

**PUBLIC MEETING**

**JULY 15, 2015**

**7:00 PM**

**MAYOR JOSEPH ORLOW PRESIDING**

**PRESENT**

Trustee William Hayes  
Trustee Anthony Girard  
Trustee Timothy Carota  
Trustee Edward J. LaFave

Brian Abare, DPW Superintendent  
Michael Muller, Attorney  
Kathleen Moore, Post Star Reporter  
Wayne Bruce, Asst. Bldg. Insp

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 motion to approve the minutes from the July 1, 2015 Board Meeting. Trustee Girard moved to approve the minutes from July 1, 2015. Trustee Hayes seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

Mayor Orlow then asked for a motion to approve the bills audited today. Trustee Hayes moved to approve the bills.

| FY 2015-2016                |                 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| <u>Vouchers 90044-90101</u> |                 |
| General Fund                | \$13,724.25     |
| Water Fund                  | 4,524.79        |
| Sewer Fund                  | <u>1,345.32</u> |
| Total                       | \$19,594.36     |

Seconded by Trustee Carota and the Board unanimously approved.

Mayor Orlow stated that at this time he would open the meeting for Public Forum to be limited to 5 minute intervals. Mayor Orlow stated that the format for this part of the meeting is that the

Public is now invited to speak regarding anything that is not on the agenda and then at the end of the meeting there will be additional time for the public speak on any agenda items or for any additional information. For future meetings all questions or comments for the Board will need to be submitted to the Board on the Monday prior to the meeting. There were no comments for this portion of the meeting.

## **AGENDA**

### **1) Financial Report – May 2015 – Previously Tabled**

Trustee Carota moved to approve the May 2015 Financial Statement; seconded by Trustee Girard and the Board unanimously approved.

#### **1a) Request for Tax Late Fee's Waiver**

Corelogic Tax Service has issued a request for penalties to be removed from 25 tax payments (e-mail on file with minutes). They submitted a check to the Village for 26 payments in which one payment for \$1,127.85 was already paid. The Village cannot accept overpayments and therefore called Corelogic Tax Service to explain that their check would be returned and that a new check would need to be submitted to the Village prior to the July 1, 2015 penalty date. Attorney Muller stated to the Village Board that in past penalties have not been waived but it will take a Board resolution instructing the Clerk-Treasurer as to the process she will take in this situation. Trustee Hayes asked Attorney Muller to please write a letter on behalf of the Village in which the Clerk-Treasurer will sign denying the request for waiver of the penalties. Trustee Carota seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved the motion.

### **2) Resolution – NYS Retirement Reporting**

Trustee Girard moved to approve the NYS Retirement Resolution; seconded by Trustee Carota and the Board unanimously approved.

**3) NYCOM – Annual Fall Training School**

Trustee Carota moved to approve the expense for the office staff and Board members to attend the NYCOM conference in Lake Placid from September 28 – October 1, 2015.

Trustee Hayes seconded the motion and asked if the Board could get a copy of the meeting agenda. The Board passed the motion unanimously. Clerk-Treasurer, Danae Bock stated she will put the tentative agenda in the office mail boxes tomorrow.

**4) Annual Holiday Parade – Sunday, November 22, 2015**

The Annual Holiday Parade will be sponsored by the Post Star again this year. The Post Star has submitted a request for support from the Village for this event. Trustee Carota moved to approve the Village support the annual event. The Village Police and DPW employees will supply additional manpower during and after the event. Trustee Hayes seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

**a. Donation – SGF High School Marching Band**

In the past the Village has sponsored the SGF High School marching band with a \$500.00 donation to participate in the Annual Holiday Parade. The Post Star has asked the Village for the financial support for this year's event. Trustee Hayes moved to approve the expenditure of \$500.00 payable to the Post Star for the sponsorship the SGF High School marching band.

Trustee Carota seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

**5) Assistant Code Enforcement Officer Report**

Mr. Wayne Bruce stated that he has been following up on several properties for the past few weeks. The following are updates.

- a. 41 Fairview Ext – Previously Tabled - There is currently a restoration company on site performing a clean-up. The pool area is being cleaned out and will be covered; the grass and shrubs will be mowed and trimmed.
- b. 156 Main Street – the Village has started litigation on this property and the property owner had until 5:00 PM today to clear away the debris and outdoor items. Progress is being made.
- c. 7 Marion Ave. – Currently being worked on and photos will be submitted to the bank.
- d. The Village Board was supplied with the Assistant Code Enforcement check list and guidelines packet. Trustee Carota verified with Mr. Bruce that the individuals in violation are given three written and/or verbal warnings to comply prior to legal action being taken. Mr. Bruce stated yes that is correct.

**6) DPW Report – on file**

**7) Trustee’s Report**

**Trustee Hayes** – Phase #1 Waste Water Grant is in a holding pattern based on Rural Water coming in to televising some of the sewer mains that are considered in the worst shape. Submission will be made in September.

Phase #2 – Waste Water Grant has been broad approved for the consultants to submit a grant application. The consultants have supplied the Village with the application that will be submitted and Trustee Hayes would ask that the board review the application and get back to him with any questions they may have by 3:30 pm on Friday, July 17, 2015.

Local Drinking Water Improvement Grant – The consultants have supplied the Village with another grant opportunity. This grant has a fall 2015 submission date. Trustee Hayes would like the Village Board to review the packet of information for this grant so that it can be

discussed at a future date. He then stated that he feels this grant could benefit the Village with the restoration of the Village Water tower. Trustee Carota asked what the Village cost will be to obtain this grant. That is a question that the consultants have been asked, but at this time the cost has not been supplied to the Trustee Hayes. Trustee Girard stated that this grant could be beneficial to the Village, and he encourages the Board to review the papers supplied to them by Trustee Hayes.

**Trustee Girard** – He thanked Mayor Orlow for his contact with the Village Police Department regarding the intersection of Rt. 9 and Main Street (Stewarts). After monitoring the area for two hours on three different nights the Village police issued three traffic tickets and gave two warnings for illegal turns. Trustee Girard then stated that this shows there is a problem in the area with traffic flow.

He then asked for clarification regarding the public forum time and future public questions and comments. Mayor Orlow stated that he would like to have the answers ready for the public and sometimes questions are asked that need research and answers cannot accurately be given at that time. Trustee Girard does not want to see the Public not have an opportunity to speak. Mayor Orlow stated the there are two public forums allowed in every meeting and the public will have an opportunity to speak. Clerk-Treasurer Danae Bock stated that office policy is that all items for the agenda be in the Village office by 2:00 PM on the meeting day.

**Trustee Carota** – None

**Trustee LaFave**- None

- 8) **Mayor Report** – There will be a dedication ceremony of the John T. Benoit Boat Launch on August 5, 2015 at 12:00 PM. The local press will be present; all Village Employees are invited as well as local government officials.

There was a joint meeting between the Town of Moreau and the Village regarding the Bathhouse project in the Sand Bar beach area. During the meeting the project finances and volunteer labor were discussed.

Mayor Orlow then asked if there were any additional questions or comments. There were none. At 7:31 PM Trustee Hayes moved to close the meeting; seconded by Trustee Girard and the Board unanimously approved.

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Clerk-Treasurer