Village of Tupper Lake
Board of Trustees
Minutes

Date:	Monday, April 21, 2014
Location:	Board Room
Meeting:	Regular 5:00-7:25 PM
	At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held this date, the following were present: Mayor Paul A. Maroun, Trustees Leon LeBlanc, Richard Donah, Thomas Snyder, David Maroun and Village Clerk Mary A. Casagrain
Enter Executive Session	Motion by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Maroun to enter Executive Session at 5:00 pm to discuss the employment history for a future employee for our Emergency Services Building project. (Carried 5-0)
Exit Executive Session	Motion by Trustee Maroun, seconded by Trustee LeBlanc to Exit Executive Session at 6:00 pm. (Carried 5-0)
	Also present were Mr. Sean Foran our Project Manager with Heuber Breuer Construction Co., Inc., his assistant Ms. Annette Schillings, Town of Tupper Lake Board Member John Quinn, Chamber of Commerce President Adam Boudreau, residents Ronald LaScala and Scott Gravlin, Volunteer Fire Chiefs Ms. Tina Arsenault and Carl Steffen, Department of Public Works Superintendent Michael Sparks, Water/Wastewater Superintendent Mark Robillard, Electric Superintendent John Bouck, Police Chief Eric Proulx, Town of Tupper Recreation Director Michael Fritts, and News Reporters Dan McClelland and Shaun Kittle.
Call Regular Meeting To Order	Mayor Maroun called the Regular Meeting to order and established the agenda at 6:00 pm.
Pledge	Pledge of allegiance to the flag and a moment of silence and prayer for the safe return of missing teen Collin Gillis.
Open Public Comment Period:	
Sean Foran ESB Update	Mr. Sean Foran our Project Manager with Heuber Breuer Construction Co., Inc. gave a brief update to the public concerning the progress of our Emergency Services Building project and the current grant shortfalls as our bid award date approaches.
Ronald LaScala	Mr. Ronald LaScala asked about the grant funding guarantees made during a public meeting on the ESB project.
	Mr. Foran replied that at this time his funding guarantees may not be met.
Michael Fritts & Scott Gravlin Zombie Walk	Mr. Michael Fritts and Mr. Scott Gravlin advised the board that they are thinking about organizing a "Zombie Walk" where local children would dress as zombies and walk the main street collecting canned goods that could be donated by local patrons to the local businesses. Their hope was to have a brief parade through Park Street and then proceed to the Municipal Park for a family fun dance in conjunction with the State Theatre hosting the Rocky Horror Picture Show.

Mayor Maroun advised that they should complete a facility use form and formally request the date.

Julie King Request Lift Outdoor Wood Boiler Ban

Ms. Julie King asked that the Village Board consider lifting the ban on outdoor wood boilers inside the Village of Tupper Lake. Her e-mail stated that they now have an E-Classic Model with Levis Outdoor Boilers of Inlet NY that are more efficient than a typical indoor wood stove and chimney.

Mayor Maroun stated he would have our Code Enforcement Officer revisit the issue and look into what our neighboring communities, DEC and APA have to say about the issue before revisiting it formally.

R.K. Hite & Co. Inc. Appraisals

Motion by Trustee Donah, seconded by Trustee LeBlanc to authorize Mayor Maroun to sign the appraisal reviews for our Multi-use Trail Connector Project as submitted by R.K. Hite & Co. Inc. for the Tupper Lake Shopping Center, Inc., P.J. Hyde & Sons, Inc. and Tupper Lake of Albany, LP. (Carried 5-0)

Resolution of Support for the Roost Destination Marketing Plan

After a brief discussion concerning adoption of a resolution of support to fund the ROOST proposal received to create a tourism marketing and destination master plan and an update from Town of Tupper Lake Councilperson John Quinn, it was so moved by Trustee Maroun, seconded by Trustee LeBlanc to approve support to partner with ROOST for a three (3) year term. (Carried 5-0)

K of C Annual Auction

Mayor Maroun announced that the Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual auction on Sunday, May 18, 2014 and they would welcome any donations whether in the form of financial or items to be auctioned off.

TL Lions Club Amusement of America Carnival

Mayor Maroun announced that the TL Lions Club will host an Amusements of America Carnival from July 21st to July 28th, 2014.

APO Grand Opening July 11, 2014

Mayor Maroun announced that the Adirondack Public Observatory (APO) will be holding its Grand Opening Ceremony on Friday, July 11, 2014 from 4:00 – 6:00 pm and they would like to formally invite all Village Board Members to attend.

Accept Letter of Retirement for Ms. Patricia Reandeau

Motion by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Maroun to formally accept Ms. Patricia Reandeau's letter of retirement effective today. (Carried 5-0)

Joint Planning Board Meeting

Mayor Maroun reminded the board that the next Joint Planning Board meeting bill be this Wednesday, April 23, 2014 at 7:00 pm.

