

Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC HEARING

APRIL 6, 2016

7:00 PM

MAYOR JOSEPH ORLOW PRESIDING

PRESENT

Trustee William Hayes
Trustee Anthony Girard
Trustee Timothy Carota

Brian Abare, DPW Superintendent
Michael Muller, Attorney
Kevin Judd, Police Chief

LOCAL LAW 1 – 2016

Entitled

“A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit established in

General Municipal Law §3-c”

Mayor Orlow asked Attorney Muller to read/review the Local Law with the public. Mayor Orlow then explained to the public that due to a large crowd attending the meeting this evening that the Village Board would hear public comments but the comments will be kept to 5 minute increments per individual. He then stated that the Board would take notes. Mr. Mike Monetna was present and asked how much he taxes will be raised. Mayor Orlow stated that at this point the preliminary budget is a 24% increase and at \$5.75 per thousand which is an increase off \$1.12 over the current rate. Mayor Orlow stated that if the Village does not increase the tax rate the additional money added to the roll based on the present tax cap allowance would be around \$4,500.00 for the year. Mayor Orlow stated that the preliminary budget has been in the making

for an entire year, but having monthly department head meetings and watching the cash flow of the Village. He encouraged the board and the public to remember that the Village has only raised taxes \$1.26 in the past 16 years and during that time the Village gave up their assessing unit. Peggy Jenkins, Town of Moreau Assessor was present and asked if she could explain to the residents how the Village receives tax revenue when they work off a Town roll. Ms. Jenkins explained that due to the NYS Assessment laws the Village does not receive their tax dollars in real time. Even though it is 2016, the Village is still working off the 2015 tax roll for the 2016-2017 Village budget. So in other words there is new construction taxed on the the land assessment only and not the home value at 100%. Mr. Gerald Fitzgerald stated that the Budget is 26.6% higher than last year. Mr. Fitzgerald read several budgeted line items in which he felt were over increased. The following were mentioned by Mr. Fitzgerald: Snow removal personnel, the total assessment amount, the tax levy and then he stated that all figures were budgeted to high. He also stated that the residents are not aware that if the tax cap is passed then the resident will not receive a tax cap refund check. Mr. Larry Lefebvre stated that he has lived in the community since he was 4 years old and he would like to know how the Village got to where it is today. He stated that he called the other day and was told that the assessment revaluation to 100% was done in 2004. Peggy Jenkins corrected what Mr. Lefebvre was told and stated that that it was 2010. Mr. Lefebvre second question: how long has the Village been using fund balance money? Third one was how long will the Village remain at 24% and how long will it be before the Village residents are happy with the community again. Mr. Lefebvre stated that this is slap in the face to get at this point. Ms. Susan Archumbault stated that she understands that the taxes will also increase but she would like to know if the Board has projected how many years it will take for the Village to level off. Harry Gutheil stated that he would first like to

point out a word mistake in the proposed Local Law. Attorney Muller stated that he has it corrected. Mr. Gutheil continued by stating the following. First he stated that he feels he has been ignored for 3 years in coming to the Board meetings. Secondly what he is reading he would like to be put into record with the Village minutes. (Attached) Thomas Wade asked how much and where the cell tower money was in the budget. It is in the General Fund and approximately \$30,000.00 annually from each of the two contracts. Gardner Congdon, Town Supervisor was present to ask the Village Board if they would be interested in meeting with the Town Board to discuss the consolidation of services. He stated that in the past he has looked at it and the effect would be a significant savings. It seems to him that a serious effort should be made. He thinks that the Town of Moreau full-time building inspector could also do the job of the Village part-time inspector job. He stated that as a tax payer he is surprised to learn the benefit package that the elected officials get more than the salaries. He would like justification since he is on Medicare and pays more than the Village elected official do. He then asked what the Village Board thought of is consolidation of service suggestion. Mayor Orlow thanked him for his suggestions. Mr. Congdon stated that the Village needed to be serious about it and that he is willing to do it on behalf of the Village tax payers. Mayor Orlow stated that is not something that the Village Board would be able to decide on this even. Mr. Congdon asked why and then asked what would be wrong with consolidating services. Trustee Hayes stated that the Village has inter-municipal agreements with other are municipalities but at the time it was presented to the Town of Moreau, Mr. Gutheil was supervisor and he would not sign the shared service agreement. Mr. Congdon asked how that was relevant to this situation. Trustee Hayes stated to Mr. Congdon that he wanted him to know that the Village already does what Mr. Congdon is suggesting. Mr. Congdon wanted to know what the harm would be to sit down and discuss this

