

**Village of Walden
Board of Trustees
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
APRIL 7, 2014**

Mayor Maher called the organizational meeting of the Village of Walden Board of Trustees to order at 6:30 pm.

On roll call the following were:

Present:	Mayor	Brian Maher
	Deputy Mayor	Sue Rumbold
	Trustees	Edmond Leonard
		Bernard Bowen
		Gerald Mishk
		Sean Hoffman
		Willie Carley

Not Present:

Also Present: John Revella, Village Manager
Peter Sullivan, Village Treasurer

Appointments of the Mayor

Mayor Maher appointed Susan Rumbold as Deputy Mayor. He thanked her for serving in this capacity for the past 5 years.

Appointments of the Board of Trustees

Deputy Mayor Rumbold moved to appoint the firm Dickover, Donnelly, & Donovan as Village Attorney. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Leonard moved to appoint Lanc & Tully as Village Engineer. Seconded by Trustee Bowen. All ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Hoffman made the motion to re-appoint Mary Ellen Matise as Village Historian. Seconded by Trustee Bowen. All ayes. Motion carried.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold thanked Mary Ellen for her service.

Mary Ellen Matise stated she wishes to work even harder at her job this year.

Trustee Hoffman moved to re-appoint Tara Bliss as Village Clerk. Seconded by Trustee Bowen. All ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Carley moved to re-appoint Peter Sullivan as Village Treasurer. Seconded by Trustee Mishk. All ayes. Motion carried.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold moved to accept the Trustee Liaison assignments with Trustee Bowen as the liaison to the Village Clerk, Village Treasurer and the Finance Department, Trustee Carley as the liaison to the Department of Recreation and Parks, the Valley Central School District, and Emergency Services, Trustee Hoffman as liaisons to the

Planning and Zoning Boards as well as the Building Department, Trustee Leonard as the liaison to the Town of Montgomery as well as the Library Board, Trustee Mishk as liaison to the Village Justice and Department of Public Works, Deputy Mayor Rumbold as liaison to the Police Department, and Mayor Maher as liaison to the Community and Village Manager. Seconded by Trustee Bowen. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Maher was asked to have set monthly liaison meetings.

Trustee Bowen moved to appoint Tara Bliss as the Chair for The Leadership Day Committee. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Motion carried.

The appointment to the Ethics Board was tabled at this time.

Trustee Leonard moved to appoint Alan Sorenson as the Village Planner. Seconded by Trustee Carley. 6 ayes, 1 nay (Deputy Mayor Rumbold), 0 abstentions. Motion carried.

Mayor Maher moved to re-appoint Jacobowitz & Gubitz as the Special Counsel. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Motion carried.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold moved to appoint Joe Coburn as the Special Prosecutor. Seconded by Trustee Mishk. All ayes. Motion carried.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold moved to appoint Rick Golden as the Conflict Counsel. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Designations of the Board of Trustees

Trustee Bowen made the motion to designate the Wallkill Valley Times and Times Herald Record as official newspapers of the Village. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rumbold. All ayes. Motion carried.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to designate Key Bank, Sterling National Bank, Bank of America, and Orange County Trust as official depositories for the Village of Walden. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolutions of the Board of Trustees

Resolution 36-13-14, Setting the Dates, Times & Locations of Board Meetings

Mayor Maher commented the meetings are every first and third Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm except for August which there will only be one meeting that month on the 2nd Tuesday August 12, 2014 due to National Night Out; there will be no meeting on Tuesday, November 4, 2014 due to Election Day; and March 2015 will be the 1st and 4th Tuesdays due to local election day (March 3, 2015 and March 24, 2015). They also need to change the April 15, 2014 to April 22, 2014 as we will not have 4 Board members in town that week due to vacations.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold moved to adopt Resolution 36-13-14, setting the dates, times and locations of Board meetings. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Resolution carried.

Resolution 37-13-14, Adopting an Investment Policy for the Village of Walden

Trustee Leonard moved to adopt Resolution 37-13-14, adopting a procurement policy for the Village of Walden. Seconded by Trustee Carley. All ayes. Resolution carried.

Resolution 38-13-14 Adopting a Procurement Policy for the Village of Walden

Deputy Mayor Rumbold moved to adopt Resolution 38-13-14, adopting an investment policy for the Village of Walden. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. All ayes. Resolution carried.

Appointments of the Village Manager

Appointment of Acting Village Justice – Frederick Gorss
Appointment of Deputy Village Clerk – Lauren Bliss
Appointment of Registrar of Vital Statistics – Tara Bliss
Appointment of Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics – Lauren Bliss
Appointment to Planning Board – Brian Sebring

Manager Revella explained there is now a vacant alternate position open on the Planning Board. Anyone interested should let him know and he will consider them for the position.

Discussion Item

Office Hours

Manager Revella explained that the office staff has requested the Board consider changing the office hours. The office staff are suggesting Monday – Thursday 7:30am-4:30pm or 8am-5pm and then Friday 8am-12pm.

The Board decided to continue this conversation at the next Village Board Meeting.

Executive Session - Personnel

Trustee Hoffman motioned to go into executive session to discuss Personnel of a particular person. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to Reconvene

Deputy Mayor Rumbold motioned to reconvene the regular meeting. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Meeting reconvened.

Motion to Adjourn

Deputy Mayor Rumbold motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Mishk. All ayes. Meeting adjourned.