

**Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Brockport was held in the Conference Room, Municipal Building, 49 State Street, Brockport, New York, September 4, 2007 at 7:00pm.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Morton Wexler, Trustee/Vice Mayor Maria C. Castañeda, Trustee David J. Wagenhauser, Trustee Hannelore G. Heyen, Clerk Leslie A. Morelli.

**EXCUSED:** Trustee Carrie L. Maziarz, DPW Superintendent Harry G. Donahue, Building/Zoning Officer Scott C. Zarnstorff, Police Chief Daniel P. Varrenti, Village Manager / Treasurer Ian M. Coyle, Fire Chief Timothy Rombaut

**ALSO PRESENT:** Robbi Hess (Suburban News), Renee Taylor (Brockport Post), Jim & Joan Hamlin, Ray & Jackie Morris, George Brocious, Fred Webster, Todd Longstreth

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Wexler called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Wexler thanked all those who called, sent cards or helped in any way since mid-July in regards to he and his wife's illness/injuries. He said all well wishes were greatly appreciated and they are on the road to recovery.

**REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES:** Mayor Wexler commented that since there were only 3 Board members at the July 23<sup>rd</sup> workshop and one of them is excused this evening, there is not a quorum to approve those meeting minutes. Since the Board just met last week and it was a short workweek due to the holiday, Clerk Morelli has not yet finished typing the August 27<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes. Both sets will be scheduled for approval on September 17<sup>th</sup>.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None

**PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

1. George Brocious of 340 Stony Point Road Rochester referred to the list provided to the Village Board last April regarding potential code violations as it relates to occupancy. He continued reading from the SUNY BSG Housing list which indicates potential violations of occupancy: 47 Monroe Avenue, 112 Monroe Avenue #1, 167 Main Street #1, #4, 259 Main Street #2, 54 Brockway Place, 172 Erie Street, 122 Monroe Avenue up and down, 123 Holley Street up, 176 Utica Street #1, #2, #3, 36 Holley Street #2, #3, 28 Utica Street #1, #2, 41 Clinton Street, 152 Monroe Avenue #3.

Mayor Wexler told G. Brocious as he has previously that if he is willing to sign an affidavit that he knows this to be factual, the Village can submit it to the Court and follow through. The Village cannot simply bang on doors based on the information provided thus far. G. Brocious began to say something regarding a FOIL policy and procedure. Mayor Wexler said his time is up and thanked him.

**GUESTS:** None

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

A. PUBLIC WORKS – Superintendent Harry G. Donahue (excused)

B. POLICE DEPARTMENT – Chief Daniel P. Varrenti (excused)

C. BUILDING / ZONING / CODE ENFORCEMENT - Scott C. Zarnstorff (excused)

1. Travel Request 9/28-9/29 – In S. Zarnstorff's absence, Clerk Morelli referred to the travel request submitted by S. Zarnstorff and endorsed by Manager Coyle for Scott to travel to State College, PA to review their local laws on off-campus rental housing.

→ Trustee Wagenhauser moved, Trustee Castañeda seconded, unanimously carried to table consideration of this request.

D. FIRE /AMBULANCE / COMMUNICATIONS - Chief Timothy Rombaut (excused)

1. Operation Patriot 9/8 – In Chief Rombaut's absence, Clerk Morelli referred to the information he submitted regarding the annual Operation Patriot motorcycle run which travels through Brockport and stops at the firefighters monument for a short time. Chief Rombaut requests permission to close off Park Avenue from the five corners to Spring Street from 11am to 1pm on Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. The procession will be coming down Route 31 to Owens Road to State Street to Park Avenue. They will briefly visit the monument and museum then proceed on to Route 19 North to the parkway on their back to Charlotte. Chief Rombaut indicated that he is working on getting a letter drawn up and delivered to the residents in that stretch that will be affected for this short duration. They will post people at intersections to get them through the district safely.

