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### VILLAGE OF DELANSON MINUTES January 11, 2016

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LEAD BY MAYOR GIFFORD

2. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:01 P.M.

ALL PRESENT: Mayor Gifford, Trustee O'Connor, Trustee Grenier, Chief Morrison (excused), Water Commissioner Iveson, Clerk Mormando,

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting December 14, 2015

MOTION TO ACCEPT: Trustee Grenier

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mayor Gifford

4. REPORTS:

A. FIRE DEPARTMENT: 6 Calls, 4 EMS, 1 Fire, 1 Rescue. Next breakfast at January 17<sup>th</sup>. Kevin is at a solar panel training drill. Nick Hockmuth will participate in County Specialized Teams in Schoharie County. Village Board will consider resolution tonight to provide insurance coverage for him while participating.

B. TREASURER/CLERK: Reports submitted. Nicole will follow up with BAS to make sure we are prepared for the upcoming budget year. Nicole will also research refi of fire truck bond. Clerk Mormando submitted Certificate of Records Destruction. **Motion** to destroy the records according to the report - Trustee O'Connor 2<sup>nd</sup>: Trustee Grenier

C. WATER DEPARTMENT: Mayor Gifford presented Jeff with 4 work vests for he and Steve to wear as they perform work for the Village. Mayor Gifford asked for an update on the water meter at DACC. Jeff hasn't heard back from Dante, he indicated he last spoke with Dante in December. Mayor Gifford recommended Jeff follow up asap and make sure a new meter is in place. Mayor Gifford has concerns about water usage going up as the DACC became the YMCA. Trustee O'Connor says the usage is valuable but we can't increase their charge because of it. Jeff has report from last month.

Discussion about vandalism of a fire hydrant on West Shore Rd is an ongoing concern. Jeff reported the Village lock had been replaced with a different lock for which he had no key. He then used the hydrant in front of Ferris to accomplish flushing. Trustee O'Connor suggests

cutting off the lock. Discussion on cost of locks and security cameras. Mayor Gifford advised Jeff to call the Sheriff every time there is vandalism and file a report. Trustee O'Connor suggests sending a letter to West Shore residents inviting them to our next meeting to discuss the hydrant vandalism and proper use of hydrant. We will also put something in the newsletter. Discussion on Cross-Connection Control and enforcement. Law says water commissioner enforces. Jeff will remove the 2 churches, funeral home and Harvest Homes from the list of places in need of back flow devices. He will add Bassett Health Care and Village Hall. Letters will be sent.

Discussion of Ionic Labs property and lack of compliance regarding illegal water service and cross connection violations over the course of many years. Jeff indicated to the Board the situation was hazardous and the potential to contaminate was high. Mayor Gifford recommended he shut the water off until the situation has been remedied. Mayor Gifford will meet with Jeff to prepare a letter to Mr. Bezsay. Mayor Gifford indicated Mr. Benzsay confirmed all three buildings have and therefore, Ionic Labs water rent has been increased to 3 services from 1.

Pipes froze on a house on West Shore Road that mixed with some kerosene, became hazmat issue. Iveson turned off the water at the road. Iveson picked up 2<sup>nd</sup> multi function valve and hose for the water plant. "Comply or Dry".

D. PLANNING BOARD: Minutes submitted. Dale Warner submitted a letter asking Village Board to follow up with vehicle repair shop compliance with applying for special use permit. Long discussion regarding number of cars, zoning compliance and potential environmental issues. Mayor Gifford will send a letter to property owner and contact DEC. PB members have been participating in online webinars. Members ask the village board's consideration in allowing training credit to members for reviewing handouts of webinars they are unable to attend due to full time work schedules. Mayor Gifford indicated we support and encourage the board members to take advantage of any local and online training.

E. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: Did not meet

F. PUBLIC WORKS: School speed limit signs are in and need to be put up. Mayor Gifford will call DOT about the confusing 30 MPH sign.

G. BUILDING INSPECTOR: Report submitted.

H. ANIMAL CONTROL: Report submitted. 27 miles

I. TRUSTEES PROJECTS: Updating current local laws

5. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS: PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC: Open at 8:31 Sally Burns suggests unplugging Christmas lights on the Hall. Ron Holbrook offers in FAA regulations about flying drones. Floor closed at 8:38PM

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Watershed Rules and Regulations – nothing new

B. Cable negotiations update – Nothing new, next meeting February 17th

C. Hazard Mitigation Plan update – Final draft went to the State. Jim asks Board to look over a portion.

D. Hydrant vandalism – Met with Officer Schmitt and made a report. Information will be provided in the newsletter and a letter will be sent to W. Shore residents

E. Steam Boiler insurance claim – \$5856 to repair. Both low water cut-offs were installed incorrectly. Rick Peterson suggests we flush the boiler at least once a week, a

fireman has volunteered. Mayor Gifford asked Rick to submit an estimate for annual maintenance.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Resolution 2016-1-1 to provide training compensation to Animal Control Officer – passed 3 Ayes
- B. Resolution 2016-1-2 Vol. Firemen Benefit Law Ins. Specialized Team Participants – passed 3 Ayes
- B. Water Usage unit change 75.28-2-10, 1959 Main Street. Change from 2 family to 1 family was approved by the Village Board.
- C. Budget 2016-2017 process – Department heads must submit budget requests. Budget workshop will be set at Feb meeting.
- D. Annual Heating maintenance - tabled

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. TWC Notification of contracts due to expire – post in clerk’s office
- B. Village General Election March 2017 – One Mayor & One Trustee
- C. NYCOM – Governor’s Executive Order Regarding Homelessness
- D. The YMCA Grand Opening Ceremony – Tuesday, January 19 5:00 – 7:30 mix & mingle

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

MOTION TO PAY: Trustee O’Connor  
CLAIMS:169736-169754

2<sup>nd</sup>: Trustee Grenier  
TOTAL: 26,511.38

10. MOTION TO ADJOURN: Trustee O’Connor

ADJOURNMENT: 8:58 PM 2<sup>ND</sup> :Trustee Grenier