

Present: Mayor Robert Yerick, Trustees Michael Campbell, Kelly Myers, William Murphy, Michael Karashay and Mary Leahy

Absent: Trustee Richard Moore

Others: Will Dendis-New Saugerties Times, Karin Yerry-Post Star, students from SHS Government Class

Mayor Robert Yerick called the Village Board to order at 7:00pm. Trustee Murphy led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Yerick advised the Board that the Holiday in the Village celebration on December 3rd was a great success. Thanks to Trustee Leahy and Superintendent Terpening and his crew for the holiday decoration in the Business District and at Seamon Park. Thanks to Trustee Karashay, the SFD and Chief Martin for the fire truck electric parade. Thanks to Trustee Myers, Superintendent Ciarlante and the DPW for the holiday tree. And thanks to Justine Smythe who coordinated the entire event.

The Mayor encouraged the students present to ask questions at any time during the Board meeting.

There was no one present who wished to address the Board.

Mayor Yerick presented the minutes of November 20, 2006 for review. Motion was made by Trustee Myers, seconded by Trustee Karashay, to approve the minutes. Carried.

Mayor Yerick presented the Abstract for December 4th: General - \$82,765.42; Water - \$21,856.64; Wastewater - \$16,289.57; Seamon Park - \$1183.00. Motion was made by Trustee Leahy, seconded by Trustee Myers, to approve the Abstract. Carried.

Motion was made by Trustee Karashay, seconded by Mayor Yerick, to approve the appointment of Anthony Bell as temporary Chief of the CA Lynch Hose Company, due to the illness of Chief Joseph Zmiyarch. Carried.

Trustee Leahy thanked Superintendent Terpening and the Buildings and Grounds Department for all their effort with the holiday decorations – the Village looks wonderful. The Saturday night shopping event conducted by the Business Association was great, the fire trucks looked wonderful, and the Seamon Park tree lighting was well attended. Thanks to John Haluska, Rick Smith and Pete Kramer of the Kiwanis Club. The Seamon Park Mum Show is playing to rave reviews on TV23.

Zoning Enforcement Officer Alex Wade presented some proposed changes to the Zoning Law for the Village Board's review (document attached). These changes will be presented to the Village Planning Board for their comment on December 13th. The Village Board will discuss these changes and Attorney Alex Betke will be asked to write

a local law incorporating the changes into the Zoning Law. A public hearing will be scheduled for a date in January 2007.

Trustee Campbell presented his report (copy attached). There will be live TV23 coverage of the dedication of the new wing of the Town Hall on December 9th from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. Mr. Campbell will be attending two meetings in the next weeks on behalf of the Village on transportation and economic development. The SAMA meeting has not been rescheduled to date.

Trustee Murphy reported that Dave Dunn had been hired by the Water Department. Mr. Dunn will replace a long-time employee who is retiring in January 2007. Water/sewer bills were mailed on 12/1/06.

Mayor Yerick reported business as usual at the Police Department.

Trustee Myers reported that leaf pickup by the DPW has been completed. The trucks are ready for snow and new sanders have been ordered. The DPW is working on specs and obtaining prices for a new truck.

Mayor Yerick asked the Board to review the zoning material presented by Alex Wade. He invited the Board to attend the Town Hall opening on 12/9 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. He also advised the Board that the Village Holiday Luncheon would be at the American Legion, 12/22 at 12noon. Everyone is invited to bring a spouse or partner.

Mayor Yerick presented material regarding the transfer of the Library from the Village Board to the Library Board. Resolution #18/2006 will be presented at the December 18th Village Board meeting. If the resolution passes on the 18th, a Public Hearing will be scheduled for Local Law #1/2007, transferring the property for “no consideration” to the Library Board. A copy of the proposed contract of sale was also presented.

The SHS students asked several questions, which Mayor Yerick answered.

Trustee Karashay advised the Board that Augie Fellows was being honored by a NYS Firemanic organization for 50 years as a volunteer with the CA Lynch Fire Company. The Board added their congratulations.

Trustee Karashay, seconded by Trustee Myers made motion, to adjourn. Carried. The Board adjourned at 7:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Frank
Village Clerk