

Village of Webster
Village Board Meeting
July 9, 2015

Webster Community Meeting Hall
29 South Avenue
Webster, NY 14580

Present: Mayor Cahill, Trustee Ippolito Jr., Trustee Byerts, Attorney Don White
Absent: Trustee Balcaen, Trustee Lancy

Public Comments

Richard Walter – 20 Elm Street- Commented to the Board in regards to the Notice of the Public Hearing that was published in the Herald on the proposed amendment to overnight parking on Village Streets. Mr. Walter said the Hearing is to legalize parking on Village Streets during the summer months because currently it is illegal all year long but the Notice does not say that. The Notice should mention this change from no parking to parking during summer months. If we allow this to happen there will be cars parked and left for days on end in Village Streets.

Peter Elder – 59 Dunning Avenue – Reviewed with the Board the ongoing number of Executive Sessions totaling 28 in the last 2 years related to employee complaints, grievances, EEO Actions and Civil Rights Actions that have been brought against the Village Municipality. Mr. Elder is in the opinion that the Board of Trustees is spending too much time and effort dealing with these specific personnel matters. He believes it is not difficult employees causing the problems at Village Hall but it is the Mayor. Mr. Elder said the Mayor is not managing well but believes the Board of Trustees is making an effort to take corrective actions such as appointing Trustee Ippolito as liaison to Village Hall in place of Mayor Cahill. Mr. Elder said he would like to see Mayor Cahill attend classes for workplace harassment and hostile work environment. He would like to see the damage done by the Mayor to employees start to mend.

Eric Reynolds – 64 Kircher Park – Commented to the Board in regards to the Notice of Public Hearing which was published in the Herald. He said the Notice is inadequate and does not state what is actually being proposed which is to allow parking overnight on Village Streets. Mr. Reynolds said the Notice is confusing and he would like the Notice republished with proper wording and the Hearing date changed.

Robert Schlegel – 270 Colorado Dr. – Reviewed with the Board his concerns regarding the Well Field property. Mr. Schlegel said the major concern of neighbors living near the property is to protect the steep slopes from erosion. He also believes that any development should stay in the character of the neighborhood and would like the district overlay to stay in place on the property. Mr. Schlegel said he has concerns about the impact of any type of development coming into that area and wants the zoning on the property to be kept as R2-R3.

Village Board Business

Motion Trustee Ippolito, Jr. and Seconded by Trustee Byerts to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes of June 25, 2015, all were in favor and carried.

Motion Trustee Ippolito, Jr. and Seconded by Trustee Byerts to accept claims totaling: General - \$45,979.78 and Trust & Agency - \$498.58, all were in favor and carried.

The following resolution was offered by Trustee Byerts and Seconded by Trustee Ippolito, Jr. and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, pursuant to General Municipal Law §6-c, the Village of Webster maintains a West Main Street Culvert Project Reserve Fund; and

WHEREAS, \$50,000.00 was included in the adopted budget for the Village of Webster for deposit into said Reserve Fund; and

WHEREAS, General Municipal Law §6-c(8) provides that an expenditure from a specific capital improvement reserve fund shall only be made by an authorization of the governing Board of the Village of Webster; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Webster wishes to retain an engineering firm to provide engineering services in order to correct the storm drainage failure on West Main Street;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Treasurer of the Village of Webster is hereby authorized to appropriate and expend up to \$6,500.00 from the West Main Street Culvert Project Reserve Fund to be used to retain the services of Marathon Engineering, 39 Cascade Drive, Rochester, New York 14614, to provide a topographical survey, hydrologic and hydraulic design and design plans for the West Main Street Culvert Project.

Motion Trustee Ippolito, Jr., and Seconded by Trustee Byerts to authorize Will Barham to sign the agreement with Marathon Engineers for the Main Street culvert replacement and channel restoration, all were in favor and carried.

The following resolution was offered by Trustee Byerts and Seconded by Trustee Ippolito, Jr. and moved for its adoption:

Resolution by the Village of Webster approving and endorsing the Webster Economic Development Alliance in its application to NYS Homes and Community Renewal for funding under the New York Main Street Program.

WHEREAS, the Webster Economic Development Alliance desires to apply for \$495,000 in financial assistance through the 2015 Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) under the NY Main Street Program, and

WHEREAS, the application proposes funding to assist property owners to complete building renovations to downtown “main street” buildings on East and West Main Streets

between Pierce Street and Dunning Avenue and adjacent properties on North and South Avenues; and

WHEREAS, the proposed funding will contribute to ongoing community revitalization efforts; and

WHEREAS, the grant application requires that the applicant obtain the approval and endorsement of the governing body of the municipality in which the project will be located.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Webster approves and endorses the 2105 NY Main Street Program for assistance prepared and to be submitted by the Webster Economic Development Alliance.

