

**MEETING MINUTES
of the Village of Windsor, N.Y.
107 Main Street
Windsor, NY 13865
June 5, 2012**

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| Present: | Mayor: | Ronald G. Harting |
| | Trustee | Robert Bennett |
| | | Eileen Shelp-Olmstead |
| | | Thomas M. Skinner |
| | | Robert E. West |
| | Clerk/Treasurer: | Patricia L. Harting |
| | Streets & Water Suptdnt: | David M. Decker |
| | Code Enforcement: | Gary Post |
| | Grant Writer: | Steven Contento |
| | Attendees: | 9 |

Call to Order: **Time:** 7:00 P.M.
 By: Mayor Ronald G. Harting

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

County Executive Debbie Preston - County Executive Debbie Preston was present to talk to the board and residents, as was County Legislator Steve Herz. She doesn't want the county to balance their budget on the municipalities. She would like to have the 50/50 sales tax split. She's working with our Legislator Steve Herz on the Farmer's Markets. She discussed the issue of the flooding problems and dredging the rivers. She is working with the state and DEC and they are working on trying to solve the problems. Debbie talked with Dan Schofield about the Chestnut Street bridge. The county doesn't have the money to fix the bridge but she can talk with Steve and Dan. Steve stated that the bridge is an issue and we should set up a meeting and sit down and talk about that and about waiving the tipping fee for tearing down 117 Main Street. Trustee Bennett told Debbie that he previously worked for the county parks and he was disappointed with how the parks are not taken care of.

Sidewalk Grant - Tom Murphy was present to discuss some grants he is working on regarding sidewalks. He gave the people present a handout about a program called "Safe Routes to School." This project makes it safer for kids to walk to school plus the village gets new sidewalks. It is funded by federal highway transportation and distributed to the state highway department. The eligible costs are 100% refundable. The village would have to pay the costs upfront with a turn-around time of six to eight weeks. The application has to be in by October 5th. It does not come up every year. The Village would be the lead agency and the applicant. There have to be several stakeholders involved such and children and parents, school staff, government, law enforcement, neighbors, businesses and non-profit organizations. We would have to do traffic studies and evaluations, encouragement to proceed, educate by teaching bike and safety skills, engineering plans and enforcement with the Broome County Sheriff's Office and the New York State Police to ensure traffic laws. Tom asked the village if they are interested in this and is willing to move forward to seek this grant. The board would have to authorize reaching out to the other groups to see if there is interest in this project. Tom stated that the program would only do funding if it was on both sides of the street. He will meet with Jason Andrews, School Superintendent to go over this with him. There is a meeting set up for this grant on Thursday, June 21st and Steve Contento stated that he would attend this as a representative for the Village.

Eagle Scout Project - Boy Scout Matt Vroman from Troop 68 would like to do a sign at the Zion Episcopal Church for his Eagle project. He'd like to do a permanent concrete base for the sign and making the whole thing mobile. He would like permission from the village to redo the sidewalk near there.

Public Comment - No additional comments.

Grant Writer Report - Steve Contento present - 1) Steve has been looking for grants for the park and the fire station from local grants. Possibly getting a grant to get monies to pay someone to do all the legwork for these grants. The Hoyt Foundation grants allow in-kind services for matching funds.

Code Enforcement Report, Gary Post present - 1) Gary came down to meet with people who are putting additions on their property. One of them wanted to put in a mother-in-law apartment, which isn't allowed. 2) David sent out many grass cuttings violations. 3) He has been trying to get ahold of the new owner of 116 Main Street.

Attorney's Report - No report was submitted.

