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Monday, March 21, 2011

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Avon was held at the Avon Village Hall, 74 Genesee Street, Avon, New York on Monday, March 21, 2011.

Present: Mark McKeown, Deputy Mayor
William Zhe, Trustee
Robert Hayes, Trustee
Timmy Batzel, Trustee

Absent: Thomas Freeman, Mayor

Staff: John Barrett
Tony Cappello
Chief James Carney
Christine Quinlan
Michael Bihrlle

Visitors: Josh Williams, Genesee Sun
Chuck Kanty
John Marks
Jim Otis

Deputy Mayor McKeown called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.

Jim Otis of 23 Temple Street asked to address the Board concerning a neighbor problem. Previously he had a problem with the same neighbor for using a saw every day, now the neighbor has unorganized wood piles, old tires, old blankets, and skids. It's a huge eyesore that I have to look at every day. There's a huge pile of ashes on my lot line and Dr. Hayes's lot line. I wonder if there's anything that can be done. Pictures were distributed to the Board Members.

Trustee Hayes – It appears he's not dumping the ashes on his property; it's probably Sugar Creek property.

Trustee Batzel – If he's dumping ashes, it's a wonder there hasn't been a fire.

Jim Otis – I'm worried about fire and rats and it's only getting worse. I'm sure it's lowered the value of my property. I'm also concerned that it's a safety issue and environmental situation.

Tony Cappello – If it's not visible from the street, it's not a code violation.

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Tony Cappello – I have looked at it. The tires are holding the tarp down. I can call them in and inform them of our concerns and perhaps advise them to put some fencing up.

Trustee McKeown reassured Mr. Otis that Mr. Cappello will talk with the Slakes and see where that goes and see if they can work out something. That will be the first step.

POLICE UPDATE:

Chief Carney introduced the new part time Officer Michael Bihrlle who came from Greece Police Department.

PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER:

Deputy Mayor McKeown asked for a motion to appoint Michael Bihrlle to the position of part-time Police Officer to be made effective March 7, 2011 at a starting rate of \$19.45 hourly.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Hayes, the Village Board appointed Michael Bihrlle to the position of part time Police Officer. Trustee Zhe seconded the motion and it was carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Absent	
Mark McKeown, Trustee	Voting	Yes
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Timmy Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Robert Hayes, Trustee	Voting	Yes

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

Upon a motion made by Trustee Zhe the minutes from February 21, 2011 meeting are hereby approved as submitted. Trustee Batzel seconded the motion and it was carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Absent	
Mark McKeown, Trustee	Voting	Yes
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Timmy Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Robert Hayes, Trustee	Abstained	

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Upon a motion made by Trustee Hayes the minutes from March 7, 2011 meeting are hereby approved as submitted. Trustee Zhe seconded the motion and it was carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Absent	
Mark McKeown, Trustee	Abstained	
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Timmy Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Robert Hayes, Trustee	Voting	Yes

TREASURER'S UPDATE:

VOUCHERS:

Upon a motion by Trustee Hayes the following vouchers are approved for payment.

Fund #1 General Fund	\$36,406.17
Fund #4 Schedule C	\$ 6,132.57
Fund #5 Water	\$ 1,630.17
Fund #6 Sewer	\$11,286.71
Fund #9	\$
Fund #10	\$
Fund #11	\$ 195,139.67
Fund #17	\$ 5,221.06
Fund #44	\$
Fund #45	\$
Fund #47	\$
Fund #48	\$
Fund #49	\$
Fund #50	\$
Fund #52	\$
Fund #53	\$

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Fund #54	\$
Fund #55	\$
Fund #56	\$
Fund #57	\$
Fund #58	\$
Fund #59	\$ 1,689.72
Fund #60	\$
Fund #61	\$
Fund #62	\$ 320.00
Fund #63	\$
Fund #64	\$
Fund #65	\$
Fund #66	\$
Fund #67	\$
Fund #68	\$
Fund #69	\$
Fund #70	\$
Fund #71	\$
Fund #72	\$
Fund #73	\$
Fund #74	\$
Fund #75	\$
Fund #76	\$
Fund #77	\$
Fund #78	\$
Fund #79	\$
Fund #80	\$
Fund #81	\$
Fund #82	\$
Fund #83	\$
Fund #84	\$

