggie Munigle regarding removing a tree in front of their property on Sewell Pl. The Mayor stated that tree has since been removed.

Mayor Snow read two letters from Joe Augustine regarding the March 16, 2010 election results and employees.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Teresa O'Leary made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the P.B.A. Contract and Police personnel at 7:42 p.m. Patrick Meredith seconded. Carried unanimously.

No action was taken during executive session.

Denise Church made a motion to come out of executive session at 8:15 p.m. Patrick Meredith seconded. Carried unanimously.

ACADEMY SPONSORSHIP Teresa O'Leary made a motion to sponsor, not no cost to the Village, Timothy Murray to attend the Police Academy on May 4, for six months, and remain as a part-time police officer for two years. Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.

MOTION TO ADJOURN Patrick Meredith made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. Denise Church seconded. Carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING Next regular meeting of the Village Board will be held on Monday, May 3, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Clerk's Office, 21 North Street.

Jody Brown, Clerk/Treasurer