Streets Report, David Decker present - 1) Broome Bituminous gave us a bid under county bid. The state passed a law where municipalities can use state bids instead of going out to bid. Academy Street bid does not include milling the street down. The cost for Bridge Street is \$10,688.00. The cost for Terrace Drive is \$11,783.75. There would also be an additional cost for the paver with the operator at \$1,687.30 per day; a 10 ton vibratory roller with operator for \$846.00 per day; a laborer/loot man for \$366.00 per day; mobilization charge for the paver is \$380.00 per move; mobilization charge for the roller is \$332.50 per move; milling machine rental is \$650.00 per day. This would all be done in one day. All costs together would be \$26,733.55

Motion: to do Bridge Street and lower Terrace Drive at a cost of \$26,733.55

By: Robert E. West
2nd: Thomas M. Skinner
Vote: AYE - All

2) Still working on FEMA issues on Cresson Hill. Lopke is going to bring stone. 3) There has been a continuing problem over at Doc Purkay's house. He would like to do the same solution as he did at McCaffery's on Cresson Hill. 4) He talked to Rocky about tearing down 117 Main Street. Rocky said he would rent equipment at \$300 a day. It would be best to have dumpsters and hopefully the county would waive the tipping fee. Rocky said he would help do whatever we need him to do. 5) The State DOT flagged the sidewalk across from Miller's Farm.

Water Report, David Decker present - 1) The Health Department did their inspection. Everything was fine. 2) They did the water leak at Russell's on Main Street. They hit the power line. Bob Baker had to come down and NYSEG had to come shut off the electric. 3) The starter on the #1 well tripped out a couple times last month. If it continues, he will call the company. 4) Craig Terrell is finished taking water for the landfill. 5) A seeding company wants to buy about 4000 gallons of water. 6) David noted that no one has come in for pool permits.

Treasurer's Report, Patricia Harting present - A report was presented.

Reports of Committees:

Code Enforcement Committee - No report

Community House Committee - 1) The sign in front of the Community House needs to be painted. It was suggested that we make a different sign stating that all we have in the Community House such as the Village Office, library, etc. Tom will do a drawing of what the sign may look like. When he is finished, we will ask John Bagg for a quote. Mayor Harting knows of someone else who also does signs inexpensively. 2) Scott Clark would like to use the Community House on Monday, July 2nd for a public meeting to discuss gas drilling. It was noted that other gas discussions have taken place at the Community House and there has been no cost so this should be allowed with no costs attached. 3) Trustee West spoke with the gentleman from Buckets of Brushes in regard to painting the Community House. He could do it over a 2 year span. It would cost \$1,100 for supplies and labor would be \$13,300. This will be put on hold for right now.

Fire Co Committee - The Mayor had a meeting with Chief McNulty, Wayne Horton and Town Supervisor Randy Williams. The village and town agreed that they would not pay the \$12,000 needed to carry the comprehensive insurance. It was discussed that the village could hold out their next payment per contract which seemed a possibility to the fire chief. The county stated that they cover all volunteers. At this time, the fire chief was pursuing the insurance. The village believes that the fire company is in default of their contract because they are not providing ambulance service.

Parks Committee - Trees for Veteran's. It's a National program and they are purchased by someone to honor a Veteran and can be planted in the Village. Trustee Skinner stated that maybe the trees could be planted on a green space instead of the park. Tom stated that there are 3 different kinds of trees. We need to find out what kind of tree it is before we can tell them where it can be planted.

Pool Committee - No report

Streets & Water Committee - No report

NYSEG Solutions - NYSEG Solutions sent a letter to the office stating that the Village has saved over \$12,800 from 2011 through May, 2012. We saved 34% by staying with NYSEG Solutions instead of going to the county program, MEGA.

Motion: to go into Executive Session at 10:36 p.m. to discuss a legal matter

By: Ronald G. Harting
2nd: Eileen Shelp-Olmstead
Vote: AYE - All

Motion: to return from Executive Session at 10:47 p.m.

By: Ronald G. Harting
2nd: Robert J. Bennett
Vote: AYE - All

Motion: to pay bills as authorized by vouchers signed by board members

By: Robert J. Bennett
2nd: Eileen Shelp-Olmstead
Vote: Aye - All

Motion: to adjourn at 9:25 P.M.

By: Eileen Shelp-Olmstead
2nd: Robert E. West
Vote: Aye

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia L. Harting, Village Clerk / Treasurer