

**Village of Walden  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
May 24, 2005**

Mayor Becky Pearson called the Village of Walden Board of Trustees Work Session Meeting to order at 6:30pm.

On roll call the following were:

Present:	Mayor	Becky Pearson
	Deputy Mayor	Mary Ellen Matise
	Trustees	Roy Wynkoop
		Mary Jean Norman
		Richard Hurd
		Jose DeJesus
		Lauren Keator

Also Present:	James Politi, Village Manager
	Nancy Mitchell, Village Clerk
	Kevin Dowd, Village Attorney

**Approval of Minutes**

Trustee Norman moved to adopt the minutes of May 10, 2005. Seconded by Trustee DeJesus. All ayes. Minutes adopted

**Public Comment**

Diane Sandbothe, 90 Liberty Street asked if the manager has found out what a 3 on 1 is, a soot fence is and water and soil is, which was mentioned in the Zoning Board minutes.

Mrs. Sandbothe also asked if the contractor was fined for the delay.

Mayor Pearson stated that was a State project. She would have to contact NYSDOT.

Jim Baker, 4 Plains Road, owner of Cohen's Old Work Bakery, 88 West Main Street requested 15-20 minute to a half an hour parking in front of his bakery. He would also like limited parking on the other side of the street.

**Audited Bills**

Trustee Keator moved to pay the audited bills of May 24, 2005. Seconded by Trustee DeJesus. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Subordination Agreement-15 Woodruff Street**

Trustee DeJesus moved to approve the subordination agreement for 15 Woodruff Street. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Matise.

### **Gatehouse Place Road Dedication**

Manager Politi indicated that everything is in place and there is a letter of credit for a maintenance bond. All fees are paid and the pump station is in good working order.

Trustee Wynkoop moved to accept Gatehouse Place road dedication. Seconded by Trustee Hurd. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Sidewalk Sale Request**

Robert Segal is requesting permission to hold a sidewalk sale on May 28, 29, June 4,5,11,12,18,19,July 2,3,9,10,16,17,23,24,30,August 6,7,13,14,20,21,27,28 at R & R, 61-63 Main Street. The sale will be held on the sidewalk up against the building.

After lengthy discussion Trustee Wynkoop moved to allow a sidewalk sale on May 28 and 29 at 61-63 Main Street contingent upon a certificate of insurance, naming the Village of Walden as additional insured be received and that there is proper clearance. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Matise. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Resolution 23-04-05 Budget Amendment**

Trustee Hurd moved to adopt Resolution No. 23-04-05, Budget Amendment, (attached). Seconded by Trustee Wynkoop. All ayes. Resolution adopted.

### **Resolution 22-04-05 Budget Amendment**

Trustee DeJesus moved to adopt Resolution No. 22-04-05, Budget Amendment, (attached). Seconded by Trustee Norman. All ayes. Resolution adopted.

### **Parking On Main Street**

Mayor Pearson handed out a copy of the present parking ticket so the Board could see what the Village already has. She also read a letter from Mike and Darlene Ciardullo requesting the Village add West Main Street to the law books and enforce the parking restrictions. She also read a memo from Stan Plato, Planning Board Chairman concerning parking within the Business District, (downtown core).

It was the consensus of the Board to have the Village Manager contact the Board of Education and Dr. Hooley advising them of the parking regulations and stipulate that by Labor Day weekend the teachers will be ticketed if they are not in their newly

acquired parking lot; the Manager will have a report on Grant Street parking and speak to Lillo to see what his request is and to draft a local law for two hour parking on West Main Street; one half hour parking space on each side of West Main Street for the bakery; loading zone during business hours for Ciardullo Printing; and a handicapped parking space for Dr. Guneratne. This would be for a six month trial basis.

### **Stormwater Management & Erosion and Sediment Control**

Deputy Mayor Matise presented the Board with a copy of the Town's local law on Stormwater Management and Erosion and Sediment and asked that the Board refer this to the Village Attorney to modify it for the Village's use.

Manager Politi suggested they discuss this at the joint board meeting.

### **Town Supervisor's Police Discussion**

Correspondence was received from the Town Supervisor and Council Members asking if the Village was interested in town wide police force consolidation and/or intermunicipal cooperation of police services.

After a brief discussion the Board indicated that they were not interested in town wide police force consolidation.

### **Set Date for Joint Board Meeting**

A joint board meeting was scheduled for June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at 7:00pm.

### **Olley Park Water Treatment**

Patricia Henaghen addressed the Board in regard to the water treatment and aquatic plants at Olley Park.

Trustee DeJesus suggested this be turned over to the Village Manager to investigate for next year.

Mr. Howland explained that it's the Department of Health that gives him the regulations as far as the bathing beach. DEC regulates the water treatment.

