

VILLAGE OF TIVOLI
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 16, 2014

A meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was held on April 16, 2014 at the Historic Watts DePeyster Hall, Tivoli ,NY. Mayor Cranna called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Present: Mayor Cranna, Deputy Mayor Griffith, Trustee Bruno, Trustee Schneider, Attorney Christine Chale and Steven Roberts of PANDA. Absent: Trustee Ezrati.

Public: David Cleaveland, Thomas Crisci, Sr, Philip Crisci, Bonny Corrado, Felicia Keesing, Brendon Minkler, Steve Poisman, Susan Knauss, Jeffrey Scales, Ellen Cordaro, Gerald Immich, Annabelle Lemaine, Robert Lachmann and Dutchess County Deputy Sheriff McKay.

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

Mayor Cranna spoke about a recent article printed in *the Kingston Daily Freeman* in regards to safe access to the Tivoli riverfront. The Mayor stated that there were misquotes in the article. A retraction was printed the next day. He stated that the Village's main objective was safety and that people should cross the railroad tracks at the crossing only. The Deputy Mayor stated that the correction published by the newspaper included a designated crossing area with the proper signaling equipment to enhance safety. He said that Captain Watterson of the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office agreed with this assessment.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Griffith, seconded by Trustee Schneider, the rules were suspended so that the public could address the Board on agenda items only. Comments centered on the railroad crossing at the riverfront. Dutchess County Deputy Sheriff McKay answered questions from the public. On a motion by Trustee Schneider and seconded by Deputy Mayor Griffith, the Board returned to regular business.

The Clerk's report included:

- Sale of 596 trash tags
- Two payrolls
- One planning board workshop
- Ongoing collection of 476 water/sewer bills

On a motion by Trustee Schneider and seconded by Deputy Mayor Griffith, minutes for the February 19 regular board meeting, March 12 regular workshop, March 12 public hearing, March 19 regular board meeting, March 26 budget workshop, April 2 public hearing and the April 9 regular workshop were approved, all in favor.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Griffith, seconded by Trustee Schneider, the Treasurer's Report for Abstract 11, dated April 16, 2014, in the amount of \$87,069.24 was approved. The Treasurer's Report is posted on the Village's website each month. Mayor Cranna has temporarily frozen spending except for emergency situations. A form is available to request exceptions to this for department heads and trustees. Deputy Mayor Griffith moved that the bills be paid as presented and Trustee Schneider seconded the motion, all in favor. A purchase order system is being considered by the Mayor and Trustees.

Zoning Report – Deputy Mayor Griffith

- Quite a bit of activity
- Removing a slate roof
- Making a new out building

- Placing a fence
- Violation and complaint system:
 - At least ten letters sent regarding trash bins left on the curb
 - a series of letters are sent as part of the process
- Car for sale on the corner of Route 9G and Broadway is a concern to some residents regarding sight distance
 - ZEO has determined that it is not a sight distance hindrance

No correspondence received for the record.

Susan Knauss from the NYS DOT discussed legislation that has been already been adopted by the Town and Village of Red Hook. With the 2010 census, the Red Hook Small Urban Cluster increased in area. The urban census blocks extend further west and north than the 2000 Area and now includes the Village of Tivoli. Once the adjusted urban area boundaries are approved, they become the basis for determining urban and rural classifications for several transportation programs including:

- Highway Functional Classification
- Highway Performance Monitoring System
- Distribution of Surface Transportation Program Funds
- State Transportation Program (STP) Apportionment Formula
- Control of Outdoor Advertising

A statewide threshold of \$700,000 must be met to qualify for an FHWA emergency response event and each site must meet a minimum threshold of \$5,000. For FEMA, the statewide threshold is \$26.5 million (based on per capita basis). There are no county thresholds. The minimum site threshold is \$1,000. The 2010 Proposed Red Hook Urban Cluster map is available for review on the village website.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Griffith, seconded by Trustee Schneider, Resolution 7-2014, dated April 16, 2014, To Establish the Urban Area Boundary for the Red Hook Small Urban Area, based on the 2010 Census, was approved, all in favor.