and that he came to the Village in good faith. Mayor Orlow thanked Mr. Congdon for his time and suggestions. Mr. Congdon also stated that if there was any member of the Board that would like to talk with him he will be available. Peggy Jenkins stated that she wanted to take off her Assessors hat and address the Village Board as a resident. She stated that she does not begrudge any benefits or salaries especially in the thankless jobs that the elected officials have, but when times are tough the belts need to be tightened. The Village of South Glens Falls has a lot of retired residents that cannot squeeze another dollar out of their pockets. She sees it day in and day out by going to their home and trips to Ballston Spa for HEAP help. She stated that they don't take their medication so that they can eat. With a 24% increase small businesses in the Village will not be able to hold on, for sale signs will soon be going up in front of homes, the home values will decrease with the assessments which means the taxes will decrease. She suggested that the Board bite the bullet, think of the tax payers and give a little to get a little. A Fairview Street resident (cannot hear name on the tape) who is a senior citizen was present to state that she cannot pay a 24% increase. She stated that in the past there was also a water increase rate, and then she stated that she called and was told that no one had to give her a reason why the water rate increase happened. Also she read the Village audit and wants to know how the Village got here. Another resident (no address or name could be heard on the tape) stated that when he put together his personal budget he pads it a little bit and he was wondering if the Village could pad the budget a little less and spread it out over 4 years. His taxes went 49% in 2010 with the Town revalue. Another resident (Edgewood Drive) stated that there are a lot of empty buildings and properties in the Village and Rt. 9 in the Town. Is there any way to do something with these properties? Resident (can't understand name) stated that he finds it hard to believe that a meeting cannot be made with Mr. Congdon and talk about consolidation of

services. The Board stated they will discuss this at a later time. Mayor Orlow stated that he lives in this Village and is a landlord in the Village. The Board has tried to approach the bank and owners of abandoned and run down properties. Mayor Orlow stated it's not that easy to get them to comply. To address the questions on the audit and the controller's office; Mayor Orlow stated that in the past he has suggested small increases and other Board members have not want to do that. He stated that there have been weeks of cutting the budget and if the Board feels that there is more to cut in the budget he is okay with that. There have been grants that have been brought into the Village. There are residents in the audience that have benefited from a current housing grant. The Village cannot operate on a \$1.26 increase in sixteen years. Mayor Orlow stated that he inherited this and did not create it, but is trying to come up with a solution. Mayor Orlow stated that there has been a lot of residential development. Cumberland Farms will be moving into the Village. There are 27,000 cars that come through the Village every day. He recently attended an SEDC meeting which it was stated that Saratoga County is growing and also has one of the lowest county tax rates in NYS. The residents that are living and paying taxes based on land value, due to the Village being a year behind on the town roll is not right because all the residents will make up the difference. The residents have not been able to speak the budget workshops but it is a Board decision on budget cuts and he does not see a lot of people wanting to run for these positions. Charles Granger asked if there are any Board members that will receive benefits upon retirement. The answer is no. Mr. Granger stated that he could have lived anywhere and chose to live in here many years also. He feels Mr. Congdon had a good idea and he feels Mr. Congdon was cut off and that the Board showed no interest in what Mr. Congdon was suggesting. Mr. Granger stated that he is ashamed of the Village Board. He wants two Board members to say no to this law. Mr. Emmons stated that he will put his house

on the market and if it does not sell then he will let the bank foreclose on his house and pack up his camper. Mr. Granger stated he feels that this is all for show and the public don't really matter. Fran Thibodeau stated there are too many expenses for the Village Board to be carrying benefits. Tim Chagnon stated he is a DPW worker and if the Village wants to consolidate then everyone should think of the services they will lose. The 8 Village DPW guys do the street, sidewalks, curb, mowing the fixing of the sewer and water infrastructure. The biggest service offered is the yard waste pickup. The second item that will be lost is the response time for services. The third thing lost is the appreciation for the community, because when someone does not care it reflects in their work performance. The consolidation would also cost increase in wages for all positions in the DPW. The Town Highway makes more than the Village DPW. Mr. Chagnon said that everyone needs to take a step back and look at where the tax rate could be with the consolation of services. Mr. Congdon stated that is why the Village should sit and talk with Town, and there would be no doing away with the DPW guys. That is not what Mr. Congdon is proposing and wants that on the record. Mr. Congdon stated that the Town water employee is over paid and the Village water employee might be under paid. Ms. Jenkins stated that about 5 years ago the state offered \$25,000.00 for a study on consolidation. The study showed that 96% of the cases it would cost more to consolidate. Phyllis Miyauchi stated that the Village has the best DPW around and she feels that at this point it is too late but she feels that in the future there should be more time for the public input. Mayor Orlow stated that there have been workshops. Ms. Friers stated that she has been a party to the school district and that the Village is in trouble. She is so disappointed and stated that the planning is awful. She does not feel that the tax payers should be getting the Village out of this hole. She appreciates Mr. Girard and he has consistently stood up for the Village from what she has read. George Bordeau feels

