

Present: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Friend, Marshall, McMurry, Robinson, and Salton; Police Chief Steinmetz; Superintendent of Public Work Cross; Assistant Superintendent of Public Works Wiese; Treasurer Mangione; Clerk Walker, and Attorney Marcus.

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Call to Order: Mayor Woodard calls the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes: Dated Feb. 6th 2018

Resolution #8208

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves the February 6,2018 Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Salton

Second: McMurry

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Friend, Marshall, McMurry, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes: Dated April 2, 2018

Resolution #8209

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves the April 2, 2018 Organizational Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Friend

Second: Robinson

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Friend, Marshall, McMurry, and Robinson

Nays: none

Abstentions: Salton

Motion Carried

3. **Report of Fire Superintendent Tamborelle:**

Resolution #8220

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves the following Cayuga Heights Fire Department Slate of Officers as voted on by the Cayuga Heights Fire Company and approved by the Cayuga Heights Fire Department Fire Council.

Fire Chief George Tamborelle

Assistant Fire Chief Joe Price

Assistant Fire Chief John Putnam

Assistant Fire Chief Robert Shepherd

Lieutenant Blake Berger

Lieutenant Brendan Bloodnick

Lieutenant Devin Savoy

Lieutenant Michael Garrett

Motion: Robinson

Second: Marshall

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Friend, Marshall, McMurry, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

Police Chief Steinmetz recognizes Officer D. Tier III

Trustee Salton offers to read the Resolution.

Resolution # 8210

8. c RESOLUTION HONORING POLICE OFFICER DANIEL TIER III UPON HIS RETIREMENT

WHEREAS, Daniel Tier III was hired as a Police Officer for the Village of Cayuga Heights in April of 1986; and

WHEREAS, prior to joining the Cayuga Heights Police Department, Officer Tier served as a Police Officer with the Dryden Police Department where he earned the rank of Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, Officer Tier is currently serving with the City of Ithaca Fire Department since 1987 where he has earned the rank of Assistant Chief; and

WHEREAS, Officer Tier has been involved in many law enforcement and community organizations, was actively involved with the Dryden Volunteer Fire Department, was a member of the Dryden Town Board; and

WHEREAS, Officer Tier, and his wife Sharon, have supported law enforcement, fire, emergency medical services, and other first responder efforts for many years; and

WHEREAS, Officer Tier's public service and community involvement has inspired his son, Nicholas Tier, to follow in his footsteps and is serving as a member of the Ithaca Fire Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of Trustees does hereby commend and thank Officer Daniel Tier for many years of dedicated law enforcement service, and especially for his dedication and positive contributions to the Cayuga Heights Police Department, wishes him a healthy and enjoyable retirement.

Officer Tier thanked the Board for the humbling acknowledgement and has enjoyed the years of service for the Cayuga Heights Police Dept.

Village Justice Galbreath, noted that Officer Tier also spent 20 years testifying as an expert witness for Justice Galbreath's Cornell University Law students.

Motion: Salton

Second: Robinson

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Friend, Marshall, McMurry, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

4. Justice Court Annual Report: Submitted Report

Mayor Woodard asked why the number of cases has gone down, Chief Steinmetz suggested the police department is being more proactive, and people know not to speed through the Village of Cayuga Heights. The amount of uncollected fees has gone down, there is around \$30,000 over the last 30 years. Court Clerk Kannus also sent out a firm letter requesting delinquent payments, to date the court has recovered about 50%. The acceptance of credit cards has helped reduce the outstanding amounts owed. The Justice report only lists cases once they are closed.

Judge Galbreath will have the Court office and Storage room keys changed.

4. Report of Mayor

Trustee Biloski arrived at 7:34 p.m.

a. Mayor Woodard opens the Public Hearing on the proposed 2018-2019 fiscal year budget at 7:34 p.m.

No members of the public wished to speak.

Mayor Woodard closes the Public Hearing at 7:35 p.m.

Resolution #8211

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves the 2018-2019 fiscal year budget as presented.

