

Regular Meeting  
October 19, 2015

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Norwood was called to order October 19, 2015 at 5:00PM by Mayor Tim Levison.

Also Present: Trustees Boprey, diVincenzo, Zagrobelny  
Clerk Susan Bartlett  
DPW Supt. Dan McGregor  
FD Asst. Chief Don Jarvis  
Police OIC Jay Harris  
Code Enforcement Leonard Halpern

Visitors: Mary Ellen Todd, Joe Liotta, Rob Regan, Reporter.

Motion diVincenzo/Zagrobelny to approve minutes of the last meeting. Ayes 3.

Motion Zagrobelny/diVincenzo to approve payment of abstract of audited bills and authorize transfers. Ayes 3.

**DEPT. HEAD REPORTS:**

**DPW** report. Harnessing up trucks getting ready for winter. No Parking 2-6AM for snow removal starts Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>.

**WATER/SEWER** report. Ongoing fix of items listed on recent inspection report.

**POLICE:** Report. Clerk reports trucks still using Morgan St. and many high speeds.

**FIRE DEPT:** One name for membership. Asked how chicken barbecue went – Don says some money made, but lots of chicken left, so some discussion and suggestions for improvement.

**ZONING:** Cleanup letters sent to Peacock and Newvine. The Bernard Ave. house was included in the recent County Tax sale, so owner not definite at this date. The next step would be to get a structural engineer report to assess condition of the properties toward condemnation. Parham was sent a registered letter giving him 10 days to move his cars; Leonard collared him and they both appeared before the Mayor, Parham still giving the same story as to what, why and how. His ten days are up and the general feeling of the Board is give him a ticket and let him take it to a judge. Trustee diVincenzo requested clarification of the full intent of the Board on the old school property. Discussion followed. The Mayor stated that the Village cannot afford to rehab the building(s), so selling could be considered. Trustee Boprey stated that the “Union School” portion and the front with the fountain need to be kept and made a monument. Trustee Zagrobelny is in favor of the monument idea and the sports fields are used and should remain, and a ROW is necessary for water and sewer lines. It doesn’t leave a lot of property to go with the building(s). Leonard feels that if parceled up, no one will want the buildings without land with it. Trustee Zagrobelny says that cannot rule the decision.

**ARENA/BEACH:** Nick no present, but the Mayor reported that a motor was stolen from a Clarkson boat in the Rowing Club area so they would like to block off the area more in some way. Also, Clarkson is going to hold a rowing regatta of sorts in the future.

**MAYOR:**

- 1) GES finished with the soil cleansing at the old Sugar Creek – all hauled to Rodman and now paved.
- 2) The Judge arbitrarily dismissed the Knowlton issue. Jay says that the Judge just noticed that the past tickets had been dismissed and so just dismissed any more. The DA refuses to prosecute V & T charges now – wants the police agencies to prosecute their own – so the police have no power to fight with.
- 3) The Evac drill at the school went well.
- 4) Dollar General ahead of schedule.
- 5) Complaints of parking in front of fire hydrants and at yellow curb areas along Main Street.
- 6) Several meetings of the RR Museum Committee resulted in the realization that though the desire, drive, and ideas to rehab the Mechanic Street building into a museum are there, it would require much more financing than could be raised. An idea for (physically) adding a RR room onto the present museum has been kicked around. Further meetings.....
- 7) Wed. NCC is going to do an instruction session for the Mun. Bldg. safety system.
- 8) Baldwin Acres hosted a walk-thru last week – nice apartments...not completed yet, but going along well. They have had several applicants already and about half have been approved.
- 9) The “Festival of Lights” is scheduled for December 5<sup>th</sup> and the Mayor asked the FD, Police, and DPW to participate and cooperate as they have in the past.

**TRUSTEES:**

Mike Zagrobelny questioned if a sign could be posted on Main Street where the parking is prohibited. Supt. Dan says NYSDOT has to be asked permission for that and sometimes it causes additional problems. Supt. says they will repaint the curbs. Idea of “NO PARKING” on North side of Baldwin Avenue brought up. Limited street parking hours for snow removal coming up, so tabled for now.

## **VISITORS:**

Mary Ellen Todd gave an excellent explanation of the Snack-Pack Program and after some discussion and questions the Board was duly impressed enough to make a decision on how much to designate toward it.

Joe Liotta reports that a few of the lights in the band shell are not working and will need to be looked at by an electrician. The concert schedule is set for next season. He thanked the Board for the recognition of naming the band shell. He has a sign for the building and spoke with Dan about putting it up.

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

**1. DELINQUENT TAX TO COUNTY TREASURER.** Motion diVincenzo/Zagobelny delinquent tax amount of \$88,504.45 be sent to the County Treasurer for collection. Ayes 3.

**2. SNACKPACK PROGRAM.** Motion Zagobelny/diVincenzo to allot \$500 to Program. Ayes 3.

**3. HIGH STREET & HARRISON STREET ADDED FOOTAGE.** The Supt. received notice from NYSDOT of a discrepancy of length of High Street and Harrison Street that is certified each year on the Village's mileage report than what they are seeing on their maps. This is due to the use (and maintenance) of the access road to the old school property on Harrison and the extension of High Street that started out as a driveway to the old LaHair house that now has two more houses on it and has become part of the street. **WHEREAS**, the Village of Norwood acknowledges the existence and use of the "extended portion of Harrison Street that dead-ends at the rear entrance to 26 Prospect St. and also the portion of High Street from its intersection with Blanchard Avenue to the dead end and maintains by way of paving, plowing, and any other means needed, **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that these portions shall be officially added to the mileage of roads in the Village of Norwood as the length of each street already named and known and accepted, owned, and maintained as Village streets. **Motion** to approve the foregoing resolution made by Trustee Zagobelny, seconded by Trustee Boprey. Ayes 3.

**4. POLICE:** Motion diVincenzo/Zagobelny to approve hire/sponsorship of Joshua B. Sirles, 60 Court St, Canton NY as police officer. Ayes 3.

**5. FIRE DEPT. MEMBER:** Motion diVincenzo/Zagobelny to approve name of Matthew Berger (DOB 12/31/97) for fire department membership. Ayes 3.

Meeting adjourned 6:15 PM.