

**Village of Walden  
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting  
August 12, 2014**

Mayor Maher called the regular 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	Bernard Bowen
		Willie Carley
		Sean Hoffman
		Edmond Leonard

Absent: Gerald Mishk

Also Present: John Revella, Village Manager  
Tara Bliss, Village Clerk  
Dave Donovan, Village Attorney

**Village Manager's Report**

- Old Citizen Herald archives are at the County Building that will be renovated so those archives will come to Village Hall and our Historian will do an inventory of those items so we have them.
- Bridge Work will begin likely in December on the Bridge on 211 which will be closed for 3 months likely closed until early spring 2015. Look for alternative routes.
- New Part Timers will be introduced to you soon at the next Board meeting hopefully.
- Summer Camp has been going well and had great attendance. Camp ends tomorrow and Thursday is the family day and picnic at 5pm.
- He had various department head meetings to talk about progress.
- Water main and service lines on Bradley are completed and the road has been reclaimed. It will likely be repaved after the curbs are done. Trying to get it done before school starts.
- Had a few conference calls and doing following up on 207c cases with the Clerk.
- Had a good OC tourism meeting with OC Executive's office and what the county can do to help.
- Going over accounts and finance goals with the Treasurer. Sales tax revenues will be short this year, making adjustments in our budget making cuts to make it balance out. On agenda tonight for you.
- Full time police officer was hired to be introduced at the next Board meeting. Officially starts the 17<sup>th</sup> of August.
- CSEA meetings going over personnel have been ongoing.
- PBA contract still heading towards mediation on that.
- NBC shot another TV show here and at our firing range. Will let everyone know when it will air.
- Had various meetings with Trustee Mishk, Trustee Leonard, Deputy Mayor Rumbold, updates on matters in the Village about personel. Had a long meeting where he went over DPW projects with Trustee Mishk.

- Bids came in and awarding tonight hopefully.
- Good meeting with Trustee Leonard and Supervisor Valk on rail trail making improvements and connections north of here. Should help attract more people
- Movie night went well. Last one is set for August 30<sup>th</sup> and will show Rio2
- National Night Out went great!

### **Hearing – 42 Bank Street**

Jay Buchalski, Code Enforcement Officer, explained there is a TV on the porch of the property and they have not complied with his request. They sent a response that they covered it with a tarp on June 2, 2014. This is owned by the Walden Baptist Church who got a third notice and then he received a letter on June 7, 2014 arguing about interpretation and compliance with the code because the tarp is over the TV and that it would remain there until their September 13, 2014 event. He asked to remove it again and they have not complied to date and have another item covered with a tarp next to it. They are arguing that you can't see what the item is because it is covered with a tarp and that they feel the matter is closed. To date they still have the TV on the porch as well as other items covered with tarps.

Dennis DeGroat, 42 Bank Street, Board member of the Church, stated that they did get letters from Jay. The code clearly calls for item to not be visible and away from weather deterioration so they decided to cover the item and it is no longer visible and out of the weather.

Mayor Maher explained it's not just that, it's an eye sore.

Dennis replied that you can't see them, they are covered up.

Mayor Maher stated they are not allowed in our law. They can't be there at all, not just covered up.

Dennis continued that it can't be in public view if you can't see it. You certainly can't see that it's a TV.

Mayor Maher explained that unfortunately if we don't enforce this you would see all sorts of residents doing that all over the Village.

Dennis stated he drives around all the time and he sees plenty of things around the Village.

Mayor Maher replied that he understands his point but to be assured that our Code Enforcement Officer cites those properties as well.

Dennis asked if the other items are subject also.

Jay stated that since May 7<sup>th</sup> the other items have appeared. We will start with this item and then move to the other items as well if needed.

Mayor Maher replied there is no mention of other items in this current notice. The TV must be removed at this point.

