

**VILLAGE OF WALDEN
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEEETING
JUNE 14TH, 2006**

Mayor Becky Pearson called the Village of Walden Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

On roll call the following were:

Present:	Mayor	Becky Pearson
	Deputy Mayor	Mary Ellen Matise
	Trustees	Richard Hurd
		Mary Jean Norman
		Jose DeJesus
		Edmond Leonard

Absent	Roy Wynkoop, later present
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Also Present:	James Politi, Village Manager
	Nancy Mitchell, Village Clerk
	Kevin Dowd, Village Attorney

Approval of Minutes

Trustee DeJesus moved to adopt the minutes of May 23, 2006 with the following corrections, Page 8, 7th paragraph, change MPT to MPD; and Page 16, 1st paragraph, add, are from each community. Seconded by Trustee. All ayes. Minutes adopted.

Public Hearing – Funding Under Orange County Community Development Program

Manager Politi explained the variety of physical improvements that are eligible for funding.

Mayor Pearson asked if anything in writing was received.

Manager Politi stated no.

There were no public comments.

Trustee Hurd stated that in keeping with the eighteen months the board spent on the planning and redevelopment of Railroad Place and the plan calls for the acquisition of that property be used for a public square it would be his thought, if its permissible, to use that money toward the acquisition of that area.

Trustee DeJesus stated that he doesn't know if they can be that specific. He thinks they're talking about parkland in general and is that something that can be done.

Manager Politi stated that it falls under acquisition which is for parkland.

Trustee DeJesus stated that he's talked about code enforcement and the board has discussed that and under this funding they have the ability to hire someone to dedicate more time to code enforcement and that is an issue that they need to pay more attention to. If you look at the condition of some of the houses as they try to upgrade Main Street there are areas they need to focus on. He thinks they need to consider the possibility of using some of this funding for code enforcement.

Deputy Mayor Matisse suggested getting people who are renting properties to learn how to take care of those properties.

Mayor Pearson stated that there are new codes coming up on January 1st 2007 that we have to be in compliance with. A policy has to be adopted where you have to do certain things every year. Code enforcement would be another area to look at.

Trustee Hurd stated that acquisition of land is a one time deal. He asked if this was a one time deal.

Manager Politi stated that you sign back on to that every year.

Trustee Hurd stated that if we were to go ahead with the purchase of that property it would help off set some of the bond money and it would save taxes. Code enforcement is important but he thinks it should be budgeted ongoing.

Trustee DeJesus stated that you have the opportunity for many years you could have this funding and right now there is no indication that it is going to stop, so that would be a way to fund the code enforcement without creating a position next year in the budget that would bump up the tax rate.

Mayor Pearson stated that there is another issue, rehabilitation for public use which you have the Olley house which the money could go towards fixing that up. Also, public services for shelters.

Deputy Mayor Matisse stated that the potential office space next door and the need for records storage should be a priority too.

Manager Politi suggested the board think about this and bring their ideas to the work session.

Trustee Hurd moved to close the public hearing. Seconded by Trustee DeJesus. All ayes. Public hearing closed.

Presentation – Jason T. Smit, Conservation Advisory Council Member

Jason Smit, Conservation Advisory Council Member requested the Village of Walden participate in the form of a written letter for a grant application that has been submitted by the Town of Montgomery on behalf of the Town and the Village of Montgomery and Walden. The Hudson River Estuary Grant funds, if awarded, will be utilized to develop an intermunicipal agreement which will focus on the identification and creation of cooperative restoration, biodiversity, and conservation projects along the Wallkill River Corridor.

Trustee DeJesus stated that the letter clearly states that the grant application has been submitted by the Town of Montgomery on behalf of the Town and the Villages of Montgomery and Walden. He doesn't recall this board voting to ask the Town of Montgomery to submit an application on behalf of the Village of Walden.

Mr. Smit stated that his understanding is that it hasn't been submitted, but he will check.

Trustee DeJesus asked for a copy of the proposal.

Mr. Smit indicated that he will get the board a copy of the proposal. He further stated that there is no cost to the Village of Walden; all costs are borne by the Town.

