Minutes of the July 17, 2017 meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Newark held in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor court room of the Municipal Building at 5:30 PM.

### **PRESENT**

Mayor Jonathan Taylor (19); Trustees: Robert Bendix (14), Stuart Blodgett (13), Alan Schober (19), and Rebecca Vermeulen (15).

Police Chief David Christler (arrived late), Village Clerk/Treasurer Steve Murawski, Code Enforcement Officer Mark Peake, Fire Chief Rusty Havert, AECC Executive Director Mike Muscolino (Excused), and Attorney Art Williams.

General Public: 4

# WELCOME BY MAYOR

At 5:30 P.M., Mayor Taylor led the gathering in the Pledge of Allegiance to open the meeting.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously 4-0 (Trustee Vermeulen Late – TVL)to approve the following minutes:

- Regular Board Meeting June 20, 2017.
- Special Board Meeting July 12, 2017.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Motion Trustee Schober, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously 4-0 (TVL) to approve the July vouchers and invoices Trustee Schober reviewed for reasonableness and which were submitted for payment approval. Payments totaling \$467,012.50 were authorized for all funds.

The Board thanked the department heads for their monthly reports.

### FIRE CHIEF

Chief Havert spoke on the following:

- 267 calls for service YTD.
- Last Fire Truck inspected by Churchville Fire Equipment for annual inspections; only M-53 not done.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously 4-0 (TVL) to approve the NYC Hose Co. #5 Fried Dough Fundraiser at Canaltown Days in Palmyra in September 2017, and the Arcadia Hose Co. # 2 Clam Bake Fundraiser in North Syracuse on September 24<sup>th</sup>.

Motion Trustee Schober, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unan-2017 July 17 Minutes of Village Board Meeting imously 5-0 (Trustee Vermeulen arrived at 5:40 P.M.) to approve the membership of Mr. Jeffrey Kemble of 310 Washington St., Apt. B-42, Newark, who has joined NYC Hose Co. #5. He has had his arson check done and was investigated by his company.

AECC DIRECTOR MIKE MUSCOLINO Mr. Muscolino was excused.

CODE ENFORCEMENT/ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to send Roger VanDemortel to the 2017 Education Conference sponsored by the NYS Fire Marshals and Inspectors Association in Syracuse, New York from September 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> at a cost of \$400.00. This will complete his annual training requirements.

Mr. Peake spoke on the following:

- Provided Board with update on upcoming Village events.
- Two new houses being constructed in the Southwinds Landing development tract, and construction is set to begin on a third.
- Informed the Board that a Workshop Meeting is necessary so that the Board can review the proposed changes for the Code Update Project.
- Asked the Board about items to be placed in the new "Welcome Wagon Giveaway" that is going to be distributed to new homeowners in the Village. It is being managed by the Newark Edward Jones Investment Group on behalf of the Newark Chamber of Commerce; the Board selected Village coffee mugs.

Mayor Taylor noted that the Newark Wegmans is interested in promoting the Village by selling Village merchandise in their store. Village Attorney Williams confirmed that the idea is legal.

CLERK/ TREASURER

Mr. Murawski had nothing for open session.

**MAYOR** 

Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Schober and carried unanimously to approve the request to send Robert Hilfiker to the "Basic Operations" course at SUNY Morrisville from September 11<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> at a cost of \$975.00 for tuition and room/board. This course is required as part of the process for him to obtain his Operators License.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Vermeulen to grant the request to exempt the sewer fee for the 2,800 gallons of water used to fill the pool at 730 Peirson Avenue due to the fact that the pool didn't meet code requirements and was removed; motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Bendix to amend the motion to also exempt the normal

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\$25.00 administrative fee charged for pool filling credit due to the extenuating circumstance. Both the motion and amendment were unanimously approved.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Schober and carried unanimously to approve the Consulting Contract with RealTerm Energy to manage the Village Street Lighting Upgrade Project and to authorize the Mayor to sign the same, subject to approval by Consultant of changes noted by Attorney Williams.

Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to declare surplus the wooden shed at the DPW, and to dispose of at Fair Market Value.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Vermeulen and carried unanimously to authorize the Mayor to sign the "Letter of Congratulations" for Emma Holley, Beatrice VanRiper, Morgan Springer, Emmarie Jordan, Milleniyah Glanton, Holland Shutter, and Mikayla Soura of Newark, New York Girl Scout Troop 40530 for their achievement of obtaining their Girl Scout Bronze Award, the highest honor a Girl Scout can attain.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Schober and carried unanimously to authorize Mike Gonzalez and Mike Bouwens to attend the FLWWC Summer Meeting on August 10<sup>th</sup> at Dewey's Party House in Seneca Falls, New York at a cost of \$37.50 each.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Vermeulen and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**WHEREAS,** the Newark Village Board of Wayne County, supports the submission of a New York State Consolidated Funding Application for Canalway Grants Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Arcadia and Village of Newark Comprehensive Plan adopted in 2009 states:

