

**PUBLIC MEETING**

**MAY 5, 2015**

**7:00 PM**

**MAYOR JOSEPH ORLOW PRESIDING**

**Bid Opening  
1997 Ford Truck with Plow**

**PRESENT**

Trustee William Hayes  
Trustee Anthony Girard  
Trustee Timothy Carota

Brian Abare, DPW Superintendent  
Michael Muller, Attorney

Mayor Orlow opened the Public Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Orlow asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Orlow then asked for a Moment of Silence for all to reflect in their own way.

Mayor Orlow then asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the April 15, 2015 Board Meeting. Trustee Hayes moved to approve the minutes. Trustee Carota seconded the motion with change and the Board unanimously approved.

Mayor Orlow then asked for a motion to approve the bills audited tonight. Trustee Girard moved to approve the bills.

FY 2014-2015	
<u>Vouchers 89702-89763</u>	
General Fund	\$47,177.17
Water Fund	3,933.30
Sewer Fund	<u>241,111.94</u>
Total	\$292,222.41

FY 2014-2015	
<u>Vouchers 89764</u>	
General Fund	<u>\$8,566.00</u>
Total	\$8,566.00

FY 2014-2015	
<u>Memorial Day Parade 22</u>	
<u>MDP %</u>	

Seconded by Trustee Girard and the Board unanimously approved.

Pledge of Allegiance  
Moment of Silence

Approve minutes from the April 15, 2015 Board Meeting  
Approve bills audited tonight  
Public Forum

**AGENDA**

- 1) **Act on Bids for the Village 1997 Ford Truck with Plow**
- 2) **Fire Company Contract – Previously Tabled**
- 3) **Moreau Community Center Sign Request – Previously Tabled**
- 4) **Robert Ladd Request use of Village Complex Parking Lot**
- 5) **April 2015 Financial Report**
- 6) **Accept Summer Concert Series Donation- Schermerhon Residential Holdings**
- 7) **Moreau Community Center – Annual Block Party Fundraiser – September 12, 2015**
- 8) **Village Assessor Procedures - Statutory Procedure**
- 9) **Account Transfers**
  - 1. **FROM           A1325.0407 CE                   C/T Misc                   \$492.07**
  - TO:        A1362.0400 CE                   Advertisement               \$492.07**
  - \*Help wanted Advertisement**
- 10) **DPW Report**
- 11) **Trustee’s Report**
- 10) **Mayor Report**

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**Mayor Orlow then stated that he would open the meeting for Public Forum.**

**Mr. Harry Gutheil was present and asked that the Village look into purchasing an audio software package which will allow the meetings to be heard on the Village website. He stated**

that the Town of Moreau has this and it is nice to listen to their meetings through their website. He also stated that he does not feel that there is a big expense for the equipment to do this and this might be one way to cut down on the traffic of people asking for copies of the minutes. Mayor Orlow stated that he will look into it by contacting the Town.

Mr. David Linehan was present to ask the Board if he could install a water meter in his home. He stated that he has lost pressure due to the old infrastructure. Trustee Girard stated that at this time, meters are only allowed in 2-family, multi-family and new contraction homes. Mr. Linehan then read a section of the law that states meters are permitted, but Trustee Girard asked him to read the entire code for further clarification. Mr. Linehan then asked if he could install one similar to what the Village is using. Trustee Hayes stated that he can put a meter in but that it will not be read as part of the billing process. DPW Superintendent stated that the Village is aware that meters are necessary in the Village, but at this point the cost is too great for the Village to make that investment. After much discussion as to whether Mr. Linehan buys the meter from the Village or an outside source, it was decided that the Village would direct Mr. Linehan as to where he can get a meter similar to what the Village uses, but at this time Mr. Linehan will still be billed at a flat rate and not a metered rate.

## **AGENDA**

### **12) Fire Company Contract – Previously Tabled**

Tabled until May 6.

### **13) Moreau Community Center Sign Request – Previously Tabled**

The Moreau Community Center representatives will be attending the next Village board meeting.

### **14) Saratoga Economic Development Corporation -2015 Annual Dinner – Thursday, May 7, 2015**

This was informational only.

### 15) Fire company Membership Applications –

Trustee Girard moved to acknowledge that the Fire Company has allowed two new apprentices to join.

- a. Brandon Bruttomesso - Apprentice
- b. Justin Bonn- Apprentice

Trustee Hayes seconded the acknowledgment and the Board unanimously acknowledged the memberships.

### 16) Village Assessor Procedures - Statutory Procedure

Mayor Orlow stated that the Board has received an e-mail from Attorney Muller with options. There is a need for additional information to determination whether this will be a good idea to hire a Village Assessor. Mayor Orlow stated that he will be working on this. Trustee Girard asked if there will be a Public Meeting regarding this. Mayor Orlow stated that he would like Trustee Girard to work with him on this to gather all the information needed for the Village Board to make a decision. Trustee Girard feels that the “real numbers” from the tax rolls need to be presented prior to the Board making the decision on this matter.