Dennis asked for clarification on the code. They are telling him that no property can have anything on their porch that is covered up. BBQ grill covered can't be allowed on porch? Jay has no idea what the other items are there as you can't see it as they are covered with a tarp.

Attorney Donovan replied that in reading the code 214.4F it says: In no instance shall upholstered furniture, carpeting, mattresses, box springs, clothing or any such fabric items, dishwashers, refrigerators, washing machines, dryers, stoves, ovens or any such indoor appliance be located in yards or yard enclosures or on porches where they are subject to weather deterioration or exposed to public view. If you put a tarp over a TV, it is still a TV.

Dennis replied that he understands but you can't see it and it's not getting wet.

Mayor Maher replied that they need to remove the TV or we will have to remove it.

Dennis stated he will remove it tonight when he gets home, they want to be compliant. He wanted a response on the other items.

Mayor Maher replied that right now it's just the TV at this point we will take those other items as you get noticed for them if you haven't already been noticed.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to have the TV on the porch of 42 Bank Street removed within 48 hours or the Village Manager and Code Enforcement Officer shall be permitted to take action to remove the TV at the expense of the property owner. Seconded by Trustee Bowen. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Hearing – 21 Walden Estates Road**

Jay Buchalski, Code Enforcement Officer, explained there is a lot of debris on the property that needs to be cleaned up including mattresses in the back of the property. Additionally there is no hand railing on the stairs on the back of the property. It could be in the process of being foreclosed on as it is not occupied currently however it is listed in the owner's name at this time, not a bank. No correspondence has been returned at this time.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold asked if the property is abandoned.

Jay replied yes but it is in the owner's name still.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to clean up the debris in the yard of 21 Walden Estates Road and charge the property owner for any costs associated with this clean up. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Hearing – 71 Wait Street**

Jay Buchalski, Code Enforcement Officer, reported that this matter has been rectified, the car has been moved and no further action is needed at this time.

### **Approval of the June 17, 2014 Minutes**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to approve the June 17, 2014 minutes. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Minutes approved.

### **Approval of the July 1, 2014 Minutes**

Trustee Bowen made a motion to approve the July 1, 2014 minutes. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 2 abstentions (Deputy Mayor Rumbold and Trustee Hoffman). Minutes approved.

### **Approval of the July 15, 2014 Minutes**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to approve the July 15, 2014 minutes. Seconded by Trustee Bowen. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention (Trustee Carley). Minutes approved.

### **Approval of the July 31, 2014 Special Meeting Minutes**

Trustee Leonard made a motion to approve the July 31, 2014 Special Meeting minutes. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 2 abstentions (Deputy Mayor Rumbold and Trustee Bowen). Minutes approved.

### **Trustee's Committee Reports**

#### **Town of Montgomery & Library Board liaison – Trustee Leonard**

Trustee Leonard stated the Library has a lot of events going on a lot for kids, go get a schedule.

#### **Village Clerk & Village Treasurer Liaison – Trustee Bowen**

Trustee Bowen reported \$154,000 in property taxes were collected in the month of July and \$5 million total which is about 93% of the Village. Great job to everyone. Lauren has taken the lead with the new phone system that got installed today. Delegation is going on well and everyone is working well together. Key Bank accounts are all closed and in our new Sterling National account.

#### **Police Department Liaison – Deputy Mayor Rumbold**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold reported that they have been evaluating the success of the speed hump on Oakland Ave which is on the agenda tonight for more proposed locations such as Highland Avenue and Wileman Avenue. They received money for vests from the government. National Night Out went well but the Chief wanted to specifically thank Officer James and Officer Hall and Dispatcher Penney for all their hard work and efforts. He also wanted to thank Recreation Coordinator, Mike Bliss, and especially mention the civilian assistance received from Brenda Adams, Anita Vandermark, and Brian Sebring for their continued dedication.

