

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Salem was held on Wednesday, April 1, 2009 in the Village office. Present were Mayor Anne Dunigan, Trustees Joe Childs, Carol Rives, Joe Wever, and Paul Kobyluch. Also present was Village Historian Al Cormier, and members of the press and public.

The meeting was called to order, and vouchers from the General Fund Nos. 264 through 296 in the amount of \$28380.40, from the Library Fund Nos. 088 through 098 in the amount of \$1276.24, and from the Water Fund Nos. 079 through 088 in the amount of \$2826.20 were audited and ordered paid--motion by Joe Childs, second by Paul Kobyluch. The vote was 4/0 with one abstention; the motion was carried.

Joe Wever made a motion, Carol Rives seconded, to approve the minutes from the February 25 special meeting. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: DPW There were five rain storms and one small snow storm in March. Would like permission to have Capital Tractor perform the following work to the 555E loader for a price of \$3700.00: 2 new rear tires, replace fuel tank, replace throttle cable. Would also like to have Capital inspect the loader for other possible problems while it's there. Had two meetings with SEMO regarding the ice damage in December. Will get some winter mix from Peckham to repair pot/sink holes. Will pick up brush April 20 through 23. Did roadside garbage pick-up on all Village streets. Cambridge will bring their sweeper toward the end of April. Attended a (free) Dig Safe NY course for 4 hours of water credit.

WATER There are 272 water services hooked up. Fire hydrants will be flushed the week of April 13. There are some lengths of 4" (7'), 6" (31'), 8" (20'), and 12" (33') pipe on the hill by the water barn. Have gotten prices on some other parts that should be kept on hand in case of another break.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: There were seventeen fire calls in March, including EMS assists, carbon monoxide and other alarm activations, a motor vehicle fire, and two structure fires. There was also a horse and carriage rollover with injuries in the Arlington Fire District. Twelve members completed an emergency vehicle operations class (13 hours), thirteen members completed a defensive driving course (6 hours), and seventeen members completed a radio communications class. Also, Steve Dougherty completed an incident safety officer course (18 hours), which satisfies the requirements of his provisional status. Did a walk-through of the trucks, gear, and equipment with the boy scouts (2 hours). One member completed driver training for the rescue squad. The tail pipe on ETA 442 was fixed at the bus garage at no charge. Ray Fairley rebuilt the generator on ETA 443 at no charge. Total training hours were 1071.

POLICE REPORT: FEBRUARY AND MARCH: none received

LIBRARY REPORT: Circulation for the month was 2004.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT: No word yet from Julian Adams regarding the Village's status as a certified local government. There are two upcoming panel discussions, the first on April 23 to include six long-time Village residents, and the second on April 30 to include six "farm folk."

OLD BUSINESS:Regarding the request from Anthony Cafritz that the Village insure Glens Falls National's parking lot and the Dupuis' property at Main and Thomas (for a sculpture park), Mayor Dunigan indicated she had spoken with NYMIR and was informed that unless the Village has the "care, custody, and control" of a property, they cannot assume any liability.

The summer recreation program sports insurance policy currently covers the swim program and middle league baseball. Middle league is a program for older boys run independent of little league. Little league in the past provided its own insurance coverage. However, middle league coaches advised the Board that this year middle league will be combined with little league. They have asked the Board to consider including little league under the Village's policy. Currently the sports policy premium is \$250.00. Adding little league would increase the premium to \$685.00 (with a \$25.00 deductible). After discussion it was decided that the Village would cover this increase and include little league under the policy.

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NEW BUSINESS: Carol Rives made a motion, Paul Kobyluch seconded, to adopt a resolution appropriating the FD contract surplus (\$19900.00) into A3410.2 (\$16000.00) for hose and into A3410.4 (\$3900.00) for hose testing. The vote was 4/0 with one abstention.

The organizational meeting was set for Tuesday, April 7 at 6 PM.

A joint Town/Village meeting has been set for Wednesday, April 29 at 7 PM in the community room for the purpose of hearing a presentation from Laberge on potential shared services grants.

Joe Wever made a motion, Carol Rives seconded, to permit Girl Scout Cadet Troop 3462 to plant a hummingbird garden next to the gazebo in the Village Park. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Joe Wever made a motion, Paul Kobyluch seconded, to grant approval for the Salem Rescue Squad to hold its 40th Year celebration/picnic at the carnival grounds on Saturday, October 3 from 11:00 AM to 3 PM, using the game booths and having face painting and pony rides. This permission is contingent on the SVFD's approval and on the Rescue Squad's providing a certificate of insurance with the Village named as an additional insured. All voted in favor and the motion was carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.
Rebecca Brown, Clerk