

VILLAGE OF TIVOLI
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
May 20, 2015

A meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was held on May 20, 2015 at the Historic Watts DePeyster Hall, Tivoli, NY. Mayor Griffith called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

Present: Mayor Griffith, Deputy Mayor Bruno and Trustee Majer.

Absent: Trustee Ezrati, Trustee Schneider

Public: Thomas Crisci Sr, Jackie Szatko, Margaret Lemon, Karen and David Cleaveland.

The Mayor asked all present at the meeting to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk's report included:

- Sale of 490 trash tags
- Three payrolls
- Attended one Zoning Board of Appeals meeting and one Planning Board workshop
- Water/sewer bills will be mailed on June 1 with a newsletter
- Property tax bills will be mailed on May 21
- Villages offices will be closed on May 25 for Memorial Day

Mayor Griffith will speak at the Memorial Day ceremony at the Red Church Cemetery (on the south side) at 10:00 am on May 25.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Bruno, seconded by Trustee Majer, the Treasurer's Report for Abstract 12, dated May 20 2015, in the amount of \$46,364.34 was approved, all in favor. The Treasurer's Report is posted on the Village's website each month. Trustee Majer moved that the bills be paid as presented and Deputy Mayor Bruno seconded the motion, all in favor.

Zoning Report – Mayor Griffith

- The zoning report is in a new format because there is new software
- A couple of permits were issued
- Incidents:
 - Complaint that the property located on the southwest corner of Route 9G and Broadway has an impromptu driveway onto Broadway
 - Code Enforcement Officer Cole contacted Dutchess County DPW. He stated a letter would be sent to the property owner. Only one driveway is allowed by Dutchess County
 - Friendship Street
 - Complaint from a neighbor that the owner has built a wall between the properties. The inspection shows that the wall is in line with the foundation and is being used as a foundation wall for the front porch repair.
- A home in the Village that was inspected and the building interior was found that it was not fit to be inhabited. Homeowner was ordered to clean the property.

No correspondence was received by the village

Mayor Griffith opened the meeting for public comments on agenda items only. There were no public comments.

Mayor Griffith stated that Chris Garza is the new Tivoli representative for PANDA. The Mayor thanked Dana Weidman for serving as the previous representative.

On a motion by Trustee Majer, seconded by Deputy Mayor Bruno, the 2015/2016 Tax Warrant in the amount of \$450,275 was approved, all in favor.

Mayor Griffith stated that Trustee Ezrati has been appointed as the Emergency Successor in the Village. In the event where the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor are not able to perform their duties, the Emergency Successor is the third person to assume those powers.

Mayor Griffith also stated the Trustee Majer has been appointed to serve as the Village's representative on the Intermunicipal Task Force which was established in 2005. The task force is comprised of the Town and Village of Red Hook and the Village of Tivoli. It was created to implement the content of the 1993 Town of Red Hook plan that had to do with perfecting agricultural based history, historic preservation and zoning. Trustee Majer stated that she attended a meeting:

- Chris and Claudine Klose of Historic Red Hook spoke the possibility of an agricultural and historical district
- Keeping the zoning up to date with the comprehensive plan
- Looks forward to learning more

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Bruno and seconded by Trustee Majer, RESOLUTION 12-2015, BUDGET MODIFICATIONS, dated May 20, 2015, was approved, all in favor. Budget adjustments were made for the village engineer, Red Hook trails grant, CHIPS, park bathrooms, park, playground, streets and source and supply budget lines. The park and park bathroom lines were increased due to \$1,600 worth of vandalism to the bathroom door locks and new infield dirt and playground mulch. The Village's new fiscal year begins June 1, 2015.

The next regular meeting will take place on June 17, 2015 at 7:00pm at the Historic Watts dePeyster Hall. The workshop will be held at 6:00pm before the meeting. There will be a workshop on June 10, 2015 at the Historic Watts DePeyster Hall at 7:00pm.

