

**REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 20, 2006**

The Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was held on December 20, 2006 at Watts dePeyster Hall. Called to order at 6:07pm.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Mayor Molinaro, Deputy Mayor Cordier, Trustees Staffiero, Hogan and Cranna

Public: Christine Chale (Village Attorney), Harold Ramsey, Susan Davis, Thomas Crisci Sr., Amanda Simmons, Cheryl Hilbrandt, Mona Herman, Hildegard Edling, and Susan Ezrati

Tonight is Mayor Molinaro's last meeting as Mayor of the Village of Tivoli. He thanked the Board for the exceptional work they have done.

The November 15, 2006 Regular Meeting Minutes were approved on a motion by Deputy Mayor Cordier, seconded by Trustee Hogan, all in favor. Mona Herman requested that on page 3, her comments in the Public Comment section, be changed. On a motion by Deputy Mayor Cordier, seconded by Trustee Cranna, the Board approved removing the last sentence of Ms. Herman's comments on page 3, giving the Board the opportunity to review the tape of the meeting and if they wish, making changes at a later date, all in favor.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Cordier, the Board received the December 1, 2006 Water/sewer Report in the amount of \$60,564.67, seconded by Trustee Hogan, all in favor.

The Clerk reported the following:

- 1) Holiday office hours-Closed December 25 and 26, 2006 and January 1, 2007. Garbage collection will be Wednesday, December 27th and Tuesday, January 2nd.
- 2) Independent Nominating petitions will be available January 2, 2007. The mayor and two trustee positions are up in March.

Treasurer's Report:

The bills for Abstract #7 (292-338) in the amount of \$64,683.34 were approved to be paid on a motion by Deputy Mayor Cordier, seconded by Trustee Cranna, all in favor.

The December 20, 2006 Treasurer's Report was received on a motion by Trustee Hogan, seconded by Trustee Cranna, all in favor.

The ZEO December 18, 2006 Report was submitted (see attached).

Mayor Molinaro reported the following:

- 1) Michael Hayes submitted his resignation as an alternate on The Zoning Board of Appeals. Laura Gail Tyler would like to replace Mr. Hayes on the ZBA but she is currently an alternate on the Planning Board and she must resign from that position first.
- 2) On a motion by Deputy Mayor Cordier, the Board approved the one bid received for towing from H&N of Milan, once verification of insurance is received, seconded by Trustee Staffiero, all in favor.
- 3) The Estuary Resolution was withdrawn because it needs a specific project to determine the SEQR procedure.
- 4) A payment for the old Village Hall windows from Roger Hoffman.
- 5) The foreman and laborer were hired at reduced pay rate with a pay raise after a satisfactory six month evaluation. On a motion by Deputy Mayor Cordier, the Board approved \$16.00 per hour for the foreman and \$13.80 per hour for the laborer, seconded by Trustee Cranna, all in favor.
- 6) The Architectural Review Committee is recommending a six month building moratorium. A presentation will be made at the January 17, 2007 meeting and a public hearing will be scheduled for a later date.
- 7) Mayor Molinaro has submitted his letter of resignation effective December 31, 2006. Mayor Molinaro is resigning as mayor to become Assemblyman Molinaro.
- 8) Deputy Mayor Cordier will be Acting Mayor as of January 1st. A Special Meeting will be held January 3, 2007 at 6pm to consider appointment of new mayor.
- 9) The next Regular Meeting will be held Wednesday, January 17, 2007 at 7pm. Workshop at 6:30pm.

Deputy Mayor Cordier reported the following:

- 1) The beaver's at the well site have not rebuilt the dam
- 2) Recycling with Red Hook is going well
- 3) Deputy Mayor Cordier accompanied a bank officer from Rhinebeck Savings Bank on an inspection of the ATM lights and they meet the minimum requirements for lighting, per New York State Banking Laws, which override Village Law.
- 4) The Planning Board Meeting with Pump Audio had to be rescheduled.

Trustee Staffiero reported the following:

- 1) The dinner the Mason's sponsored to benefit the fire department went well.
- 2) The fire department Christmas party was a great success.

Trustee Hogan reported the following:

- 1) November Court Report (on file in the village office)
- 2) She wishes Marc well

Trustee Cranna reported the following:

- 1) The Winterfest went well thanks to the DPW, fire department, Recreation Committee and volunteers.
- 2) Provoost Park is seeking board members. If interested contact him.
- 3) He will be leaving his job as Assistant to the Legislature Chair to become Deputy County Clerk.
- 4) He wishes Mayor Molinaro well.

Public Comment:

Mona Herman-Spoke about the Article 78 proceedings against the Village.

Tom Crisci-Commented on how the law suit has affected the Village.

Harold Ramsey, Hildegard Edling, Cheryl Hilbrandt, Susan Davis and Deputy Mayor Cordier thanked Mayor Molinaro for all he has done and said he'd be missed.

Mayor Molinaro said he is grateful to the entire Village. He wanted to address one concern. He always felt he put the Village ahead of his own interests. He wishes he could leave a more sound budget. The WIFI contract will cease before the lawsuit is settled. The Village had the right to defend its rights.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie A. Ramsey
Village Clerk