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Fund #85	\$
Fund #86	\$
Fund #87	\$
Fund #88	\$
Fund #89	\$
Fund #90	\$
Fund #91	\$
Fund #92	\$
Fund #93	\$ 769.47
Fund #94	\$
Fund #95	\$
Fund #96	\$
Fund #97	\$
Fund #98	\$
Fund #99	\$
TOTAL	\$258,726.87

CLOSED PROJECTS:

Upon a motion made by Trustee Zhe the following project is hereby closed and the remaining monies returned to its original funding source:

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Balance Remaining</u>	<u>Original Source</u>
H76-BUNY	\$0	

Trustee Hayes seconded the motion and it was carried by the following vote:

Thomas Freeman, Mayor	Absent	
William Zhe, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Timmy Batzel, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Mark McKeown, Trustee	Voting	Yes
Robert Hayes Trustee	Voting	Yes

CHUCK KANTY:

Chuck Kanty of Commerce Drive informed the Board of his concern with the increase in the deer herd numbers within the last three years. Recently Mr. Kanty met with senior wildlife biologist Arthur Kirsch from the DEC office in East Avon. He felt that there are some things we can do to help minimize the damage the deer are doing, but he also felt that we would be fighting a losing battle without some action on the part of the Village. Mr. Kanty distributed brochures on An Evaluation of Deer Management "OPTIONS". Effective control hunt is what was recommended. I think we should be proactive not reactive. You can give the meat to prisons or shelters so it wouldn't go to waste.

The Board mentioned there will be a public meeting on May 2nd which is opened to the entire Village and have the gentleman from DEC attend and address the matter.

JOHN MARKS:

John Barrett, Bill Zhe and John Marks got together last week to review the Parks Commission proposed 2011-2012 Budget requests. A number of things will be included in John Barrett's budget. \$26,000 for contractual items was budgeted for last year and that's what we've budgeted for this year.

NEW FOR 2011-12

1) Roofs

A number of roofs had been identified in 2010 as being in need of repair/replacement. The two pavilions were replaced last year with the gazebo, skate house and horse barn still to be done. It is our understanding that the skate house and horse barn is part of the DPW submission which leaves the gazebo to be decided. The gazebo roof is not one that the DPW crew will replace; therefore, it would have to be out sourced.

The horse barn and skate house are on John Barrett's submission as a project.

- #### 2) The swing set in the Driving Park needs some chains and seats replaced. This is a safety issue that came to our attention from some parents. Even though there is planning under way to replace the playground equipment it is not definite that the swing sets would be replaced; it is an option that we are exploring as to its cost effectiveness. Each seat would cost about \$50 plus the chain. An infant seat would cost \$80. The total cost estimate is \$980.

John Barrett agreed to include this in his regular budget submission.

- 3) The Parks Commission would also like to add a new item to the playground area i.e. a "Super Scoop". This is an item that is very much like the digger children use in the sand pile. It is a very popular item and the addition of a second one would simply allow more children to enjoy this activity. Estimated cost is \$330.

John Barrett agreed to include this in his regular budget submission.

- 4) The Park Commission is recommending that 15 holiday season banners be purchased for placement on light poles around the circle. The past two years we have used natural swags purchased with the Christmas trees at a cost of \$360 in 2010. The swags have been largely unnoticed and in our view it would not be a good decision to continue to spend money on swags. The estimated cost for the banners would be \$1000.

John Barrett will include this in his budget submission as a project for 2011.

- 5) We request that an overhead door be installed in the side of the skate house allowing the riding mowers(s) be stored there for the summer. This would provide a productive use of the skate house because at present the mowers have to be transported or driven back to the DPW buildings each day. The new door would save the mowing crew time and the Village money. The estimated cost of a non-insulated 9' x 7' door is \$400. The door would be installed by the parks maintenance/DPW staff.