A presentation was made by Felicia Keesing on behalf of the Tivoli Library asking for an increase in funding from the Red Hook School District Budget. The vote for budget is May 20. It will appear as a proposition on the ballot. It is estimated that approximately 20,000 people physically visit the library each year.

Ellen Cordaro, President of the local Autism Society gave the board information and spoke about the upcoming 13th Annual Walk and Expo at the Dutchess County Fairgrounds on April 27. April is National Autism Awareness Month.

Deputy Mayor Griffith spoke about the neighborhood zoning report

- Form is currently used by the Village of Red Hook
- Village Clerk's office will receive the forms and send them on to the Zoning Enforcement Officer
- Name on the form is optional
- Tracking the forms will be helpful

Mayor Cranna spoke about the intersection at Broadway and Route 9G:

- Construction on the flashing light has begun

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Griffith, seconded by Trustee Bruno, Resolution 6-2014, dated April 16, 2014, ESTABLISHING UNPAID WATER/SEWER RENT LIENS in the amount of \$4905.68 was approved, all in favor.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Griffith, seconded by Trustee Schneider, the 2014/2015 TAX WARRANT in the amount of \$442,227 was approved, all in favor.

The next regular meeting will take place on May 21, 2014 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 May 15, 2014 at the Historic Watts DePeyster Hall at 6:00pm. The Annual

Village Reorganizational Meeting will be held on April 24, at 7:00 pm on the third floor of Village Hall. Trustees Griffith and Schneider will be sworn in by Justice Clark.

Trustee Reports:

Deputy Mayor Griffith

- Water System Operations Report
 - No violations
 - Testing every month
 - Two different locations are tested monthly
 - Ecoli and coli form
- Water Main break on March 26
 - 38 Broadway
- Village Clean Up Day
 - Meet April 26 at 1:00pm at Village Hall
 - Gloves and trash bags provided
 - Water and light refreshments
 - Town of Red Hook Clean up Day is also April 26
- 5th Annual Tour de Red Hook
 - Sunday, May 18 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
 - Begins at the Red Hook rec Park at 12:30 pm
 - No rain date

Trustee Ezrati

- Absent

Trustee Bruno

- Easter Egg Hunt – April 19– 1:00 pm at the Tivoli Firehouse
 - Easter bunny will visit
- Summer Rec Camp
 - Library and Summer Rec camp will have joint programs this summer
- Library has lots of programs and resources
- Park Clean up and panting of the dugouts

Trustee Schneider

- Shared Services Study Committee
 - March 26 Kick Off meeting attended by entire board
 - Public Forum
 - Review purpose and scope of work
 - Interactive presentation
 - Addressed concerns
 - Website has been established to follow the study – the link is on the Village's website, www.tivoliny.org
 - Meeting minutes will be posted
 - Consultants will come to some board meetings and meet with the DPW Supervisors also
 - 12 month time frame
 - Consultants will make recommendations to the three municipalities, then a decision will be made
 - \$79,000 grant received by Dutchess County Department of Planning

- Scope of services and work discussed
- No agenda or anticipation
- Shake loose avenues
- Public meeting will be held on April 2 at the Red Hook Town Hall at 7:30 pm to gather information and save costs

Mayor Cranna discussed the Water Tower:

- Needs to be re-painted
- Built in 1938
- Testing for existing paint showed levels of lead paint
- \$300,000 is the estimated cost to repair
- New water tower to cost \$300,000
- Village engineer to submit plans for both options
- New tanks look different

Dutchess County Water/Waste Water Authority

- Reviewing with the Board's approval to take over the water/sewer systems
- Beginning to submit documentation
- Will visit with DPW
- Potential \$300,000 bond may be done by them

Public comments centered on parking tickets, snow removal on sidewalks, trash bins, and the Bard shuttle bus.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Griffith, and seconded by Trustee Schneider, the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Gonnella
Village Clerk & Treasurer