

Village of Rhinebeck
Regular Monthly Board Meeting
Tuesday March 10, 2015
7:00 PM Village Hall

Present: Mayor Heath Tortarella, Deputy Mayor Howard Traudt, Trustees Scott Cruikshank, Heinz Sauer, Trustee Gary Kenton and Village Clerk Patricia Coon, numerous Town of Rhinebeck residents.

Mayor Tortarella opened the meeting at 7:04 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Tortarella welcomed everyone to the Village Board Meeting..

County Legislator Joel Tyner reported on various topics that he is involved with at the county legislature. Mr. Tyner reported the Repair Café V would be held Saturday March 28, 2015 at the Rhinebeck Town Hall from 12-4. He is hosting a free screening of a movie produced by Danny Glover, John Legend Brad Pitt and Russell Simmons Wed. March 11 at 5:30pm at the town hall. Mr. Tyner also reported that Animal Protection is on the agenda to be passed at the Legislature hopefully in the next month or so, and he thanked Trustee Cruikshank for bringing it to his attention and helping with this. Mr. Tyner attended a hearing on the proposed Central Hudson rate hike and urged residents to let the NYS Dept. of Public service know how they feel.

Fire Hydrants- Mayor Tortarella dispensed with the regular order of the meeting to address the numerous Town of Rhinebeck residents who were in attendance. Mayor Tortarella gave a brief synopsis of the water department and the fire hydrants which the Town has paid for since 1955. Mayor Tortarella then gave a report of the status of the hydrants and the amount paid and not paid. A copy of this report is on file. Several residents asked to address the Board.

Ronald Whitmont of 6250 Route 9 questioned the status of the hydrants if the Town did not pay, and if they would be removed.

Marvin Lidski of 304 Route 308 asked for the contact information for the Town of Rhinebeck Supervisor. He asked the cost for removal of each hydrant.

Mark VanDeCarr of 6244 Route 9 South stated he was embarrassed and upset and will let the Town know about this.

Oliver Silver- Beekman Arms Representative stated he shared the sentiments of the previous residents.

With no further public comment, Mayor Tortarella resumed the regular meeting.

Treasurer's report- Mayor Tortarella read the report as submitted by Treasurer Karen McLaughlin. The complete report is on file in the Clerk's office. The Board will hold Budget Workshop on March 11, 17 and March 27. Mayor Tortarella made a motion to hold a public hearing on the proposed 2015-2016 budget and tax cap over-ride on April 7, 2015 at 7:00 pm. Trustee Sauer second the motion and all the Board present was in favor. Mayor Tortarella made a motion to reschedule the regular April meeting to April 7, 2015 at 7:00pm for the Reorganization meeting and the regular meeting. Trustee Cruikshank second the motion and all the Board present was in favor. Mayor Tortarella reminded the public that the Village Elections will be on Wed. March 18, 2015 from 12:00 noon until 9:00 at the Rhinebeck Town Hall, 80 East Market Street.

Water Department- Trustee Sauer reported Stantec Engineering will be responding to him in regards to engineering for the entire village. Trustee Sauer will be attending a community economic development seminar on March 18, 2015 in Hudson, NY.

Trustee Sauer reported that he had requested quotes from Springbrook for water and waste water department billing software including on line auto payment software. The complete report is on file in the Clerk's office.

Wastewater Department- Trustee Kenton reported on the results from the Company who audited the plant services. Trustee Kenton reported on their recommendations. Trustee Kenton discussed the capacity of the plant and that the audit too into consideration the proposed Phase III Gardens and other development. Trustee Kenton stated all proposed developments were considered. Discussion on a cover for the influent pit and having an engineer plan for a cover allowing year wide coverage and making sure it will be vented properly. The complete report is on file in the Clerk's office.

Fire Department- Trustee Cruikshank thanked the Fire Department for the time and effort put into working on the Budget. Trustee Cruikshank reported the following calls during the month of February:

| <i>Feb.2015</i> | <i>TOWN</i> | <i>VILLAG</i> | | <i>Misc.</i> | |
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| | | <i>E</i> | | <i>MA</i> | <i>M/T</i> |
| EMS | 20 | 30 | | 4 | 54 |
| FIRE | 5 | 8 | | 5 | 18 |
| MVA | 4 | 1 | | 0 | 5 |
| TOTAL | 29 | 39 | | 9 | 77 |

The complete report is on file in the Clerk's office.

Street Department- Deputy Mayor Traudt reported on complaints received in regards to the time of day for snow removal. Mayor Tortarella discussed calls he had received as well. Trustee Cruikshank discussed sidewalks being removed by property owners on South Parsonage Street. Deputy Mayor Traudt will discuss with Street Department Foreman Mike Wolff the crosswalk on Knollwood Rd. and placing signs at this location. Trustee Saurer discussed the road heaving on South Parsonage Street and North Park as well as Rockefeller. Deputy Mayor Traudt responded that the department has to wait until the frost is out of the ground to see the condition of the road and the possible CHIPS money available. The complete report is on file in the Clerk's office.

Dr. Louis Tumolo gave a presentation to the Board in regards to the crosswalk flags discussed several months ago. Dr. Tumolo displayed a prototype of the flags. The Board discussed on where to place the flags. Prototypes will be placed in the proximity of the crosswalk on Montgomery Street near Terrapin approximately the middle of April.

