

Minutes
Village of Orchard Park
Board of Trustees

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Orchard Park was held on Monday, March 13, 2017 in the Municipal Center, 4295 South Buffalo Street, Orchard Park, New York. Mayor Clinton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members present:

Mayor Jo Ann Litwin Clinton
Deputy Mayor Joseph R. Wales
Trustee Francis T. Hogenkamp
Trustee Matthew J. Hartung
Trustee William D. Reuter

Others present:

Dir. Of Public Works Michael P. Murphy
Attorney Philip M. Marshall
Clerk-Treasurer Mary Beth Jensen
Asst Code Enforcement James Larivey

Mayor Clinton made the following announcement:

“Fire exits are located at the rear in the Board Room and at the doorway to the lobby. In the event of a fire, you will be notified by announcement on the public address system. If notified, please move in a calm and orderly fashion to the nearest exit.”

Moved by Trustee Hartung, seconded by Trustee Hogenkamp that the minutes of February 27, 2017 be approved as received.

On the question: 4 voting “Aye” 0 voting “Nay” Carried

Moved by Trustee Wales, seconded by Trustee Reuter that the vouchers numbering 1475 to 1502 in Abstract #15 of 2016-2017 in the amount of \$49,809.80 be paid as presented.

On the question: 4 voting “Aye” 0 voting “Nay” Carried

No comments from the floor of items not on the agenda.

Moved by Trustee Wales, seconded by Trustee Reuter that the reports of the Village Justice, Assistant Village Justice, Water Department and Treasurer for the month of February be received and filed.

On the question: 4 voting “Aye” 0 voting “Nay” Carried

- Building Inspector James Larivey had nothing to report.
- Director of Public Works Murphy reported that there are large amounts of brush due to the recent wind storm. He asked that residents place their brush off the road for pick up.
- Trustee Reuter reported that the Village Board has been working on the budget for 2017-2018. The tentative budget hearing will be scheduled for April 10th and it looks as though the tax rate will stay below the tax cap and remain the lowest in Erie County. Additionally, the rates for water and garbage are not expected to increase. He thanked Clerk Jensen for her work on the budget.
- Deputy Mayor Wales complimented the Department of Public Works for doing a great job during the recent wind storm.

- Trustee Hogenkamp reported
 - He has heard from residents who were happy with the speedy pick up of their brush.
 - The streets on the Capital Project list to be repaved this summer are: Elmhurst, S Lincoln, Franklin and Allen.
 - He directed residents to fill out a tree request form in the Village Office if they would like a tree planted this spring.
- Trustee Hartung had nothing to report.
- Attorney Marshall had nothing to report.
- Clerk Treasurer Jensen had nothing to report.
- Mayor Clinton reported on
 - the grants that the Village has been awarded: Salt Barn (Assemblyman Kearns) and ADA parking (CDBG). She met with grant writers earlier to talk about grants available to fund water line replacement.
 - The Village will be getting a new software system which should benefit both the tax-payers and employees.
 - Garbage totes will be rolled out in May, looking similar to the recycle carts, but with gray lids. Garbage will still be picked up weekly and the recycling bi-weekly.

Moved by Trustee Wales, seconded by Trustee Hogenkamp that the Annual Organizational Meeting be scheduled for April 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

On the question: 4 voting "Aye" 0 voting "Nay" Carried

Moved by Trustee Hartung, seconded by Trustee Reuter that a public hearing be scheduled and advertised for April 10, 2017 following the Annual Organizational Meeting, to review the 2017-2018 tentative budget.

On the question: 4 voting "Aye" 0 voting "Nay" Carried

* Mayor Clinton explained that Brigid Lavelle has taken another position and appointed **Marie Falzone** as Clerk to Village Justice.

Moved by Trustee Reuter, seconded by Trustee Wales to accept the Mayor's appointment.

On the question: 4 voting "Aye" 0 voting "Nay" Carried

The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 27, 2017

Moved by Trustee Wales, seconded by Trustee Hartung to adjourn at 7:11 p.m.

On the question: 4 voting "Aye" 0 voting "Nay" Carried

Respectfully submitted

Mary Beth Jensen
Village Clerk-Treasurer