

MEETING
VILLAGE OF TIVOLI BOARD
APRIL 15, 2009

A meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, April 15, 2009 at Watts dePeyster Hall. The meeting of the Board was called at 8:00 p.m. after the conclusion of a Public Hearing from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm on the proposed annual Village budget.

Present: Mayor Cordier, Trustees Cranna, Ezrati, Leedy and Manna.

Public:

Mayor Cordier called the meeting to order at 8 p.m. The mayor asked all present to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Following the Pledge, the mayor presented the minutes of the March 19, 2009 Board Meeting. Trustee Leedy moved to approve the minutes and Trustee Cranna seconded the motion. After a brief review of the minutes the Mayor called for a vote. The minutes were approved unanimously by voice vote. The mayor noted that a Board meeting also occurred during the Board workshop on Wednesday, April 8, 2009 for the purpose of considering a Board resolution to call for bids on the sewer reclamation project. The minutes of this meeting were presented. Trustee Cranna moved their approval, Trustee Ezrati seconded the motion. A brief discussion followed. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

The mayor then presented the Treasurer's report, including venter balance summary abstract #11 and expenses by Fund, Abstract #11. He asked for a motion to pay the current Village bills. Trustee Cranna moved that the bills be paid as presented and Trustee Leedy seconded the motion. A discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. The mayor then presented the balance of the Treasurer's report, including transactions by account and the Budget to Actual balances for the FY through April 15, 2009. The Treasurer did not provide a report on Cash Balances. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report by Trustee Cranna and was seconded by Trustee Ezrati. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

No Zoning Report was presented.

The mayor updated the Board on the status of Panda. A brief discussion followed.

The mayor introduced a proposed inter-municipal agreement (IMA) with the Town of Red Hook. The IMA had been initiated by the Town of Red Hook for the purpose of shared zoning enforcement services. A discussion of the cost savings and services provided under the IMA followed. Trustee Cranna moved Resolution #6-2009, dated April 15, 2009 entitled, "Resolution authorizing the execution of an Intermunicipal Agreement regarding Building Department Service Agreement between the Town of Red Hook and the Village of Tivoli." Trustee Leedy seconded the motion. A discussion followed concerning the coverage of the agreement, the potential cost-saving and the

termination clause, should the process not work as anticipated. The motion was called. The resolution passed unanimously on a voice vote.

The mayor then introduced Resolution #7-2009, entitled "Amending Water and Sewer Rate Schedule". He asked Trustee Leedy to speak to the resolution. Trustee Leedy noted that the State Comptroller's Audit indicated that the Village Water and Sewer Funds were indebted to the General Fund. Board investigations into these deficits found that the rents on water and sewer were insufficient to meet the normal operating costs incurred by these funds and the debt servicing requirements that resulted from necessary capital improvements, including the Wellmarc Wells and overages from the installation of the reed beds. Trustee Leedy recommended the resolution which calls for a 20% increase in the Water and Sewer rents. A discussion followed. Trustee Ezrati moved the approval of the resolution, Trustee Cranna seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously on a voice vote.

The mayor introduced Resolution #8-2009, which recommends that the Village apply for DWSRF assistance under the "Safe Drinking Water Act", to finance a program of improvements in the Village Water System. Trustee Ezrati elaborated on the purpose of the application, indicating that it was necessary, among other things, in order to access Federal and State funds to finance the amortization of the Water Fund debt created by the creation of the Wellmarc Wells in 2005-6. Trustee Ezrati moved that the resolution be approved. Trustee Cranna seconded the resolution. Discussion followed. The resolution was approved by a unanimous voice vote of the Trustees.

Mayor Cordier reported on the Request for Proposal for Sewer plant repairs of damage incurred during the December 12, 2009 ice storm. He noted that 14 firms had requested the specifications for the bid so far. The bid information meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2009. The Bid opening will occur on April 24, 2009.

Mayor Cordier spoke of efforts that are underway to identify grants to meet additional Fire Company spending needs. He also announced an "E-Waste" disposal program on April 24, 25 and 26th at the Dutchess Co. Fairgrounds. Companies are to be served on April 24th and the public is invited to bring electronic goods for disposal on the following Saturday (25th) and Sunday (26th). A fee of \$10 will be charged per vehicle, in addition to a net \$6 admission charge.

Mayor Cordier announced that the next Board meeting is to take place at 7pm (workshop at 6pm) at Watts dePeyster Hall on May 20, 2009.

Committee reports from Trustee Cranna, Manna, Leedy and Ezrati followed. Trustee Cranna reported on the success of the Easter Egg Hunt on the Saturday before Easter. He thanked the Fire company for their participation in the event. He also reported on a meeting with the Dean of Bard College concerning Landlord relations. He noted that May 6th there would be a program sponsored by Cornell on "Greening your Village" and on May 14th a program was scheduled for seniors. He said that he and the mayor had raised the flag for the Quadricentennial Celebration of Henry Hudson's sail up the Hudson

River. He reported on the Fire Co.'s annual awards dinner on April 4th as well as their Pancake breakfast on March 31st. Finally, he informed the meeting that while the Federal government had recognized the state of emergency for NY State for the events on December 12, 2008, Dutchess Co. had been carved out of the program. The mayor introduced Trustee Manna and noted that he would be covering the areas of Emergency services, Streets and Sidewalks and DPW activities. Trustee Leedy gave the Court report and the Well report. Trustee Ezrati reported that she had met with the Town of Red Hook and the Village of Red Hook to review the Length of Service Award Program for the Fire Department. She noted that the program will continue for an additional year and that the Town and two villages will be meeting semi-annually to review the program.

The mayor announced that the Village Reorganization meeting would take place on April 29, 2009 at 7 p.m. The meeting was opened for public comment. Discussion of the Water and Sewer fund increases, the budget and the Intermunicipal Agreement followed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Ezrati,
Secretary Pro-Tem