Motion: Robinson

Second: Marshall

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Friend, Marshall, McMurry, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions:

Motion Carried

b. Traffic Study:

The Village of Cayuga Heights Planning Board reviewed 7 engineering studies submitted to the Village of Cayuga Heights. Based on those recommendations a sub-committee will invite the 3 firms to conduct a presentation. Trustee Salton inquired about the N. Campus development and Cornell helping with the traffic study. Superintendent of Public Works, B. Cross will ask Cornell University if there is any funding to put towards traffic studies. Trustee Marshall reminded the Board the Cayuga Medical Center Project traffic studies were designed to project impacts not offer a solution.

c. WWTP:

There is a conference call on Wednesday with GHD to discuss financing, grants and Bonding. The first phase, Headworks project will need approval from the Board at next Board of Trustees meeting.

Trustee Robinson updated the Board on the WWTP contract with the management company- Yaws. Over the course of this year the WWTP Committee has been keeping tabs on the Yaws and their management team.

It is the recommendation of the WWTP Committee that we extend the contract for another year without any increase in the monthly rate. The Board will vote on this at next month's Board of Trustees meeting.

d. New Water Rate:

RESOLUTION: 8212

WHEREAS, the Village of Cayuga Heights is served by the Southern Cayuga Lake Intermunicipal Water Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Cayuga Heights has entered into an amended, supplemental, restated, and consolidated agreement of municipal cooperation for construction, financing and operation of an intermunicipal water supply and transmission system dated as of June 5, 1979 as the same has been amended from time to time (the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Agreement, the Village of Cayuga Heights agreed to pay to the Southern Cayuga Lake Intermunicipal Water Commission (hereinafter referred to as "Commission"), water revenues based upon, in part, a water rate billing structure based on a quarterly 5,000 gallon minimum; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has established a flat rate charge of four dollars and ninety-six cents (\$4.96) per 1,000 gallon and a Village surcharge is 101.6% of that which is five dollars and four cents (\$5.04) equaling \$10.00 per 5000 gallons

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees establishes the foregoing rate will be the rate charged for all regular quarterly bills sent after June 1, 2018

Motion: Friend

Second: McMurry

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Friend, Marshall, McMurry, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

e. Sewer Rate:

RESOLUTION: 8213

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves the scheduling a Public Hearing on May 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. to accept comments on the Proposed Local Law to establish new sewer rates of \$2.51/1000 gallons consumed from premises located within the Village and \$3.72/1000 gallons used for treatment of waste water originating from premises located outside the Village.

Motion: Robinson

Second: Salton

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Friend, Marshall, McMurry, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion carried

f. Emerald Ash Borer:

This invasive Beetle has been found in Fall Creek, and kills all types of Ash trees, currently there is no cure and treatment could help delay the destruction. The Fiscal year 2018-2019 Budget has \$1000 to spend on treatment. Treatment involves 2 options, cutting them down or injecting them with an insecticide. The Village has over 100 Ash trees in the Village right away. The City of Ithaca has a contractor who can treat 9 of our selected trees for \$1000.00.

Village residents can also get a reduced price for treatment of Ash Trees on private property

RESOLUTION: 8214

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves Mayor Woodard to sign a contract with Integral Tree and landscape company of Stanfordville, NY to treat 9 Ash Trees (149 inches) at \$6.71 per inch.

Motion: Robinson

Second: Biloski

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Friend, Marshall, McMurry, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion carried

g. Zoning Law Amendment- Certified Mailing Return Receipt Request

RESOLUTION: 8215

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves the scheduling a Public Hearing on May 21, 2018 at 7:05 p.m. to accept comments on the changes to eliminating the certified mail return receipt request required in the current Zoning Law for notification of property owners of a site plan review, subdivision, or variance within 200 feet of the applicant's property.

Motion: Marshall

Second: Friend

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Friend, Marshall, McMurry, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion carried

h. Zoning Law Amendment- number of people allowed to reside in a dwelling in the Multi-Housing Zone

The current Zoning Law is unclear to how many people per bedroom in the multi-housing zone. A two-unit dwelling is already regulated in the residential zone. The key factor with a three-unit dwelling and greater is not restrictive on how many people could occupy the same space.

