

VILLAGE OF CHATHAM, NEW YORK  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
TRACY MEMORIAL BUILDING  
NOVEMBER 13, 2014  
7:00 PM EST

**Pledge of Allegiance and Call to Order**

**First Public Comment (limited to 15 minutes)**

No public comment.

**Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:** October 9, 2014 and November 10, 2014

Motion made by Trustee Packet, seconded by Trustee Rippel to approve minutes of October 9, 2014.

Approved by all.

Approval of November 10, 2014 minutes tabled until next meeting.

**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

Building Inspector/Code Enforcement report - attached

**New Business**

1. **Resolution: To promote Officers Falkner and Goold to the position of Corporal at a wage in accordance with current Collective Bargaining Agreement, \$17.00 per hour, effective November 20, 2014.**

Motion made by Trustee Packet, seconded by Trustee Rippel. Approved by all.

2. **Resolution: To approve relief from sewer charges for pool fill-up at Carr household for \$21.00.**

Motion made by Trustee Rippel, seconded by Trustee Packet. Approved by all.

3. **Resolution: To approve the purchase order for Duperon Corporation for \$2,144.00 to purchase screen bar for sewer plant.**

Motion made by Trustee Packet, seconded by Trustee Rippel. Approved by all.

4. **Resolution: To approve use of Village streets and police officers for the Thanksgiving Turkey Trot.**

Motion made by Trustee Packet, seconded by Trustee Rippel. Approved by all.

5. **Resolution: To approve the use of Village sidewalks for the Volkssporters walk on Saturday, June 6, 2015.** Motion made by Trustee Packet, seconded by Trustee Rippel. All approved.

**Items for Discussion:**

1. **Village of Chatham Economic Development:** Tom Chulak, President of CABA and owner of the Chatham Bookstore, presented information about a group looking at economic and community development in the Village and surrounding towns. Mr. Chulak proposed that the Village Board take the lead in a Chatham area committee on economic development in order to have more accountability and structure. The board will discuss further at future meetings what kind of role the Village Board will take.
2. **Notice of Ghent public hearing on Local Law #4** – November 20 at 7:15 at Ghent Town Hall. Local Law will amend the Town of Ghent Zoning Code to include a maximum building height in the BIC, BC, and LC/B zones
3. **Discussion of meeting with Monolith Solar Company.** They will be scheduled for a future meeting to present their proposal for working with the Village.
4. **Discussion of part-time vs full-time employee for DPW**

**Executive Session:**

- 1. To discuss the appointments of particular people.**
- 2. To discuss the dismissal of a particular corporation.**
- 3. To discuss the appointment of a particular corporation.**
- 4. To discuss collective negotiations pursuant to the Taylor Law.**

**Executive Session**

Trustee Packet moved to go into Executive Session at 8:10 PM. Trustee Rippel seconded. All in favor.

Trustee Rippel moved to leave Executive Session at 9:02 PM. Trustee Packet seconded. All in favor.

**Additional New Business**

- 6. Resolution: To approve the hire of Patrick Prendergast at a cost of \$12,500 to provide evaluation and planning for the Village water system.**  
Motion made by Trustee Rippel, seconded by Trustee Packet. All in favor.
- 7. Resolution: To hire Gretchen Brown as Deputy Clerk for 30 hours per week at a rate of \$15.00 per hour effective November 20, 2014.**  
Motion made by Trustee Packet, seconded by Trustee Rippel. All in favor.
- 8. Resolution: To hire George Sherman and James Schlegel as temporary Seasonal Workers for up to 20 hours per week from November 17, 2014 through December 12, 2014 at a rate of \$13.60 per hour.**  
Motion made by Trustee Rippel, seconded by Trustee Packet. All in favor.
- 9. Resolution: To appoint Ken Dow as Village Attorney at a rate of \$120.00 per hour effective immediately.**  
Motion made by Trustee Packet, seconded by Trustee Rippel. All in favor.

**Approval of Abstracts**

Roland J. Down repair of fire house reimbursed through insurance - \$8600.00  
Utilities, health insurance, copying, postage paid - \$14,916.53

Previously approved with totals included for the record:

Unpaid for the period 9/27/14 – 10/27/14 = \$78,395.57

Unpaid for the period 11/3/14 – 11/4/14 = 10,698.61

Motion made by Trustee Packet, seconded by Trustee Rippel. All in favor.

*Motion made to adjourn meeting at 9:07 PM.*

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Henry  
Clerk/Treasurer