

**PUBLIC MEETING****OCTOBER 7, 2015****7:00 PM****MAYOR JOSEPH ORLOW PRESIDING****PRESENT**

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

Brian Abare, DPW Superintendent  
 Wayne Bruce, Asst Code Enforcement  
 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 motion to approve the minutes from the September 2, 2015 Board Meeting. Trustee Girard moved to approve the minutes from September 2, 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 (September 16, 2015)	
<u>Vouchers 90484-90537</u>	
General Fund	\$17,261.78
Water Fund	21,260.00
Sewer Fund	<u>3,673.75</u>
Total	\$42,195.53

FY 2015-2016	
<u>Vouchers 90581-90643</u>	
General Fund	\$102,023.62
Water Fund	20,041.86
Sewer Fund	<u>2,368.24</u>
Total	\$124,433.72

FY2015-2016	
<u>Voucher 09232015-10062015</u>	
JB Project	\$1,069.38
Total	\$1,069.38

FY 2015-2016	
<u>Voucher 90189</u>	
General Fund	\$893.00
Total	\$893.00

FY2015-2016	
<u>Voucher WW1</u>	
Sanitary WasteWater	\$15,000.00
Total	\$15,000.00

Seconded by Trustee Girard and the Board unanimously approved.

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

Mr. John Hoey, Jackson Avenue was present to talk with the Board about rusty water issues that he is having at this home. Mr. Hoey stated that he again had to replace his hot water tank and in doing so he replaced his cooper piping. Mayor Orlow stated that the Village is working on this problem and hopefully there is a resolution in the process. Mr. Abare stated that this will probably be a year long process. Currently the Village has applied for a grant that would help with fixing the problems throughout the Village. Trustee Girard stated that the Village is aware of this issue and then he stated that this item will be addressed quickly with or without the grant. Mayor Orlow agreed that with or without the grant this problem needs to be addressed.

Mr. Harry Gutheil, Spring Street stated that he has had rusty water this year for the first time. Mr. Gutheil asked what is causing the problem. Mr. Abare stated that the Village has been doing some fire hydrant testing and air flow testing as well as other water testing. Some of the testing being performed is for grant purposes and he feels that this could possibly be the reason for the stir up of rusty water throughout the Village.

Mr. Charles Granger, Marion Avenue asked when Mr. Hoey first noticed his water problem and how long it took the Village to responded. Mr. Hoey stated that he first noticed the problem during the winter months. Mayor Orlow stated that immediate action was taken at the time when he was notified by Mr. Hoey. Mr. Granger asked what that meant. Mayor Orlow stated that it meant that Mr. Hoey has shown the Village Board his rusty water filter, a piece of replaced pipe and conversations have taken place with Mr. Abare and communication is the first step in moving forward to resolve the problem. Mr. Hoey agreed with the Mayor that this issue is not

being ignored by the Village. Mr. Granger stated that he is trying to understand the situation, because if it is happening on Jackson Avenue it could very well happen to him on Marion Avenue since it is downhill from Jackson Avenue. Mayor Orlow then stated that he has had four residents from Jackson Avenue approach him on the same problem that Mr. Hoey has. Mayor Orlow stated that the Village will continue to have communication with Mr. Hoey on this matter. Mayor Orlow then stated that he would move onto the agenda.

## **AGENDA**

### **1) Planning Board Alternate Member – Kim Wilson**

Mayor Orlow asked for a formal vote to approve Ms. Kim Wilson as an ALTERNATE to the Village Planning Board. Trustee Hayes moved to approve the appointment; Trustee Girard seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved. Mayor Orlow will contact Planning Board Chairman, David Linehan and will also contact Ms. Wilson regarding the Boards approval.

### **2) Financial Reports- August 2015**

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

### **3) October 2015 Water Sewer Warrant**

Trustee Carota moved to approve the October 2015 Water/Sewer Warrant; seconded by Trustee Hayes and the Board unanimously approved. It was requested the water/sewer amounts listed on the warrant be read aloud (Unable to verify from tape who requested that the amounts on the warrant be read aloud). It was explained to the audience that a copy of the warrant will be filed with the minutes and if they wished to have a copy tonight they could.

**4) Charles Granger – Village Shit Smell**

Mr. Charles Granger, Marion Avenue stated that he was doing yard work at 71 Saratoga Avenue when he was overcome by the smell of an outhouse in the middle of August. Mr. Granger stated that he investigated the smell to find out that it was coming from a compost of leaves and grass that is located behind the Village Police Department. Mr. Granger stated that it stunk up the entire Village that day. DPW Superintendent, Brian Abare stated that the grass and leaves are stock piled in that area and when there is a full load it is hauled away. This is a service that does not cost the Village any money to dispose of the compost. Mr. Granger stated that it cost man power to run the pay loader. Mr. Granger asked what could be done to avoid the smell. Mr. Abare stated again that this is a free service and a great way for the Village to get rid of the residential grass and leaves without it costing the Village anything. However if the smell is too much in the Village, then one way stop the smell is to discontinue providing the service to the residents. Mr. Granger stated that Mr. Gutheil, Spring Street could also smell it. Mr. Gutheil stated that he thinks the smell he had in his residential area as from the Glens Falls sewer plant. Mr. Abare stated that at this point there is no other place to stock pile the debris. Mr. Granger suggested that it be stock piled in the Stable/Gazebo area. Mr. Abare stated there was no place for it in that area. Mr. Granger stated that there is a lot of land in that area. Mr. Abare stated that it is National Grids property and not Village property. Mr. Hayes stated that the only sure way to stop the smell is to stop providing the service to the Village residents. Mr. Granger stated that he understands that the company that removes the debris wants a full load before they come to remove it, and therefore maybe the Village should look at other companies. Mayor Orlow stated that this needs to be monitored and then asked if there were additional complaints on