#### **Planning and Zoning Boards as well as the Building Department Liaison – Trustee Hoffman**

Trustee Hoffman reported that he met with Dean who still has had a lot of activity mostly residential improvement projects. They discussed and reviewed the Thruway usage on our agenda tonight plus the proposed monument sign on Main Street. They also reviewed the Planning and Zoning Board agendas.

#### **Recreation & Parks Department, Emergency Services, and Valley Central School Board Liaison – Trustee Carley**

Trustee Carley stated Flag football has been great. Summer camp is great and family BBQ is tomorrow at 5pm. The camp took in \$40,000 in revenue this year. The beach is open until August 21<sup>st</sup>. SYLA ended August 8<sup>th</sup> and they had a great graduation ceremony. Movie Night is August 30<sup>th</sup> showing Rio2. The capital projects at Olley are completed. The 6K race went well. The School Board hasn't had a meeting except the one they had August 12, 2014

while he was away. Emergency services we are hoping to reschedule the meeting with the Fire District they were going to give us a date for a joint meeting but have not rescheduled yet.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold stated she has gotten very positive comments on the Flag Football program. Many have been wondering if they would open it up to older children next year.

Manager Revella replied, yes, next year it will be up to 18 as long as they are still in school.

### **Village Justice and DPW Liaison - Trustee Mishk**

Trustee Mishk was absent.

Mayor Maher Read the community events into the minutes.

### **Public Comment on Business of the Board**

Mayor Maher explained there is an additional action item tonight, setting a hearing for 54-56 Valley Avenue, a property maintenance issue.

Jessica Metzger, 4 Gracewood Court, asked which park the Use request on the agenda is for.

Manager Revella replied yes, Wooster Memorial Grove Park.

Jessica asked if we have ever granted permission for alcohol usage before.

Manager Revella replied yes. The others have been at the pavilion at Olley Park, this one is for the gym.

Jessica asked if the Village has an additional liability requirement for that.

Manager Revella replied the board usually requires a safety officer to be in charge.

Jessica stated she knows that usually the Village is listed as an additional insured but normally that's just for a million dollars. She suggested the Village consider adding to the liability when alcohol is in place. \$1 Million is not going to cover if someone drowned. She suggested asking for \$5-10 million umbrella. She commented that she has heard many positive comments on the indoor shooting range and gym proposed at the Thruway plaza. She asked about the budget amendments and what departments they will involve.

Manager Revella stated the detail is listed on the Resolution in the packet but will be discussed at length when we get to that item. It's a number of departments including Police, Recreation, and DPW.

Jessica wanted to add that the movie night was spectacular. It was well run. Thank you so much for providing that.

Anita Vandermark, 76 Highland Avenue, asked if the meeting about the Square is still on for Thursday, it wasn't on the calendar list.

Clerk Bliss apologized for missing that one, but yes it is still on and it was noticed in the paper.

Becky Pearson, 167 Walnut Street, asked about the park with the pavilion and if there would be any water source like a water fountain to the pavilion.

Manager Revella replied, right now no as it will be located by the playground and there is not water in that area.

Becky asked if the bid for sidewalk is for capital projects, not Ulster Avenue.

Mayor Maher replied we are hopefully going to meet in the next few weeks and hoping to get started on Ulster Avenue in the spring, fingers crossed. We will cross the bridge over what type of sidewalk material it will be when we get there.

Becky asked for more information about the Village office hours.

Mayor Maher replied there will be a discussion about who sets them and the determination if summer hours are permanent.

Becky commented on the trees on Main Street, she read the letter from Jim Prescutti. She does not think it is going to look good. Can you do all at once or just do some?

Manager Revella replied that we will have to remove some. The idea is to put pavers in the spots were they are and planters with a tree to move for the seasons.

Becky commented that speed bumps as she understands can't be used as speeding deterrents legally.

Manager Revella agreed but we can use humps, not bumps.