→ Trustee Castañeda moved, Trustee Heyen seconded, unanimously carried to authorization the

brief closure of Park Avenue from Main Street to Spring Street on Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 1pm for Operation Patriot.

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2. Authorization to hire Susan Clapper as part time paid Paramedic – In Chief Rombaut’s absence, Clerk Morelli referred to the memo submitted by Ambulance Career Staff Administrator David Noltee today requesting the Board hire Susan Clapper as a provisional part-time per diem paramedic pending Civil Service confirmation.

Trustee Wagenhauser asked if she is considered ALS. Clerk Morelli said yes as Paramedics provide Advanced Life Support (ALS) where EMT’s provide Basic Life Support (BLS). Trustee Wagenhauser said he endorses the hiring of such ability to save lives in our community. He said this funded through Third Party Billing.

→ Trustee Wagenhauser moved, Trustee Castañeda seconded, unanimously carried to hire Susan Clapper as a provisional part time paid paramedic pending Civil Service.

E. VILLAGE MANAGER / TREASURER - Ian M. Coyle (excused)

1. Havenwood Meadows Section III – Phase 2 – Letter of Credit Release – In Manager Coyle’s absence, Clerk Morelli referred to his memo and attachment from Chatfield Engineers.

→ Trustee Wagenhauser moved, Trustee Heyen seconded, unanimously carried upon review and recommendation from its Village Engineer, to authorize a release to the Developer, from the Phase 2 Letter of Credit in the amount of \$\$144,974.26 for construction regarding Havenwood Meadows Subdivision Section 3 – Phase 2. Said amount includes the release of \$1,710.50 for engineering related expenses to be reimbursed to the Village of Brockport within thirty (30) days.

F. CLERK - Leslie A. Morelli (no report)

**VILLAGE BOARD REPORTS:**

A. Trustee Maziarz (excused)

B. Trustee Wagenhauser

1. Filming in Brockport – Trustee Wagenhauser commented that the Village has seen some RV’s and bright lights recently with a movie filming on location. It has caused some traffic congestion and parking inconveniences, but the Village has received relatively few complaints. There is a lot of excitement in the community and a greater appreciation of the movie-making endeavor. The filmmaker is so pleased with the Village of Brockport, that another filmmaker, John Gunn, from “My Dinner With Drew” fame which won 7 awards and starred Drew Barrymore, Eric Roberts and Corey Feldman, is interested in shooting here. Trustee Wagenhauser said he is hoping the Village can create some buzz around this with movie openings and such. He said maybe our community would become the new Vancouver or Toronto of film making and become the Hollywood of the East. He said all in all we should be proud of this and embrace the experience and repeated the famous statement “...I’m ready for my close up Mr. DeMille”.

C. Trustee Heyen

1. Seymour Library – Trustee Heyen reminded the Board that the Seymour Library Board has invited the Boards of the Village, Town of Sweden and Town of Clarkson to a presentation on their budget on September 19<sup>th</sup>.

D. Trustee / Vice Mayor Castañeda

1. Village Advisory Committee – Trustee Castañeda said the next meeting of the Village Advisory Committee would be September 18<sup>th</sup>.
2. September Fest 9/8 – Trustee Castañeda reported that she met with September Fest coordinator Norm Frisch and that the Village will participate this year by having a table in front of Village Hall on Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 4pm to offer information, answer questions and encourage people to apply for the various committee and board vacancies that currently exist. Trustee Castañeda thanked Trustee Maziarz for agreeing to the loan the small Farmer’s Market tent for this event. Trustee Castañeda said she would set up and man the table from 10am to Noon. Trustee Heyen has offered to man the table from Noon to 2pm and Mayor Wexler has agreed to man the table from 2pm to 4pm. She also thanked Village Historian Jackie Morris for making herself available to conduct tours of the Emily L. Knapp Museum and Library of Local History. She encouraged participation and commended Norm Frisch and the participating churches and organizations for planning the annual event.