Mayor Pearson asked about the time frame.

Mr. Smit stated that he doesn't have that information.

Trustee DeJesus asked who the president was of this group.

Mr. Smit stated that the chairperson is Patricia Hennigan.

Mr. Dowd stated that he sat through a similar presentation by another member of the conservation council last Tuesday in the Village of Montgomery. They agreed to write the letter but they're not necessarily going to accept the grant. His understanding was that whatever the grant is that there is a matching component that they are seeking. There might be a sharing of the matching grant between the town and the two villages.

Mr. Smit stated that may be true. He is not sure, he was just told to come and ask for the letter.

Trustee Hurd stated that all boards have to be very careful about surrendering power to appointed groups. He doesn't disagree with having the resource that would be beneficial to everybody.

Trustee Leonard asked for clarification as to when is this grant due and if it's a matching grant.

Mr. Smit stated that he will get the information to the board.

Public Comments

Diane Sandbothe, 90 Liberty Street stated that at the last meeting she had said that the hill behind her house was eroding and she asked the manager to find out what is going to be done. Also, there is no sign at the beginning of her street that says “dead end”.

Mr. Edward, DPW Superintendent stated that he will erect a sign.

Manager Politi stated that he wasn't sure where Mrs. Sandbothe was talking about regarding the hill eroding. He will stop by and see Mrs. Sandbothe.

Marcus Millspaugh asked about the wall around the McKinley monument and who is responsible for that, if it's the state he suggests the village get after the state and if it's the village's responsibility he requests they take action.

Manager Politi stated that it will cost between \$5,000 and \$10,000 to repair that wall.

Mr. Millspaugh also stated that he attended the American Legion meeting and they were totally unaware of what the village's position was regarding additional funding.

Manager Politi stated that the board budgeted \$600.00 for flags.

Payment of Audited Bills

Trustee Hurd moved to pay the audited bills of June 14th, 2006. Seconded by Trustee DeJesus.

Mayor Pearson stated that she spoke to the Village Manager about the veterinary bill and that should be looked into.

Manager Politi stated that he will get clarification on that.

Mayor Pearson asked what mileage was.

Manager Politi stated \$.40 per mile.

Mayor Pearson stated that this bill for mileage doesn't indicate how and where and when they went. She wants to incorporate that into the policy.

Trustee Norman stated that she questioned the bill on landscaping.

Manager Politi stated that he will get information on that.

All ayes. Motion carried.

Ponds @ Riverside, Phase II Bond Reduction

Manager Politi stated that the last time the question of the sewer work and road repair on Hidden View Drive part of the project was brought up, the concern was if this bond covered that road work. In researching the two bonds this particular bond only deals with the roadwork up to where it connects to the cul de sac. Ponds I will cover all the sewer work.

Mayor Pearson asked if the sufficient pavement does mean overlay and rebuild or not?

Manager Politi stated that this does not apply to the Hidden View Drive. The village will determine what has to be done.

Trustee DeJesus asked if it's okay to grant the bond reduction.

Manager Politi stated yes.

Trustee Leonard moved to approve the bond reduction for Ponds @ Riverside, Phase II from \$774,330.00 to \$427,200.00. Seconded by Trustee Hurd. All ayes. Motion carried.

Skateboard Park Bid Acceptance

Manager Politi stated that the village sent out a number of bid specs and received one bid returned for supply and installation of the skateboard equipment. There was only one bid for the concrete pad. The bid for the components and installation were \$55,540. plus \$9,900 for installation and they had prices before that which went out to bid for \$60,570 and \$70,375., that was without installation. The bid was from Landscape Structures. Adams Concrete did put in a bid, but it wasn't as per the specifications.

Trustee DeJesus asked if there was an estimate for the concrete.

Mr. Howland stated no.

Trustee Leonard asked for an estimate for the concrete.

Trustee Norman moved to award the bid to Landscape Structures for \$65,440 for the supply and installation of the skateboard equipment contingent upon the attorney's review.

