

**VILLAGE OF CHATHAM, NEW YORK
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
TRACY MEMORIAL BUILDING
MARCH 8, 2018
7:00 PM EST
MINUTES**

Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor T. Curran; Trustees L. Packet; M. Wollowitz; J. Rippel; G. Wordon; Treasurer B. Henry; Clerk D. Meyers; Lte. J. Alessi; DPW Working Foreman P. Genovese; Asst. Fire Chief J. Howe; Asst. Fire Chief E. Barnes; Newspaper Reporters P. Teasdale and E. Teasdale. Several residents.

Statement from Mayor Curran: Apology regarding the letters and fees sent to area residents for not cleaning the sidewalks. The Local Law and fee structure needs to be revisited. Thoughts of forming a Committee to work on a fee schedule and also, ideas on how to best assist people who live along the State and County roads who are impacted by the plowing by these organizations.

First Public Comment (limited to 15 minutes): Please see attached

Reports of Commissioners and Committees

Police Commissioner: Mayor Tom Curran

Fire Commissioner: Trustee Jay Rippel, Jr.

Wastewater/Water Commissioner: Trustee Michael Wollowitz

Streets & Snow Removal Commissioner: Trustee Lenore Packet

Building Inspector: Attached

Court: Attached

Treasurer: Attached

Minutes: To approve the Minutes of February 8, 2018. So moved by Trustee Wordon; seconded by Trustee Rippel. Approved by all.

To approve Minutes of February 20, 2018. So moved by Trustee Packet; seconded by Trustee Wollowitz. Trustee Rippel abstained. Approved by all.

New Business:

- 1. Resolution:** To approve the use of the Tracy Memorial Building second floor Courtroom by the Chatham High School for a "mock trial" on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (Certificate of Liability in place) at a cost of \$30.00. So moved by Trustee Packet; seconded by Trustee Rippel. Approved by all.
- 2. Resolution:** To approve Ralph O'Mara-Garcia attending the NYPF Conference in Lake George on April 23, 2018 at a cost not to exceed \$200 plus mileage. So moved by Trustee Wollowitz; seconded by Trustee Wordon. Approved by all.
- 3. Resolution:** To accept the resignation of Stephen Piazza from the Planning Board effective immediately. So moved by Trustee Packet; seconded by Trustee Rippel. Approved by all.
- 4. Resolution:** To authorize the Clerk to request bids for garbage pick-up for a two year contract from July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2020. So moved by Trustee Packet; seconded by Trustee Wollowitz. Approved by all.
- 5. Resolution:** To approve moving into an Agreement with Columbia County to collect outstanding tax debt as stated in the attached Resolution. So moved by Trustee Wordon; seconded by Trustee Wollowitz. Approved by all.
- 6. Resolution:** To approve a credit in the amount of \$827.21 to Schuyler Company for a billing error pertaining to Advanced Auto Parts. So moved by Trustee Packet; seconded by Trustee Rippel. Approved by all.
- 7. Resolution:** To accept the resignation of Police Officer Timothy Gladwin and Jordan Harrington effective immediately. So moved by Trustee Packet; seconded by Trustee Wollowitz. Approved by all.
- 8. Resolution:** To approved waiving all sidewalk fees and authorizing the Village Treasurer to reimburse all residents who paid the fee if their check was deposited. All other checks will be returned to the respective parties. So moved by Trustee Wordon; seconded by Trustee Packet. Approved by all.
- 9. Resolution:** To approve the purchase of new hose (CFD) at a cost not to exceed \$4,753.90. So moved by Trustee Rippel; seconded by Trustee Wollowitz. Approved by all.
- 10. Resolution:** To approve the hiring of Robert Patterson, CPA for Accounting Services at a cost not to exceed \$22,200 which also includes the Annual Justice Court Audit. So moved by Trustee Wollowitz; seconded by Trustee Packet. Approved by all.

11. Resolution: To approve the termination of Accounting Services from Sickler, Torcia, Allen and Churchill effective immediately. So moved by Trustee Rippel; seconded by Trustee Wordon. Approved by all.

Items for Discussion:

Proposed Zoning Changes – Set Date for Public Hearing: Date set for Thursday, April 12, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Officer Favorito Elderly Assistance

Water Storage Tank Update – Bids are higher than anticipated. Engineer will review all the information and determine if there are any areas that we can cut costs. He will also talk to EFC about increasing the amount of available funds for this project.

Correspondence

Letter from DOT

Letter from NYCOM

Letter from COARC

Letter from Stephen Piazza

Letters for Planning Board Position

Second Public Comment Period (limited to 15 minutes): J. Howe – Look hard at all Trash bids. Shore Road forgotten regularly. Poor service. Have a 10% Performance Bond attached to the bid. Other resident with complaints of cardboard being left behind constantly.

Executive Session: The employment history of a particular company and/or removal of a particular company.

Moved into Executive Session: So moved by Trustee Wollowitz; seconded by Trustee Wordon. Approved by all at 8:30 p.m.

Moved out of Executive Session: So moved by Trustee Rippel; seconded by Trustee Wollowitz. Approved by all at 8:48 p.m.

Adjournment: So moved by Trustee Wordon; seconded by Trustee Rippel. Approved by all at 8:58 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, April 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Debra Meyers

Village Clerk