This request is being removed from the table after meeting with John Barrett. He is planning on a canvas top storage building for next year which would accommodate the mowers among other things.

Items most likely in the DPW budget that need to be accomplished

- 1) Once again we request that the parks maintenance position be funded for the summer of 2011. And like 2010 we request a flexible start date due to the unpredictable weather and the amount of work to be accomplished before opening day of Little League. The estimated cost for this position is \$6500.

John Barrett is in agreement with this.

- 2) The watering position was expanded in 2010 in terms of number of hours. For 2011, we recommend that this be included in the budget again with the caveat that the person would not only be expected but required, as a condition of employment, to do other duties such as weeding, painting and assisting the parks maintenance person on projects. The estimated cost is \$4800.

John Barrett is in agreement with this.

- 3) The paddock behind the horse barn in the Driving Park needs extensive work. Most likely it should be replaced in its entirety.

John Barrett has included this as a project in 2011.

- 4) There was \$1500 budgeted for additional tree work in the parks last year that was not used. We request that this money be budgeted once again especially for use in the Driving Park to care for the very large older trees.

John Barrett said that in his budget it would include looking at the trees in the Driving Park.

- 5) We request that additional mulch be allocated for Driving Park because the fitness stations need to be reworked this summer.

This could be an ACE funded activity.

- 6) The parking lot at the Downs needs to be repaired as it has been neglected for some time. This is an item that has been on the to-do list for the past few years.

John Barrett said this would be accomplished as part of the River Street rebuild.

- 7) The oak tree in the Circle Park that the Avon Rotary Club donated needs to be replaced. This was identified last fall but we ran out of good weather to accomplish. In 2010, there were sufficient funds in the DPW budget to purchase a red oak tree.

John Barrett said that this would be included in his regular budget submission and most likely would get done in the spring of 2011.

John Marks informed the Board that a committee of interested people has been formed to research and scope out the replacement of the playground equipment at the Avon Driving Park. It is the desire of this committee to replace this equipment with non-tax dollars. One of the sources being considered is grants which in some cases may require financial support from the Village. This could, however, be in the form of in-kind services such as site preparation. This is not a specific budget request for this next year but rather a communication as to what may be forthcoming.

The Parks Commission has decided to re-do the three Genesee Street flower beds. These have become a depository for cigarettes, pet waste and large foot prints. We would like to fill in these areas with pavers and bricks which are available at the DPW facility. And then place a planter/urn on top of the bricks. The intent is having these planters removable for the winter. John Barrett is in agreement with this and will try to fill in the existing gardens in April.

Mr. Marks informed the Board that the Parks Commission will be doing a walk through on April 2nd of the parks and invited the Village Board to join them.

Trustee McKeown – Between the three of you I’m assuming you’ve prioritized things in case we have to make cuts.

John Marks – Yes.

COMMERCIAL SEWER UNITS PUBLIC HEARING:

Deputy Mayor McKeown opened the public hearing by reading the duly published notice.

The Board reviewed the proposed commercial sewer unit changes as follows:

<u>Acct.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
100200	Avon Springs Club	3	6
2006700	Edward Coyne	W-28,SE-24	W-27,SE-23
2006800	HSBC bank USA	1	2
300100	Pizza Land	3	2
4001100	ACS High School	27	29
4001200	Avon Nursing Home	28	27
500600	PEMM, LLC	22	15
5001500	Tom Wahl’s	19	21
5002050	McDonalds	8	9
5002100	Peppermints	7	8
6006800	Community Integrated Svc.	2	1
11002600	B & B Precision	2	3
12004300	Star Headlight	9	11
12004600	Gray Metal Products	10	12
12004800	Aldon	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>
TOTAL W		175	180
TOTAL SE		171	176

Frank Matusak – 13 Genesee Street. Mr. Matusak stated that his water usage has stayed the same and a few months ago he had a problem and finally after a few months found a water leak in a sink. Now the water usage is back where it normally is.

