

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF ANGELICA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

AUGUST 17, 2009

HELD AT THE ANGELICA GRANGE

BOARD PRESENT-CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Robin Robbins, Trustees; Dean Scholes, Roger Baker, John Schuler, William Weaver

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Kevin Demick, James Brownell, Elwyn Gordon and Karen Herdman

VISITORS PRESENT: Robert Jones, Don Case, Mike Burke, Girard Kelly, Bob Budinger and Dave Haggstrom @7:15pm

Mayor Robbins called the regular meeting to order at 7:04pm.

Trustee Scholes motioned to waive the reading of the minutes from the July 20, 2009 meeting – second Trustee Baker – Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye

Trustee Baker motioned to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on July 20, 2009 as submitted – second Trustee Schuler - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye

EMPLOYEES REPORTS

Kevin Demick – Streets Department

- **Past Month's Work** – Town Hill Road mostly done – shoulders next week then chip seal Sept 2nd – Chip Sealed – Elizabeth Street and part of Railroad Avenue – Hot Mix Patched – part of Railroad Avenue and road to Saw Mill – Shoulders should be done sometime this week; worked on minor flood and wind damage from recent storms
- Mayor advised that the village has again received a bill from Allegany County for repairs done on the West Main Street culvert – Kevin will contact County to reconify the situation.
- Mayor Robbins checked on status of work to be done on Daniel Green's property – want time frame when work can be completed to let property owners know – After discussion it was decided that if the streets department can't complete the work within a week the village will hire an outside contractor to complete the job.

Elwyn Gordon – Electric Department

- Nothing to report this month.

James Brownell – Water/Electric Department

- **Water Department** – Water Project – meeting with Chatfield on the 20th of August
- The 22nd of July took a lightning hit at the spring and reservoir – it is up and running now – had to have a couple of service calls to repair damage (panel to generation and computer system) – submitted to insurance company, have a \$1,000 deductible. Will have total cost figure next month
- Chris Baker worked last week for Water Department – worked on blow offs, hydrants, valves, and mowed at reservoir
- Water Meetings – Wednesday, August 19th in Corning recommends Chris Baker attend – and September 16th in Hammondsport recommends Chris Baker and Larry Burrows attend – Board approves Chris Baker and James Brownell to attend on August 19th at no cost and Chris and Larry and Jim both to attend on September 16th at \$25.00 each.
- **Electric Department** –
- **Past Month's Work** – Constructed 2 new services – Yeaples and Craig Hutchison – repair storm damage at Doris Tucker's, Heaney's, Hooker's and Jacob Hill Road - Insulator at substation had to be repaired during fair week – did line repairs and tree work in Park Circle
- Don and Karen Ash service on Town Hill Road needs to be replaced – approximate cost \$3,000 – service goes over pond
- Substation – need to get some work done in the substation and received the follow quotes from O'Connell Electric Company – Test and troubleshoot one 35KV recloser - \$1,928.00; Test one 3750KVA transformer - \$4,736.00; Test 3-500KVA Transformers - \$7,054.00
- Test and Troubleshoot the 35KV recloser would like to get done ASAP – recommends getting a second quote for the testing of the transformers – came in a little high – problem is trying to find someone to test the LTC's – SD Myers use to but does not any longer – was hoping to have the tests done during the week of September 8th as the Saw Mill will be closed for that week – Board advised to talk to other municipalities to see who does their substation work and get another quote and they will discuss at the meeting on August 20th.
- Will research the procedure to sell surplus scrap.

Police Department – Submitted monthly report

Justice Report – Submitted monthly report (\$5360)

Clerk Report – Submitted monthly financial report and August 2009 Shut-off Notice – Board asked Clerk to get the forms needed to file small claims against Richard Forkey

FD Report – Submitted monthly report

Code Enforcement Report – a report will be submitted from the Clerk's office starting next month

PUBLIC COMMENT

EAST END MARKET – DRAINAGE ISSUES – Checking on status of drainage problem at business – Street Supervisor suggest talking to the fair board to divert their water somewhere else – The pipe is the village by East End Market but not capable of handling all the water that comes from the fair – After discussion it was decided to have the streets department clean the bank off and blow the debris out of the pipe for now – The village board will send a letter to the Fair Board.

JUSTICE/POLICE DEPARTMENT SECURITY BUTTON – Supervisor, Robert Jones submitted the quote from Austin Securities for panic buttons installed in the court room and police department – advised board that he is looking into other options – want service local.

