

VILLAGE OF TIVOLI
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
December 17, 2014

A meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was held on December 17, 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 Ezrati, Trustee Bruno, Trustee Schneider, Attorney Chale, Danielle Maloney and Jon Vente of PANDA.

Public: Glenn Baker, Leslie Baker, Emily Majer, Mike Billeci, John Hallstein, Toby Tieger, Pete Mauney, Andrew Personette, Gerard Hurley and Kyle Adams.

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

On a motion by Trustee Schneider, seconded by Deputy Mayor Griffith, the rules were suspended so that the public could address the Board on agenda items only, all in favor. There were no public comments. On a motion by Trustee Bruno, seconded by Trustee Schneider, the board returned to regular business.

The Clerk's report included:

- Sale of 497 trash tags
- Two payrolls
- One planning board workshop and ZBA meeting
- The Clerk's office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, December 25 and 26 for the Christmas Holiday and Thursday and Friday, January 1 and January 2 for New Years. The office will close at noon on December 24 and December 31. This is the same holiday schedule that is followed in the Town of Red Hook.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Griffith, seconded by Trustee Schneider, the Treasurer's Report for Abstract 7, dated December 17, 2014, in the amount of \$34,479.80 was approved. The Treasurer's Report is posted on the Village's website each month. Deputy Mayor Griffith moved that the bills be paid as presented and Trustee Schneider seconded the motion, all in favor.

Zoning Report – Trustee Ezrati

- Year to Date Report as of November 30, 2014
 - 27 building permits issued
 - 29 building permits closed
 - 25 title searches
 - 10 fire inspections
 - 20 code violations – 17 resolved, 2 issues pending, 1 issue in court, 2 unresolved, next issue is court
 - \$4,395 in fees

No correspondence was received by the Village.

Mayor Cranna spoke about the November snowstorm.

- A tree fell on Woods Road. Interruption of electrical power from Elizabeth Drive to Sengstack Lane.
- One of the main wells and sewer plant were also without electric – no health concerns from outage
- Electric was restored on Saturday night
- DPW plowed the roads and removed the fallen trees

On a motion by Trustee Ezrati, seconded by Trustee Bruno, Resolution 18-2014, dated December 17, 2014, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FIRE SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF

RED HOOK AND THE VILLAGE OF TIVOLI, was approved, all in favor. Trustees Ezrati and Bruno met with Councilmen O'Neill and Ross to negotiate the renewal of the contract. A 1.5% increase in funding was approved. \$1,100 will be reimbursed for the recruitment of firefighters. The Town of Red Hook contributes 60% to LOSAP and the Village of Tivoli contributes 40%.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Griffith, seconded by Trustee Schneider, Resolution 19-2014, dated December 17, 2014, AUTHORIZING ADOPTION BY THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF TIVOLI OF LOCAL LAW C (PROPOSED) OF 2014 TO ENACT A NEW ARTICLE VI IN CHAPTER 44 OF THE VILLAGE CODE ENTITLED "CONTINUITY OF GOVERNMENT" was approved. Roll call vote: Griffith: aye, Ezrati: aye, Bruno: aye, Schneider: aye.

On a motion by Trustee Schneider, seconded by Trustee Bruno, Resolution 20-2014, dated December 17, 2014, APPOINTING ELECTION INSPECTORS was approved, all in favor. Margaret Lemon and Judy Scott will serve as election inspectors. Margaret Doty will serve as alternate.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Griffith, seconded by Trustee Bruno, Resolution 21-2014, dated December 17, 2014, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF TIVOLI AND MONUMENTAL LODGE #374 F&AM FOR THE LEASE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY FOR A PARKING AREA, was approved, all in favor.

On a motion by Trustee Bruno, seconded by Deputy Mayor Griffith, the 2015 Holiday Schedule was approved, all in favor. The schedule is posted on the Village's website, www.tivoliny.org.

Mayor Cranna spoke about the work completed at the four corner intersection in the Village:

- Arold Construction were the contractors that did the work
- Work was completed in three days
- CHIPS funding was used to pay for it
- Projects were prioritized by Deputy Mayor and Village Engineer
- Total cost of the project was \$86,000.