this. Clerk-Treasurer, Danae Bock stated that no other complaints were placed with the Village office, but that St. Michael's Church has mentioned it to others in the past. Mayor Orlow stated the combustion is what the Church is concerned with. Mr. Abare also stated that when the debris gets moved around to create additional space it often creates a smell. Mr. Granger would like the Board to figure out at what stage the debris will start to smell and have it removed prior to that happening. He suggested a horticulturist might have a formula. Mayor Orlow stated that the Board will look into it and take all suggestions mentioned this evening into consideration.

**5) Adirondack Water Works Conference – October 22, 2015, Latham NY**

Mr. Abare stated that at this point he has just one employee Mr. Jack Dixon that will be attending the conference. Trustee Hayes moved to approve the expense for the conference; seconded by Trustee Carota and the Board unanimously approved.

**6) Animal Control Report- on file**

Trustee Girard stated that he feels that the Village is over run with skunks. Mayor Orlow agreed with him and has spoken with Mr. Robbins regarding this. Mr. Robbins has some issues with his certifications at this time, but the Mayor hopes to have some resolution to this problem before the next meeting.

**DPW Report – on file** Item #23 of the report

The Frist Street pump station is in need of repairs. Mr. Abare stated that the plant needs to be shut down in order to replace the rails, but before this can be done a by-pass valve will need to be installed first. Mr. Abare asked if the Board would approve for Chazen Companies to perform the work in locating where the valve will go. Mayor Orlow asked

Trustee Girard and Trustee Hayes to review this with Mr. Abare and get back to the Board on the best way for this to be handled.

**7) Trustee's Report**

**Trustee Hayes** – Same as Trustee Girard's report.

**Trustee Girard** – The Village is currently working on a plan to fix the dirty water problem and estimates need to be sought for the painting of the water tower. Mr. Abare has spoken with representatives for water meters.

**Trustee Carota** – None

**Trustee LaFave** - None

**8) Mayor Report** – The Village has received grant funding of \$100,000.00 from Kathy Marchione office for the addition of a wash bay at the DPW garage.

Accompanied the Village Police Chief to a resident's home on Moreau Drive regarding some youth disturbances of the neighborhood.

**Public Forum** –

Mr. Hoey of Jackson Avenue stated that he is having an issue with a motor cycle incident on his street. He does not seem to be getting cooperation from the Village Police Department. Mayor Orlow stated that he would talk with the Police Chief to see if there is a solution to the problem.

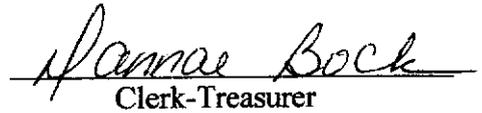
Mr. Harry Gutheil asked the Mayor and the Board how the budget figures were looking and if the Village is going to make the General Budget without borrowing money. Mayor Orlow stated that he has implemented Village Department Head meetings on a monthly basis and he is also including the Trustees to attend the meetings on an individual basis. Mayor Orlow stated that the

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next meeting will be held on October 13, 2015 at 10:00 AM. He invited Trustee Girard to attend that meeting. Mr. Charles Granger asked if the meetings were open to the Public. The Mayor stated again that these meetings are for the Village Department Heads.

Mayor Orlow asked if there were any other comments or questions. There were none

At 7:32 PM Trustee Hayes moved to close the meeting; seconded by Trustee Carota and the Board unanimously approved.

  
Clerk-Treasurer

# WATER AND SEWER WARRANT/RESOLUTION

October 7, 2015

Resolved that there be levied upon the residences, commercial businesses and other outside users the sums shown on the roll prepared and verified by the Clerk-Treasurer for the period April 1, 2015 – September 30, 2015 for the 2015-2016, fiscal year.

	<u>Water</u>	<u>Rec. Releived</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Grand Total</u>
Residential	\$ 197,261.25	\$ .00	\$133,042.88	\$330,304.13
Commercial	69,267.02	.00	55,803.27	125,070.29
Outside Users	<u>628.60</u>	<u>.00</u>	<u>812.00</u>	<u>1,440.60</u>
Total	\$ 267,156.87	\$ .00	\$189,658.15	\$456,815.02

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Joseph Orlow 10-7-15  
Joseph Orlow, Mayor Date

Edward J. LaFave 10-7-2015  
Edward J. LaFave, Trustee Date

William Hayes 10-7-15  
William Hayes, Trustee Date

Anthony Girard 10/7/15  
Anthony Girard, Trustee Date

Timothy Carota 10/7/15  
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