OLD BUSINESS

CODE ENFORCEMENT LOCAL LAW ON SET BACKS – After hearing Code Enforcement Officer, Clair Beeman explain the reason of the Local Law on Set Backs at the July 20, 2009 meeting it was brought to vote to pursue this local law or not.

Trustee Baker motioned that it is not in the best interest of the village to adopt a local law on setbacks at this time – second Trustee Weaver - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye

SAFETY INSPECTION FEES – In the budget for 2003-2004 the village started billing \$30 for Business Inspections/Place of Assembly to help keep the tax rate down – the village is the only municipality under the shared program that bills for these services.

Trustee Scholes motioned to stop billing for Business and Place of Assembly fees effective November 1, 2009 – second Trustee Schuler - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye

SIDEWALKS – Mayor Robbins submitted pictures of hazard areas on East and West Main Street and Olean. Street Supervisor submitted sidewalk specs. Mayors suggests using bendable forms around tree roots or popping the block out and use a different material to fill in area that tree roots will continue to cause problems. Street Supervisor will get a quote from D&G with the following:

Village: Pull Blocks, supply base material, back fill and top soil and seed and village will order concrete

Contractor: Supply equipment and level base material, supply forms – (Mayor Robbins has access to bendable forms if needed) – remove forms. Sidewalk will be 4 ½ feet wide, 5 inches thick using fiber 4,000 pound mix - driveway depth will be 6 inches in depth or must meet board approval.

Once quote is received the Street Supervisor will schedule work to be done at Maurice Hannon's, Shawn Grusendorf's and Tim Hand's.

NEW BUSINESS

AUDIT FIRM – The clerk submitted three quotes – they are as follows:

Toski, Schaefer & Co., P.C.	\$5,300 to \$6,500, not to exceed the latter amount
Freed Maxick & Battaglia, CPA's PC	\$6,850 with out of pocket expenses not to exceed \$500
Eldredge, Fox & Porretti, LLP	\$23,000

Trustee Baker motioned to hire Freed Maxick & Battaglia, CPA's PC to audit the village's June 1, 2008 – May 31, 2009 financials based on experiences listed with clients with Municipal Electric – second Trustee Scholes - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye

EMPIRE ZONE – 2010 Annual Empire Zone contract was submitted – Trustee Scholes motioned to approve the Mayor to sign the 2010 Empire Zone Contract – second Trustee Schuler - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye

CHRIS GEOPNER PROPERTY ISSUES – A meeting was requested by Mr. Geoppner's attorney to discuss property issues – the board will tentatively schedule this for September 21, 2009 regular board meeting if all parties schedules allow.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE – 44 MECHANIC STREET – Many complaints have been submitted regarding the lawn at 44 Mechanic Street – The lawn has not been mowed in the required time frame set by local law therefore the board will hire someone to mow the property at 44 Mechanic Street and bill the property owner. Kevin will remove the remains of the pool liner at property to prevent mosquitoes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Trustee Baker motioned to enter executive session to discuss personnel issues at 9:34pm – second Trustee Scholes - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye

Trustee Baker motioned to exit executive session at 10:01pm – second Trustee Weaver - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye

O’CONNELL ELECTRIC COMPANY – Trustee Baker motioned to hire O’Connell Electric Company to test and troubleshoot one 35KV recloser for \$1,928.00 – second Trustee Weaver - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye

CORRESPONDENCES

- Jack Brown of Almond submitted letters to village regarding ownership of property at 144 West Main Street

CLAIMS

Trustee Schuler motioned to approve the **general fund** claims in the amount of **\$56,018.72** – second Trustee Weaver - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye – carried.

Trustee Schuler motioned to approve the **electric fund** claims in the amount of **\$33,511.48** – second Trustee Baker - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye – carried.

Trustee Baker motioned to approve the **water fund** claims in the amount of **\$5,696.73** – second Trustee Schuler - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye – carried.

Trustee Scholes motioned to approve the **joint activity** claims in the amount of **\$620.38** – second Trustee Weaver - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye – carried.

Trustee Baker motioned to approve the **electric project** claims in the amount of **\$3,963.57** – second Trustee Schuler - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye – carried.

Trustee Weaver motioned to approve the **water project** claims in the amount of **\$9,192.90** – second Trustee Schuler - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye – carried.

Trustee Baker motioned to approve the **trust and agency** claims in the amount of **\$130.00** – second Trustee Scholes - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye – carried.

With no further business to discuss Trustee Scholes motioned to adjourn at 10:02pm – second Trustee Baker - Robbins-Aye, Scholes-Aye, Baker-Aye, Schuler-Aye, Weaver-Aye – carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen E. Herdman
Clerk-Treasurer