



## VILLAGE OF DELANSON

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### **VILLAGE OF DELANSON MINUTES June 8, 2015**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LEAD BY MAYOR GIFFORD
2. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:00 P.M.

ALL PRESENT: Mayor Gifford, Trustee O'Connor Trustee Grenier, Chief Morrison, Water Commissioner Iveson, Clerk Mormando, Sally Burns, Ron Holbrook

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting May 11, 2015

Special Meeting for Fiscal Year review May 29, 2015-Tabled

MOTION TO ACCEPT: Trustee O'Connor      2<sup>nd</sup> Trustee Grenier

#### 4. REPORTS:

A. FIRE DEPARTMENT: 12 Calls, Sold all 50 breakfast sandwiches at the Village Garage Sale by about 10AM. Mayor Gifford thanked Kevin for the work on the parade. 2 People fell while walking in the parade. Trustee O'Connor mentioned that Esperance had a big turn-out. The fire company will re-do their election next month. Chief Morrison says they have been working on the bylaws. The board asked to see the bylaws. The fire dept. had the tanker serviced for a repair on the throttle. Chief Morrison has signed up for a grant through SantaBarbara which is pretty much a guarantee for \$5000, according to Chief Morrison.

B. TREASURER/CLERK: Reports submitted. No budget transfers. Records of destruction report. Mayor Gifford reminds board that they all need to sign the record of claims. Motion to approve destruction of old records; 1<sup>st</sup>: Trustee O'Connor 2<sup>nd</sup>: Trustee Grenier

C. WATER DEPARTMENT: May 6<sup>th</sup> the Health Dept. came out to the water facility, primarily looking for entry point & gases. There was a brief discussion about the visit. No progress on the hydrant on East Shore, Mayor Gifford will call Joe Ryan, again. A rep from Dig Safely is coming out to train Commissioner Iveson in the proper call in procedures. Discussion about soil samples at School Road & Alexander, for the renovation work on the high school. Discussion of broken pipe at MacMillan well. Jeff must determine the pipe able to receive water prior to repair. The valve hasn't been closed in 8 years. Iveson is asking for approval to replace the pipe, use Town back-ho, estimates a 4 hour project. If the pipe is plugged there will be a bigger expense and more time. There was a brief discussion about the likelihood of

needing a carbon filtration system. Water Commissioner Iveson asks if we received any information from the Sanitary Survey. We have not. Iveson needs a new multi-function valve, the current one is leaking and he needs to have a spare. Estimated at a couple of hundred dollars. Mayor Gifford got a call about people fishing and picnicking at the reservoir. Discussion about unauthorized access to the reservoir. Mayor Gifford recommends the gates be closed and Trustee O'Connor agrees they should be closed and locked. Jeff indicates sheriff wants the gates open. Mayor Gifford suggested once the gates are closed more authoritative signage be placed at both upper and lower res. Brief discussion on Delevan & Mudge Road and selling the property. FEMA – Mayor Gifford asked Jeff to put together a worksheet about doing the projects. Mayor Gifford suggests putting the MacMillan well fix previously discussed onto a FEMA project. The board gives approval to Jeff working on getting the MacMillan well into compliance.

D. PLANNING BOARD: Did meet, but No Report

E. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: Did not meet

F. PUBLIC WORKS: Town fixed storm drains on Thousand Acre Road. Iveson says there is one pole on Newton has the wires on it, wires need to be removed.

G. BUILDING INSPECTOR: No report. Mayor Gifford will call for it.

H. ANIMAL CONTROL: Report submitted. Ron Holbrook speaking about his complaint about nuisance rooster. He asks about enforcing the laws. Chicken coup is 100 feet from his bedroom. Trustee O'Connor asks if he has spoken to the neighbor. Ron says yes. Darla cannot enforce. County Sheriff would have to be called to enforce. Mayor Gifford says she can write a letter to the resident with the rooster, asking him to be neighborly and move the coup. Ron Holbrook says that it's not zoned for agricultural animals, but the board says chickens and roosters are not prohibited. Darla will be stopping by and have a discussion with the resident with the rooster. Trustee O'Connor suggests Ron be neighborly since his neighbor will likely be his neighbor for a long time.

I. TRUSTEES PROJECTS: Trustee Grenier wants an entering the Village sign on Alexander Road. Mayor Gifford informs Trustee Grenier the roads that were missing on the roads report he completed last month are on the County list and have not been forgotten.

5. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS: PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC: 8:20 Sally Burns asks about the driveway at the Rosasco rental property. Jeff indicated there are 3 valves in the proposed driveway area that would be difficult to relocate. That buyer did not buy the house, so no issue.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Watershed Rules and Regulations

B. RFP for Water Main Repair – No responses received. The RFP was reissued and due by July 9<sup>th</sup>.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Speeding in Village – Mayor Gifford contacted the State troopers and Sheriff's department to increase patrols. There have been lots of complaints about speeding in the village. Mayor Gifford also contacted DOT to evaluate current signage and its effectiveness.

B. Train Safety – Brief discussion about an unsafe incident that was witnessed by the mayor. While a train was stopped, blocking traffic, a woman climbed between the train cars to get to the post office. 7 kids witnessed the woman, who was a school employee, and 2 of the kids followed

her. Mayor Gifford called NYS Troopers and CP Rail police and the trains were stopped until the area was safe. Mayor Gifford spoke with the woman as well as the children, as did the troopers. Mayor Gifford called School Superintendent, Chris Crowley and recommended she call CP Rail & sign up for an Operation Lifesaver Safety presentation. She also requested a letter be sent home to parents. Brief discussion about additional signage for the railroad crossing and having the fire department host a safety presentation as well.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. NYCOM Future of Property Tax Cap – The board reviewed the letter of criteria and consequences
- B. TWC Programming – May 20<sup>th</sup> & June 3 Programming notices will be posted in the clerk’s office

9. AUDIT OF BILLS AND APPROVAL OF PAYMENT BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MOTION TO PAY: Trustee O’Connor  
CLAIMS: 169592-169611

2<sup>nd</sup>:Trustee Grenier  
TOTAL: \$17015.30

10. MOTION TO ADJOURN:Trustee O’Connor

ADJOURNMENT: 8:58 PM

2<sup>ND</sup> : Trustee Grenier