Mayor Pearson asked if this company has been researched.

Manager Politi stated yes.

Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee DeJesus moved to reject the bid from Adams Concrete. Seconded by Trustee Wynkoop. All ayes. Motion carried.

Deputy Mayor Matise moved to rebid the concrete for the skateboard park with a date of bid opening June 26, 2006 at 10am. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mileage & Vehicle Use Policy

Mayor Pearson stated she has an issue with employees not wearing seat belts. She would like to know what the liability is and she would also like to see where the police are exempt from that.

Trustee DeJesus stated that the board doesn't have a draft policy in front of them. At the last meeting the board asked the attorney to come up with a draft. The information he gave the board the last time was to be looked at for a policy to be presented for discussion.

Mr. Dowd stated that he and the manager will have to do that in a much more detailed way.

Manager Politi stated that there are policies within departments.

Deputy Mayor Matise asked for copies of those policies.

Manager Politi stated that the cars are his responsibility and the employees are his responsibility, does he not set the initial policy.

Trustee DeJesus stated that the discussion the board had was that he brought in a document with sample policies for the board to look at, and there may be pieces of a policy in the Police Department and DPW, but the board should be looking at all those things. The manager's memo is a different story in terms of setting a policy for use of that particular vehicle. They can discuss separately from a policy that they have to look at. They talked about risk management, making sure people are licensed and no suspensions for unpaid tickets.

Manager Politi stated that the new insurance company is on board now since June 1st, he's prepared to come in and set a schedule for driver ed, and risk management. If he's setting the policy does the board want him to do it, is he setting it in a group fashion or is he going to develop that policy.

Trustee DeJesus stated that it was his understanding that Mr. Dowd was going to look at this with the manager and come up with something for the board to look at and from there they would make recommendations.

Mayor Pearson stated that there are two separate things they are talking about, employees in cars, whose using them, and how they get used.

Manager Politi stated that he believes that is his responsibility. He had a question to him when the Mayor came home, why was there a truck in the Hamlet of Walkkill at 7:00PM. Anthony Lamendola wasn't aware of the fact that the board meeting had changed their meeting night. Jeff Holmes, Mr. Edwards and Mr. Lamendola take vehicles home; they are the emergency response vehicles for any issue. Mr. Lamendola lives in the Hamlet so that is why the truck was there. Someone drove around looking for the little truck at Wooster Grove, that truck was at Bradley Park with Anthony Scaringi who runs the tennis program. Is it his responsibility to watch them, yes it is.

Trustee DeJesus stated that he is not saying that, he is saying to him, yes there are policies that are already in place, he doesn't understand why they are backtracking in terms of the policy they are talking about. He was under the impression that today they would have a document besides the memo that the manager has which they will discuss separately. Then this board will make a decision as to how it's going to shape up.

Trustee Norman asked if this policy was going to include everybody or are they just going to point the finger at DPW.

Manager Politi stated that they should start with a general use policy.

Deputy Mayor Matise stated that she would like all departments to indicate how much gas they use and how much mileage.

Mr. Edwards stated that he has gas logs on file.

Trustee DeJesus stated that his concern is that they have something that is going to protect the village and it will be something everybody can live with and that people understand what their responsibilities are when using a village vehicle.

Trustee Hurd stated that the manager said in his memo that the Jeep that is used by the building inspector make it available to the elected officials, if possible. His input on that policy would be that he doesn't think elected officials should use any of the village vehicles at anytime. They should use their own personal vehicles and submit mileage.

Trustee Wynkoop stated those vehicles are for the use of the workers.

Trustee DeJesus stated that from 7am until 3:30 pm vehicles should be available to the employees. He doesn't see anything wrong with the Mayor or Deputy Mayor using the car to go to a conference for two days, if the car is available.

Deputy Mayor Matisse stated that it would cost the village \$80.00 in mileage just to go to Albany and back, whereas they used a half a tank of gas.

Mayor Pearson asked the attorney for an interpretation on the Code of Ethics, Use of Public Property.

