

**Waterbury Village Trustees
Meeting Minutes
September 12, 2012
Main Street Fire Station**

Attendees: P. Howard Flanders, Village President; Lawrence Sayah and Natalie Howell-Sherman, Trustees; William Shepeluk, Municipal Manager; Joby Feccia, Waterbury Police Chief; Anne Imoff, ORCA Media; and Denise McCarty, Board Secretary

Public: Kristen Fountain, Waterbury Record; David Taube, Times Argus; Carla Lawrence, Village Clerk (for partial meeting).

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm.

Consider finalizing documents for Charter Change on Ballot on November 6, 2012

The Trustees reviewed the proposed Charter Amendment Timeline for a vote to abolish the Waterbury Village Police Department by Australian ballot on November 6th. If the charter changes are approved on November 6th, it would then go to the legislature in January 2013 for review and approval and then if approved by the legislature, it would be implemented in 2013 by the Village of Waterbury. N. Howell-Sherman discussed her concerns about the proposal to abolish the Waterbury Village Police Department. She felt that there should be a way to reach out to a majority of the voters to get their opinions about this matter first before asking by Australian ballot which is a binding decision. Discussion followed.

The existing language of the charter is as follows:

§ 10. Powers of village

The Village of Waterbury shall have and exercise the following powers and functions:

[(16) To establish and maintain a police department and provide for the appointment of police officers who shall be sworn and who shall, within the limits of such village, have the right to arrest without warrant, persons violating the criminal laws of the state.]

The text bracketed above would be eliminated.

L. Sayah made a motion to approve the proposed amendments to the Village Charter to abolish the Waterbury Village Police Department and the Australian Ballot language that will be presented for voting on November 6th. N. Howell-Sherman seconded the motion. Motion was voted on with two Trustees voting yes and one Trustee voting no. The motion passed 2 to 1.

Police Chief August Report

Chief J. Feccia reviewed the police department report for August. Discussion followed. W. Shepeluk asked why so light on the foot patrols? J. Feccia thought that it was being done more than it was being reported. N. Howell-Sherman asked for a previous year comparison in the future. No action was taken.

Set Date for Meeting with Insurance Agent on 51 South Main Street

The proposed meeting will be at 4:30 pm on 9/26/12 for the Trustees to meet with the insurance agent regarding the insurance claim on the municipal building. The purpose of the meeting is to get a clearer understanding on what the options are for the building and the insurance claim.

Budget Briefing

W. Shepeluk reviewed the Waterbury Village Budget Report through 9/11/12. Things are looking a little bit better in general. The budget is approximately \$460K; projected spending is approximately \$481K. The hope is that by the end of the year, the budget will be closely balanced and the Village will only need to make a minimal transfer from the capital fund. Discussion followed. No action was taken.

Meeting Minutes Approval

The Trustees reviewed the Joint Meeting minutes from the September 4th meeting and the Board of Trustees meeting minutes from September 6th. **N. Howell-Sherman made a motion to approve both sets of minutes of as presented. L. Sayah seconded the motion. Motion voted on and approved.**

N. Howell-Sherman made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:18pm. The motion was seconded by L. Sayah and passed unanimously. Executive Session commenced at 8:18 pm for discussion with the Village of Waterbury's Attorney to discuss on-going confidential items.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 10:50pm.

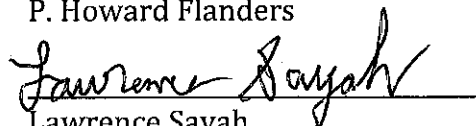
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00pm.


Respectfully submitted,

Denise McCarty
Board Secretary

Approved on: Oct. 10th, 2012

P. Howard Flanders


Lawrence Sayah


Natalie Howell-Sherman