Trustee Reports:

Deputy Mayor Bruno

- Park
 - Infield dirt was purchased for the ball field
 - Men's softball league spread the dirt
 - Damage from winter storm
 - Lights came down
 - Three telephone poles were donated
 - Fence repairs donated by the men's softball league
 - Dugout repairs completed by the men's softball league
- Playground/Park
 - 70 yards of playground mulch will be spread under the playground equipment
 - Bench in park
 - Shane Digan built last year as part of his Eagle Scout project
 - Shane's court of honor ceremony is this weekend
- Memorial Day ceremony is at the Red Church Cemetery (on the south side) at 10:00 am on May 25.
- Summer Rec Program
 - Program runs June 29 to July 24
 - Applications for positions still being accepted
 - Contact Deputy Mayor Bruno to register for the program

Mayor Griffith

- Water Report
 - Water mains flushed on April 28 and 30
 - Well Report
 - Two water samples taken each month
 - Spring Street and Broadway
 - No violations
 - Testing every month
 - Two different locations are tested monthly –Broadway and North Road
 - Ecoli and coli form
 - Pine Street has a slow value leak which was repaired this morning
- Court Report
 - \$1,698. submitted to the Comptroller's office
 - Violations included overnight parking, DWI and assault

Trustee Ezrati

- Absent

Trustee Schneider

- Absent

Trustee Majer

- Intermunicipal Task Force
 - Met on May 15 at the Town of Red Hook
 - Revised draft zoning amendments to the historic structures in the districts was one of the topics
- Tivoli Library
 - Many ongoing programs
 - May 30 –plant swap here and at the same time at Clermont – Gardening with deer program
 - May 28 – Book and movie club –*To Kill A Mockingbird*
 - June 7 - Opening reception for Clermont's Wordscape event
 - Visit www.tivolilibrary.org for complete calendar
 - Library revitalization project
 - Project is almost done
 - Comfy chairs to be delivered in June
 - New website is up

Mayor Griffith

- Police
 - Patrols have been increased every weekend
 - Noise Violations -police are writing tickets
 - Making progress
 - Speeding – police are writing tickets

- Waterfront
 - Five Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute students gave their final presentation for the project outlined below on May 14 at Village Hall
 - They were made honorary “Tivolians” by the Mayor
 - The final document is on the website, www.tivoliny.org for the public to review
 - Waterfront land was purchased in 2010
 - Waterfront Committee Members:
 - Marty Clarke, Mark Bennett, Barbara Eichin, Bonny Corrado, Kathy Rebillot, Phyllis Palmer, Trustee Ezrati and Deputy Mayor Griffith are members

- Letter was written to eight universities with civil engineering departments describing the village's desire to develop a waterfront park and asked for a student study of the project
 - Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Professor Jack Reilly responded
 - His students are enrolled in the course “ Senior Civil Engineering Capstone Design”
 - Three teams – four to six in each group
 - Team #1 – Structural-geotechnical team
 - Develop a plan for the building project
 - Structural and geotechnical design for one of the facilities
 - Develop a construction plan and prepare a construction cost estimate
 - Team #2 – Transportation team
 - Perform a site design including parking, pedestrian and vehicle circulation
 - Develop a traffic study for the site including appropriate traffic control devices
 - Team # 3- Environmental team
 - Assess drainage and water supply requirements for the site including fire protection
 - Site remediation if necessary
 - Overall environmental assessment
 - The study provided fresh ideas to the village at no cost
 - Preliminary information only
 - Students will visit Tivoli

- Green Committee
 - There are new plantings at the four corners – hopes to plant on Pine Street and under the Memorial Park sign
 - New chairperson is Mara Ranville – it is a one year term
 - Meet at Village Hall at 1:00 pm
 - Hopes that Bard students will help also

- Tivoli Community Day in the park is August 8
 - Potluck
 - Music

Public comments centered on the donation of the Tivoli schoolhouse bell to the village, a Tivoli walking guide, making repairs and upgrades at the monument, the upcoming Red Church Cemetery transfer to the Town of Red Hook, the installation of security camera at the firehouse due to recent damage, park locks now being re-set by the DPW, striping in front of the firehouse to prevent turning around on the ramp, striping the crosswalk in front of the library and Pine Street, the re-painting of the four corners striping (under

warranty), rough road on the Madalin bridge, parking on both sides of Broadway, installing two hours only parking signs, speeding in the village, and less noise at night.

Mayor Griffith asked that the meeting be closed in the honor of Anthony Ruggiero.

On a motion by Trustee Majer and seconded by Trustee Ezrati, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Gonnella
Village Clerk/Treasurer