

**Village of Afton  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
Jack D. Bolster Community Center, Afton, NY  
October 8, 2012**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees held October 8, 2012, at 7:00 pm in the Susquehanna Room, 105 Main Street, Afton, NY

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

**Present:** Mayor Muller, Trustee Harvey, Trustee Simonds, Trustee Zablocki and Trustee Matthews.

**Visitors:** Joshua Beadle, Gerald & Nancy Harris and Wendy Hosier.

- A motion was made by Trustee Zablocki authorizing Clerk/Treasurer to pay the following audited vouchers, seconded by Trustee Harvey. All in favor, motion passed.  
**General Fund Vouchers # 118 - 141, Totaling \$6,915.17.**  
**Water Fund Vouchers # 34 - 41, Totaling \$1,407.26.**
- Motion to accept previous minutes with no additions or corrections was made by Trustee Matthews, seconded by Trustee Zablocki. All in favor, motion passed.

**Monthly Report:**

- DPW/ Water –Report distributed .
- Police Department: No representative.
- Code Enforcement: No representative.
- Planning Board: Meeting was held last week. A site plan is needed before they can move forward on The First Baptist Church, on Caswell Street. They are looking to expand their meeting place.
- Finance/Insurance: Up to date.
- Christmas Parade Committee: The Ladies at the NBT Bank have volunteered to have Santa at the Bank after the parade. There will also be Breakfast with Santa. They are considering a zoo mobile. The Afton Seniors will hold a craft and bake sale, and a chili cook off contest at the Methodist Church. The school will host a Snowball Dance after the parade. All are welcome. Also, Kathy Jackson will be singing on Main Street before the start of the parade.
- Grant Committee: N/A

**Old Business:**

- The Village is still looking at a law regarding signs installed in the Village. This is something that the Village Planning Board will be working on. The Village of Greene also has a sign law which we will be reference.

**New Business:**

- Visitor's Jerry & Nancy Harris informed the Village Board of some concerns about the cross walks within the Village. The information will be passed to the Department of public Works and the DOT will be informed.
- Visitor Wendy Hosier informed the Village Board that she had spent a Saturday trying to compile a list of area residents who have been affected by both floods of 2006 & 2011. She also stated that she had been in contact with Mr. Richard Metzger the Village Code Enforcer, as well as Mr. Matt Beckwith at the Chenango County Office of Emergency Management, who referred her to Mr. Steve Fox, Chenango County Code Enforcement. She will be reaching out to these people again, in hopes of some type of direction.
- The Village Board was informed of heavier water usage at the Fair Grounds. Department of Public Works Richard Ramsey will be monitoring this usage.
- The Village Board was informed of the Coughlin & Gerhart Annual Municipal Law Seminar .
- A motion was made by Trustee Zablocki to allow the Mayor to sign letters to the Army Corps of Engineers regarding the gravel bars within the Susquehanna River in the Village, and a seconded letter concerning river bank erosion on Riverside Drive. The letters will passed to the Town Board for signing by the Town Superintendent before being mailed. Seconded by Trustee Simonds. All in favor, motion passed.
- A motion was made by Trustee Matthews to change the Village Office hours. The new Village Office hours will be Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 am to 2:30 pm. Seconded by Trustee Zablocki. All in favor, motion passed.
- A motion was made by Trustee Simonds to approve the hiring of Mr. Michael Dougherty as the new Department of Public Works Employee for the Village of Afton. Seconded by Trustee Zablocki. All in favor, motion passed.
- A motion was made by Trustee Matthews to accept the resignation letter of Renee Ramsey as her position on the Board of Appeals. Seconded by Trustee Harvey. All in favor, motion passed.
- A motion was made by Trustee Matthews to appoint Susan Moran as the new Board of Appeals member. Seconded by Trustee Harvey. All in favor, Motion passed.
- A motion was made by Trustee Zablocki to hold an executive session to discuss employee concerns and a legal matter . Seconded by Trustee Simonds session. All in favor, motion passed.
- A motion was made by Trustee Zablocki to close the executive session. Seconded by Trustee Harvey. All in favor, motion passed.
- A motion was made by Trustee Matthews to buy back one week's vacation from Richard Ramsey from the 2006 flooding, at the rate he was first appointed Department of Public Works Superintendent. Seconded by Trustee Harvey. All in favor, motion passed.

- A motion was made by Trustee Zablocki to authorize the Mayor to execute a settlement agreement in the matter of Cirigliano versus The Village of Afton. Seconded by Trustee Harvey. All in favor, motion passed.
- A motion was made by Trustee Zablocki to adjourn our regular meeting at 7:55pm and Seconded by Trustee Harvey. All in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ann Palmatier  
Clerk/Treasurer