

September 9, 2013

Deputy Mayor Bielec opened the Regular meeting at 6:35 pm in the absence of Mayor Peterson. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Deputy Mayor Bielec, Trustees Busch, Ianni and Lauer, Officer Retzlaff, Harvey Stalker from Corfu Presbyterian Church and several residents.

Harvey Stalker, representing the Corfu Presbyterian Church, spoke to the Board regarding difficulty he is having trying to contact Code Enforcement Officer John Good. He said the church has put in an application to take care of several structural issues at the church affecting the health and safety of their parishioners. He said in the absence of hearing from the Code Enforcement Officer, the church intends to start work. He added that the work would be augmenting what is already there with no changes in structure. He outlined a few of the issues including a mold problem developed by leakage, having to excavate and put in some block wall, waterproofing and some front portico work. He said they would gladly have Mr. Good look at the work as they proceed.

Deputy Mayor Bielec said he would give John Good a call. Mr. Stalker left the meeting at 6:38 pm.

Village resident Mike Tost also spoke up regarding Code Enforcement Officer Good. He said besides the continuing mess and potential safety issues outside Petals and Plants, there are also still several fire code violations within the building. No permits are on file with the Village for any work done at that location in the past seven years which includes adding an additional apartment on the first floor, the lean-to added to the west side of the building or the extra greenhouse added to the west. Mr. Tost informed the Board that he wants some action taken in the next 72 hours or he will contact the media. He added that it has been four years since the tornado and when Petals and Plants did go before the court in 2010 they were given an extension, but there appears to be no follow through after the extension was given.

Trustee Busch questioned why it took Mr. Tost four years to come to the Board with this. Trustee Busch was informed that he has been coming to the Board all along but has not seen any results. Deputy Mayor Bielec said he would also speak to John Good regarding this issue.

Mt. Tost left the meeting at 6:45 pm.

Communications:

- 1) Rec'd notification of advice for medical leave of absence for Mayor Peterson until January 2, 2014 from Pembroke Family Medicine.
- 2) Rec'd 5 copies Liability Insurance coverage from Floss Insurance.
- 3) Rec'd ck#305120089 in the amt of \$20.00 from Metropolitan Reporting Bureau for an accident report.
- 4) Rec'd plans and specs for Norm Waff from Clark Patterson Engineers for WQIP grant.
- 5) Rec'd letter of notification for water tank rehab and painting from MCWA.
- 6) Rec'd ck#60801165 in amt of \$43.00 from Selective Insurance for reimbursement.
- 7) Rec'd email inquiry from resident Dave Stehlar regarding cleanup of glass and debris on sidewalk in underpass.
- 8) Rec'd request from Oakfield-Alabama American Legion for financial support for the Travelling wall coming in June 2014.

Clerk gave brief update on status of repair to office backup tape. She said she was shown how to manually eject the old tape, but found upon checking the backup after the weekend it had not backed up. The Board agreed the company should be re-called for follow-up.

Brief discussion took place regarding the letter from Pembroke Family Medical advising the leave of absence for Mayor Peterson. It was felt some confirmation was needed from the Mayor that he intends to follow the doctor's advice. Trustee Ianni suggested rather than have the Attorney contact the Mayor, he would like to contact him first to request a letter directly from the Mayor. When questioned, Trustee Ianni added he will also request that the Mayor consider resigning.

The discussion turned to whether it would be worth the expense to pursue follow up with the State Appellate Court should the Mayor refuse to resign as it is an expensive procedure and would likely take a considerable length of time. It was also brought up that the Village will still have to pay the Mayor while he is on medical leave.

Resident Linda Tucker questioned how he can be on medical leave from one job and not his other job.

Clerk gave an update on status of uniform order made for unhired officers. She had been informed that one officer’s uniforms had been paid for directly and that as yet there had been no record at United Uniform of the other officer’s uniforms being returned.

Clerk also updated the Board on further orders by officers that have exceeded their allotted uniform allowance. She requested permission to send those officers that have exceeded their allotted uniform allowance letters of how much they will be required to reimburse the Village for the overage.

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Bielec and seconded by Trustee Ianni to approve sending letters to those officers that have exceeded their allotted uniform allowance indicating how much they will be required to reimburse the Village for the overage.

The motion was passed on the following vote:

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Ralph Peterson				X
Trustee Keith Busch	X			
Trustee Dave Bielec	X			
Trustee Art Ianni	X			
Trustee Ken Lauer	X			
VOTE TOTAL	4			1
RESULTS	PASS			

An invoice received for 50 more police emblems was brought to the Board’s attention with the question of the need for 150 emblems in the past four months for the Village Officers. Upon questioning, Officer Retzlaff indicated that this last shipment of emblems is to replace the metal badges that officers used to be issued and that 50 of each style is the minimum order.

