

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Salem was held on Wednesday, September 2, 2009 in the Village office. Present were Mayor Anne Dunigan and Trustees Joe Childs, Carol Rives, and Paul Kobyluch. Also present were Village Historian Al Cormier, Fire Chief Bob Graham, and members of the press and public.

The meeting was called to order, and vouchers from the General Fund Nos. 434 through 463 in the amount of \$20193.83, from the Library Fund Nos. 163 to 175 in the amount of \$2008.51, and from the Water Fund Nos. 125 through 131 in the amount of \$1663.18 were audited and ordered paid--motion by Joe Childs, second by Paul Kobyluch. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Paul Kobyluch made a motion, Joe Childs seconded, to approve the minutes of the August 5 regular meeting as presented. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

**PUBLIC WORKS AUGUST REPORT:** DPW All fire extinguishers at the DPW barn, fire department, and Proudfit Hall have been recharged or replaced, good for another year. Helped the Village of Cambridge with sidewalks, and Cambridge helped us repair the box lights on the F450. Johnson's Tree Care can trim or remove all the trees on the current list for \$80/hour. Arrangements are being made with the Washington County Safety Officer for classes at the DPW barn on MSDS, confined space, and lock out, tag out procedures. Need to decide on sidewalk or road projects using CHIPS money. Will begin performing yearly maintenance on the generators, starting this fall. **WATER** To date there have been 278 service hookups. Annual lead and copper test results were well within the required guidelines of the NYS Sanitary Code.

**FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT FOR AUGUST:** There were only two calls in August, one a vehicle fire and one a priority one delta, both in the Town. One firefighter completed a rope rescue class. Nine members stood by at the Washington County Fair. The department did a walk-through tour of Chambers Valley Farm. Training hours totaled 560. The 2008 - 2009 Fire Chief's Report has been filed in the Clerk's FD files. Submitted for the Board's approval were the results of the September 1 election: Chief, Bob Graham; 1<sup>st</sup> Asst., Steve Dougherty; 2<sup>nd</sup> Asst., Bob Sullivan, Jr.; 3<sup>rd</sup> Asst., Willie Linendoll. Carol Rives made a motion to approve the results and Joe Childs seconded. All voted in favor. Also presented for approval were Fire Council members Jim Conety and Howard Fifield (making the Council Bob Graham, Steve Dougherty, and if approved Jim Conety and Howard Fifield). Paul Kobyluch made a motion and Carol Rives seconded. All voted in favor. Also, on October 9 the Department will be holding its fire prevention program at Salem Central. This year in addition to the K through 6 presentation, they will be doing a program for the 7th through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students. On the same day there will be an open house at the station. More details to come.

**LIBRARY REPORT:** Circulation in June was 2618. Peg relates summer was busy and productive.

**HISTORIAN'S REPORT FOR AUGUST:** Al reported that the repairs to the bell tower on the Fort Salem Theater have been completed. October 3 is "Historic Day" at the Courthouse, and there will be an open house for the Town Archives, with books for sale, and there will be a talk on November 11 for Veteran's Day. The Revolutionary War Cemetery tour has been postponed until next spring, maybe Memorial Day weekend.

A public hearing was held for the purpose of allowing public remarks on the application of Carol Myrick for historic structure designation for her property at 155 S. Main Street, which structure has been determined to be historically significant. As no remarks were forthcoming, Joe Childs made a motion, Paul Kobyluch seconded, to adopt a resolution granting historic structure designation to 155 S. Main Street. All voted in favor.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mayor Dunigan and Trustee Joe Childs will be performing the yearly audit of the Village Court's books.

**PUBLIC REMARKS**

Richard Hickland gave a progress report on his and Albert Woodell's study of the water department relative to regulations concerning O & M charges. The discussion included an outline of their research, what they found, conclusions they have drawn, and suggestions for future Board action. A copy of their report is in the minutes back-up file, as well as the clerk's water billing file.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Rebecca Brown, Clerk