Mr. Dowd explained that means if you are a municipal officer or employee you are not to take home equipment such as a saw or if you take a car home that you're not to take home or you can't take your car to DPW and change the oil. It also says that if you are allowed by policy of taking a vehicle home because of the kind of job you have that is an exception to that municipal use. It's not a violation of the Code of Ethics if it's authorized by the board as a policy.

Trustee DeJesus stated that we have to have a policy.

Trustee Leonard asked what the policy was as far as board members driving vehicles.

Mayor Pearson asked where it is written that the foreman and supervisor can take the vehicles home.

Manager Politi stated that he doesn't believe it's in writing, but he will check.

Deputy Mayor Matisse suggested some kind of log for people who use village vehicles.

Manager Politi asked if the board was okay with his memo.

Trustee Hurd stated no, he doesn't feel board members should use village vehicles.

Trustee DeJesus stated that he feels board members should have the option to use the vehicles, but not between 7am and 3:30pm.

Trustee Wynkoop stated that he feels that board members should use their own vehicle and be paid mileage.

Manager Politi stated that he will come up with a policy.

Municipal Fees Review

Manager Politi stated that he researched surrounding villages and towns for what they charge for parkland fees; Village of Chester is \$500. per unit, Village of Walden is

\$1,000 per unit; Town of Crawford is \$1250. per unit, Town of Newburgh is \$1500. per unit, Town of New Windsor \$2,000. per unit, Town of Wallkill \$2500. Village of Monroe \$2500. per unit, Village of Goshen \$2500 per unit and Town of Blooming Grove is \$3000. per unit. This is per dwelling unit.

Mr. Dowd stated that giving the cost of building facilities you can justify \$2,000.

After a brief discussion it was the consensus of the Board the raise parkland fees to \$2,000 and inspection fees to 10%.

Mr. Dowd stated that he will draw up the local law.

Mayor Pearson suggested the board also look at the Uniform Fire and Public Code operating permits for inspections every year, which will take effect January 1st, 2007.

Manager Politi stated that the Building Inspector has been through extensive training and he's all caught up on the items and he has all the dates that are coming up. When he asked him about fees he didn't mention anything. He will check with him again.

Trustee DeJesus stated that if it's going to cost the village money we need to look at it.

Accessory Unit Law/900 Sq. Ft. Requirement

Manager Politi indicated that he has included the accessory unit law.

Mayor Pearson stated that she feels the accessory unit law is great for the town, she doesn't know how many accessory buildings we have in the village. A few people might have garages and they can go to the zoning board and get a variance anyway. It also says that accessory units shall be 400 square feet; we are trying to raise that.

Trustee Hurd stated that the town came up with that and the density is not the same. Considering what the village is trying to do in terms of rezoning to eliminate the redevelopment, it seems like we are working against ourselves.

Trustee Leonard stated on the first and second page it creates opportunities for seniors and young adults who are the most impacted people in the lack of affordable housing situation. These would have a less impact on the neighborhood than a two family and a lower impact on parking. You're talking efficiency which is one bedroom. They must be owner occupied; they are not rental units with absentee landlords.

Deputy Mayor Matise stated that if it's owner occupied and the stipulation is that it has to be owner occupied and the owner moves out and sells the building and someone buys it that is not going to live there then you have a living space they can't use.

Trustee Leonard stated that there are inspection fees.

Deputy Mayor Matise stated that the village has a lot more potential for a lot more units than the town.

Trustee DeJesus stated that right now you have such an accessory that we don't know about, so this would provide a record of those units and it would have to comply with the fact that if it's not owner occupied they cannot have that and it can work both ways.

Deputy Mayor Matise asked if its not owner occupied what do you do with the people that are living in the smaller unit.

Trustee DeJesus stated that they are out of compliance and that's part of the whole enforcement issue. That is why he wants more code enforcement.

Mr. Dowd stated that if this is in place they won't be making applications to the zoning board they will be making the application to the building inspector or the planning board to create a legal accessory apartment of a size and magnitude with the requirements that are required in the law.

Trustee DeJesus asked if the law can be written that this is what it is and there is no recourse.