Christopher Kyle, 86 Highland Ave, stated that he submitted the petition for the stop signs and speed humps on Highland Ave. We are new to the area and have lived there for 2 years, people speed like crazy there and we have kids. There are no sidewalks in the area. No one ever slows down near our house which is where the 25 mph starts. Dogs and runners are in danger also. The Village did the same thing on Oakland and they are looking for the same thing in their area.

Cheryl Jenkins, 88 Highland Ave, added that there is more foot traffic and bike riding from the rail trail. It is really bad as traffic is increasing because more people are cutting through. She has lived here 12 years and has definitely seen an increase.

Trustee Bowen asked if she ever sees Police patrolling the area.

Cheryl replied, sometimes. Near Oakland at the bus stop it's really bad there in the morning, people just gun it and it's really scary.

Manager Revella commented that the Board cannot justify putting up a stop sign based upon speeding. There has to be some sort of issues pulling out of Sadlier or even on Oakland onto Highland because of what is going on there.

Same Liebman, 7 Sadlier Place, added he has lived there since 1971 and knows the area has changed. He walks his dog every day so he has a feel for what is going on as there. There are stop signs closer toward 52 on Highland and this is a 4 way intersection. The others are 3 way. His grandson was almost hit by a car coming up Oakland that didn't stop and went right across Highland and down Sadlier. Someone will get killed if no stop signs are put in. Humps as well are a good idea.

Kathy Cherry, 84 Highland Avenue, commented there are no sidewalks in the area and those with kids walk in the road and people disregard the speed. Not just young people, all ages. 6:30-8:30am just put police there to see for themselves. Maybe a few tickets there would deter people. Understand small amount of officers on shift and can't be everywhere but just one person. Can see for themselves. Issue tickets for people in excess of 40mph. That's not a long term solution and there are issues like this everywhere in the village.

Cheryl, added that about a month ago the police were there from Oakland to High Meadows because someone crashed into her tree and sped off. Not sure what happened.

Mayor Maher explained that police presence is not a long term solution to speeding but is something they do in areas like this. There are areas like this all over the Village and the Police Department does work very hard to does their best with the limited resources they have. This topic is on for discussion tonight and it could be something we take action on it or not.

### **Action Items**

#### **VS Walden – Thruway Plaza Use Request**

John Joseph, owner of VS Walden LLC, explained that at the last discussion they talked about the use of the back building on the property. The gym is moving forward but the shooting range is on hold at this time but not off the table. Liquor store will re-open on August 27<sup>th</sup> and Sporting Goods sometime thereafter, about a month.

Attorney Donovan stated that there is currently no use permitted for the gym in the code. If directed by the Board he could prepare a Draft Local Law and if it is satisfactory to the Board it would then be referred to the Planning Board who would have 30 days to report back to this Board. We would do the same with the Orange County Planning Department who also has 30 days. You could not act on the law until that 30 day period is over but could schedule the public hearing prior to that if the Board so chose. They could respond earlier but it becomes defacto after 30 days. At that point once the Law is passed it would then be a permitted use for zoning and would then have to go to the Planning Board. Other properties in that zone would have permission to do that also.

Manager Revella stated that Mr. Joseph owns the whole zone and this property is the only B1 Zone in the Village.

Trustee Carley stated he is concerned with setting a precedence.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold stated that each situation is unique.

Trustee Bowen made a motion to authorize Attorney Donovan to draft a local law for the B1 Zone to allow for a gymnasium usage. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Motion carried.

John explained he also owns the property in front of the VFW where the benches are is part of the Thruway, with a separate deed that come up after. He is proposing a monument sign in the area and seasonal plantings in that area as well. They would be doing the maintenance in the area as well. Everyone knew where the Thruway was but this type of sign would help people know how to get to the plaza. He passed out a sample of the sign and a rendering of the space. Wallkill River Adventures owns the property which is a thruway property. He proposes moving the rock that is there and replace the plantings and the VFW is ok with these changes. He would put in a bluestone walk with the off premises monument sign and seasonal plantings. It's a 3 x 5 sign.

