

April 4, 2012

The regular meeting of the Cassadaga Village Board was held April 4, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor LeeAnn Lazarony presiding. Trustees present were, Rodney Waite, Ron Dechard, Mike Lehnen and Valerie Culverwell. Also in attendance were Tom Fetter and Attorney Mike Norris.

**RESOLUTION # 42
APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Trustee Lehnen, second by Trustee Dechard to approve the minutes of March 21, 2012 minutes. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

**RESOLUTION # 43
ACCEPT AGENDA**

A Motion was made by Trustee Culverwell second by Trustee Lehnen to approve the agenda. VOTE: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays.

GUESTS: Sheila Kroon, Rudy Abersold. Also in attendance were Engineers Greg McCorkhill and Brian Doyle from Stearns & Wheler and Louann Laurito Bahgat.

Guest Rudy Abersold addressed the board with his concerns. Advised board to not neglect existing wells by having well head cleaned, to possibly flush hydrants more often and seek other methods of doing this, and make sure board is compliant with Department of Health.

Louann Laurito Bahgat from Bahgat & Laurito Bahgat accounting firm addressed the board. They did a complete Financial Statement Audit of each major fund of the Village. This audit was required because of the loan for the Capital Water Project. They reported that the financial statement referred to in audit present fairly, in all materials respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Village of Cassadaga, and the respective changes in financial position, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. As typical of all small governments, there is only the Clerk Treasurer performing all duties, thus a deficiency in internal control exists because of lack of segregation of duties. They also advised that the board makes sure all receipts are required for purchases with credit cards. There were a few gas slips missing over the three year period. The clerk should verify that prevailing wages are being paid by the contractor.

ATTORNEY MIKE NORRIS' REPORT:

- A letter was sent to Stockton Fire Commissioner's attorney but have had no response concerning Fire Contract. It was decided that Trustees Waite and Dechard will meet with them and negotiate contract.**

STEARNS & WHEELER REPORT: Brian Doyle and Greg McCorkhill

- They reported that the well was redeveloped by Frey Well Drilling and a 72 hour pump test was completed on March 29th. Pumping began on March 26th and initial pumping rate was 50 gpm. The decision was made to gradually increase the pumping rate from 50 gpm to the target rate of 225 gpm. The total drawdown after approximately 75 hours of pumping was 55.10 feet. Since then the water level has recovered 97% of the original static water level. Sediment levels were too low to be measured at end of test. Water samples were taken and sent to Benchmark Analytics for processing on March 29th and will take 3 to 5 weeks for results. Once results are back they will be sent to D.E.C. for approval for with drawl and the NYS Department of Health for pumping rate.
- Design plans will be completed for the pump house once we see type of treatment needed. The bids for next phase should be ready in fall.
- Trustees Waite and Dechard will meet with them to decide where pump house will be located.
- D&H Excavating-Contract 4 will be back next week to finish up restoration of Maple Avenue.

PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON BUDGET AT 8PM

Village resident Sheila Kroon asked a few questions that were answered by Clerk Treasurer. Also a recap of Budget Impact was read concerning differences between last year's budget and this year's proposed budget. The tax rate was lowered by \$.15 to \$4.10 per thousand a decrease of \$4,335.68.

RESOLUTION # 44

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

Trustee Culverwell moved, second by Mayor Lazarony to Close Public Hearing on Budget at 8:15PM. VOTE; 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

RESOLUTION # 45

ADOPT BUDGET 2012-2013

Trustee Culverwell moved, second by Trustee Waite to approve the budget for 2012-2013 at a tax rate of \$4.10 with total taxes to be raised of \$129,986 and an appropriated surplus of \$42,698. (See attached) VOTE: AYES; WAITE, CULVERWELL AND LAZARONY. NAYS; DECHARD AND LEHNEN because they thought rate should be \$4.00.

MAYOR LAZARONY'S REPORT: No Report

CLERK ASTRY'S REPORT:

- Questioned if any decision was made on new village software. Mayor stated she wants to ask them a few more questions.
- Water bills for tax levy presented.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS; TOM FETTER

- Hydrant Flushing will be April 9th.

TRUSTEE WAITE'S REPORT:

- Read letter from Dan Bauman concerning water line break to his business on Maple Ave. He felt it was contractor's fault that line broke from curb box to his building resulting in water leak and water being shut off. He felt he should not have to pay for new water line. Trustee Waite responded by letter that any work that needs to be done from curb box to house/business is the owner's responsibility. The break was caused most likely because of the advanced age and poor condition of the existing line did not allow any kind of manipulation without breaking. He was also advised that line would have to be replaced before water being turned back on and that Tom Fetter is willing to work with him and contractor when line is replaced.
- Asked why the county has a 45MPH speed limit going around the bend near Lily Dale.
- He would like other board members put together list and costs of projects that they would like to see done and have workshop to discuss and prioritize.
- Would like to have committee meeting concerning zoning and grass length. It was decided that he and Trustee Culverwell will meet.

TRUSTEE DECHARD'S REPORT:

- He researched School speed limit signs and found one that would go in center of road during school hours at total cost of \$330.

RESOLUTION # 46

PURCHASE SCHOOL SIGNS

Mayor Lazarony moved, second by Trustee Culverwell to purchase School Speed Zone sign. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

TRUSTEE LEHNEN'S REPORT:

- Has received quotes from R.N. Construction and Hammond Construction for Fire Hall entrance, cement pad off from kitchen. He is waiting for one more.
- Reported that still receiving complaints on Mill Street water being discolored.

TRUSTEE CULVERWELL'S REPORT:

- Wants to get date set for painting of Community Room. She has chosen a slate gray color.
- Working on getting estimates for Gazebo floor at beach.
- Would like other Trustees to take pictures with cell phones and send to each other when they see a property that needs cleaning up.

RESOLUTION # 47

UNPAID WATER BILLS ON TAX LEVY

Trustee Dechard moved, second by Trustee Culverwell to approve list of unpaid taxes to go to County for Tax levy in the amount of \$2,365.10.
VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

RESOLUTION # 48

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Trustee Culverwell moved second by Mayor Lazarony to approve the Financial Statement of April 4, 2012. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS.

GENERAL FUND:	\$	115,267.99
WATER FUND:	\$	366,720.40
CAPITAL FUND:	\$	677,672.97
RESERVE CVFD	\$	80,861.62
RESERVE DPW	\$	3,586.14

RESOLUTION # 49

APPROVAL OF BILLS AND PAYROLL

A motion was made by Trustee Lehnen second by Trustee Lehnen to pay bills as per Abstract of April 4, 2012 and Payroll of March 30, 2012 after discussion on Attorney Mike Norris additional charge of \$1662.50 for ambulance bid specs. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

General Abstract Apr. 4, 2012 checks 5704-5718	\$	6,503.95
Water Abstract Apr. 4, 2012 checks 5704-5718	\$	1,191.01
Capital Water Apr. 4, 2012 checks 187-188	\$	10,037.50
Payroll Mar. 30, 2012 General, checks 4435-4438	\$	1,648.05
Payroll Mar. 30, 2012 Water, check 4352-4438	\$	1,605.00

Being no further business Trustee Waite moved, seconded by Trustee Lehnen to adjourn at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Astry
Clerk Treasurer

