

Village of Tupper Lake
Board of Trustees
Minutes

Date: Wednesday, July 18, 2018
Location: Board Room
Meeting: Regular Monthly 6:00-7:31 PM

At the Regular Hearing of the Board of Trustees held this date, the following were present: Mayor Paul A. Maroun, Trustees David Maroun, Leon LeBlanc, Clint Hollingsworth, Ronald LaScala and Village Clerk/Treasurer Mary A. Casagrain.

Also present were Code Enforcement Officer Peter Edwards, Electric Superintendent Marc Staves, Water/Wastewater Superintendent Mark Robillard, Department of Public Works Superintendent Robert Degrace, Fire Department Assistant Chief Nick Rolley, Residents Jan Yaworski, James Lanthier, Mercy Living Center Administrator Madeline Talliver and News Reporters Aaron Cerbone and Dan McClelland.

Call Regular Meeting
To Order Mayor Maroun called the Regular Meeting to order 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 Colin Gillis.

Public comment
James Lanthier Mr. James Lanthier asked about the trees along Park Street that were planted as part of the NYS DOT Project. He questioned if we were considering replacing them since some of them aren't the healthiest?

Mayor Maroun explained that we are now watering them on a weekly schedule in hopes that they bounce back with new growth. If that doesn't work we will discuss replacement options.

Mr. James Lanthier also asked about the sidewalk in front of China Wok?

Mayor Maroun advised that NYS DOT have a contractor that they engaged and are awaiting the replacement soon.

Board Minutes
Approved Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to approve the board minutes from June 20, 2018. (Carried 5-0)

Code Enforcement:
Accept June
Monthly Report Motion by Trustee Maroun seconded by Trustee LaScala to approve the June 2018 Monthly Code Report. (Carried 5-0)

156 Park Street Code Enforcement Officer Peter Edwards advised the board that he has met with the purchaser and was told the new owner planned to restore the home over the next two years. His plans are to restore the home completely in 2019.

Community Development:
LWRP & Main
Street Program
Grants Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to formally approve the following two resolutions for the LWRP and Main Street Program grants as presented for this year's CFA grant funding round as follows:

Resolution #071818A

Resolution by the Village of Tupper Lake Board of Trustees approving and endorsing the Franklin County Local Development Corporation's application to NYS Homes and Community Renewal for funding under the New York Main Street Program for building renovation projects in the villages of Saranac Lake and Tupper Lake

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Local Development Corporation (FCLDC) desires to apply for \$500,000 in financial assistance through the 2018 Consolidated Funding Application under the New York Main Street Program; and

WHEREAS, the application proposes funding to assist mixed-use building renovation projects along Main Street and Broadway in the Village of Saranac Lake and along Park Street in the Village of Tupper Lake; and

WHEREAS, the proposed funding will contribute to ongoing community revitalization efforts in both communities; and

WHEREAS, the grant application requires that the applicant obtain the approval and endorsement of the governing body of the municipality in which the projects will be located.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Tupper Lake Board of Trustees approves and endorses the 2018 Consolidated Funding Application under the New York Main Street Program prepared and to be submitted by the Franklin County Local Development Corporation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the village code enforcement officer to annually inspect building improvements assisted with New York Main street funds within the Village of Tupper Lake during the five-year regulatory period and provide inspection reports to the FCLDC.

Motion made by Trustee Ronald LaScala, seconded by Trustee Clint Hollingsworth to authorize the aforementioned resolution. (Carried 5-0)

CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER

I, Mary A. Casagrain, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Village of Tupper Lake, New York, do hereby certify that the attached resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Tupper Lake Village Board held on July 18, 2018 and is incorporated in the original minutes of said meeting, and that said resolution has not been altered, amended or revoked and is in full force and effect.

Seal:

Mary A. Casagrain, Village Clerk

Resolution #071818B

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF 2018 LOCAL WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PROGRAM GRANT CONSOLIDATED FUNDING APPLICATION

WHEREAS a notice of funding availability for Local Waterfront Revitalization Program grant funds has been made by the Department of State in the 2018 CFA Round; and

WHEREAS the Village of Tupper Lake seeks to advance goals and priority projects of its LWRP Component 2013 Revitalization Strategy and follow up 2015 Park Master Plan, developed with funding from the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program; and

WHEREAS the Village of Tupper Lake, in partnership with the Town of Tupper Lake, seeks to utilize this previous planning to prepare a full Local Waterfront Revitalization Program; and

WHEREAS the Village of Tupper Lake also seeks to work with the communities of Malone and Saranac Lake to advance their LWRP implementation and Downtown Revitalization Initiative efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Tupper Lake Board of Trustees fully supports the proposed projects included in the funding application;

NOW HERE BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor Paul Maroun, as Mayor of the Village of Tupper Lake, is hereby authorized and directed to file an application for funds to the New York State Department of State Local Waterfront Revitalization Program.