Attorney Donovan stated that off premises signs are not usually permitted but can be authorized by the Board. If the Board approved this it then would need to go to the Planning Board.

Trustee Carley again stressed his concern about setting a precedent.

Mayor Maher feels it would benefit the Village as well as other businesses who could market themselves and become more successful which benefits the whole Village.

Trustee Bowen asked if the signs there now would come down and asked if it would take away site issues there.

John replied yes, they would take that down. The one there in the picture provided is larger than what we would be placing. It's just a sample of the style based on approval from the ARB. Would be lit externally and would list; Hannaford, Thruway Sporting Goods, Liquor and Hardware, Auto zone and Mavis, and would list other shops and restaurants and would point down the hill. The location of the sign would be back by the existing flag pole that is set back from the area. There is no road frontage at the Thruway Plaza or accessibility to put a sign to give people a directive as to where to turn to get there which is why he is making this request. This would be subject to NYSDOT review as it's a state road and the right away ends at side walk. He can email a link to show the 360 degree view which will show you what it will look like from other angles as driving by.

Trustee Leonard made a motion to approve the off premises monument sign at the corner of Oak Street and Walnut Street in front of the VFW subject to Architectural Review Board's approval. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rumbold. 4 ayes, 2 nays (Trustee Bowen and Trustee Carley), 0 abstentions. Motion carried.

#### **Veteran's Day Request 11/9/14 at 1pm**

Trustee Bowen made a motion to approve the request from the Walden Community Council's Veteran's Park Committee the use of Veteran's Memorial Park for the Veteran's Day Ceremony and Brick laying dedication on Sunday, November 9, 2014 at 1pm. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rumbold. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **Park Use Request with Alcohol 9/7/14**

Mayor Maher recused himself from all discussions and deliberation about this matter.



Manager Revella explained that the applicants, Dennis and Carmen Maher, would like to hold a baptism at Wooster Memorial Grove Park in the gym and would like to have permission for alcohol from the Board. We have not received their certificate of insurance or payment of fees for the request yet which is why the Recreation Coordinator has not signed the application.

Trustee Bowen made a motion to approve the Park Use Request with Alcohol for September 7, 2014 from 1:30-4:30pm at Wooster Memorial Grove Park pending insurance and payment compliance by the applicant. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. 5 Ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention (Mayor Maher). Motion carried.

#### **Award Bid – Wait Street Water Tank**

Attorney Donovan stated that this is the only bid that came in but it did come in late after 11am. It was an irregularity due to the fed ex that got delivered late. This was the only bidder so you are covered legally.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to award the bid for the Wait Street Water Tank to Pittsburg Tank & Town Maintenance Co., Inc. in the amount of \$210,855.05. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **Award Bid – Scofield House**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to award the bid for the Scofield House to LP Builders Associates, LLC in the amount of \$83,900.00. Seconded by Trustee Bowen. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **Award Bid – Sidewalk Installation Project**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to award the bid for the 2014 Village Sidewalk Installation Project to GT Excavating, LLC in the amount of \$95,773.40. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Motion carried

#### **Award Bid – Bituminous Paving Installation**

Trustee Hoffman made a motion to award the bid for the 2014 Village Bituminous Paving Project to Ward Pavements, Inc. in the amount of \$120,048.00. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Motion carried

#### **Budget Amendment – Resolution 7-14-15**

Peter Sullivan, Treasurer, explained the resolution in front of everyone tonight. Will move donations received this year for the Summer Youth Employment Program, National Night Out, and from the Friends of Walden Youth to account for the overages in those line items. It will also address revenue budgets that are no longer attainable and certain expenditures that were omitted from the 2014-2015 budget in error.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold asked Manager Revella to contact the state to get clarification on the sales tax situation.