- The Erie Canal spurred early development of Newark, and is a key asset for revitalizing the community. (Vision & Goals, page 9)
- The Erie Canal is a significant historic resource that serves to attract tourists and visitors to upstate New York, the Canal also serves to attract local residents where public access to the Canal is provided. (Business & Economic Development page 120)

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- The Newark Chamber of Commerce operates a tourism welcome, information and interpretive center located along the north side of the Erie Canal immediately west of East Street. (Tourism Welcome and Interpretive Center, page 123)
- Ensure that all public pedestrian and biking trails in Arcadia and Newark are of appropriate width and have surfaces of appropriate materials (Recommended Action #8, page 157)

WHEREAS, the Town of Arcadia and Village of Newark Comprehensive Plan adopted in February 2009, recommends the improvement of linkages to the Erie Canal, with recommended action is development along the Erie Canal through grant funds to improve existing attractions (Recommended Actions, page 127); and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Newark Village Board wishes to continue utilization of the Town of Arcadia and Village of Newark, Comprehensive Plan adopted in 2009 as a guide for community development, growth and investment.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Newark Village Board of Wayne County reaffirms the Town of Arcadia and Village of Newark, 2009 Comprehensive Plan and its support of the Canalway Grants Program application on behalf of the Village.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Bendix and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Newark Board of Trustees, Wayne County, supports the submission of the Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) for the Canalway Grants Program, on behalf of the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Canalway Grants Program provides funding for projects that further the goals and objectives of the New York State Canal Recreationway Plan, as well as strengthens the Canal's identity by raising public awareness of the Canal by expanding community engagement and participation; and

WHEREAS, if awarded funding, the Village plans to improve the Canalway through a variety of astatic improvements through the installation of period lighting fixtures previously erected on Main Street, to illuminate the canal trail allowing for both extended as well as more secure use, and pave the currently segmented trail along the Canal, with work to be completed by, and in support of the bicentennial of the Eric Canal highlighting the Canal System's significance; and

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WHEREAS, this project enhances the community's comprehensive plan vision, "to revitalize the downtown area through various economic development projects," supports future development as demonstrated in the Village's recent Downtown Revitalization Application, and enhances the goals of the New York State Canal Recreationway Plan, "developing the Canal into a recreationway system"; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Newark is an outstanding candidate for project funding demonstrated through its continued commitment as well as investments in trail development such as bike repair stations, murals along the perimeter, and a newly completed Interpretative Center with full amenities; and

WHEREAS, the Village board fully supports the Village of Newark's Canalway Grants Program application, and the community's commitment to the Erie Canal to raise public awareness of the Canal's historical and current community impact; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Newark Village Board authorizes Mayor Jonathan Taylor to submit such grant application on behalf of the Village and authorizes the Mayor to execute necessary documents relative to and as required for the application; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Village of Newark recognizes and fully supports the submission of a CFA for Canalway Grant Program on behalf of the Village.

Motion Trustee Blodgett, seconded Trustee Bendix and carried unanimously to approve the contract with LiRo Engineers as the Contract Administrator – Construction Observer for the Route 88 South Reconstruction, Route 31 Culvert Replacement, and East Avenue Bridge Rehabilitation projects, at a cost not to exceed \$152,928.70 and to authorize the Mayor to sign the same.

Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to accept the close out of the Electrical Contract with Concord Electric Corporation for the WWTP Capital Project.

Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Bendix and carried unanimously to approve the Outdoor Movie Night in Central Park in August 2017 and to authorize expending up to \$200.00 for the event.

Village Attorney Williams had nothing for Open Session.

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve the training request of Officer Weegar to attend the

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**LEGAL** 

### POLICE CHIEF

"Physical Fitness Instructor Course" held at the Monroe Co. Training Center in Rochester, New York from September 25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> at a cost of \$435.75 for tuition.

Motion Trustee Vermeulen, seconded Trustee Blodgett and carried unanimously to approve the training request of Chief Christler to attend the FLEA Executive Training conference in Varysburg, New York from Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> at a cost of approximately \$300.00 for tuition, lodging and meals

The Chief noted the following:

- There is an ongoing issue with residents parking their vehicles on the terrace of their property. The Board may consider a workshop meeting to discuss and potentially address the matter.
- There is an ongoing issue with illegal fireworks in the Village.
  He suggested, and the Board agreed, that he will work with
  Wayne County Sheriff Verts to see if the issue of banning all
  fireworks can be addressed at the County level

TRUSTEES

None of the Trustees had anything for Open Session

TIME FOR THE PUBLIC

No one from the public wished to speak or address the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Nothing for Executive Session

**ADJOURNMENT** 

Motion Trustee Bendix, seconded Trustee Schober and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 P.M.

Stephen Murawski, Village Clerk-Treasurer