

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Avon was held in Conference Room B of the Village Hall, 74 Genesee Street, Avon, New York on Monday August 15, 2016.

Present: Thomas Freeman, Mayor
 Mark McKeown, Trustee
 Bill Zhe, Trustee
 Tim Batzel, Trustee
 Rob Hayes, Trustee

Staff: Tony Cappello
 John Barrett
 Chief Gary Benedict
 Brian Glise
 Chief Dan Snyder
 Sergeant Joe Geer

Visitors: Girl Scout Troop 51041
 Ryan Colvin-MRB
 John Marks-Parks Chairman
 Steve Schiano
 Don Mastin-Deer Committee Chairman
 Chuck Kanty-Deer Committee
 Kevin Allen-Deer Committee
 Art Kirsch-Deer Committee/DEC
 Scott Gage-Deer Committee
 Jackie Tickner-Deer Committee

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The meeting was called to order at 5:10pm for the purpose of discussion of a contractual issue. Upon a motion made by Trustee Zhe and seconded by Trustee McKeown, the Board entered into executive session. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Voting	Yes
Tim Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Mark McKeown, Trustee	Voting	Yes
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Robert Hayes, Trustee	Voting	Yes

Upon a motion made by Trustee Hayes and seconded by Trustee Zhe, the Board exited executive session at 6:00pm. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Voting	Yes
Tim Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Mark McKeown, Trustee	Voting	Yes
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Robert Hayes, Trustee	Voting	Yes

After a brief recess, Mayor Freeman called the meeting to order at 6:15P.M., and began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

GIRL SCOUT TROOP 51041:

Troop 51041 was in attendance to request from the Board permission to hold the annual Dash Through the Snow 5K event. The event is being renamed The Ugly Sweater Run, and has been taken over by this troop. The run is in its fourth year, and would like to use the same route as they did last year. The date for the run is December 10, 2016. Check in for the event will be at 8:00am at Gray Metal, with the run starting at 9:00am. The entrance fee is 5 items for the Avon Food Pantry.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Hayes and seconded by Trustee Zhe the Board approved the 5K race. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Voting	Yes
Tim Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Mark McKeown, Trustee	Voting	Yes
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Robert Hayes, Trustee	Voting	Yes

The troop also asked permission to leave a box and sign at the Village Office in order to collect school supplies for Stone's Closet. Trustee Batzel said that we could get the information out to the community for the drop off by posting it on the website, and on the Fireman's Board.

DEER COMMITTEE:

Members of the Deer Committee attended the meeting to discuss the ideas they have for helping solve the over-abundance of deer in the Village. Mr. Mastin passed out a packet that was put together by the committee detailing the idea of culling the deer. Mr. Allen discussed at length what the proposals entailed. The committee stated that if any harvesting was approved, the ordinance in the Village would need to change for archery.

In the ensuing discussion, the Mayor expressed that there is no desire to destroy the deer population at all. The ideas in the proposals need to be flexible. Safety of the Village residents is the top priority. Trustee McKeown asked about the project in the future. What if the Board changes? What about members on the committee? What about new land owners in the Village?

Mr Mastin explained that permission would need to be given by new land owners for the culling to take place on their property, even if permission had been granted by the previous owner. Mr Allen said that if a newly-elected Board was not in favor of the deer project in the future, the project could end and the committee dissolved.

Mr. Mastin explained that he reached out to tax accessor Tami Snyder for a list of residents in ownership of 4 acres or more, and has approximately 25 residents.

The Mayor asked if there has been a location considered, and would it be possible to start small to see if it would even be feasible to do? What is needed from the Village? The Mayor said that

there was progress made, however there are still a lot of questions to be answered. It still needs to be determined if there is a need for such a project according to the residents. Also, where will the carcasses be dumped? Where exactly will this be allowed to happen? What would be the financial ramifications on the Village? How will the arrows be recovered? A public hearing can't be held until a definite proposal has been presented. The Mayor said that he will contact the Village Attorney to find out where to start, legally, to get things moving.

Mr. Mastin is hoping that the surveys that were sent to residents will shed more light on where there is the most impact of the deer in the community. Mr Art Kirsch, who is a committee member and is also the representative from the DEC explained that in order to get some of the permits that may be required, they will need to see proof as to why this type of culling is necessary. The Mayor said that the Village will reach out to the DEC to get more information from them on the requirements.