Tree Commission- Deputy Mayor Traudt reported Brian DelPizzo has resigned and he thanked him for all the work he did for the commission. Deputy Mayor Traudt reported that now there is a need for another tree commission member and any interested parties should contact the Village Clerk. Deputy Mayor Traudt reported that the spring tree planting will be on April 26, 2015 and the Tree Commission is looking for volunteers. Deputy Mayor Traudt made a motion to declare Friday April 24, 2015 Arbor Day in the Village of Rhinebeck. Trustee Cruikshank second the motion all the Board present was in favor. He reported that the Village of Rhinebeck was Tree City USA for the 4th or 5th year. The complete report is on file in the Clerk's office.

Planning & Zoning- Trustee Cruikshank reported on the draft on the Zoning Commission revisions to the Village of Rhinebeck's Zoning Code are almost completed after the revisions are completed. It is thought that in the next 4-6 weeks a public hearing could be held to approve the revisions to the Village Zoning Code. The complete report is on file in the Clerk's office.

Police & Court- Mayor Tortarella reported on the February Summary:

Total # of Incidents – Town:21; Total # of Incidents- Village: 95; Total # of Tickets – Town: 9 ; Total # of Tickets – Village:101 ; Total # of Arrests: 2 ; Total # of Accidents: 6 . Mayor Tortarella reported that the Annual Landsman Kill Fish Stocking event will take place on 4/11/15. This event will require the entire police fleet. The Taste of Rhinebeck event will take place on 4/14/15. We will schedule extra patrols for that detail. The complete report is on file in the Clerk’s office.

Special Requests-

1. Fall Foliage Half marathon- Mayor Tortarella made a motion to approve the Fall Foliage Half marathon to be held on October 11, 2015 from 7:00am to 2:00pm. Trustee Cruikshank second the motion and all the Board present was in favor.
2. Dutchess County Agricultural Society Mulberry Street closure- Mayor Tortarella made a motion to approve road closure request as submitted. Trustee Cruikshank second the motion and all the Board present was in favor.
3. The Center for Performing Arts four pole banner sign request- Mayor Tortarella made a motion to approve banner request as submitted. Trustee Sauer second the motion and all the Board present was in favor.
4. Boy Scout Troop 128 Eagle Court of Honor- Mayor Tortarella made a motion to approve Rhinebeck Village Hall use request as submitted. Deputy Mayor Traudt second the motion and all the Board present was in favor.
5. NAMI Ribbon Anti-Stigma awareness campaign-Mayor Tortarella discussed the request from NAMI to place ribbons in the Village of Rhinebeck. Mayor Tortarella asked the Board for their voted in proceeding with this request. Trustee Kenton-yes, Trustee Sauer- No, Trustee Cruikshank-No, Deputy Mayor Traudt- No. Mayor Tortarella reported request denied.
6. Parkinson’s Awareness Month Proclamation- Mayor Tortarella made a motion to make April Parkinson’s Awareness Month. Trustee Kenton second the motion and all the Board present was in favor.

Water & Sewer Adjustments

| February 2015 Waste Water Adjustment | | | | |
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| Waste Water | | | | |
| Acct # | DM (balance) | CM | Difference | Reason |
| 40139 | 25.00 | | \$25.00 | new owner |
| 40137 | 25.00 | | \$25.00 | new owner |
| 40139 | 44.31 | | \$44.31 | final |
| 40137 | 145.60 | | \$145.60 | final |
| 40021 | | -39.24 | -\$39.24 | removal of penalty |
| February 2015 Water Adjustment | | | | |
| Water | | | | |
| Acct # | DM (balance) | CM | Difference | Reason |
| 40139 | 25.00 | | \$25.00 | new owner |
| 872 | 25.00 | | \$25.00 | new owner |
| 21131 | 25.00 | | \$25.00 | new owner |
| 899 | 25.00 | | \$25.00 | new owner |
| 680 | 25.00 | | \$25.00 | new owner |
| 40137 | 25.00 | | \$25.00 | new owner |
| 40139 | 16.80 | | \$16.80 | final |

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| 872 | 49.20 | | \$49.20 | final |
| 21131 | 10.00 | | \$10.00 | final |
| 899 | 60.60 | | \$60.60 | final |
| 680 | 10.40 | | \$10.40 | final |
| 88 | 168.55 | | \$168.55 | final |
| 40137 | 55.80 | | \$55.80 | final |
| 21472 | 2,779.80 | | \$2,779.80 | adj. posted twice |
| 11400 | | -109.75 | -\$109.75 | payment applied to wrong account |
| 40081 | 99.77 | | \$99.77 | payment applied to wrong account |
| 40021 | | -30.40 | \$30.40 | removal of penalty |

Motion to accept the adjustments as submitted made by Trustee Sauer and second by Trustee Kenton and all the Board present was in favor.

Correspondence- Discussion on the Tree Commission and the Village of Rhinebeck's policy for the property owner to pay 50% of the tree pruning and or removal costs. The Board discussed having the customer solicit the bids, with the Village of Rhinebeck having the approval of award.

Minutes approval – Mayor Tortarella made a motion to accept the following minutes as submitted: Feb. 5, 2015, Feb. 10, 2015, Feb. 18, 2015. Motion was second by Trustee Sauer all the board present was in favor.

Motion to adjourn at 8:21pm made by Mayor Tortarella second by Trustee Cruikshank all the board present was in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia D. Coon
Clerk