Mr. Dowd stated that if you created an accessory apartment law and they're denied there will be an administrative ability to seek the ability of meeting the criteria for an accessory apartment. You have to have an appeal process.

Trustee Hurd stated that he doesn't see the compelling need for the accessory unit apartment.

Deputy Mayor Matise asked if it has to run with the land.

Mr. Dowd stated that the main issue is that it is owner occupied and one owner gets a unit rents it out and sells it to someone else who is also going to be an owner occupier what would be the point of making them go through the process again.

Deputy Mayor Matise stated that if someone moves in and a neighbor says that they are not living there then you go back to inspection.

Trustee Hurd stated that it changes the nature and feeling of a neighborhood of single family homes.

Mayor Pearson stated that she still feels they should be going for single family homes.

Trustee Wynkoop stated that he's not 100% sold on accessory units. He knows affordable housing is a major need, but his thought is you move in there and make an accessory unit and eight months later you move out and he rents two apartments. How are you going to keep track of them?

Trustee Leonard stated that there is a check on the current applications once a year. The building inspector keeps track of property sales.

Mayor Pearson stated that she is still in favor of the 900 square feet.

Mr. Dowd explained that the initial proposal of the building inspector was to take the RM2 and make it into an R6 which is a one and two family zone. It gives you the ability to have a two family home. He suggested they change the RM2 to single family and have the accessory apartment law in there as well, so that if you qualify some but not all will be able to have a unit inside their house, but not a two as of rights.

Mayor Pearson stated this all started when the building inspector from Beacon said that they went to single family homes and they took out their multi family and that is what they wanted to do because they didn't want illegal apartments. There was nonconforming, but as it sold it would then convert to single family.

Mr. Dowd stated that the board talked about the fear if the railroad comes in tear downs and rebuilds. The 900 square feet came into play with Main Street and the issue of units above businesses. Right now its 500 square feet and you're talking about converting that to 900 so there will be less of them on Main Street.

Deputy Mayor Matise asked, if you put in an accessory unit law can people come into the zoning board.

Mr. Dowd stated that it would be an application for a use variance.

Deputy Mayor Matise asked, what about size change and they say they only have 750 sq. ft.

Mr. Dowd stated that they can ask.

Trustee Hurd stated that all you have to do is make it one family and that's the end of the discussion.

Mr. Dowd stated that it shouldn't be waived based on the square footage requirement.

Trustee Hurd asked, if the Village Board decided that there really isn't a compelling reason to have an accessory unit law in the village and we went back to deal with an initial attempt to stop tear down and rebuilds wouldn't taking that RM2 zone back to one family do what we wanted to do without any possibility of appealing.

Mr. Dowd stated that the reason Mr. Stickles suggested it to be one and two family was because he was trying to create fewer non conforming houses in that zone current. There are 11 two families there now and if you made them one then all those 11 two families are now non conforming and every time they want to do something on their lot they would have to go to zoning. If you went to the one and two you only have three parcels that are three family and three parcels that are four family, so you have six total that are non conforming under the R6. That is why Mr. Stickles suggested you make less non conforming now overall.

Mayor Pearson asked, for tear down they could still put up a two family building.

Mr. Dowd stated that they could build an 1800 square foot bi level cut it in half and it would be 900 and 900 and they would be able to have a two family.

Trustee Hurd asked, if there are 11 two families that now become non conforming, how big a hardship is it for the owners of those properties.

Mr. Dowd indicated that anytime they want to do anything to their house they would have to go for a variance.

Trustee DeJesus was in favor of accessory units.

Deputy Mayor Matise suggested a chart be made showing the different zonings and what the options would create.

Trustee DeJesus stated that he would like to see what is the least harmful, more effective way of doing it.

Mayor Pearson asked that this be put on a work session and have the building inspector be at the meeting.

Trustee Hurd stated that he was at the meetings at the town when they were talking about rezoning the town into two acre lots and what the town did was nothing. They rezoned everything as two acres and did not provide density for true affordable housing. It's his feeling that this accessory unit within the town is more or less a poor remedy to try and make up for the fact that they didn't address the affordable housing issue in the first place.