The next regular meeting will take place on January 21, 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 January 14, 2015 at the Historic Watts DePeyster Hall at 6:00pm.

Trustee Reports:

Deputy Mayor Griffith

- Town of Red Hook
 - E- Waste Collection Day in the Town of Red Hook on January 17, 2015 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm
 - A complete list will be posted on tivoliny.org
 - List of acceptable electronic equipment: computer devices:
 - monitors, televisions, networking devices, printing devices, audio/video devices, communication devices, power supplies, microwaves, peripherals, wire/cabling, hardware, batteries, telecommunication devices, and lab/test/measurement devices
 - List of unacceptable electronic equipment for recycling
 - Household hazardous waste, liquids, home appliances, batteries, gas powered equipment and lawn equipment
- Community Garden
 - 16 plots are left
 - Contact tivolicomunitygarden@gmail.com if you are interested in a plot
 - Fourth season
 - \$30 each for 8 X 12 plot
 - Fees will help pay for raised beds made of white oak for the rest of the garden

- Consider sharing a plot
- Water System Operations Report
 - No November water main breaks
 - Water main break on December 1
 - There have been breaks in the same spot within a year
 - Possible grant fund pending to replace that portion of the water line
 - Water tank was completely drained
 - Woodmarc well is now paid off
 - Red Hook Town Supervisor Crane offered assistance for water supply
 - Tivoli Fire Department had extra water tankers available in case of emergency
 - No violations
 - Testing every month
 - Two different locations are tested monthly –Spring Street and North Road
 - Ecoli and coli form

Trustee Bruno

- Winterfest
 - Held on December 13
 - Thanks sponsors, volunteers and participants
 - Suggestions and volunteers for future events are welcome
 - Library's swap sale went well
- Sub Night at the Tivoli Firehouse
 - February 20 – proceeds go to the Rec Department
 - Subs are \$5.00 each
- Masons and American Legion have ongoing events including breakfasts and dinners

Trustee Ezrati

- LOSAP
 - New legislation
 - Lump sum distribution
 - May allow more distributions
 - Passed by referendum
 - 21 active firefighters
 - Change may have to go back to referendum
 - Will consult with fire directors
- Planning and Zoning
 - Regular meetings
 - New house and possible new businesses
 - Planning Board Chair Mike Billeci gets good reports from the Zoning Enforcement Officer
 - ZBA – Zoning Enforcement Officer gave a clear idea of what the code was
- Zoning Enforcement Officer
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- Contractors have said that they are helpful and available
- Contract is working for 80%
- Mayor Cranna stated:
 - The majority of violations were brought to their attention by the Mayor or residents
 - Fee increased from \$12,500 to \$15,000
 - 100% paid for 80% work
 - Other areas need to be addressed

Trustee Schneider

- Justice Court
 - \$806 submitted to the Comptroller's office
- Tivoli Business and Artist Alliance
 - Meeting on a monthly basis
 - December 15 meeting was cancelled
 - Email address is tivolibiz@gmail.com
- Winterfest
 - More participation at the craft fair that was held from 12:00 pm to 5:00pm
- Greenway Grant
 - Met with Morris Associates and Trustee Bruno
 - Walk through to the river
 - Planning ADA sidewalks and lighting to the Hudson River
 - Drainage and placement of sidewalk location presents challenges
 - Public participation is welcome
 - Matching grant of \$30,000
 - Village historian has been consulted
 - Hudson River Greenway has been helpful

Public comments centered on a petition presented by Peter Mauney (attached) regarding retaining the current Zoning Enforcement Officer.

Tim Weidemann of Rondout Consulting spoke about the ongoing shared services study.

- Nine months into the study
- Objective is not just cost reduction
- It is a year long process
- What is important to the community?
- Two public meetings have been held – upcoming meeting will be held in Tivoli
- Full reports are available on website
- Strengths and challenges are being identified

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Griffith, and Trustee Bruno seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Gonnella
Village Clerk/Treasurer