

Village of Webster
Village Board Workshop
May 2, 2017

Webster Community Meeting Hall
29 South Avenue
Webster, NY 14580

Present: Mayor Cahill, Trustee Balcaen, Trustee Ippolito Jr., Trustee Byerts, and Trustee Lancy

Village Board Business

William Ruoff, former Village Mayor, discussed with the Board the presentation of a proclamation which would encompass and recognize the efforts of community service organizations not only in the Village of Webster but throughout America such as; Rotary Club, Lions Club, Kiwanis, Elks, Knights of Columbus, and Masons to name a few. Mr. Ruoff explained how he helped out a lifelong friend, Daniel Sileo, who attained rank of Chief Master Sergeant in the United States Air Force. Mr. Ruoff found out his friend of seventy-five years, who had been involved in four different eras of war, had to have part of his foot amputated because of diabetes. Mr. Ruoff, who is a Rotarian, was able to secure a wheelchair made of lightweight tubular metal, through the Wheelchair Foundation and it was delivered to Mr. Sileo, now living in Arizona. The wheelchair will be formally presented to Daniel Sileo for his exemplary service at an event on June 1st, 2017 by the Surprise Rotary Club (of Arizona).

The discussion in regards to the MOU between Friends of Webster Historic Preservation (FWHP) and the Village of Webster was rescheduled for the next Board meeting on May 11, 2017 because neither Peter Elder nor Karl Laurer was present. Mayor Cahill said he would like an update regarding the stored wood (from the disassembled depot) at the well fields. He said it has been a year since any updates or proof of insurance has been provided to the Board.

Mayor Cahill discussed a meeting that took place with the Village and the Town of Webster concerning issues with lab work results from the Village Sewage Treatment Plant. It had been discovered that four different labs each had a different reading in regards to results. He said he was present at the meeting along with Supervisor Nesbitt, Geoffrey Benway, Commissioner of Public Works, David Kalin, Chief Plant Operator, Jake Swingly, Superintendent of Public Works, Clement Chung, Engineer Labella, and Bill Abbott to discuss the discrepancies in the lab readings and also to work toward a common goal of obtaining accurate results and working together. He said the meeting went well and Mr. Chung, Engineer from Labella suggested that perhaps because the large digester is down that may have been a contributing factor to the lab differences but once the repairs are made he would like to see the readings taken again. Mayor Cahill said the meeting was very constructive and going forward the lines of communication will be opened.

Mayor Cahill announced a meeting with the DEC on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 because of neighbor complaints with odor at the STP when trucks are dumping septage. Geoffrey Benway, Commissioner of Public Works, from the Town of Webster will also be in attendance at the request of the Department of Environmental Conservation.

Mayor Cahill said he did visit the STP site to examine the fence because slats or a canvas will possibly be installed but quotes will be forthcoming. He said while he was there a truck pulled up to unload septage. He said he stood on the pad while the truck was unloading and the smell was not very noticeable. He also took a look at the cleaning of the empty digester tank. He said there is some

damage and repairs need to be made on the pipes before the top can go back on the tank. The comprehensive study cannot be completed until the repairs to the tank are made and it is operational.

The next discussion was an update on the North Avenue Connector Project. A meeting took place with Mayor Cahill, Trustee Lancy, Jake Swingly, Steve Beauvais, Project Liaison from NYSDOT, Bob Hutteman, Lu Engineers, David Prizzi, EDR and Matt Chatfield concerning budget. Mayor Cahill said the project is over budget by \$120,000 and the discussion focused on options. He said the sidewalks and driveways cost \$400,000. The lighting cost \$356,000. The gateway at Orchard Street cost \$27,000. The gateway at Rte. 104 which includes the pavilion cost \$87,000. The median cost \$38,000 and the plantings and sidewalk at Rte. 104 cost \$40,000. Mayor Cahill said a suggestion was to reduce the amount of lights from 46 light poles to one third of that and new numbers will be forthcoming at a meeting on Friday, May 5, 2017. Matt Chatfield had another idea to dedicate the gateway at Rte. 104 and the pavilion for park purposes and then possibly that would allow additional funds from Park and Recreation to be used.

Motion Trustee Ippolito, Jr. and Seconded by Trustee Lancy to authorize Jake Swingly to sign the contract for A-Prime Engineering to conduct a structural analysis and review of the foundation design for the cell tower agreement with Nudd, all were in favor and carried.

Adjournment

Motion Trustee Ippolito, Jr. and Seconded by Trustee Lancy to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m. all were in favor and carried.

Josette Amalfi, Village Clerk

John J. Cahill, Mayor