### **Protect Wetlands Bill Support**

Deputy Mayor Matise gave this information to the Board at the last meeting. It is a bill to support wetlands protection.

Mr. Dowd explained that most of smaller wetlands are controlled by the Army Corp of Engineers.

It was the consensus of the Board not to write a letter in support of this bill.

### **Public Comment – Discussion Items**

John Traken, Town of Montgomery stated that he attended a seminar with the Town Supervisor on MS-4 Storm Water Management and it was very helpful.

Ann Ilkiew stated that in regard to the parking the way the curbs are constructed a lot of people have had their tires slashed. The curbs should be rounded.

David Sperry, 12 Overlook Terrace stated that there is really a problem with parking. The six month period might be a little too long. As far as the joint board meeting it's long over due. The town police department was discussed years ago and the only reason they are coming to the Village is to defer costs. They should pay for their own police department.

Mike Lynch commented on the town police department. The Village of Walden is the only one with a real police department and we should be proud of that. He also commented on the algae at the park.

John Sakass stated that as far as the town wide police department, the board members are pushing to have a town police department that will serve everybody in the town.

### **Committee Reports**

Deputy Mayor Maise gave her report on the Town Board meeting of May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Trustee Norman reported on the Parks and Recreation Advisory meeting.

### **Village Manager's Report**

Manager Politi stated that the departmental reports are in the Board's packet. There is a letter from the Historical Society thanking the Village for letting them use the assembly hall for History Day. The efforts on Yale Drive were appreciated. He also gave the Board a copy of the letter going out to residents regarding the meter replacement.

Mayor Pearson asked that when the lines are drawn on the streets for Walden Day that a marker that washes away is used.

### **Board Comments**

Trustee Hurd indicated that he is worried about the Rail Trail being in danger. They need \$300,000 to get it complete.

Manager Politi stated that they are investigating the cost of the Rail Trail.

Trustee Hurd asked about the Master Plan.

Manager Politi indicated that Mr. Sorensen has started the SEQRA process.

Trustee Keator stated that in the back of Works on Main Street there is a question about access to the fire escape. Also, the garbage dumpster behind there they are throwing garbage from the roof to the dumpster and it's landing on the ground. There is a house in between Richardson Street and the next street where the house on the left there is a set of stairs that approaches a pool and there's no railings.

Manager Politi indicated that they have been cited.

Trustee Keator stated that there's been a lot of teens hanging out at the dead end section of Rifton Place. She and her neighbors have been talking about a neighborhood watch. She is concerned with the unoccupied house across the street. She requested a street light. With this area becoming a park area they will need a light there.

Trustee DeJesus asked about the Mr. Arguwal's building on W. Main Street that is not boarded.

Trustee Keator stated that she doesn't like the color of Dominick's restaurant.

Deputy Mayor Matise stated that Robert Freeman, Committee on Open Government will be at the Times Herald Record in Middletown on Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 7pm. She would like the Board to send Tony Marengelo a certificate for his time on the Planning Board.

Trustee Norman stated that she is happy that the new bridge is open.

Mayor Pearson thanked everyone who participated in the Soap Box Derby. She asked who does the hanging baskets of flowers and are they going down Main Street.

Manager Politi stated that Winum's do the baskets and they will expand onto Main Street.

Mayor Pearson asked about the logs in the handicapped parking area and the poison ivy.

Manager Politi stated that the logs are there, the fence is there and the poison ivy will be taken care of the end of the week.

Mayor Pearson indicated that everyone is invited to the DARE graduation on Friday. She asked about the state crosswalks.

Manager Politi stated that he just got the applications.

Mayor Pearson stated that the Memorial Day Parade is May 30<sup>th</sup> and the Firemen's Parade is June 4<sup>th</sup>. She asked for the Rotary update.

Manager Politi stated that the stage is almost gone and he is getting prices back on the structure.

Deputy Mayor Matisse stated that the Wallkill River Watershed Plan will be requesting to meet at Wooster Grove on June 13<sup>th</sup>. Kelly Nolan from DEC will do a presentation on stream bio monitoring in the Tinbrook.

### **Executive Session**

Deputy Mayor Matisse moved to hold an Executive Session pursuant to 105-(f), Personnel, Village Manager, of the Public Officers Law. Seconded by Trustee Keator. All ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Norman moved to go out of executive session. Seconded by Trustee DeJesus. All ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Keator moved to reopen the regular meeting. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Matisse. All ayes. Meeting reconvened.

Trustee Hurd moved to approve salary set in budget for the Village Manager. Seconded by Trustee DeJesus. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Adjournment**

Trustee Keator moved to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Norman. All ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Mitchell  
Village Clerk