STEVE SCHIANO and JOHN MARKS, PARKS-ASH TREES:

In the Driving Park, it has been noted that there are Ash Trees that have been infested with a bug known as the Emerald Ash Borer. Unfortunately, once infested, there is nothing to be done to save those trees. At this time, it is imperative that the Board decide what is to be done. Mr Schiano discussed many ideas that could be done to not only clean up the Ash trees from the park, but what can be done to replant. He feels it is important to use many different trees and shrubbery to help with the circle of life. With many different varieties, there is less of a risk of total destruction. Once it is cleaned up and the right greenery is in place, the park could be self-maintaining. Mr. Schiano invited the Board to come and see his work to better explain the visions he has.

DPW UPDATE:

Superintendent Barrett was in attendance to update the Board on the following:

- Spring Street- Spring Street will be closed for about a month for the start of the repair work on the bridge as of August 15th, 2016. They will be working on the wall, concrete and drainage. The actual construction on the bridge will start in the spring. Superintendent Barrett will be in close contact with Mr. McTighe and will keep an eye on the drainage work. He has also spoken to C.P.Ward about the work to be done with the wall.
- Paving on High Street and Clinton Street- The paving went very well. The crew put down 2' of blacktop. More blacktop was used than anticipated, however they were able to stay in budget. They were previously quoted a price of \$75 per ton but the price dropped to \$65 per ton.
- Superintendent Barrett has received a quote for a new vacuum trailer. It's used in the sewer plant and the catch basins. The one we have is 19 years old and is on its last legs. The cost came in at 39,895.00 and it was budgeted for \$40,000.00. The permissive referendum has already been published earlier in the spring when the projects were all established for the DPW. Superintendent Barrett asked the Board to approve the quote.

Upon a motion made by Trustee McKeown and seconded by Trustee Zhe, the Board approved the quote provided. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Voting	Yes
Tim Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Mark McKeown, Trustee	Voting	Yes
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Robert Hayes, Trustee	Voting	Yes

- Water Plant-there was a leak at the fabricated "T". LMC cut out the old "T" and installed a mesh dampener. This gives it more give so there is no breaking at the "T". Superintendent Barrett is pleased with the work done.
- HOC Quote-Kraft-BOD meters have been installed into the wet well. The data provided is useful and will come to the Village in real time. The DEC has mandated this. The PH meter is also required by the DEC. The quote received for the BOD/COD meter, the PH meter, and the install is \$21,700.00. The permissive referendum has already been published earlier in the spring when the projects were all established for the DPW. Superintendent Barrett asked the Board to approve the quote.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Zhe and seconded by Trustee Hayes, the Board approved the quote provided. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Voting	Yes
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- High winds over the past weekend caused a bit of damage and the DPW has to take down a tree on Pine View Heights.

MRB UPDATE:

Ryan Colvin was in attendance to check in with the Board. He stated that he likes to come around to each municipality just to reconnect a few times a year.

POLICE UPDATE:

Chief Benedict was in attendance to update the Board on the following:

- Corn Festival was successful. There was only a few parking issues, otherwise everything went smoothly.
- The Village Court has requested security for a trial that will be held in September. The person has been giving everyone a hard time throughout this whole process and they think the police presence deter the bad behavior. Chief was unclear where the payment should come from. The Mayor said it should come from the police budget.
- The department caught a criminal that has been targeting local CVS stores, Dollar Generals, and Rite-Aids for their high ticket items. They were caught in the Dollar

General parking lot in Avon. This solves the case for Monroe, Ontario, and Livingston Counties.

- Officer Travis McFadden received a letter of thanks from a resident in Syracuse in regards to her elderly father. He had been gone for hours and didn't even realize he was lost. Officer McFadden brought him to the station and kept an eye on him until the family was able to come and get him. Good Work Officer McFadden!

FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE:

Chief Snyder was in attendance to update the Board on the following:

- Chief accepted the resignation of Steve House.
- The Chief gave the Board a comparison of the 2017 Tahoe he is interested in and the 2015 Tahoe that the police department is in ownership of. He asked the Board to approve the monies for the Tahoe.