Attorney Marcus stated, when the discussion of various ways to regulate multi-family dwelling in the multi-family zone, the limit was not clear in the Zoning Draft.

Superintendent of Public Works B. Cross stated, the building code officer perspective are regulated differently, the goal is to make clear to anyone who would like to know how many people can live in a unit in the multi-housing zone. Trustee McMurry stated this approach is different than the original goal to not set the number of people and now we are setting that number. B. Cross stated, there is a potential applicant who had a plan for a particular property in the Village, 306 Highland for a 2-unit dwelling with one common living area and kitchen and many bedrooms. Trustee McMurry stated how is that different from a Boarding House or Rooming House, and that is covered in the current Zoning Law. B. Cross stated, the building code doesn't specifically cover bedroom spaces being shared and no limit on occupants in a unit. The new language states there cannot be more than 4 bedrooms per unit.

RESOLUTION: 8216

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves the scheduling a Public Hearing on May 21, 2018 at 7:10 p.m. to accept comments on changing the language to clarify the number of bedrooms per dwelling in the multi-housing zone.

Motion: McMurry

Second: Marshall

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Friend, Marshall, McMurry, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion carried

i. Chickens: Mayor Woodard would like to allow chickens to have daily free range within a fenced yard. Neighbors would have the ability to agree or disagree with daily free range. No one wants to see chickens in the street. Fencing is allowed up to 4-foot-high in the back yard only. Trustee Salton would like to see a final version of the proposed chicken law at the next Board of Trustee meeting.

5. Report of the Trustees

b. Trustee McMurry is asking for the fee to be waived for the Cayuga Heights Elementary PTA- Bike to School Day.

RESOLUTION: 8217

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees waives the special event permit fee for the bike to school day on June 1, 2018 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Motion: Salton

Second: Biloski

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Friend, Marshall, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: McMurry

Motion carried

c. Bicycle Law: Currently you cannot ride a bicycle on an Village sidewalk, a proposed local law would allow anyone 12 and under to ride on the sidewalk.

RESOLUTION: 8218

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves the scheduling a Public Hearing on May 21, 2018 at 7:15 p.m. to accept comments on the proposed riding on sidewalks law.

Motion: Biloski

Second: Marshall

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Friend, Marshall, McMurry, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions:

Motion carried

6. Report of Police Chief Steinmetz

Cayuga Heights Police Dept. will have a bike and safety class before the event.

- a. Tahoe purchase was covered at last month meeting
- b. Explorer Auction results were lower than expected, but still is worth accepting the settlement.

RESOLUTION: 8219

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves Mayor Woodard to sign the Teitsworth Inc. auction settlement price of \$8600.00 for the 2013 Ford Explorer Vin # 1FM5K8ARXDGC92051

Motion: Salton

Second: Friend

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Friend, Marshall, McMurry, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions:

Motion carried

Mayor Woodard informed the Board the Police Contract is in the final stages of negotiations

7. Report of Engineer Cross

Village Hall Gutter quote were around \$60,000 and he will keep looking

GHD will be conducting the I&I study this coming Thursday.

8. Report of ASPW Wiese

Drainage issues will be the main focus of the D.P.W. for the next few weeks. MATCO will need to come and install a disconnect switch in order to prevent the Air Compressor from stopping the back-up electric generator for the building.

Seneca Paving Company gave us a better price for Triphammer Rd. and we accepted the quote. Paving should start in May.

9. Report of the Treasurer

RESOLUTION: 8221

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves Abstract #11 for FYE2018 consisting of TA vouchers 113-121 in the amount of \$17,425.11 and Consolidated Fund vouchers 790-876 in the amount of \$227,838.41 and the Treasurer is instructed to make payments thereon.

Motion: Robinson

Second: Friend

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Friend, Marshall, McMurry, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions:

Motion carried

10. Report of the Clerk Walker: The Transition with Deputy Clerk Johnson has been going well. Clerk Walker is continuing to renegotiate with vendors and prepare for the fiscal year end.

Meeting adjourns at 10.00 p.m.

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