

**VILLAGE OF MINOA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
March 17, 2014**

PRESENT: Mayor Richard Donovan
Trustee Abbott
Trustee Brazill
Trustee Champagne
Trustee Christensen
Clerk Treasurer Lisa DeVona
Attorney Steven Primo, Harris Beach, PLLC

ALSO PRESENT: Wayne Konseck, Ralph Lyke

Mayor Donovan opened the village board meeting at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Trustee Christensen.

PRESENTATION

Mr. Chris Carrick, Central New York Planning & Development Energy Program Manager and NYSERDA Regional Outreach Coordinator gave a presentation on the Climate Smart Community (CSC) program which is a partnership between New York State and Local governments. The program helps communities reduce greenhouse gas emissions, save taxpayer dollars, and advance community goals for health and safety, economic vitality, energy independence and quality of life. A Climate Smart Community has access to the following benefits:

- Notification of funding and technical assistance, and guidance in accessing incentives from regional, state and federal agencies
- Assistance with the planning and implementation of clean energy projects and municipal policy development
- Informative presentations and workshops that are customized for residential, commercial, municipal, and institutional groups.
- Educational webinars and documentaries
- Informative climate updates, grants, training and networking opportunities for local governments.

Mr. Carrick stated there are 121 communities throughout New York State that have signed a pledge to become a Climate Smart Communities, including 13 municipalities in Central New York; Village of Skaneateles, Town of DeWitt, City of Oswego, Town of Preble.

The CNY Regional Planning and Development Board (CNY RPDB) is working with these communities to complete greenhouse gas inventories and climate action plans that contain specific goals and recommendations for emission reductions. For more information on the Climate Smart Community program, visit <http://www.dec.ny.gov/energy/50845.html>

Mr. Carrick hopes that the village board would consider adopting the Climate Smart Communities Pledge and adopt the resolution.

The following resolution, was moved, seconded and adopted:

WHEREAS, the Village of Minoa (hereinafter “local government”) believes that climate change poses a real and increasing threat to our local and global environments which is primarily due to the burning of fossil fuels; and

WHEREAS, the effects of climate change will endanger our infrastructure, economy and livelihoods; harm our farms, orchards, ecological communities, including native fish and wildlife populations; spread invasive species and exotic diseases; reduce drinking water supplies and recreational opportunities; and pose health threats to our citizens; and

WHEREAS, we believe that our response to climate change provides us with an unprecedented opportunity to save money, and to build livable, energy-independent and

SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING – 2014-2015 TENTATIVE GENERAL, SEWER & WATER BUDGETS

Trustee Brazill made a motion; seconded by Trustee Abbott to schedule the public hearing for 2014-2015 Tentative General, Sewer and Water Fund Budgets on April 7, 2014 beginning at or about 7:01pm. All in favor. Motion carried.

REQUEST PERMISSION TO APPROVE 1/1/2014-12/31/2014 INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH TOWN OF MANLIUS RELATIVE TO PROVIDING DOG CONTROL

Trustee Champagne made a motion, seconded by Trustee Brazill to approve the 1/1/2014 – 12/31/2014 Intermunicipal Agreement with the Town of Manlius relative to providing dog control and authorizes Mayor to execute the agreement. All in favor. Motion carried.

PERMISSION TO ACCEPT NYCLASS AMENDMENT DATED MARCH 14, 2014 TO NEW YORK COOPERATIVE LIQUID ASSETS SECURITIES SYSTEM MUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT AS AMENDED AND RESTATED AS OF APRIL 23, 2012

Trustee Brazill made a motion, seconded by Trustee Abbott to accept Amendment dated March 14, 2014 to New York Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System Municipal Cooperation Agreement as amended and restated as of April 23, 2012. All in favor. Motion carried.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

REQUEST TO USE MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT AS MEETING PLACE FOR TOWN OF MANLIUS SENIOR CITIZENS TRIPS

Mayor Donovan stated that Edgerton Estates no longer provides parking for these trips; the Town of Manlius Recreation Department needs a safe, well lit place for the seniors to meet and park their vehicles for approximately eight trips schedule throughout the year.