Choice of Road Names @ Ponds @ Riverside (one road and 2 cul-de-sacs)

Trustee DeJesus stated that there are two members on the board that have been life long residents of the village and served the community for many years and he would like Wynkoop and Norman for names of the cul de sacs.

Trustee Wynkoop stated that he appreciates that but he's not on the same boat with most of the people.

Trustee Norman stated that's very nice, Norman is the name is acquired when she got married and they were from Maybrook. There are three VanLeuvan's on the honor roll in the meeting room.

Trustee Norman moved to name the street at Ponds @ Riverside Evergeen Lane and the two cul de sacs Spruce Court and Blossom Court. Seconded by Trustee DeJesus. All ayes. Motion carried.

Cedar Street Right of Way

Mr. Dowd explained that a number of years ago the village had an issue on Cedar Street between some neighbors and there was a question as to where the village right of way is and the village commissioned a survey by Howard Weeden and it shows one piece of property owned by the Fykes. If you look at the diagram you will see that the village right of way runs through their concrete patio and the corner of their house as well as a shed in the right of way. There are a number of houses on the other side of the street whose front steps are in the right of way. The issue of what to do about it came up. They could do an encroachment agreement. The Fykes want to sell their house and because of the encroachment it raises title issues. If they do the encroachment agreement they would have to maintain insurance insuring the village against anybody getting hurt. The title will not accept that, they will not convey good marketable title because of the encroachment. The buyers are willing to go forward and they have already bought the property, but their attorney is asking if the village would consider conveying that portion of the right of way where the corner of the house is and then they would execute an encroachment agreement for everything else. He advised their attorney that he would ask the board. If the board isn't willing to sell the property they will sign an encroachment agreement.

Mr. Dowd stated that would set the fair market value, once they figure out the size of that piece of the property.

Mayor Pearson stated that she doesn't mind doing that, but she would like having the agreement on the patio part of it and keeping that.

Trustee DeJesus asked for the attorney's opinion.

Mr. Dowd stated that there should be a better description of what we would convey and set a price for it.

Mayor Pearson asked to come up with a couple different scenarios and also this has been like this for how many years the Fykes have owned this property and someone bought it having it that way, so will it make a difference 20 years from now to keep it the same way.

It was the consensus of the board to get a better description and discuss this further at the next meeting.

Orange County Police Academy

Mayor Pearson stated that this correspondence came to her and she felt it warrants a little bit of discussion.

Manager Politi stated that the chief has prepared a response to Mr. Diana's letter.

Trustee DeJesus stated that it appears to him that this is a political issue between the county executive and the Orange County Chief's Association and it should stay right there.

Mayor Pearson stated that as a board we should have the interest of what our police want to do and she did talk to Chief Holmes and he was fine with the way it is now. It came before the board because it could become political.

Trustee DeJesus moved that a response letter be sent to the County Executive indicating that the board is not taking a position on this matter at present. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Matisse. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comment on Discussion Items

Brenda Martin stated that the accessory unit would help the homeowner by giving them additional income and how would that guarantee affordable housing for the young couple and senior citizens, because the homeowner would rent the unit at any price he wanted.

Deputy Mayor Matisse stated that the units would be smaller so the rents would be lower.

Mayor Pearson indicated that there is no way of regulating the rents.

Fred Smit stated that in regard to the accessory housing, 900 sq. ft. is a big apartment. He agrees it was earmarked for low income housing for young people or seniors and the way it will develop is it will be a rental apartment. There are laws on the books if someone wants to change their property to a two family house. Also, he wanted to address the automobile policy, there are two elements, usage, which is the sole provision of the Village Manager and the other being liability and liability is the people using those vehicles.

Correspondence

Mayor Pearson indicated that correspondence was received from Walden Day Care requesting the \$3,500 that was budgeted for them.

Trustee DeJesus stated that there might be a grant under community development for Walden Day Care.

