

Village Board Meeting
August 24, 2009

Members present: Mayor Higgins, Trustees Roddey and Stewart. Absent: Trustees Char and Mattheus.

Also present: Superintendent Nuzzolese, Engineer Tully, Chief Watt, and Village Clerk Strobl.

Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

On a motion by Trustee Roddey, seconded by Trustee Stewart, the agenda was accepted as presented.

Char	absent
Mattheus	absent
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye
Higgins	aye

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Roddey, the Minutes of the August 3, 2009 Village Board Work Session were accepted as submitted.

Char	absent
Mattheus	absent
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye
Higgins	aye

On a motion by Trustee Roddey, seconded by Trustee Stewart, the Minutes of the August 10, 2009 Village Board Meeting were accepted as submitted.

Char	absent
Mattheus	absent
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye
Higgins	aye

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Roddey, the Minutes of the August 17, 2009 Village Board Work Session were accepted as submitted.

Char	absent
Mattheus	absent
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye
Higgins	aye

Mayor Higgins read a letter from Michael Nutt informing of his resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Nutt will be formally thanked for his ten years of service to the Village.

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Roddey, bills as examined by members of the Board were approved in accordance with Abstract 09/10, 8 and 9, numbers 34954 through 35006 in the amount of \$109,353.15; and numbers 35007 through 35016 in the amount of \$21,495.99, for a grand total of \$130,849.14.

Char	absent
Mattheus	absent
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye
Higgins	aye

On a motion by Trustee Roddey, seconded by Trustee Stewart, permission is granted for the "Art Walk in the Park", sponsored by the Goshen Chamber of Commerce, to be held on September 26, 2009 from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at Salesian Park. This permission is contingent upon provision of the necessary insurance coverage.

Char	absent
Mattheus	absent
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye
Higgins	aye

Trustee Stewart moved the following, which was seconded by Trustee Roddey:

On the nomination of Mayor Higgins, and with the approval of the Village Board of Trustees, Raymond Rooney is hereby appointed to the Joint Recreation Commission, to fill the unexpired term of Pamela Lorenzo. This term expires in April, 2010.

Char	absent
Mattheus	absent
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye
Higgins	aye

Mayor Higgins and Trustee Roddey spoke about the great job done by Pam Lorenzo during her tenure on the JRC.

On a motion by Trustee Roddey, seconded by Trustee Stewart, the August 19, 2009 proposal from Bipin Gandhi, P.E. for a second Pilot Study of CRV well water sequestering, is hereby accepted. It is understood that the total cost for the Pilot Studies will be \$9,750.00; \$4,750.00 for 38 hours of time spent on the first study, and \$5,000.00 for 40 hours to be dedicated to the second study.

Char	absent
Mattheus	absent
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye
Higgins	aye

On a motion by Trustee Roddey, seconded by Trustee Stewart, the Board hereby accepts the proposal from Cornerstone Environmental Group, LLC, dated August 24, 2009, for enhanced characterization of the Village's soil and waste stockpile located on Village property adjacent to Route 17M. The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the proposal, which has an estimated budget of \$80,000.

Char	absent
Mattheus	absent
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye
Higgins	aye

Mayor/Trustee Comments

Trustee Roddey noted recent activities of the sewer department: repair work was done at the Winston Drive pump station and the five generators at the sewer plant were serviced.

Trustee Roddey explained that, contrary to a recent newspaper article, all information regarding town sewer district bills as requested by the Town has been provided.

Trustee Stewart reported the following recent activities of the DPW: crews continue painting with yellow street paint; parking meters have been emptied; due to heavy rain and wind from a recent storm crews have been cleaning up downed trees and branches and assisted O & R with clean up where wires were involved.

Trustee Stewart added to Trustee Roddey's comments that the Town's Accountant did his research at Village Hall in May, and that no report has been forthcoming, despite the fact that all Town requests were responded to months ago.

Chief Watt gave the Police Report in Trustee Char's absence. A new crosswalk has been installed and signed on Golden Hill Avenue at the intersection with Delta Place, and motorists should be aware that NYS VTL requires them to stop and yield to pedestrians in any part of a crosswalk.

Since August 10th there have been 10 arrests, 30 uniform traffic tickets, 111 parking summons' issued, and 13 motor vehicle accidents investigated.

Chief Watt commended Mayor Higgins for having established the "Eddie Ryan Golf Tournament" which recently raised funds for Sgt. Ryan, a local veteran who was injured in Iraq.

Superintendent Nuzzolese reported on water issues in Trustee Mattheus' absence. He noted that crews have been reading meters for the September billing, and that the Crystal Run Well was recently operated in order to shut down the filter plant to replace the pipes used for chemical feeding.

Mayor Higgins expressed thanks to the DPW for the new crosswalk.

Mayor Higgins publicly invited the Town Board to meet with the Village Board at the September 21st Work Session to discuss Joint Recreation Commission issues. He also invited the Town Board to appear on the Village's float during the September 5th Firemen's Float Parade.

Six citizens contributed comments to the Board.

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Roddey, the Board entered into Executive Session at 8:20 p.m. to discuss litigation.

Char	absent
Mattheus	absent
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye
Higgins	aye

On a motion by Trustee Roddey, seconded by Trustee Stewart, the Board returned from Executive Session at 8:39 p.m.

Char	absent
Mattheus	absent
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye
Higgins	aye

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Roddey, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Char	absent
Mattheus	absent
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye
Higgins	aye