Be it further resolved that the Mayor is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the Village of Tupper Lake Board in all matters related to this financial assistance, and upon approval of said request, to enter into and execute a state assistance contract for such financial assistance. The attached Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion made by Trustee Ronald LaScala, seconded by Trustee Clint Hollingsworth to authorize the aforementioned resolution. (Carried 5-0)

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Police: (Carried 5-0)

Accept June

Monthly Report

Motion by Trustee Hollingsworth, seconded by Trustee Maroun to approve the June 2018 Monthly Police Report for the Village and Town of Tupper Lake. (Carried 5-0)

Annual Touch A

Truck Event

Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to establish September 8, 2018 as the annual "Touch A Truck" event in the Municipal Park. (Carried 5-0)

Recent Robbery

Acknowledgement

Mayor Maroun took a moment to commend the Police Department for their swift action in the recent robbery at Ray's Liquor Store and for their help in solving the case.

Fire:

Accept June

Monthly Report

Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Maroun to approve the June 2018 Monthly Fire Report. (Carried 5-0)

Santa Clara Substation

Update

Assistant Fire Chief Nick Rolley advised the board that they are working closely with the Santa Clara Substation and the training schedule is aggressive for all members for the remaining summer months.

DPW:

Miscellaneous

Updates

Department of Public Works Superintendent Robert Degrace advised the board that his department has been busy currently working on sidewalks along Demars Blvd and picking up from the Woodsman Field Days.

They are also replacing the pressure treated wood boxes around the playground surface in the Washington Street Park with a heavy rubber frames and replacing sand with wood chips per the recommendation of our insured NYMIR.

W/WW:

NNYWW Meeting

Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee LeBlanc for the licensed operators to attend the Northern New York Water Works Conference August 17, 2018 in Alexandria Bay, New York. (Carried 5-0)

Well Project

Update

Water/Wastewater Superintendent Mark Robillard advised the board that the well water is on line and there have been no issues reported.

Dam Work

Little Tupper Lake

Water/Wastewater Superintendent Mark Robillard advised the board that his department have been busy working on the spillway at the dam at Little Tupper Lake during draught conditions.

Arden Street &
Front Street Work

Mayor Maroun asked when we might expect your department to work on Arden & Front Street.

Water/Wastewater Superintendent Mark Robillard advised the board his department plan to finish up the spillway work and then head to Arden and Front Street in say 1-2 weeks.

Electric:

MRB Group

Motion by Trustee Hollingsworth, seconded by Trustee LaScala to proceed with MRB Group as our professional design consultant for our Tupper Lake Municipal Garage project. (Carried 5-0)

Tree Trimming &
Removal Bid

Motion by Trustee Hollingsworth, seconded by Trustee Maroun for authorization to go to bid for the Tree Trimming and Removal services for Route 30 South with a bid opening date of August 15, 2018. (Carried 5-0)

Bid Award Sale

2008 Chevy

Auctions Int'l

Motion by Trustee Hollingsworth, seconded by Trustee LaScala to award the bid sale of the 2008 Chevy to the high bidder in the amount of \$4,200.00 as auctioned on Auctions International. (Carried 5-0)

Discharge Electric
Balance

Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to discharge an electric account balance in the amount of \$82.25 for a deceased customer. (Carried 5-0)

EV Connect - Charging
Station Program
NYSERDA

Electric Superintendent Marc Staves advised the board that NYSERDA has a 2017 Grant Program for \$1.4 Million where they are offering rebates for EV Charging Stations installed before September 30, 2018 which covers the cost of the units. Our match is the labor to install the units. He advised he would like the board's permission to participate in the program with EV Connect the preferred vendor for the grant program and install three (3) units, one at the Wild Center, Band Shell and Municipal Park Pavilion respectively. It was so moved by Trustee Hollingsworth, seconded by Trustee LaScala. (Carried 5-0)

Unit #7 2000 Int'l

Replacement

Motion by Trustee Hollingsworth, seconded by Trustee LaScala to authorize Electric Superintendent Marc Staves to investigate replacement of our 2000 International Unit #7 bucket truck with a unit that is equip with a higher boom with other similar bids in the area. (Carried 5-0)

NYPA LED Street
Light Program

Electric Superintendent Marc Staves advised the board that NYPA has a LED Street Lighting Procurement Program in which they have purchased a large amount of fixtures and will sell them to us for \$80 a fixture to upgrade our street lighting with new LED fixtures. He advised that the funds from our IEEP Program can be used to purchase the units. He added that we can suspend our commercial lighting for businesses and use the fund for this initiative. We should see 2/3rds savings on our electric usage for our street lights.

In addition NYPA will warehouse the fixtures and send to us as we need them. The units are dark sky compliant according to the International Dark Sky Standards.

It was so moved by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to authorize the Village of Tupper Lake to participate in the program with the New York Power Authority for the LED Street Lighting Program as presented. (Carried 5-0)

Treasurer:

Approve Warrant

Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee LeBlanc to approve the July 18, 2018 warrant in the amount of \$536,524.24 for payment of the bills and abstracts for the month of June 2018. (Carried 5-0)

Review Cash

Position

Review the monthly cash position for June 30, 2018.

Enter Executive

Session

Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Maroun to enter into Executive Session to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation at 6:35 pm. (Carried 5-0)

Exit Executive

Session

Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to exit Executive Session at 7:30 pm. (Carried 5-0)

Adjournment

Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to adjourn at 7:31 pm. (Carried 5-0)

Mary A. Casagrain, Village Clerk/Treasurer