

Village of Webster
Village Board Meeting
January 11, 2018

Webster Community Meeting Hall
29 South Avenue
Webster, NY 14580

January 11, 2018 Minutes

Present: Mayor Byerts, Trustee Ippolito Jr., Trustee Laurer, Trustee Lancy, Trustee Balcaen

The meeting formally opened at 7:30 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Trustee Lancy

Public Comment

A public forum was conducted to allow speakers to address the board. Two speakers addressed the board.

Richard Walter – 20 Elm Street – Webster Citizens Action League – Gave his opinion on the Webster Wastewater Treatment Plant study

Larry Maggio – 204 London Road – Voiced his opinion regarding the WWTP study

Mayor Byerts closed the Public Forum.

Mayor's Update

- Mayor Byerts explained to the audience that the study will be moving forward.
- Mayor Byerts addressed a recent article, a letter to the editor that was published in the Webster Herald, the Webster Post and other various social media outlets. The article was written by William Stata and was in regard to recently approved welcome packets to be distributed to new residents. The information in the article is false. The information included made no mention of the Webster Citizens Action League, nor did it include any information about any organization that is unrelated to the Village of Webster office. It is merely an information source for new residents about facilities open and services offered to village residents. Additionally, the packet does not cost residents any money to be distributed, they are delivered by volunteers and board-members.
- The sole purpose of the welcome packet is to be a tool to provide information to new residents in an effort to bring village residents together.

Village Board Business

Motion: The Motion was **Moved** by Trustee Ippolito, Jr., and **Seconded** by Trustee Balcaen to Approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes of December 28, 2017. All were in favor and carried.

Motion: The Motion was **Moved** by Trustee Lauer and **Seconded** by Trustee Lancy to Accept the claims and warrants totaling: General – \$50,506.10, Trust & Agency - \$1,036.99, Sewer – \$11,673.60. All were in favor and carried.

Motion: The Motion was **Moved** by Trustee Balcaen and **Seconded** by Trustee Laurer, to Approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Town and Village regarding a joint study to look at both wastewater treatment plants. All were in favor and carried.

Office

Motion: The Motion was **Moved** by Trustee Laurer and **Seconded** by Trustee Lancy to Accept the resignation of Deputy Attorney David Mayer effective January 1, 2018, and begin the search for a new attorney for the Planning and Zoning Boards. All were in favor and carried.

Motion: The Motion was **Moved** by Trustee Lancy and **Seconded** by Trustee Lauer to Authorize three staff-members to attend Finger Lakes Building Officials Association (FLBOA) conference at RIT Conference Center 3/12 – 3/14. All were in favor and carried.

Motion: The Motion was **Moved** by Trustee Lancy and **Seconded** by Trustee Balcaen to Authorize Jo O’Neill, Deputy Clerk to attend the “Payroll Law 2018” Seminar on February 28, 2018, at a cost of \$149.00. All were in favor and carried.

Motion: The Motion was **Moved** by Trustee Ippolito, Jr., and **Seconded** by Trustee Balcaen, Authorization to pay Lu Engineers invoice totaling \$57,964.88 for professional services rendered during the period of 3/1/2017 and 10/31/2017 for the North Avenue Connector Project to be paid from the North Avenue Connector Project Reserve Account. All were in favor and carried.

Attorney – Don White will act on behalf of Deputy Attorney at Planning and Zoning Board meetings

Trustee Lancy commended the entire Department of Public Works on how wonderful the Village looked during the holiday season.

Department of Public Works

- The department is prepared for the upcoming Winter Season.
- So far, the department has done an excellent job keeping the roads clear.
- He asked that the snow be pushed to the left side of driveways.
- Christmas trees are still being picked up
- Jake is currently exploring setting up an electronic collection day and will keep the Board posted

Heather Halstead, Village Clerk asked on behalf of office staff if the Board would like a plaque made for past Deputy Attorney David Mayer. The entire Board agreed that one should be written.

Sewer Department – No Report at this time.

Public Announcements

Upcoming Meetings

Village Board Meeting – 1/25/2018

Village Board Workshop Meeting – 1/30/2018

Village Board Meeting – 2/8/2018

Adjournment

Motion: The Motion was **Moved** by Trustee Ippolito, Jr., and **Seconded** by Trustee Balcaen to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM. All were in favor and carried.

Heather Halstead, Village Clerk

Darrell Byerts, Mayor