### 17) Account Transfers

Trustee Girard moved to approve the following transfers:

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|----|-------------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| 2. | FROM: G1990.0400 CE                 | Contingency | \$7,500.00 |
|    | TO: G1441.0400 CE                   | Engineering | \$7,500.00 |
|    | *waste water grant engineering cost |             |            |
| 3. | FROM: A1990.0400 CE                 | Contingency | \$17.50    |
|    | TO: A3520.0400 CE                   | Animal Ctrl | \$17.50    |
| 4. | FROM: A1990.0400 CE                 | Contingency | \$560.14   |

TO:	A7989.4000	CE	Code Book	\$560.14	
5.	FROM:	A5142.0100	PS	Snow Removal – Reg	\$6,006.68
	FROM:	A5142.0101	PS	Snow Removal – OT	\$2,878.58
	FROM:	A5989.0100	PS	St. Construct – Reg	\$14,000.00
	FROM:	A8140.0100	PS	Storm Sewers – Reg	\$10,000.00
	FROM:	A8170.0100	PS	Street Cleaning – Reg	\$17,000.00
	TO:	A5110.0100	PS	St. Maint- Reg	\$49,885.26
6.	FROM:	A5142.0800	FICA/Med	Snow Removal	\$831.13
	FROM:	A5989.0800	FICA/Med	St. Construct	\$1,071.00
	FROM:	A8140.0800	FICA/Med	Storm Sewers	\$765.00
	FROM:	A8170.0800	FICA/Med	Street Cleaning	\$1,300.50
	TO:	A5110.0800	FICA/Med	St. Maint.	\$3,967.63

Trustee Hayes seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

**18) Assistant Code Enforcement Officer Report** – Mr. Bruce stated that he was currently following up on a few complaints and feels that at least one will have to have legal consideration. He will follow up with Attorney Muller.

Trustee Girard asked if Mr. Bruce had anything to do with the clean-up of a home on New Street. The answer was yes and Trustee Girard complimented Mr. Bruce on a job well done.

**19) DPW Report – on file**

#8 A 2001 Bucket Truck for \$8,500.00 plus license fees is for sale through Upstate Auto Sales Inc.. This vehicle is an old Verizon truck and DPW Superintendent, Brian Abare and Village mechanic have both looked at it. It has 117,815 miles on it. Trustee Girard asked if the old truck will be sold. Mr. Abare stated yes he will place the truck out in front the DPW building with a minimum price on it. Trustee Girard moved to approve the purchase with the verification of the bucket lift being checked; seconded by Trustee Hayes and the Board unanimously approved.

#9 No longer able to drop leaves at the Jacobie site. New company CTI-Micro reduction technologies will now transport at no cost from the Village. Trustee Hayes asked about trees and branches. The answer is no they will not take trees and branches. Debris will still continue to be taken to the Moreau dump.

**20) Trustee's Report –**

Trustee Girard – He would like to see a workshop set up for #5 of this agenda. Mayor Orlow stated that he would like Trustee Girard to work with him on this item so that a determination can be made as to whether this is beneficial to the Village.

Trustee Hayes – He has spoken with the Chazen Co. who are the consultants hired for the Waste Water Study, and the study is moving along. At this point there is a little more work on the manholes survey and location. On Tuesday, April 21, 2015 flow meters will be installed at the lift stations. These will be read once a week for a month. There will also be an electrical consultant brought in to investigate the main pump station to check all the controls and electrical devices in the building to make sure they are still in good shape. The Rural Water Group will also be contacted to look though the main lines though a closed circuit TV.

Attended a Monday morning meeting with the City of Glens falls and they will be holding a River Fest Event at Haviland's Cove, but this year the village will not be too much involved in the event.

**21) Mayor Report – None**

Mayor Orlow asked if there was any additional business to be brought before the Board regarding this Meeting.

Mr. Gutheil was present and asked about Item #5 of this agenda. He wanted to know where the Village would get the money to pay for an assessor. Mayor Orlow stated that first it needs to be established if the Village has a need to regain an assessing unit in the Village. He then stated that this has no reflection on the Town Assessor or the Town, but the fact that the Village needs to benefit at a quicker pace on all development.

Mr. Gutheil asked how much an assessor might cost the Village. Mayor Orlow stated probably somewhere \$15,000-\$18,000, but there will not be a definite until all research has been done to determine that.

At 8:47 Trustee Girard moved to close the meeting; seconded by Trustee Hayes and the Board unanimously approved.

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Clerk-Treasurer