Trustee Bowen made a motion to approve Resolution Number 7-14-15 Budget Amendment amending Resolution 39-13-14. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **SEQRA Review – Bradley Park Pavilion**

Manager Revella explained that we are receiving a grant from Senator Larkin's office for the Pavilion at Bradley Park, next to the new playground, and it would include lighting, picnic tables, and the pavilion. Should be done this fall.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion for Negative Declaration under SEQRA for the Bradley Park Pavilion Project. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Surplus Police Equipment**

Manager Revella explained the Police Department would like to surplus the list that has been provided for you in your packets. They have been appraised. Due to nature of the equipment the dollar amount is minimal. They would be surplused to other law enforcement agencies.

Trustee Hoffman made a motion to approve the list of Police Surplus Equipment as outlined with the starting bids as suggested. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Set Date for Town Hall Special Meeting for Local Law #5 of 2014 – Landlord Registry Law**

Mayor Maher explained that the Town Hall Special Meeting will be tabled tonight.

### **Hearing Request 54-56 Valley Avenue**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to set a hearing for 54-56 Valley Avenue for Tuesday, September 2, 2014 at 6:30pm or as soon thereafter as could be heard. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Discussion Items**

#### **Village Office Hours**

Attorney Donovan explained that the question was who sets the office hours and chapter 56 says that Manager Revella is the administrative head of the Village except for appointing the Village Clerk or Village Treasurer. Therefore, the official office hours for the Village are set by the Village Manager except for the official hours of the Village Clerk and the Village Treasurer as they are appointed by the Board and should be set by the Board.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold stated that we could see what he does and then make our decision based on that as he has not made his decision yet. She suggested that he wait until after the move is done before setting them.

#### **Main Street Trees**

Manager Revella explained the plan to take care of the trees on Main Street and in the Square. The trees are pulling up the grates as outlined in the presentation from Jim Presutti, Village Arborist. We are trying to get ideas for the streetscape. We do have 2 areas that are liability areas we tried to put in cones and barricades at to work on that. This is causing an electrical hazard as well, some are more pressing than others. The plan is to put stone and then planters on that in the ones that are pressing and then continue as they become an issue or even do all at once. At the next meeting he will have photos of other communities, figures, and get feedback from other communities that have done it. Print them and show the Board before making the decision. It's a problem and needs to be addressed soon. To remove them completely will be costly, as we would need

to cut to the base and grind without hitting electric. Not going to be able to get the roots as they are wrapped around the electric, water lines, gas lines, etc. It is really not a good situation. Other options would be to put pavers around the trees and the other idea was that they are growing into the power lines and NYSEG will come cut them and look ugly as we all know how they cut trees. He will give options as soon as they become available.

### **Speed Humps – Highland Avenue & Wileman Avenue**

Manager Revella stated that the speed humps were requested by several residents in other areas of the Village. Test hump is in on Oakland and has noticed the decrease in speed but Highland now has increased traffic. Speed humps are working and are better than some other methods. Can't go over 40 mph without bottoming out on them. It's effective. The question becomes how wide are we going to cast this net, how many streets do we do this on? Chief has been gathering data as we did before we did this one. The cost is approximately \$3,000 each with painting and signs. We need to analyze the data to see where they should go and would most likely stage them. Will have on for discussion again next meeting.

### **Stop Sign Corner of Highland Avenue & Oakland Avenue**

Mayor Maher explained that as we heard in public comment we have a petition with resident's signatures on it for stop signs in this area. Do we have a budget for the stop signs?

Manager Revella replied that we have them in stock.

Trustee Hoffman made a motion to authorize the Village Attorney to draft a local law for Stops Signs at the intersection of Highland Avenue and Oakland Avenue. Seconded by Trustee Bowen. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Public Comment**

Jessica Metzger, 4 Gracewood Court, commented that she is happy that it took a half hour to discuss a 3 by 5 sign and the Board should take longer on some other issue. Hope they get the sign as they need it and it's nice and in line with Village looks. They have been generous to us also and is case by case. Like cross street.

Becky Pearson, 167 Walnut Street, asked about the Part Time hires and where they are.

