

VILLAGE OF CHATHAM, NEW YORK
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
TRACY MEMORIAL BUILDING
Meeting Minutes
March 12, 2015
7:00 PM EST

Pledge of Allegiance and Call to Order at 7pm

Present:

Mayor Curran, Trustees; Rippel, Packet, Morrell and Wollowitz; Clerk/Treasurer Henry; Deputy Clerk Brown, Police Corporal Goold, Deputy Fire Chief Cerami, DPW Water Operator Bartholomew in attendance.

Also in attendance; two newspaper reporters and one member of the general public.

First Public Comment (limited to 15 minutes)

Community member expressed concern re VOC sidewalk snow removal and asked for clarification on VOC policy and fines.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Trustee Packet made a motion to accept the minutes of January 8, 2015, 2014 Trustee Rippel seconded. All present approved.

Trustee Packet made a motion to accept the minutes of February 12, 2015, with corrections, Trustee Wollowitz seconded, Trustee Morrell abstained . Mayor Curran, Trustees; Packet, Rippel and Morrell approved

Comprehensive Plan Update – Matt Rogers presented the update of the Comprehensive Plan. See attached CPU summary attached.

Reports of Commissioners and Committees

Police Commissioner: Mayor Tom Curran- attached

Fire Commissioner: Trustee Jay Rippel, Jr. - attached

*Wastewater/Water Commissioner: Trustee Adrienne Morrell - attached

Streets & Snow Removal Commissioner: Trustee Lenore Packet - attached

Village Clerk/Treasurer: Barbara Henry – attached

Planning Board: minutes attached

***Resolution 143:** Permission given to the VOC DPW for the sale of the 200 Ford F550 truck with snow plow and sander. *Motion made by Trustee Packet, seconded by Trustee Morrell, approved by all*

New Business

1. **Presentation of completed water system study by Pat Prendergast.**
2. **Resolution 144:** to obtain bid for refurbishing VOC water tank at the existing water tower location. *Motion made by Trustee Morrell, seconded by Trustee Wollowitz, approved by all.*
3. **Resolution 145:** To approve budget amendments as presented by the Village Clerk *Motion made by Trustee Packet, seconded by Trustee Rippel, approved by all.*

Items for Discussion:

1. Collective Bargaining Unit Contract with DPW ratified successfully reported Mayor Curran.
2. Introduce extension of building moratorium – Public Hearing to take place on March 26 at 6:30 p.m.
3. Introduce local law to repeal local law banning pitbulls and replace with a dangerous dog ordinance – local law in development. Public hearing will be scheduled for May
4. Budget season underway – schedule workshops and public hearings:
Clerk Henry reports the Budget needs to be approved by April 30th. Copies of the draft budget will be available March 20th. Workshops scheduled for April 1 (Wed) at 7 p.m., April 9th (Wed) at 6 p.m. and April 16 (Thurs) at 7 p.m.

Correspondence

1. **School district long-term planning committee-** VOC Board members are not available to join the CCSD due to heavy schedule of VOC budget and planning meetings during April and May.
2. **Resolution 146:** To approve funding for all VOC Planning Board members to attend the NYS Planning Organization Conference at the cost of \$40.00 per member
Motion made by Trustee Packet, seconded by Trustee Rippel, approved by all

Second Public Comment Period (limited to 15 minutes): An inquiry was made regarding the VOC moratorium on commercial buildings in the village. Mayor Curran responded: stating all local law is posted on the VOC website.

Approval of Abstracts

1. **Approval of Abstracts in the amount of \$11,724.77 for utility, copies, mail and insurance bills from February 2015** *Motion made by Trustee Morrell, seconded by Trustee Wollowitz, approved by all*

Approval of February 2015 bills in the amount of \$42,357.01. *Motion made by Trustee Morrill, seconded by Trustee Rippel approved by all*

Motion to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. by Trustee Morrell, seconded by Trustee Wollowitz, *approved by all*

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Brown
VOC Deputy Clerk