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Bielec and seconded by Trustee Busch to approve payment of the invoice for the 50 emblems.

The motion was passed on the following vote:

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Ralph Peterson				X
Trustee Keith Busch	X			
Trustee Dave Bielec	X			
Trustee Art Ianni	X			
Trustee Ken Lauer	X			
VOTE TOTAL	4			1
RESULTS	PASS			

Trustee Ianni said he had no update on the Police Union.

It was mentioned that the Police Committee is holding off as they feel they need to know how far they go with the union. Once they have more information about the union they would have a better understanding to take back to the committee.

Clerk mentioned that the two estimating guides ordered for the Sewer grant have come in.

Deputy Mayor Bielec mentioned that he does not feel he has enough time to supervise the Police in the absence of the Mayor. Trustee Ianni questioned if it has to be the Mayor, Deputy Mayor or a paid supervisor. He said he would be willing to work with the police if it is found to be acceptable after consulting with NYCOM.

Motion was made by Trustee Busch and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bielec to approve Trustee Ianni to supervise the police if it is found to be acceptable after consulting with NYCOM.

The motion was passed on the following vote:

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Ralph Peterson				X
Trustee Keith Busch	X			
Trustee Dave Bielec	X			
Trustee Art Ianni	X			
Trustee Ken Lauer		X		
VOTE TOTAL	3	1		1
RESULTS	PASS			

Officer Retzlaff responded regarding questions he had received about getting rid of the 2009 Impala. He said they have been having a lot of problems with the Impala and Officer Delacy got in a Crown Victoria from Amherst Police Department that one of their detectives had used. He said Delacy would take the Impala and we could get the Crown Victoria complete with lights and hookup for an even swap. Deputy Mayor Bielec asked if they had that in writing. Trustee Ianni said he would check into it further.

Trustee Lauer questioned the need for three Police cars. He also mentioned the possibility that Trustee Ianni may not be allowed to take over as Police advisor and no one would be able to oversee the Police Department.

Motion was made by Trustee Lauer to suspend Police operations until these issues are settled. There was no second or support. Motion did not pass.

Clerk brought the unused Police cell phones to the Board's attention and said after Police Supervisor Meier had turned his in upon his resignation, Mayor Peterson said he was considering using it for Village business so it had not been cancelled.

Motion was made by Trustee Busch and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bielec to cancel both cell phones with Verizon.

The motion was passed on the following vote:

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Ralph Peterson				X
Trustee Keith Busch	X			
Trustee Dave Bielec	X			
Trustee Art Ianni	X			
Trustee Ken Lauer	X			
VOTE TOTAL	4			1
RESULTS	PASS			

Brief report was given on the Maintenance department. They have been working on the Sewer Project. Plans are to work on the guard rails in the next week or two.

It was mentioned that the Camden Addenda for the grant is going to be reworded to eliminate the Clerk of the Works wording at the request of Valerie at J. O'Connells. Attorney Boylan has approved. Items listed

have been pulled out of the contractor's bid and shows savings. Al Graham is working on sheets breaking down the materials and labor for Valerie to present to DEC and said they are shooting for over \$100,000 savings. Mr. Graham said he has a meeting set up with Mike, Jesse and Norm to go item by item for the cost comparisons and savings.

Motion was made by Trustee Ianni and seconded by Trustee Lauer to approve minutes of the August 26th meeting.

The motion was passed on the following vote:

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Ralph Peterson				X
Trustee Keith Busch	X			
Trustee Dave Bielec	X			
Trustee Art Ianni	X			
Trustee Ken Lauer	X			
VOTE TOTAL	4			1
RESULTS	PASS			

	Date	Gen. Fund Ckg	Sew.Fund Ckg	Cap. Proj Fund	True Gen Bal
Ckg Balance on hand	08/12/13	150,475.74	(2,167.20)	(42,107.73)	
Receipts to	09/09/13	27,549.48	9,607.02	0	
Balance	09/09/13	178,025.22	7,439.82	(42,107.73)	
Disbursements to	09/09/13	(28,669.58)	(2,134.75)	-6,407.77	
Direct Ded Deluxe cks	09/09/13	(283.22)			
Auditor Adjustmt			(32,449.98)	32,449.98	
Auditor Adjustmt		(14,326.04)	14,326.04		
Subtotal	09/09/13	134,746.38	(12,818.87)	(16,065.52)	
Payables	09/09/13	(28,506.88)	(9,477.55)	(2,674.10)	
Ckg Total	09/09/13	106,239.50	(22,296.42)	(18,739.62)	65,203.46
	09/09/13				
		General Fund	Capital Reserve	Sew. Repair Res	Total Savings
SavingsTotal	07/31/13	178,052.18	247,127.86	35,772.25	460,952.29
Interest Credit					
Interest Credit	08/31/13	22.68	31.48	4.56	58.72
Balance		178,074.86	247,159.34	35,776.81	461,011.01

Vouchers: #216237 thru 216268

General Fund – Total Am't = \$57,176.46
 Sewer Fund - Total Am't = \$11,612.30
 Capital Project Fund - Total Am't = \$ 9,081.87

Motion made by Trustee Ianni and seconded by Trustee Busch to pay general and sewer bills.