Informational & Village Manager's Report

Manager Politi stated that bids were opened today for the surplus equipment, 1990 International \$4,275., 1993 Chev 1 Ton Dump Truck \$2540., 1995 Chev Caprise \$200, 1993 Olds Cutlass \$16., Blacktop Roller \$656., Snowblower \$790. and Ford 4000 Farm Tractor, \$1560.

Deputy Mayor Matise moved to accept the bids for the surplus equipment. Seconded by Trustee DeJesus. All ayes. Motion carried.

Manager Politi stated that the Deputy Mayor came up with an idea to recognize a business monthly.

Mayor Pearson asked if they should do this at the business breakfast.

Deputy Mayor Matise stated that the board has to talk about what went on with the bags from Truffa Seed and how does that tie into this concept. She suggested they rotate it and honor a business per month.

Mayor Pearson stated that when the board visited Truffa Seed Trustee DeJesus brought up the idea of recognizing businesses. They are making a wall hanging out of the businesses bag. There are a lot of businesses and if they start to recognize them once a month and incorporate together with this idea and that idea, take whatever advertising tool they have and frame them and hang them in the municipal building. They were having two of these done and because of the expense the manager has a source for Schrade Knives which are more reasonable that could be inscribed and give to the business and keep the picture in the village. They could plan ahead for the year and have the knives done.

Manager Politi stated that the breakfast has been scheduled for July 6th from 8-9am and he will be sending invitations to the businesses.

Manager Politi stated that as part of the MS4 requirement tags are being put on the catch basins asking people not to dump in our storm system. It's part of the educational awareness process.

Manager Politi also indicated that Mike Heckle our labor attorney, would like to meet with the board, not at the work session, but on Thursday, June 29th at 7pm.

Deputy Mayor Matisse moved to hold a special meeting on June 29th, 2006 at 7pm. Seconded by Trustee DeJesus. All ayes. Motion carried.

Manager Politi stated that the meter installation is getting started. They will be meeting with the plumbers on Monday. He will be following everything that a contractor would be required to do.

Deputy Mayor Matisse suggested a press release.

Manager Politi informed the board that Fred Perna is going to water operator schooling and Kyle Williams picked up his Class D distribution license. The manager will be starting a credentialing program through ICMA. The administrative staff has begun the process of the ICS training.

Deputy Mayor Matisse asked for a list of who is trained for NIMS.

Board Comments

Trustee DeJesus stated that the manager has his list.

Trustee Norman stated that the lamp post on Main Street had yard sale signs on them. Also, on North Montgomery Street they are using the sidewalk as their parking lot.

Trustee Hurd stated that the bandstand is beautiful.

Deputy Mayor Matisse stated that the Global Hudson Valley are going all over the Hudson Valley talking to everyone and she would like them come and make a presentation to the board. She will set that up. She also stated that when there was the accident on Route 84 they diverted the traffic through the village and we incurred charges for the extra policing. She feels the village should contact the County Planning Department who initiated the Orange County Traffic Transportation Plan and take this incident and contact Walter Curry and suggest a meeting with the county to learn what they are doing for a diversion plan for Route 84.

Mr. Edwards stated that the incident commander was Mechanicstown Car One and if you contact him for the DEC spill number you can put a reimbursement in.

Deputy Mayor Matisse stated that at the NYCOM meeting they said that there is a special screen you can go on to see how many hits we have on our web site. They suggested the village web site be put on everything. She gave the manager a shelter facility survey from the Red Cross. She further stated that on the MS4 report, Page 2, says that the Village Engineer has evaluated the existing laws, and new recommendations for revision will be provided to the board for consideration. She asked when they were going to do that.

Deputy Mayor Matise asked how the chief is scheduling the parking endorsement officer.

Manager Politi stated that she is going out randomly.

Trustee Leonard stated that he got caught in the traffic from the accident on Route 84 and it happened this week too. They have to come up with something. He also stated that the blasting complaints have settled down. Chris Bell came around before the last blast and talked to everybody which took the steam out.

Mayor Pearson stated how nice the Memorial Day parade was.

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Mitchell
Village Clerk