that the Village should have a 50/50 raffle and that new businesses should be sought for the Village. Mayor Orlow stated that the Village has worked with SEDC on that issue. Mayor Orlow then stated that there will be election coming up and those people that want to put in their time for the Village need to come up to the plate and run for office. Harry Gutheil stated he would like to defend himself and during his time in the Town office it was not the shared services he denied to the Village but it was the that fact that the Village wanted the Town to buy all there water from the Village and he was able to get it cheaper from Queensbury. There was also a resident suggestion on the purchase of a used police car. Mayor Orlow stated that he hopes the situation with the police car is worked out, but in the meantime the Village will receive 100,000 for a DPW wash bay, and there will be \$60,000.00 of a shared grant and the police department will be receiving \$5,000.00. There is also an Affordable Houseing grant active in the Village. There was a complaint on the vacant Baker owned property on Saratoga Avenue. Mayor Orlow asked if there were any additional comments. There was none.

Trustee Carota stated that unless there any additional comments he would move to close the Public Hearing on Local Law 1-2016; seconded by Trustee Girard the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

PRELIMINARY BUDGET 2016-2017

Mayor Orlow then opened the Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget. The Board will take notes and try to answer all questions asked of them. Mike Schaffer of the Fire Company stated that there was no money in the building equipment. The explanation was that the Fire Truck appropriations are in inter-fund transfer and he also asked where the \$7,000 is for the building

renovation. It was explained to Mr. Shaffer that it is in the .400 account of the Fire Company budget. Mr. Shaffer asked if the Village has tried to obtain money for the Fire Company. Mayor Orlow stated that he tries to get as much as he can for each agency. Mr. Schaffer stated that side air packs were up on the Village Fire Truck at an expensive cost. Mayor Orlow stated that he is trying to get the deficit down to nothing so that money can be put aside for future spending. He asked for committee members to help the Village accomplish certain things. Mr. George Bordeau stated there are always ways to raise money, and maybe the Village should start 50/50 raffle. Mr. Fitzgerald has a question on the water budget, but the line items did not line up; so that caused him some confusion. He was confused on the meter verse non-meter charges; he thinks there is another increase. It was stated that the water and sewer rates will not increase in the upcoming budget. Mr. Cherven asked that once the new properties are on the tax roll will the Village have a surplus. Mayor Orlow stated that there will always be a delayed action on new or improved properties. Mr. Cherven asked if this increase will happen again next year. Mayor Orlow explained that he is looking at this year and then for the future years he wants to build the fund balance. Harry Gutheil again ask that his comments be placed on the record. He asked what the estimated fund balance at the end of the year would be. The Clerk-Treasurer stated that she did not currently have the water/sewer estimates, but that she estimates general between \$30,000 and \$40,000 Trustee Hayes stated that some of the increase will come from the fund balance. Mr. Gutheil feels that the budget appropriated fund balance of \$69,000 is too high and the Village should look at the fact that they are appropriating money they don't have which he stated this will mean the taxes will be raised higher. He feels the Village is not following the corrected action plan that they voted on which is on the website and he encouraged all to read it. He then stated that the Board will go through \$340,000 of the water fund balance with no long

range plan. He thinks the Village should look at the water tower and what is the condition of the water town. Why has the Village not received major grant money for the repairs needed on water infrastructure? He stated that the Village is going to spend \$400,000 on Prospect Street to run 12 feet of water lines. Why can't the Village be doing it themselves. The engineering appropriated in the budget is \$57,000. Mr. Gutheil stated if you want to replace the water lines in the Village you will need grant money and zero interest loans. Last year the Village borrowed an extra \$200,000 in waters loans that the public is probably not aware of. The budget is a shame that a police car and the fire truck don't have long range plans. There was a nice DPW dump truck sold last year with 43,000 miles on it. He feels the Board has done manage control tonight and telling everyone how hard they work, but he feel the Board needs to do more and get the taxes down. Mr. Gutheil stated that the Board looks at the benefit package and if that can't happen then they don't deserve to be on the Board. Trustee Girard stated that even though it seems that the Village has a large fund balance the water line on Prospect Street needs to be repaired. Currently the Village is working with the engineers and he would like to go to bid to see the actual cost for the Village. He states that keeping in mind that the DPW employees might be able to perform the duties needed is good news. The sewer fund balance is around \$400,000. He asked DPW Superintendent the feet of sewer line on Rt. 9. Mr. Abare stated that he does not a specific number of feet but he has a price of \$60,000. Trustees Girard stated that without grant money the Village can't do it alone and the Village does need a budget plan. Trustee Girard stated that because the Village has a large fund balance in water in order to obtain grant funding it must be spend down. Trustee Hayes stated that the appropriated cost also includes repairs near the water plant. TJ Chagnon asked how the Village derives at what is the payroll expenditure out of the sewer fund. It is his understanding that it is 4% from sewer and

8% in water and in his opinion the unit works more in water and sewer then that. Why can't they be put to work more on water and sewer to alleviate the stress on the general fund? The Clerk-Treasurer was asked by the Mayor to explain. She explained that she tried to get the Board to adjust the percentages, and that she is done trying to convince them that this needs to be done. Trustee Girard stated that every year the percentages need to be looked at. Mr. Chagnon asked if the percentages are changed would it help the Village in their current situation. Trustee Girard stated absolutely it would help. Mr. Chagnon stated then it should be done. There is pipe behind the shop, the equipment and the man power to complete certain projects; the Board should let them do it. Mr. Chagnon stated that the Village needs to be metered, and the free ride on meter services needs to end. He understands that the cost \$600,000 to \$700,000, but there would also be revenue collected to offset the cost. Trustee Girard stated that you would only be transferring funding. Mr. Chagnon stated that no you are not and every municipality does it. He understands that when the Village allowed the apartment homes to be metered there was a cost loss to the Village. He asked if the apartment homes water bill is much cheaper now. Mr. Gutheil stated that yes his is. Mr. Chagnon stated that of course it did and now the single family homes are making up the difference. He stated that an income property landlord and raise their rent a \$5 or \$10 verses what the Village did by shifting the additional cost onto a single home family owner. Trustee Hayes stated that all new construction currently gets a meter. Mr. Chagnon stated that there was a committee formed in which he verified with Trustee Girard that he sat on that committee. Mr. Chagnon asked the Clerk- Treasurer what the difference in revenue was. She did not have the exact dollar amount but stated yes it was a significant difference and yes the difference was shifted to the single family home. Mr. Gutheil stated that in the past few years the higher rates cost him \$80,000 to \$100,000. Mr. Chagnon did question

that total, and stated that the injustice comes from Mr. Gutheil not fighting for everyone. When asked Mr. Gutheil stated he did not think, and that if the Village puts meters in all homes it will just redistribute the cost, because the Village did at one time have meters in all homes. Mr. Chagnon told him that he was only thinking of himself. An audience member asked if there were benefits paid to retirees and what is an HRA. Mayor Orlow stated that yes current retirees do receive benefits and an HRA account is set up for reimbursement of copay and deductibles for all employees. Mr. Gutheil would like to know why there is no contribution of funds submitted to the water/sewer fund from the employee's contribution from health care. The Clerk-Treasurer stated that she will look into it, but a 4% in sewer it will be minimal. He talked about the 17 employees that were previously mentioned to be taken from water and sewer for benefits and he feels that was just a way for the Village to avoid exceeding the tax cap; but then the water and sewer rates would be raised, which don't fall under the tax cap. The Clerk-Treasurer stated that was not the intention at all but it was intended to relieve some of the debt in the General fund. She then stated that the water and sewer rates are not increasing in the proposed budget. She feels that the Village Board is doing what they can to improve the infrastructure with the money they have to work with, because as Trustee Girard stated the Village will not qualify for grant funding with large fund balances. Mr. Gutheil stated he understands that but does not want the water/sewer rates raised. The Clerk-Treasurer stated that the fund balances may be gone after the projected project gets underway, but from a financial point of view she does not feel that the rates in water and sewer will need to be raised. She stated as it was mentioned by Mr. Chagnon the Village needs to go meters. Mr. Gutheil then stated that the water tank needed cosmetic work in the middle of winter. John Dixon Jr. Water/Sewer operator stated that was untrue and the repair was to a pipe that was necessary to fill the water tank, and not cosmetic. Mr. Gutheil

stated that is what the Mayor said. Mayor Orlow stated that it was the original pipe that had been repaired in the past.

There were no additional comments on this part of the Public Hearing.

Mayor Orlow then asked for a motion to close this portion of the Public Hearing. Trustee Carota moved to close the Budget Hearing; seconded by Trustee Hayes and the Board unanimously approved.

Mayor Orlow then opened the Organizational Meeting part of the Public Hearing. He then asked the Board for comments or questions. There were none. Trustee Carota moved to close this part of the Public Hearing;

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

1. Dates for Regular Meetings 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month
2. Appointments/Committees Attached
3. Advance Approval of Claims - Authorize payments in advance of audit claims for Utility bills, postage, freight/express charges, and payroll.
4. Official Newspaper - Post Star and Chronicle
5. Procurement Policy - Re-adoption
6. Investment Policy - Re-adoption

Trustee Girard seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

PRESENT

Trustee William Hayes
 Trustee Anthony Girard
 Trustee Timothy Carota

Brian Abare, DPW Superintendent
 Michael Muller, Attorney
 Kevin Judd, Police Chief

PUBLIC MEETING

Mayor Orlow asked for a motion to approve the following minutes

Trustee Carota moved to approve the Minutes from the February 29, 2016 Budget Workshop;

Trustee Hayes seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

Trustee Hayes moved to approve the minutes from the March 14, 2016 Budget Workshops with the correction request from Trustee Girard of words Tax Levy to Assessed Value on pages #2;

Trustee Carota seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

Trustee Carota moved to approve the Minutes from the March 16, 2016 Public Meeting; seconded by Trustee Girard 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 91604-91658</u>	
General Fund	\$59,638.64
Water Fund	17,280.15
Sewer Fund	<u>5,391.08</u>
Total	\$82,309.87

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 minutes.

Public Forum – Brain McFarren questioned the fact that the Village has stated that the taxes for the Village have not gone up but when his assessed value went up, his taxes went up. Trustee

Hayes stated that the Village kept things comparable and if you lived in an older home then your taxes increased. Trustee Hayes stated that the Village lowered their tax rate from \$15.00 to \$4.50 per thousand. Mr. McFarren stated that it must have been a large increase to the taxes of the Village, but it was stated that there was no large fund of money to the Village because of decrease in tax rate.

There were no additional comments.

AGENDA

1) Act on Resolution for Local Law 1-2016

Attorney Muller read the resolution which will be attached to Local Law 1-2016. Mayor Orlow asked the Board if they would like to act on Local Law 1-2016. Trustee Carota moved to adopt Local Law 1-2016; seconded by Trustee Hayes, Trustee Girard voted no and Mayor Orlow was a yes. Local Law passed – Resolution and Local Law on file with these minutes.

2) Act on Preliminary Budget

Attorney Muller read documentation giving the clarification on the timeline of the budget adoption. The statute read by Attorney Muller will be on file with the minutes. Mayor Orlow asked if the Board was ready to vote on the Preliminary Budget. Trustee Hayes stated that he would like to sit with the Board to review more and discuss what the public has questioned tonight. Mayor Orlow stated that he will be willing to meet every night if necessary but the elected officials will have to make a decision and not everyone will be happy with that decision. Trustee Hayes moved to table this until the April 20, 2016 meeting. Trustee Carota seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

Mayor Orlow asked if the Board could all attend a meeting tomorrow evening on April 7, 2016 at 6:00 pm. It was unanimously that the Board will meet then. Linda Albert asked if it would be an open meeting. Mayor Orlow stated yes it is a Public Meeting, but it will be a Board discussion of the budget.

3) Act on Organization Meeting

Trustee Carota moved to approve the Organization Meeting as presented.

1. Dates for Regular Meetings 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month
2. Appointments/Committees Attached
3. Advance Approval of Claims - Authorize payments in advance of audit claims for Utility bills, postage, freight/express charges, and payroll.
4. Official Newspaper - Post Star and Chronicle
5. Procurement Policy - Re-adoption
6. Investment Policy - Re-adoption
7. Fee Schedule – Re-adoption

Trustee Hayes seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

4) Moreau Community Center Annual Block Party & Walk/Run Event, September 10, 2016 – Previously Tabled

Trustee LaFave and Chief of Police, Kevin Judd have reviewed the request and have supplied the Board with their approval. Trustee Carota moved to approve the Moreau Community Center request; seconded by Trustee Hayes and the Board unanimously approved.

5) February 2016 Financial Statement

Trustee Girard moved to approve the February 2016 Financial Statement; seconded by Trustee Hayes and the Board unanimously approved.

6) Water Bill – Al Merchant

Mr. Merchant was present regarding a letter he submitted to the Board. He is looking for documentation on the no rebate part of Local Law 3- 2014 and why he was not notified that the law changed. He would also like the Public Notice. He would also like to know why

the change did not affect his billing. The Clerk-Treasurer will send Mr. Merchant a copy of the law.

7) NYS Rural Water Association 37th Annual Technical Training

Trustee Hayes moved to approve for John Dixon Jr. to attend the NYS Rural Water Associate Training in Lake Placed; seconded by Trustee Carota and the Board unanimously approved.

8) Gazebo Request Mellissa Harppinger – May 20, 2016, 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Trustee Carota moved to approve the gazebo request for Mellissa Harppinger; seconded by Trustee Girard and the Baard unanimously approved

9) Gazebo Request Nicole Durkee – August 20, 2016, 2:00 PM- 4:00 PM

Trustee Carota moved to approve the gazebo request for Nicole Durkee; seconded by Trustee Girard and the Board unanimously approved.

10) Prospect Street Amendment to Contract

Trustee Hayes stated that the Board has been given an addendum to the original contract with the engineers to extended work at the bottom of the Beach Road. The increase is \$7365.00 in this year's budget and \$4885.00 in the 2016-2017 budget. Trustee Carota moved to approve the addendum; seconded by Trustee Girard and the Board unanimously approved.

11) 2016-2017 Coopers Cave Brochures

The following were received:

1. North County Distribution is \$2,160.00.
2. Finch Paper is \$455.18 for 25,000 copies.
3. Glens Falls Printing is \$1,359.00 which is a \$200.00 increase. They pick-up paper at Finch and deliver the finished brochure to the Village.

Trustee Hayes then stated that all cost is a 50/50 split with the City of Glens Falls

Trustee Hayes moved to approve the cost for the brochures that will be dropped in 600 spots from Plattsburg to Albany; Trustee Carota moved to second the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

12) Membership Statue Change for Fire Company Member Walt Tracey, Jr. from Life-Inactive to Life-Active

Trustee Carota moved to acknowledge the Fire Company membership of Walt Tracy Jr.; seconded by Trustee Hayes and the Board unanimously acknowledged.

13) April 2016 Water/Sewer Warrant

Trustee Hayes moved to approve the April 2016 Water/Sewer Warrant; seconded by Trustee Carota and the Board unanimously approved.

14) 2016 NYCOM Annual Meeting & Training School – May 1-3, 2016

Trustee Carota moved approve the NYCOM training in Saratoga, NY; seconded by Trustee Hayes and the Board unanimously approved.

15) Account Transfers

Trustee Hayes moved to approve the following transfer:

1. FROM: A1325.0402	C/T Schools/Conferences	\$1,000.00
TO: A7989.0400	Code Book	\$1,000.00

Trustee Carota seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved

16) DPW Report – on file

Item # 11 – Auctioned the large bed box for \$3,000.00

Item # 12 – Received 3 quotes for alarm system at the water plant. Foresight Electric Montering is the cheapest (least expense) . The quotes were from Mahoney, Fire and Signal and Foresight. He would like to get going on the project.

17) Trustee’s Report

Trustee Hayes – ZBA meet on 3 Appeals. All were approved unanimously. They were for 21 Saratoga Avenue was a shed height approval, 4 Wilson area variance for a garage extension in side set back and Cumberland Farms for a special permit for the sign square footage.

The water phosphate system is working and there have been no additional calls on the water color.

The second grant survey mailings will be sent out soon and there seems to be an entire area that has not returned them. The percentage received back needs to be higher in order to receive the grant and if the response is still not enough then the next set is to go door to door with the consultant's office.

Saratoga Living magazine did an interview on the Cooper's Cave area. The Tourist Direct for the City of Glens Falls also promotes the Cooper's Cave is with distributing brochures along the rest areas of the NYS thruway.

Trustee Carota - None

Trustee Girard- None

18) Mayor Report - None

Executive Session - Contracts

Mayor Orlow asked for a motion to adjourn into an Executive Session. Trustee Carota moved to adjourn the meeting to an executive session to discuss contract issues with no additional business conducted. Trustee Hayes seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

At 9:15 PM Mayor Orlow asked to close the Public Meeting Trustee Hayes moved to close the meeting; seconded by Trustee Carota and the Board unanimously approved.

Clerk-Treasurer