The motion was passed on the following vote:

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Ralph Peterson				X
Trustee Keith Busch	X			
Trustee Dave Bielec	X			
Trustee Art Ianni	X			
Trustee Ken Lauer	X			
VOTE TOTAL	4			1
RESULTS	PASS			

Motion made by Trustee Ianni and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bielec to approve Treasurer's Report.

The motion was passed on the following vote:

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Ralph Peterson				X
Trustee Keith Busch	X			
Trustee Dave Bielec	X			
Trustee Art Ianni	X			
Trustee Ken Lauer	X			
VOTE TOTAL	4			1
RESULTS	PASS			

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Bielec and seconded by Trustee Ianni to move the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Village of Corfu approves the proposal from Municipal Solutions Inc in connection with the Village of Corfu's Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project for the purposes of Bond Anticipation Note Borrowings, Sale of Serial Bonds and General Financial Services in conjunction with financial matters of the project.

The motion was passed on the following vote:

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Ralph Peterson				X
Trustee Keith Busch	X			
Trustee Dave Bielec	X			
Trustee Art Ianni	X			
Trustee Ken Lauer	X			
VOTE TOTAL	4			1
RESULTS	PASSED			

Motion was made by Trustee Busch and seconded by Trustee Ianni to set September 23, 2013 as Public Hearing to set the sewer rate at \$6.24 per thousand.

The motion was passed on the following vote:

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Ralph Peterson				X
Trustee Keith Busch	X			
Trustee Dave Bielec	X			
Trustee Art Ianni	X			
Trustee Ken Lauer	X			
VOTE TOTAL	4			1
RESULTS	PASSED			

It was mentioned that the final draft of the Local Law for the Neighborhood Business District has been submitted by Planning Board chairperson Dave Saleh. Resolution to Introduce the Law will be presented at the September 23, 2013 meeting with Public Hearing for the law to be set for the October 14, 2013 meeting. It was also mentioned that Mr. Saleh has a meeting with Dollar General on September 11, 2013.

Deputy Mayor Bielec said he had been approached by several Village residents interested in discussing a petition to do a study on consolidation and making the Village a hamlet. He said Dave Saleh was willing to draw up the petition and he would like the Board to do a motion to request the Town of Pembroke to do a study on consolidation.

Motion was made by Trustee Ianni and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bielec to request the Town of Pembroke to do a study on consolidation.

The motion was passed on the following vote:

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Ralph Peterson				X

Trustee Keith Busch	X			
Trustee Dave Bielec	X			
Trustee Art Ianni	X			
Trustee Ken Lauer	X			
VOTE TOTAL	4			1
RESULTS	PASSED			

Village resident Pam Ware gave an update on the progress of the Corfu Concerned Citizen's group on the 2014 Winterfest. They are considering including including local retail vendors to support local businesses. She said their next meeting will be Wednesday September 17th at 6:30 pm.

Village resident Gary Herman questioned the waste of \$600 on cell phones that have not been used since April and what happened to the old metal badges the Police had.

Resident Al Graham gave a brief update on the sewer mentioning the computer is now up and running. He also mentioned Niagara Mohawk is replacing a couple poles at the sewer plant.

Mr. Graham also made a statement about a Police Officer publicly blaming the Village Clerk for the new \$150.00 uniform budget. He also reminded the Board that any purchase over \$100.00 should have Board approval, including the Police. He questioned the status of the Police lawsuit and was told there was no further news at this time.

It was mentioned that the Board should check on the difference in age between the vehicles for the proposed Police vehicle swap.

Resident Sandy Szumigala questioned if the Board was going to check on how the Mayor can take medical leave for this job and not his other job.

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Bielec and seconded by Trustee Busch to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was passed on the following vote:

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Ralph Peterson				X
Trustee Keith Busch	X			
Trustee Dave Bielec	X			
Trustee Art Ianni	X			
Trustee Ken Lauer	X			
VOTE TOTAL	4			1
RESULTS	PASS			

Meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Sandra Thomas
Clerk Treasurer