Manager Revella replied in the Police Department; 2 Dispatchers and a Part Time Officer.

Becky continued that when the Board passed the law for No Parking on South Montgomery Street and she has to say that she feels sorry for the parking you took away from that building. She feels it should be put back the way it was. Many people ask why you did that. She gets it but doesn't agree. Village signs look unfinished do they need a cap?

Manager Revella replied yes they do.

Becky asked about the tree in the box in Bedesky Park next to another tree, can you move it? Do something with it? The sign on Oak Street could be moved to Orchard Street parking lot, put a kiosk or something there instead. In the parking lot would be a great idea. Map on one side and list on the other side. Also heard possibly of 2 signs on that

property but then it should have been on tonight to talk about it. They would have to have permission for that. With regard to the Sales tax revenue, has the County allocated different amounts?

Manager Revella replied that it is based on population. There is a contract between the municipalities and the County. He has contacted County Legislator who is looking into it Mike Anagostokis.

Becky continued about the money we received from NYSEG for the trees; where is it and can't we use it?

Manager Revella replied it was used for Bedesky park improvements, they helped pay for it.

Becky commented that she travels a road every day that has an officer on it but she doesn't speed there because she's not sure if he'll be there so every once in a while there will be one there which may help and increases revenue also. She asked about the minutes from July 1<sup>st</sup> there was a statement of threatened litigation at executive session. Usually lists between whom.

Manager Revella replied yes we usually do but there was no entity named at that time.

Becky confirmed the Town Hall meeting for square redesign on Thursday.

Mary Ellen Matise, 21 Clinton Street, suggested you take the sign and move it to Orchard Street parking lot also. The Thruway got that land there because way back when there were stores there and they bought it and pushed the curbs back so that's why they had it that's how they acquired it. She commented about speed humps there are other types for traffic calmers, curb bump outs or grooved pavement and they may be less expensive.

Kathy Cherry, 84 Highland Avenue, asked if a citizen complained about the same vehicles always speeding to the Police Department what could be done about it.

Attorney Donovan replied that they could run a plate and have a heightened awareness for that vehicle but cannot issue a ticket based on your complaint.

Rev. Jim VanHouten, Walden Fire Department, asked about the September 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Service as he hadn't seen anything on it and would like to work on that.

### **Payment of the Audited Bills**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to pay the audited bills. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Correspondence**

Trustee Carley introduced Jordan Wilkinson the new Wallkill Valley Times contact.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold handed a copy of an email that was sent from Susan Taylor about Landlord Registry. She asked how we notice hearing, if not on a list some have mentioned that they don't get notified.

Manager Revella replied that we publicized it in the paper just like we do for every meeting.

### **Miscellaneous Comments from the Board of Trustees**

Trustee Bowen commented that National Night Out was awesome. He's looking forward to the 9/6 Gospel Fest for MIG.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold also added that National Night Out was awesome. Everyone enjoys it but it's the same 5 or 6 people who do it. Everyone says we need to do it but don't help and we are wearing them out. Same people can't do everything. Put your name down and work towards it. She asked when the Old Orange Avenue signs can come down.

Manager Revella replied as soon as he gets to it, he apologized for not getting them down. Maybe tomorrow. Been doing digs every day.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold asked if there was going to be an agreement with Sunoco as we did with Hess that we could put a business signage on their property.

Manager Revella replied that the agreement was fine but the State would not allow us to put it on their right of way, which is 20 feet into the property.

Deputy Mayor Rumbold also asked about the overgrowth by the tin brook bridge which needs to be taken care of.

Mayor Maher announced that Trustee Sean Hoffman was just recognized as a 2014 Rising Star in Orange County and wanted to recognize him for that honor.

### **Executive Session**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Collective bargaining negotiations with the PBA and the employment history of a particular individual. Seconded by Trustee Bowen. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Reconvene**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold moved to reconvene the regular meeting. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Adjournment**

Trustee Hoffman moved to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Deputy Mayor Rumbold. All ayes. Meeting adjourned.