John Barrett – Water usage went right back to where it usually was once the leak was detected and fixed.

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The Board agreed to keep the number of units at the current number as it was prior to the new submittal.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Hayes the above-referred to changes to the sewer units are adopted with the exception of Frank Matusak:

Trustee Zhe seconded the motion and it was passed by the following vote:

Mayor Thomas Freeman	Absent	
Trustee Mark McKeown	Voting	Yes
Trustee William Zhe	Voting	Yes
Trustee Robert Hayes	Voting	Yes
Trustee Timmy Batzel	Voting	Yes

JOSH WILLIAMS:

Mr. Williams of Genesee Sun informed the Board that the Legislation recently passed a bill to include the Genesee Sun in the category of an "Official" website for legal notices. Currently it's at the Senate and it looks like it will go through the Assembly but probably not be signed into law by April 1st. I'm offering for one month an Avon page premier 300x250 box (a square) 2 ¼" x 1 ¾" for \$25.00 a month and can put anything there that you want.

Trustee Hayes – I think it would be money well spent.

Trustee Mckeown – Have you gotten other community interests?

Josh Williams – I can't believe the interest. The interest is shocking, certainly above and beyond what I thought it would be.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER UPDATE:

- They are moving the sign up at Fast Track
- Quick update on Greg Johnson's proposal for a work shop

DPW UPDATE:

Superintendent Barrett reported that he had received notification from National Grid reporting that a Pebble Beach resident has complained about power supply/voltage drops when the pumps gear up. Therefore, the electrical service at the Pebble Beach pump station needs to be upgraded. National Grid noted that there was a possibility that rebates are currently available. The funding for these rebates could expire at the end of the year.

We are currently moving forward on the National Grid report regarding the power supply/voltage drops at the Pump House. MRB is working on their end and Mark Walworth working on his end to get prices. According to Public Service once it's reported, you have to fix it. The service has already been upgraded. We have to put drives on the motors. We will fund this up to 50% from National Grid and hopefully we'll have a payback on this. Seaward came in to do any analysis on the pumps.

Superintendent Barrett reported:

- Hoping to get Terry Tree Service here soon
- National Grid inside the Village tree trimming now
- Doing street cleaning and cleaning catch basins
- Would like to put a road in up at the filtration plant and up to the grit chamber

TRUSTEES UPDATE:

COMMUNITY PLANNING GRANT CONSULTANT RECOMMENDATION:

The Planning Grant Committee which was comprised of Bonnie Davis, Chris Quinlan, Rob Hayes, Phil Swanson and Bill Zhe interviewed two consultants, In Site Architecture (\$19,500) and the Rochester Regional Community Design Center (\$20,000) to choose a firm for the Community Planning Grant Project. After careful review and consideration, the committee unanimously agreed to recommend the award to In Site Architecture.

Deputy McKeown asked that the acceptance be held off until Wednesday night when Mayor Freeman would be there.

Trustee Batzel questioned on the status of the unpaid stall rental of Sandra Stoddard.

Clerk Baker informed the Board that at the request of the Board a letter was sent to Ms. Stoddard regarding her delinquent stall rent in the amount of \$1,920. It indicated that if the original

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promise is not kept that the Board will entertain the commencement of an eviction proceeding and it will be turned over to the Village Attorney.

A few days later someone came in and made a \$500 payment for Ms. Stoddard.

Some of the Trustees were in agreement that the situation needs to be watched more carefully and if it continues and payment in full is not made soon, they feel Ms. Stoddard should be asked to leave.

Trustee Hayes mentioned that he had done his own research from Cornell regarding the deer problem and will continue to do research for the upcoming public meeting.

Josh Williams – I'm going to do a story on the deer problem and I will mention in my article the public meeting on May 2nd.

Upon a motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia E. Baker
Village Clerk