

**Waterbury Village Board of Trustees Meeting
Main Street Fire Station
August 27, 2014**

Attendees: P. Howard Flanders, Village President; Lawrence Sayah and Natalie Howell-Sherman, Trustees; Alec Tuscany, Public Works Director; Anne Imhoff, ORCA Media; and Denise McCarty, Board Secretary.

Public: Luke Shullenberger, Everett Coffey, and Steve Odefey

Opening and Call to Order

P. Howard Flanders called the meeting to order at 4:33 pm.

Approve Agenda/Consider Modifications

The agenda was approved as noticed. No other items were added.

Update on Solar Panel Project - Luke Shullenberger from Green Lantern

There have been some changes since the original agreement was signed. About a year ago, the net metering statute had parameters for how a solar array could be arranged. The legislature modified the statute in their last session that supports engineering optimization. Town and School kilowatt allocations were discussed. L. Shullenberger discussed why the project would not be feasible without the school's participation. The Village contract remains as is. The project financing is ready to go. The closing is scheduled on Friday, August 29th.

There were public comments from S. Odefey on behalf of the school board regarding concerns about the material amendment and the school board not being given enough time to digest how the changes impacted them. How were the allocations arrived at and who has participated in those discussions? Concerns were raised that the changes were done in a hurried nature and lack of transparency at the last meeting. People are very keyed up about this and want to know the how and the why. Other concerns were that the Waterbury Select Board was not made aware of these changes. Discussion followed. There is a school board meeting tonight at 7 pm to discuss this further. N. Howell Sherman moved to authorize the Acting Village Manager, A. Tuscany to sign the Confirmatory Easement Agreement subject to the approval of the Village attorney, Jeff Kilgore. L. Sayah seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and approved unanimously.

Review July Police Report

The Trustees reviewed Chief Feccia's July Police Report. The State Police responded to some local calls while the Waterbury Police were off duty. Discussion followed regarding coverage. N. Howell Sherman asked for an update on the speed posts, where have they been and how are they looking? Discussion followed. No action was taken.

Update on 51 South Main Street P&S Agreement

Attorney Keith Nichols is reviewing the purchase and sales agreement for 51 South Main Street. Public comment: Has an environmental study been completed? Why hasn't there been an informational meeting on this? Discussion followed. No action was taken at this time.

Update on Parking Committee Progress - Natalie Howell Sherman

There will be a parking usage study and occupancy study. There will be volunteers to assist in recording this data from 9 am to 9 pm on September 9th, September 12th and September 13th. Discussion followed. P. Howard Flanders asked about the total number of available spaces compared to what zoning will allow. N. Howell Sherman stated that the parking study would also study around fall foliage time to see what happens in the community when there are more visitors to Waterbury then again during a slower period of time, perhaps in December.

Minutes

L. Sayah motioned to approve the minutes of the August 13th meeting as presented P. Howard Flanders seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and approved unanimously.

Future Meetings

September 2nd at 7 pm – Joint Meeting of the Waterbury Selectboard and the Village Trustees to discuss the personnel policy.

September 10th at 7 pm– Regular meeting of the Village Trustees

Adjourn

N. Howell Sherman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:36 pm. L. Sayah seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise McCarty

Approved on: Sept 10, 2014

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