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### VILLAGE OF DELANSON MINUTES February 8, 2016

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LEAD BY MAYOR GIFFORD

2. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:06 P.M.

ALL PRESENT: Mayor Gifford, Trustee O'Connor, Trustee Grenier, Chief Morrison, Water Commissioner Iveson, Clerk Mormando, Rudy Benzsay

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting of January 11, 2016

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

4. Mayor Gifford allows Rudy Benzsay to speak ahead of reports. Mr. Benzsay speaks of misunderstandings & miscommunication about the sewer hook-up in the industrial park. He asks why there has been a stop work order. He requests a full report on what is needed to get the work going again. Discussion regarding visits from EPA, DOH and police. He also discussed intentions of his tenant in the auto repair shop. Mayor Gifford responded the stop order was issued to protect the Village water system. Mayor insists that the questionable water line (that can't be detected) be removed as indicated by Jeff Iveson. Trustee O'Connor verifies that the reason the stop work order was done in the first place was because of one water lines was not traceable and therefore the Dig request was incomplete on the Village part. Trustee O'Connor wants to be sure the Village is acting appropriately. Commissioner Iveson wants the service line corrected before the sewage line is set-up. Trustee O'Connor states that Rudy's water system is not up to the Department of Health's standards. It doesn't meet the State standard. Trustee Grenier explains that the 10 foot height, that the hoses are hanging from can cause a vacuum. Trustee O'Connor insists that a mechanical air gap must be in place, to avoid human error. Trustee O'Connor reiterates the current device does not meet the State requirements. After some discussion, the Board decides to 1. Find path to lift the stop order 2. Determine a clear path to compliance with Dept of Health with cross connection. 3. Install 3<sup>rd</sup> service line and shut off valve. Trustee O'Connor reminds Rudy that Jeff is not responsible for the mark-up on his private property. Any damage to the public infrastructure would be Rudy's responsible. Rudy suggests installing the 3<sup>rd</sup> shut-off. Mr. Benzsay is willing to install the 3<sup>rd</sup> service at the same time as the sanitary sewer according to our standards using his contractor Mr. Vanderveen. Jeff Iveson explained that the Village should do their part first, then for Rudy to do his.

Everyone is in agreement that we are moving forward with a safe plan to protect our Village residents. Rudy will be unavailable until March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Jeff Iveson is working on getting free engineered plans for a RPZ device to replace the existing situation to help Rudy with the project. Mr. Benzsay is asking for the specs spelled out. Trustee O'Connor says there is a list on Dept of Health with specs. Commissioner Iveson agrees to write up exactly what Rudy needs to do to be in compliance, with all details spelled out.

## 5. REPORTS:

A. FIRE DEPARTMENT: 16 Calls, busy month. Breakfast did well. Chief Morrison indicates the fire house needs toilet paper. Mayor Gifford says we need an industrial vacuum. Mike Shakoor, fireman, has been replacing light bulbs and flushing the furnace. Kevin reported a radiator is leaking, so we should contact Peterson's. Chief Morrison has his budget done. The UCC went up \$20,000 therefore the fire contract will not be increased this year.

B. TREASURER/CLERK: Submitted

Motion to Destroy the Records: Trustee O'Connor 2<sup>nd</sup>: Trustee Grenier excluding Annual Reports

C. WATER DEPARTMENT: Report submitted. Jeff Iveson reiterated his position regarding Rudy Benzsay's situation. Commissioner Iveson thinks the letter took a little too much time getting to Rudy. Trustee O'Connor says it did take a little while but had to be looked at by the entire board. Molly Reid emailed Commissioner Iveson from NY rural water to discuss funding opportunities available. Discussion about expanding the water system to the Elementary School. Discussion about the High School water issues and state fire code. Mayor Gifford indicated any modifications to the water main would need board approval. Commissioner Iveson asked Trustee O'Connor about his availability Saturday for the hydrant flushing. Iveson postponed flushing because of very cold forecast and will flush on the 27<sup>th</sup>. Clerk will have notice posted on website and post office and have email notification sent.

D. PLANNING BOARD: Met, but no minutes. Josh Menzies stopped over to Trustee Grenier's house, said the house will not be demolished but rehabbed. Mayor Gifford spoke to Lydia about options which would likely take a year or more. Discussion about the issue.

E. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: Did not meet

F. PUBLIC WORKS: Signs are in. DOT will change the confusing 30 mph sign placement in front of school.

G. BUILDING INSPECTOR: No report.

H. ANIMAL CONTROL: Report submitted. 3.4 hours

I. TRUSTEES PROJECTS: Working Local laws

6. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS: PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC: Floor opened 8:53, Closed 8:53

## 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Watershed Rules and Regulations – nothing new

B. Cable negotiations update – Feb 17<sup>th</sup> next meeting

C. Hazard Mitigation Plan update – Approved by FEMA 1<sup>st</sup> time through. Resolution will be passed tonight to adopt the plan.

D. Budget process 2016-17 – Mayor Gifford met with Nicole last week, received Village portion of the Tax Roll. Budget Workshop is scheduled for February 29<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30PM

8. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Resolution 2016-2-1 – To adopt updated Hazard Mitigation Plan  
Motion to approve: Trustee O'Connor 2<sup>nd</sup>: Trustee Grenier Passed with 3 Ayes
- B. AWWA Membership application – Jeff & Steve need to take 3 courses, Steve will become a member to save money on courses. Membership cost is \$84 annually
- C. 2016-17 Parks Maintenance – Contract from New Looks Landscaping is \$1,000 this year. Mayor Gifford would like Jeff to meet with Les about mowing the reservoir.  
Motion to accept: Trustee O'Connor 2<sup>nd</sup>: Trustee Grenier

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. TWC Notification of contracts due to expire -
- B. Duanesburg Day – will not be held this year due to lack of volunteers
- C. Memorial Day parade 2016 – 1<sup>st</sup> meeting tomorrow, Peter Brodie will be organizing and Duanesburg is hosting.
- D. Insurance Renewals – Mayor Gifford met with Bill Vangorder from Mang. She requested a second quote and a breakdown of coverage differences. He will try to attend the March meeting with information.
- E. 2016 Government Units Survey – 2017 U.S. Census Bureau update, 15 minute survey to update the Universe on the official count of local governments in the US!

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

MOTION TO PAY: Trustee O'Connor  
CLAIMS: 169757-169776

2<sup>nd</sup>: Trustee Grenier  
TOTAL: \$19,197.79

11. MOTION TO ADJOURN: Trustee Grenier

ADJOURNMENT: 9:16 PM 2<sup>ND</sup>:Trustee O'Connor