

RUSHVILLE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
February 11, 2013

TIME: 7:00 PM

PLACE: Rushville Village Hall

PRESENT: Mayor Jon Bagley

Trustees David Field, Timothy Jabaut, Chuck Elwell and John Sawers

ABSENT: None

ATTENDANCE: Art Rilands, Dodie Baker, Mike Pierre, Tom Bay, Jim Rice,
Don Clark, Todd Conaway, Matt & Brandi Parsell

RE: Calling the Meeting to Order

Mayor Bagley called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:03pm.

RE: Minutes

A motion was made by Trustee Jabaut and seconded by Trustee Field to adopt the minutes from the regular monthly meeting held on January 14, 2012 as printed. Unanimously carried.

RE: Tom Bay – Water Usage.

Tom Bay says he has rights to water for livestock and “us” for himself and future owners from said pipeline. He brought copies of his easement, which was copied for review. Bay’s attorney will be in contact with Village attorney to settle issue. The Board has just begun looking for easements and will be in touch with the Bays. We still have a few months to resolve issue before the new water system is operational.

Bay also said Jerry Lazarus put in curb-stops and meters, and does not know why they are there or why he should need to fix them. Don Clark said he used meters and they were there before him. There is also a corrugated pipe Bay says he did not put in and he also feels he should not have pay to fix these either.

Discussion took place regarding the history of the water line. It was shared that Howard Keeney put in a waterline that is on the Bay’s property and the Wilsons paid for it. Wilsons do not own any livestock but still get water. It was noted the Wilsons pay for their water usage. Mayor Bagley commented that Bays water usage is unusually high, 75,000 gallons average per quarter and Tom said he could believe that.

Discussion on who owned waterline before the Village used it and when original and new waterline was installed. The original easement was for a 4” cast iron line on the Winters & Powell’s easement. Tom Bay said this line was replaced in 1949 and Village began supplying water in 1950.

Milton Johncox put in the water line from Main to Harold Johncox. Bay has fixed it over the years. With installation of the new plant, the water quality will be improved but Bay said water has been fine for 50 years and that he does not think the new project will change anything. He stated that he has not always had access to water but that that he has not complained about it as others have.

Mayor Bagley stated the Village would be in contact the Bays and will review the terms of the easements.

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7:17 PM: Tom Bay left meeting

RE: Public Works Supervisor – Art Rilands

A copy of this report is on file with these minutes.

Reported sewer flows are high. The beds are handling the flows so far but things will get worse in spring.

RE: Fire Department

A copy of this report is on file with these minutes.

Fire Department is working on selling the old brush truck and a buying new F350 crew cab.

RE: Reading Center Director – Dodie Baker

A copy of this report is on file with these minutes.

Trying different programs such as “a blind date with a book” to get kids interested.

RE: Code Enforcement Officer – Reggie O’Hearn

No report provided.

Mayor Bagley shared that the only project currently underway for Reggie is a garage at 87 South Main Street, Jody Payne.

RE: Safe Routes to School Resolution

A motion was made by Trustee Sawers and seconded by Trustee Elwell to authorize Mayor Bagley to execute all necessary agreements with the New York State Department of Transportation in relation to the Safe Routes to School sidewalk grant program. Unanimously carried.

A copy of this resolution in full is attached to these minutes.

It was noted that Bruce St. Lawrence will also be doing in-house engineering as well as working as site inspector for the Safe Routes to School project.

RE: Deputy Registrar

Motion made by Trustee Field and seconded by Trustee Elwell to appoint Laura Fleig as Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics for the Village of Rushville. Unanimously carried.

RE: Budget Hearing/Organizational Meeting

A motion was made by Trustee Sawers and seconded by Trustee Field to set the budget hearing and annual organizational meeting for April 8th at 6:30pm and 6:45pm, respectively. Unanimously carried.

RE: Water Improvement Project

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Wind-Sun to continue project until end of March and at that time any remaining work will be removed from contract so we have enough time to close out the loan with Rural Development.

RE: Sewer Beds
Tabled.

RE: Tobacco Free Public Locations

Trustee Jabaut suggested several options he had researched including no smoking within 8 feet of public entrances and no smoking in a public park. It was agreed that no smoking at all within a public park was the best option. The Clerk will begin preparation of local laws and samples of already existing local laws will be provided for the next board meeting.

RE: Budget 2013/2014 Prep
Budget was reviewed. There were no questions.

RE: Tax Cap Local Law Override

A motion was made by Trustee Jabaut and seconded by Trustee Field to hold a public hearing for the 2013/2014 fiscal year budget tax cap override local law on March 11, 2013 at 6:45pm. Unanimously carried.

RE: Welcome to Rushville Signs
Tabled.

RE: Firehouse Rental Policy

Tabled. This item will be readdressed when the Clerk returns from maternity leave.

RE: Water Line to School

Art reported that the tank has never worked right in getting unused water returned properly. The Town of Gorham, the school and the Village are physically able to fix the issue but it may not be legal to run water line down County Rd 1. Legal advice would be needed. Mayor Bagley did not think the Village could contribute any actual cash dollars to the project since the area is outside the Village, but the Clerk thought it could if a separate water district was set up, but it didn't seem like there would not be enough houses to make it economical. A meeting among all parties involved will be arranged.

RE: Fire Alarm at Village Barn

Taking into account the recent fire at the Middlesex Town Barns, Art would like SG Security alarm installed at the barn. Benefits of having such alarm were discussed. Art stated that if there was a fire the flames would be through the roof before anyone noticed it. Trustee Jabaut shared that Ontario County just had a

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lower scale system installed through SG Security and it was very affordable. Trustee Jabaut guessed installation would cost about \$600 with an annual maintenance fee of \$200.

RE: Green Street Extension

Jim Rice said that Congregational Church is more than willing to work with Karen Gorton's buyers and provide an easement. It was agreed that that would be the most time-efficient way to go about settling the issue so the buyers can proceed with closing on the house. Discussion took place regarding the Village's responsibility for the unofficial roadway since it has been maintained and plowed for 10 or more years. Jim Rice brought an old survey from the 1930s. It was noted the north boundary of the church property is the county line. The buyers of the property, Matt and Brandi Parsell were present and they shared that their bank is willing to accept an easement. The Clerk will assist in coordinating efforts to resolve the issues. Jim Rice emphasized that the church is more than willing to work with all parties.

RE: Bills

A motion was made by Trustee Field and seconded by Trustee Sawers to authorize payment of the general bills in amount of \$9,563.65, noting \$1,060.00 had already received payment due either to prior authorization or a due date prior to the board meeting.

A motion was made by Trustee Jabaut and seconded by Trustee Sawers to authorize payment of the capital project bills in amount of \$105,612.06. No prior payments were made. Unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Elwell and seconded by Trustee Sawers to authorize payment of the cemetery bills in amount of \$363.79. No prior payments were made. Unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Fields and seconded by Trustee Jabaut to authorize payment of the water bills in amount of \$7,356.64, noting \$97.00 had already received payment due either to prior authorization or a due date prior to the board meeting. Unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Sawers and seconded by Trustee Elwell to authorize payment of the sewer bills in amount of \$2,944.65. No prior payments were made. Unanimously carried.

RE: Meeting Agenda Order Items and Bill List Preparation

Trustee Elwell would like to have bill list on Friday with minutes instead of Monday at board meeting. Motion to adopt this made by Trustee Fields and seconded by Trustee Jabaut.

RE: Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Field and seconded by Trustee Jabaut to adjourn the meeting at 7:58pm. Unanimously carried.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Gruschow
Clerk-Treasurer

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Fleig
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer