

## REGULAR MEETING

December 20, 2010

PRESENT: Mayor Treutlein, Trustees Appleton, Hollister, Robinson and Wagner, Superintendent Stearns, Building Inspector Hurlburt and Clerk Hoffmeister

Others Present: Town of Gainesville Councilwoman Lynette Petre and Councilman Jim Shearing

Mayor Treutlein presided.

Meeting was open with a salute to the flag.

Minutes of previous meeting of December 6, 2010 were approved as submitted by photocopy.

Councilman Shearing stated that their purpose was to discuss the snowmobile trail. They talked about the pros and cons of having the trail open. The biggest obstacle for the Village Board is the pending lawsuit and the Town of Gainesville's biggest concern is having the snowmobiles traveling on the road. Trustee Robinson stated that the Board would discuss the issues again tonight and would contact Councilman Shearing with their decision. They thanked the Board for their time and wished them a Merry Christmas.

INSURANCE – Received a letter from Tompkins Insurance regarding contracts for contractors and subcontractors hired to perform work for Village. Superintendent Stearns will complete the proper paperwork to utilize for the future.

BUILDING INSPECTOR – Danny Hurlburt informed the Board that Randy Hare had filed an appeal. Also stated that bricks had fallen from the corner building at 6 N Main Street and a letter has been sent to the owner. He has 20 days to have a report of repairs to be made that must include the unsafe fire escape. Danny has been in touch with Garry Ingles to resolve the issues with his deck. Apparently, Garry is not interested in making amends and has stated he will see Danny in court. Danny wished the Board a Merry Christmas and presented them with his homemade almond ring.

PUBLIC WORKS PROGRESS REPORT: STREETS – Plowed streets, parking lots, sidewalks and fire hall, hauled snow from the parking lots and Fire Hall, scraping and painting trash cans, cleaned the sanitary sewer between Big M and Sugar Creek, equipment maintenance as needed, loaded tin at Building 2 and hauled it to Stanley Staba, Attica hauling wood chips, picked up piles of brush, daily check of all buildings at the Park, T & D Heating replaced motor on the furnace at the bathhouse and set up barricades at 6 North Main St due to falling bricks. WATER DISTRIBUTION – Daily checks and stakeouts, final readings as needed, collected daily CL2 samples for the Town North Water District, reading meter books A,B,C&D, shut water off at 92 Genesee Street, sent a built disks for Rte 19 North Water District to Wendel Engineers for the Town Sewer District and plowed snow. WASTEWATER FACILITY – Daily tests and maintenance, monthly samples and reports, WYCO discharged 4,000 gallons of septage and L M White discharged 2,000 gallons of septage and drew off 6,000 gallons of septage to the drying beds. INFORMATION – Completed the 2011 trash/recycle calendar which will be in the Penny Saver December 19, 2010. Received e-mail confirmation \$67,000 will be reimbursed for CHIPS projects completed in 2010. On December 21, 2010 at 10:00 am a meeting will be held at the Village Office concerning the Wyoming County Countywide Water feasibility Study. WATER FILTER FACILITY-Daily tests were performed and all results were recorded, daily maintenance was performed and adjustments made as needed, power generator tested successfully, currently drawing water from creek supply, received a new chlorines vacuum head from Pertech and installed it in the chlorine room, collected our yearly samples to be tested for inorganic and SOC's, on 12/3 we had problems with air in the raw intake main, also repaired a broken feed line to the raw water turbid meter and contacted Calgon Corp and Anthrafilter for pricing on Carbon replacement for our two filters.

Joyce Parker was in the Village Office to see Superintendent Stearns concerning the school crossing on W Buffalo St. She feels it is very unsafe with parents dropping the children on the side of the street. Asked if “No Standing” signs could be placed instead of the “No Parking” signs. This will be discussed at the Police Committee meeting.

TREASURER - Proof of collateral for the month of November 2010 was submitted and ordered filed.

MEETINGS:

Police Committee – Thurs 12/30 – 4:00 pm –Village Office

RESOLUTION #162 of 2010

BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS:

Motion made by Trustee Appleton  
Seconded by Trustee Wagner

RESOLVED – That the following budget appropriations be hereby approved:

Snow/Ice – Loader parts (A5110.400)	\$ 611.52
Sweeper – fuel tank (A8170.400)	902.61
WasteWater – switch for pumping station (G8130.400)	411.50
Streets – tools (A8140.400/G8120.400)	1,180.00
Refuse – steel to repair dumpsters (A8160.400)	546.00

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #163 of 2010

TAXATION: Property Tax Cap and Mandate Relief

Motion made by Trustee Robinson  
Seconded by Trustee Appleton

WHEREAS the level of property taxation throughout New York has reached dangerously high levels; and

WHEREAS New York leads the nation in property taxes simply because we lead the nation in imposing inefficient state mandates on our local governments; and

WHEREAS two of the largest components of every municipal budget over which local officials have little control – pension payments and health insurance costs – are increasing at exorbitant rates; and

WHEREAS in the case of pension costs, bills from the State Retirement System will increase by an average of 40% in both 2011 and 2012; and

WHEREAS state laws pertaining to the collective bargaining of contracts between municipalities and employee unions, particularly those pertaining to firefighters and police officers, do not allow local officials to reasonably control the costs such contracts impose on property taxpayers; and

WHEREAS as a solution to New York’s property tax crisis, the Governor of New York and the New York State Legislature will, in 2011, consider enactment of legislation imposing a cap on the annual growth in property taxes; and

WHEREAS a property tax cap will only work if it is simultaneously accompanied by a repeal of current state mandates that require local governments to increase spending and property taxes; and

WHEREAS a property tax cap without repeal of costly state mandates will, by definition, lead to drastic cuts in essential local services and dramatic layoffs of municipal employees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village of Warsaw that the Governor of the State of New York and the members of the New York State Senate and New York State Assembly must reform the cost drivers that lead to high property taxes in New York – including pension benefits, health insurance costs and the collective bargaining process – as the central element of any effort to provide overdue property tax relief to the residents and businesses of New York.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Governor, Senate Majority and Minority Leaders, Assembly Speaker and Minority Leader, Senator Volker, Member of Assembly Burling, and the New York State Conference of Mayors.

CARRIED

WYOMING COUNTY VILLAGE ASSOCIATION – The Board was in consensus to host the dinner at the Valley Inn scheduled for January 19, 2011. Clerk Hoffmeister will contact Valley Inn for dinner choices. Building Inspector Hurlburt will contact the State Code Enforcement Office in Albany to see if someone would be available to speak at the dinner.

Trustee Appleton requested the recognition of Dale Wilhoite's service to the Village of Warsaw for 33 years with for the past 16 years as Park Caretaker and his passing on December 15, 2010.

RESOLUTION # 164 of 2010

AUDIT AND PAY BILLS:

Motion made by Trustee Wagner  
Seconded by Trustee Appleton

RESOLVED – That the bills be allowed as read; that checks in payment thereof be issued; that Mayor Treutlein be and hereby is authorized to sign General Abstract #14 in the amount of \$47,483.52, Water Abstract #14 in the amount of \$7,066.10 and Sewer Abstract #14 in the amount of \$12,450.66.

CARRIED

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel – 8:10 p.m.

Adjourn Executive Session at 8:38 p.m.

Reconvened regular meeting at 8:38 p.m.

RESOLUTION #165 of 2010

VILLAGE PROPERTY: Snowmobile Trail

Motion made by Mayor Treutlein  
Seconded by Trustee Appleton

RESOLVED – That permission for use of the snowmobile trail be hereby approved for Oatka Valley Snowmobile Association Club members for the 2010-11 season.

CARRIED

Moved and Seconded to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.

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Linda K Hoffmeister, Clerk