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3. Request from Palmyra Cub Scout Pack to use Corbett Park – Trustee Castañeda reminded the Board that they received a request in July from a Palmyra Cub Scout Pack to utilize Corbett

Park for an overnight camping trip. She said she does not recall the date offhand, but believes that it is soon and that the, the Board should give its authorization. She said Trustee Maziarz had agreed to check on bathroom facilities. Trustee Castañeda said if approved, she thinks the adjoining property owners should be notified as a courtesy.

Trustee Heyen asked if anyone knew if the scouts still planned on coming. Trustee Castañeda said she did not know, but would check with Manager Coyle.

→ Trustee Castañeda moved, Trustee Heyen seconded, unanimously carried to approve the use of Corbett Park for an overnight camping trip of the Palmyra Cub Scouts, if so desired.

E. Mayor Wexler

1. Retirement Proclamation for Sgt. Doug Ziegler –

→ Trustee Heyen moved, Trustee Castañeda seconded, unanimously carried to adopt the following proclamation to be presented at his upcoming celebration.

**PROCLAMATION**

*WHEREAS; Douglas Ziegler has been employed by the Village of Brockport Police Department since April 21, 1986; and*

*WHEREAS; he has worked devotedly on behalf of the people of the Village of Brockport, regardless of the peril or hazard to himself; and*

*WHEREAS; by the enforcement of our laws, he has safeguarded lives and property; and*

*WHEREAS; he has set an example and demonstrated his leadership abilities as Sergeant,*

*WHEREAS; he was instrumental in gaining Police Department accreditation; and*

*WHEREAS; the Village of Brockport acknowledges the dedication and talent Douglas Ziegler has invested in the community; and*

*WHEREAS; the year 2007 marks the occasion of his retirement;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Morton Wexler, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, and on behalf of the Village Board, do hereby tender this certificate of recognition, and congratulate Douglas Ziegler on his retirement and encourage all our citizens to extend to him their best wishes.*

*ADOPTED by unanimous vote of the Brockport Village Board on September 4, 2007.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have here unto set our hands and caused the Corporate Seal of the Village of Brockport to be affixed.*

2. September 11<sup>th</sup> Vigil – Mayor Wexler reminded everyone of the annual 12-hour vigil at the fireman’s memorial monument. The ceremonies are at 8am, Noon and 7pm. Dedication of the new bronze statues will take place at 7pm.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

1. Jim Hamlin of 50 Park Avenue asked the status of the certification of the vapor barrier and testing at the Welcome Center. He said it was almost a year ago that the Village Board authorized a consultant to complete this.

Trustee Heyen said to her knowledge the communication phase is complete between the Welcome Center and dispatch. Monroe County Health Department still has to give approvals. When the time comes, the consultant’s final report preparation will require some Village clerical assistance of copying and such.

2. Todd Longstreth of 193 Clark Street wondered if additional police presence may be needed this Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup> since a section of Erie Street will be closed for September Fest and now a section of Park Avenue will be closed for Operation Patriot.

Trustee Heyen said it would be a busy day in the community. Both events have been processed through the Police Department. The Fire Department will be handling the brief visit by Operation Patriot.

**Executive Session:**

⇒ At 7:30pm, Trustee Castañeda moved, Trustee Heyen seconded, unanimously carried that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Brockport enter into an executive session to discuss a personnel matter related to Village Attorney Sekharan.

⇒ At 8:12pm, Trustee Heyen moved, Trustee Castañeda seconded, unanimously carried that the Board of Trustees re-enter the regular meeting.

I, Leslie A. Morelli, Clerk for the Board of Trustees of the Village of Brockport, do hereby certify that the Board met in an executive session and did discuss the matters as expressed in their motion, and I further certify that no formal action regarding public funds was taken thereon.

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Leslie Ann Morelli, Village Clerk

**AUDIT:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

➔ Trustee Castañeda moved, Trustee Heyen seconded, unanimously carried that the meeting be adjourned at 8:12pm.

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Leslie Ann Morelli, Village Clerk