Trustee Brazill made a motion, seconded by Trustee Christensen to approve the request from the Town of Manlius Recreation Department to use the Adams Street parking lot as bus pick-up for Senior Citizen Trips. All in favor. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

CHANGE IN STATUS – LEAVE OF ABSENCE – BRAD CRETARO

Trustee Christensen made a motion, seconded by Trustee Brazill to approve the Leave of Absence change in membership status for Brad Cretaro, 200 Hartwell Avenue, E. Syracuse. All in favor. Motion carried. All in favor; Motion carried.

NEW MEMBERSHIP – FIRE POLICE – WILLIAM BRYANT

Clerk Treasurer DeVona asked that the application be tabled until NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services returns a response for the background check.

RESCIND MOTION TO DENY GRANT / FM GLOBAL FIRE PREVENTION GRANT

Trustee Champagne made a motion, seconded by Trustee Christensen to rescind the March 3, 2014 motion to deny grant award from FM Global Fire Prevention and move to accept the grant in the amount of \$2,500.00 to be used for the purchase of Fire Prevention Materials with the understanding that there is no village contribution toward the purchases. All in favor. Motion carried.

WTP / CERF

RATIFY PRIOR APPROVAL TO DECLARE 2003 FORD F350 (WT-12) AS SURPLUS EQUIPMENT AND SEND TO COUNTY AUCTION

A motion was made by Trustee Champagne, and seconded by Trustee Abbott to ratify prior approval to declare 2003 Ford F350 (WT-12) VIN # 1FTSF31SX3EA64501 as surplus equipment and send to Onondaga County Auction. All in favor. Motion carried.

REQUEST PERMISSION TO WAIVE SEWER RENT PENALTY / WARREN KASSEL

Trustee Champagne made a motion, seconded by Trustee Abbott to waive \$13.50 sewer rent penalty applied to the February billing of Warren Kassel, 209 Hulbert Street on a one-time basis. All in favor. Motion carried.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Trustee Champagne reported on the following:

- a new workstation computer is needed in the Executive Office at Fire Station 1;
- continue to work with Garam Group to get the computers up and ready this week at Fire Station 2

Trustee Christensen reported on the following:

- DPW Superintendent reports we have some salt left after the hard winter
- Department continues to be short staffed and as soon as weather permits spring cleanup will begin with repairs to mailboxes and storm drains

Trustee Abbott reported the signs have been changed with election information and he wishes the candidates good luck.

Trustee Brazill reported he received some literature of a new product called Trapbags®, while attending the Winter Legislative Meeting in Albany. The product is a flood protection barrier which is simple to use and reduces the usual costs of building a temporary flood barrier. He will forward the information to Trustee Champagne and the board to review.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Donovan reported on the following:

- On March 4, 2104 he attended the State of the County address at the Carnegie Library building in Syracuse. County Executive reported the county fiscal position is strong, property tax rates are at the lowest and the most recent economic development of \$100 million investment of state and county money in the village of Solvay and a new amphitheater along Onondaga Lake.
- On March 5th he attended a public hearing for a high-speed rail from Buffalo to New York City; majority of speakers strongly support however there are safety concerns. For more information please visit <https://www.dot.ny.gov/empire-corridor/deis>
- As NYCOM President he visited the Nassau County Mayor's Association; everyone down there seems to be onboard with the opposition of the Governor's Tax Freeze proposal.
- Attended a reception for the new SUNY ESF President, Dr. Quentin Wheeler on March 14, 2014.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Nothing to report.

AUDIT OF CLAIMS ABSTRACT 19

A motion was made by Trustee Champagne and seconded by Trustee Christensen that the claims on Abstract #019 in the amounts of General Fund - \$126,671.58 (Vouchers 839 - 888), Sewer Fund - \$19,589.93 (Vouchers 332 - 348), for a total of \$146,261.51 audited and paid. All in favor. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Let the record show there were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Christensen and seconded by Trustee Champagne to adjourn the village board meeting at 8:13 pm. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa L. DeVona

Lisa L. DeVona
Clerk-Treasurer