Anzac Day for PTS Awareness

Motion by Trustee Donah, seconded by Trustee LeBlanc to formally approve the following resolution in support of declaring April 25, 2014 as Anzac Awareness Day for PTS Awareness:

WHEREAS, an Australian Soldier, Captain John McKay, suffering from Post Traumatic Stress, recently traveled to the Tri-Lakes and passed away atop nearby Scarface Mountain, and

WHEREAS, Anzac Day is celebrated each April 25th in Australia and New Zealand, to remember all their soldiers and veterans, especially those who fought in the Australian New Zealand Corps (ANZAC) during WWI in what is now Turkey, and

WHEREAS, Post Traumatic Stress (PTS) is an affliction suffered by many combat veterans returning "home," whether they be American veterans or those of allies, such as Australia and New Zealand, of which Captain McKay was one, and

WHEREAS, April 25th offers us in the Tri-Lakes an opportunity to specifically stress the importance of PTS awareness and our common need and duty to assist out returning veterans in their transition to life away from combat, then therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tupper Lake, does hereby declare April 25, 2014 as "Anzac Day for PTS Awareness," and encourages its community to join others in the Tri-Lakes and throughout the world to increase its awareness of Post Traumatic Stress suffered by our combat veterans and to assist in their need for understanding and treatment. (Carried 5-0)

Approve Minutes

Motion by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Maroun to approve the Board Minutes from March 18, April 7, 9, and April 14, 2014. (Carried 5-0)

Fire:
Accept March Report

Motion by Trustee Donah, seconded by Trustee Maroun to approve the March 2014 Monthly Report. (Carried 5-0)

Franklin County Mutual Aid Participation Approved

Motion by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Maroun to authorize participation in the Franklin County Mutual Aid Plan as proposed. (Carried 5-0)

Accept Election Results

Motion by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Donah to formally accept and congratulate the newly elected officers for the Tupper Lake Volunteer Fire Department for 2014-15 Year. (Carried 4-1, Trustee Maroun "Abstained")

Female Chief

Mayor Maroun also took the time to acknowledge our very first female 1st Assistance Chief Ms. Tina Arsenault and our first female Treasurer Ms. Rachel Dechene. He expressed a community thanks for their volunteerism.

Upcoming Events Summer

Fire Chief Carl Steffen briefly gave the board a general overview of the upcoming events for the volunteer fire department members for the summer. The schedule was so approved by Trustee LeBlanc, seconded by Trustee Maroun. (Carried 5-0)

Will Vaillancourt PT Fire Driver

Motion by Trustee Maroun, seconded by Trustee LeBlanc to reappoint Mr. William Vaillancourt as a part-time relief fire driver. (Carried 5-0)

Police:
Accept March Report

Motion by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Maroun to approve the March 2014 Monthly Police Report. (Carried 5-0)

Camera Proposals Tabled

The board tabled discussion on a camera surveillance for the Municipal Park awaiting Trustee Donah's request to walk the area with the Police Chief. It was so tabled by Trustee Donah, seconded by Trustee Maroun. (Carried 5-0)

Radar School Jordan Nason	Motion by Trustee LeBlanc, seconded by Trustee Maroun to authorize Police Officer Jordan Nason to attend radar school in Canton from May 5-8, 2014. (Carried 5-0)
DPW: NYS DOT Resolution #042114 A	Motion by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Donah to formally approve an Intersecting Road Resolution #042114 A presented to us by NYS DOT as part of their reconstruction project as presented. (Carried 5-0)
NYS DOT Lighting Committee Meeting	It was noted that the next NYS DOT Lighting Committee meeting will be held this Thursday, April 24, 2014 at 8:00 am.
Spring Clean-up & Ongoing Projects	Department of Public Works Superintendent Michael Sparks advised the board that they are starting to street sweep this week and he has several areas in the community of failed or failing storm water systems. For example, over 1000' of systems on Balsam Avenue, Chaney Avenue, Mt. View Avenue and McFarland Avenue.
Water/Wastewater: NNYWW Training	Motion by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Maroun to authorize five (5) members to attend the May 1, 2014 Northern New York Water Works Conference in Potsdam, NY. (Carried 5-0)
Electric: Electric Curtailment	There will be no reduction in firm hydro energy sales for the month of May 1-31, 2014.
NYPA Tree Program	Electric Superintendent John Bouck advised that the NYPA Tree Program where you buy one tree and get one tree free is open to April 30, 2014 if anyone in the community wishes to participate to please stop in and get the order forms.
American Flag Discussion	Trustee LeBlanc asked Electric Superintendent to order American Flags for display in time for Memorial Day throughout the community. It was so moved by Trustee Maroun, seconded by Trustee Snyder to proceed with ordering the necessary flags and brackets. (Carried 5-0)
Treasurer: Approve Warrant	Motion by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Maroun to approve the April 21, 2014 warrant in the amount of $146,964.61 for payment of the bills and abstracts for the month March 2014. (Carried 5-0)
Review Cash Position	Review the monthly cash position for March 31, 2014.
Copier Lease Renewal	Motion by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Maroun to authorize Mayor Maroun to execute a 60-month copier lease with US Bank through Office Systems for the office and police departments. (Carried 6-0)
General Fund Budget Transfers	Motion by Trustee Donah, seconded by Trustee Snyder to authorize budget transfers in the amount of $17,000.00 for the General Fund. (Carried 5-0)
Budget Work Sessions Scheduled	It was noted that the next budget work session would be April 24, 2014 at 4:00 pm and a special meeting on May 1, 2014 at 4:00 pm to approve the Water & Wastewater Re-levy.

Enter Executive Session	Motion by Trustee Donah, seconded by Trustee Maroun to enter Executive Session at 7:20 pm to discuss the employment history for several employees of the Water/Wastewater Department. (Carried 5-0)
Exit Executive Session	Motion by Trustee Donah, seconded by Trustee Maroun to Exit Executive Session at 7:25 pm. (Carried 5-0)
Water/Wastewater Workers	Motion by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Donah to approve a .25 cent and hour increase for Water/Wastewater Workers Mr. Maxwell Willett and Mr. Joseph Arsenault effective April 27, 2014 do to their completion of their water licensing. (Carried 5-0)
Adjournment	Motion by Trustee Maroun, seconded by Trustee Donah to adjourn at 7:26 PM. (Carried 5-0)

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Mary A. Casagrain, Village Clerk/Treasurer