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Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to clean up the debris in the yard of 21 Walden Estates Road and charge the property owner for any costs associated with this clean up. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Approval of the June 17, 2014 Minutes**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to approve the June 17, 2014 minutes. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Minutes approved.

**Approval of the July 1, 2014 Minutes**

Trustee Bowen made a motion to approve the July 1, 2014 minutes. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 2 abstentions (Deputy Mayor Rumbold and Trustee Hoffman). Minutes approved.

**Approval of the July 15, 2014 Minutes**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to approve the July 15, 2014 minutes. Seconded by Trustee Bowen. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention (Trustee Carley). Minutes approved.

**Approval of the July 31, 2014 Special Meeting Minutes**

Trustee Leonard made a motion to approve the July 31, 2014 Special Meeting minutes. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 2 abstentions (Deputy Mayor Rumbold and Trustee Bowen). Minutes approved.

**VS Walden – Thruway Plaza Use Request**

Trustee Leonard made a motion to approve the off premises monument sign at the corner of Oak Street and Walnut Street in front of the VFW subject to Architectural Review Board's approval. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rumbold. 4 ayes, 2 nays (Trustee Bowen and Trustee Carley), 0 abstentions. Motion carried.

**Veteran's Day Request 11/9/14 at 1pm**

Trustee Bowen made a motion to approve the request from the Walden Community Council's Veteran's Park Committee the use of Veteran's Memorial Park for the Veteran's Day Ceremony and Brick laying dedication on Sunday, November 9, 2014 at 1pm. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rumbold. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Park Use Request with Alcohol 9/7/14**

Trustee Bowen made a motion to approve the Park Use Request with Alcohol for September 7, 2014 from 1:30-4:30pm at Wooster Memorial Grove Park pending insurance  
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and payment compliance by the applicant. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. 5 Ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention (Mayor Maher). Motion carried.

#### **Award Bid – Wait Street Water Tank**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to award the bid for the Wait Street Water Tank to Pittsburg Tank & Town Maintenance Co., Inc. in the amount of \$210,855.05. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **Award Bid – Scofield House**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to award the bid for the Scofield House to LP Builders Associates, LLC in the amount of \$83,900.00. Seconded by Trustee Bowen. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **Award Bid – Sidewalk Installation Project**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to award the bid for the 2014 Village Sidewalk Installation Project to GT Excavating, LLC in the amount of \$95,773.40. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **Award Bid – Bituminous Paving Installation**

Trustee Hoffman made a motion to award the bid for the 2014 Village Bituminous Paving Project to Ward Pavements, Inc. in the amount of \$120,048.00. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **SEQRA Review – Bradley Park Pavilion**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion for Negative Declaration under SEQRA for the Bradley Park Pavilion Project. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **Surplus Police Equipment**

Trustee Hoffman made a motion to approve the list of Police Surplus Equipment as outlined with the starting bids as suggested. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **Hearing Request 54-56 Valley Avenue**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to set a hearing for 54-56 Valley Avenue for Tuesday, September 2, 2014 at 6:30pm or as soon thereafter as could be heard. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **Stop Sign Corner of Highland Avenue & Oakland Avenue**

Trustee Hoffman made a motion to authorize the Village Attorney to draft a local law for Stop Signs at the intersection of Highland Avenue and Oakland Avenue. Seconded by Trustee Bowen. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **Payment of the Audited Bills**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold made a motion to pay the audited bills. Seconded by Trustee Hoffman. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### **Executive Session**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Collective bargaining negotiations with the PBA and the employment history of a particular individual. Seconded by Trustee Bowen. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Reconvene**

Deputy Mayor Rumbold moved to reconvene the regular meeting. Seconded by Trustee Leonard. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

Trustee Hoffman moved to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Deputy Mayor Rumbold. All ayes. Meeting adjourned.