TAHOE:

Trustee Hayes offered the following RESOLUTION and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION authorizing the expenditures of \$45,000 from capital reserve funds HR21 – FIRE EQT. RESERVE for the Village of Avon, Livingston County, New York.

Be it resolved, by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Avon as follows:

The specific object or purpose of the Village of Avon, Livingston County, New York for which the expenditures of monies from the capital reserve funds is for monies needed for Tahoe. The maximum estimated costs of the aforesaid specific object or purpose is \$45,000 from capital reserve funds HR21-FIRE EQT. RESERVE.

Upon this RESOLUTION taking effect, the same shall be published in full in THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY NEWS, the official newspapers together with a legal notice of the Village Clerk as provided by law.

This RESOLUTION is adopted subject to a permissive referendum.

Trustee McKeown seconded the motion and it was carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman Mayor	Voting	Yes
Mark McKeown, Trustee	Voting	Yes
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Timmy Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Robert Hayes, Trustee	Voting	Yes

Trustee Hayes offered the following RESOLUTION and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that a capital project be established in the amount of \$45,000.

Resolved, that said capital project shall be number H and entitled Tahoe.

Trustee Hayes seconded the motion and it was carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman Mayor	Voting	Yes	
Mark McKeown, Trustee	Voting	Yes	
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes	
Timmy Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes	Yes
Robert Hayes, Trustee	Voting	Yes	

MINUTES:

Upon a motion made by Trustee Hayes, the minutes of the July 25th and August 1st, 2016 Village Board meetings are hereby approved as submitted. The motion was seconded by Trustee Zhe, and is carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Voting	Yes
Tim Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Mark McKeown, Trustee	Voting	Yes
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Robert Hayes, Trustee	Voting	Yes

VOUCHERS AND MANUAL CHECKS:

Upon a motion by Trustee McKeown, the following vouchers and manual checks are approved for payment:

#1-GENERAL FUND	\$99388.41
#4-SCHEDULE C	\$15452.04
#5-WATER	\$1881.67
#6-SEWER	\$10999.12
#17-TA	\$319.16
#50-CAPITAL	\$10800.00
#62-CAPITAL	\$7450.00
#65-CAPITAL	\$1976.1
#73-CAPITAL	\$
#77-CAPITAL	\$703.68
#81-CAPITAL	\$

#96-CAPITAL	\$
#DEBT SERVICE	\$
TOTAL	\$148970.27

Manual Checks:

SEIU 200 United	DPW Dues-Aug	\$310.10
Law Enforcement Off. Union	Police Dues-Aug	\$384.88
Nationwide Retirement Solutions	Differed Comp	\$1375.00
NYS Child Support Proc. Ctr.	Child Support-T. Ferrara	\$660.00
Reid Whiting	Annex/Easmt Rec	\$125.00
FLBOA	Training	\$90.00
	Total:	\$9065.00

The motion was seconded by Trustee Zhe, and was carried by the following vote:

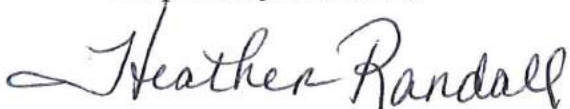
Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Voting	Yes
Tim Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Mark McKeown, Trustee	Voting	Yes
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Robert Hayes, Trustee	Voting	Yes

TRUSTEE'S UPDATE:

- Mayor Freeman updated the Board on the Pre-Construction meeting held in regards to the WWTP Improvements. There was still some insurance issues to square away before work could begin.
- There is no drawing for Oak Hill Drive as of yet. Mayor Freeman spoke about this with Ryan Colvin of MRB who said he would check into it.
- Trustee McKeown talked about the screw press demonstration held at the sewer plant.
- The Board came up with a few items they would like to address when they attend the Village/Town Joint Board meeting to be held on August 25, 2016. Among the topics of importance to the Board is the parking lot behind the Town offices, the Court Clerk position, and most especially the SRO project for Avon Central School.
- The Board discussed changing the September Board meetings to the 12th and the 26th due to the Labor Day Holiday.

Upon a motion made by Trustee McKeown, the meeting adjourned at 10:12pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Heather Randall
Village Clerk