Tabled Item - Authorization for Mayor Cahill to sign a lease and maintenance agreement with Lineage for the postage meter has been tabled to a later date.

The following resolution was offered by Trustee Ippolito, Jr., and Seconded by Trustee Byerts and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, pursuant to New York Vehicle and Traffic Law § 1640, the Village Board has the authority to adopt local laws regulating traffic upon Village highways; and

WHEREAS, by previous Resolution, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Webster, enacted local laws with respect to the restriction of parking upon certain village streets which are included in Chapter 156 of the Code of the Village of Webster; and

WHEREAS, included in Article III of Chapter 156 of the Code of the Village of Webster is Section 156-15 (B), which provides “Parking is prohibited on spaces and zones on the streets of the village as may be indicated by suitable signs erected by the village authorities”; and

WHEREAS, a request has been made to the Village to temporarily restrict parking along both sides of Sanford Street commencing on 12:00am on July 15th, 2015 and ending at 12:00pm on July 19th, 2015; and

WHEREAS, this request was made to aid in public safety and to preserve emergency ingress and egress to the Webster Fireman’s Field during the time of the annual fireman’s carnival; and

WHEREAS, the Village agrees that in the interest of public safety, and to promote safe ingress and egress to the carnival grounds, a temporary no parking zone shall be established along Sanford Street.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Webster as follows:

1. That the Village of Webster, Board of Trustee's hereby establishes a temporary no parking zone along both sides of Sanford Street for the dates and times established above.
2. That the Superintendent of public works is hereby directed to install, or allow to be installed, any signage necessary to identify and delineate the additional no parking areas.
3. That this temporary no parking zone shall have no effect upon any no parking zones previously established upon Sanford Street

Motion Trustee Byerts and Seconded by Trustee Ippolito, Jr., for authorization to fund Health Savings Accounts for Krystina Lizak , Treasurer, and Brandon Boutillier, Laborer, in the amounts of \$2206.02 each, all were in favor and carried.

Attorney

Don White, Attorney commented to the Board regarding the Notice of Public Hearing and said it would be possible within the timeframe to republish the Notice of Public Hearing and also add a sentence to clarify any confusion regarding the verbiage. Attorney White said the sentence to be added is "Parking between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. is presently unlawful year round."

Motion Trustee Ippolito, Jr., and Seconded by Trustee Byerts to rewrite and republish in the Herald the Supplemental Notice of Public Hearing on the amendment to SECTION 156 -15(A) of the VILLAGE CODE Regarding Overnight Parking on Village Streets, all were in favor and carried.

Attorney White also reviewed with the Board and said the Postage service agreement should clarify what the lease term or maximum cycle is and suggested the company send a new lease agreement.

Office

Jake Swingly, Superintendent of Public Works reviewed with the Board the Comp and Overtime Report for June 2015. He said he would like more time to review the report and he would email the Board an explanation of all the comp and overtime for the month of June 2015.

Josette Amalfi, Village Clerk reviewed with the Board the May 2015 financial statement which reflects the budget transfers and modifications to date as amended by Krystina Lizak, Treasurer.

Motion Trustee Byerts and Seconded by Ippolito, Jr. to approve the financial statement of for the month of May 2015, all were in favor and carried.

Department of Public Works

Jake Swingly, Superintendent of Public Works reviewed with the Board and gave an update on the work on Main Street, North Avenue and South Avenue. He said it is a bit disruptive but we appreciate how the DOT and Keeler, the construction firm doing the work, are trying to accommodate the local businesses during the construction. He mentioned they even put down crushed stone and roped off areas for the BID Wine Walk in the Village. Mr. Swingly said we will notify and give updates as the construction progresses and pass the information along on our website. We are very pleased with the way the work is coming so far and they are doing a great job.

Mr. Swingly also said this year paving and gutter work will be done on Fuller Avenue, Harmon Street and Barrett Drive. He said next year Lincolnshire Road will be done.

The new playground equipment will be delivered the first week in August and the installation date should be immediately following.

Call In

Laurie Reynolds, 138 Judson Street, called in and commented to the Board regarding the Well Field property. Mrs. Reynolds said she hopes if the property is sold it would not be sold to a developer for home building. She said the long term impact from building on the land would cause erosion, natural wildlife habitats would be lost and finally there would be too much traffic in the area. She also expressed a concern that the overlay district on the property would not be lifted.

Adjournment

Motion Trustee Ippolito, Jr., and Seconded by Trustee Byerts to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 pm, all were in favor and carried.

Josette Amalfi, Village Clerk

John J. Cahill, Mayor