

MINUTES  
For  
Village of Dryden  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
Held on  
February 25, 2016

MAYOR PRESENT:	Reba Taylor
TRUSTEES PRESENT:	Charlie Becker, Mike Murphy, Les Hibbert,
TRUSTEE EXCUSED:	Mike Hattery
SUPERVISORS PRESENT:	Supt. Ron Moore, Clerk/Treasurer Debra Marrotte
SUPERVISOR EXCUSED:	Chief Michael Watkins
SECRETARY PRESENT:	Abby Homer
ATTORNEY PRESENT:	David Dubow
GUESTS:	Bruce Drowne, Lee Road Mary Kirkwyland, James Street Don Barber, TCMHIC

The Pledge was recited at 7:06 p.m.

The Public Hearing on proposed Local Law 001-2016 was opened at 7:07 p.m. The purpose and intent of the Local Law is to allow, if determined necessary and/or appropriate, for the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing in 2016 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the tax levy limit as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c.

There were no comments on the proposed Local Law, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:08 p.m.

Privilege of the floor was opened at 7:08 p.m.

Don Barber of the Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium gave the Board a 25 minute slideshow presentation on the details of the Municipal Health Insurance Consortium which the Village is a partner/member and distributed an orientation manual to the Board. Some highlights were the lower annual rate increases, the number of employees and covered lives within the consortium and total entities, the average claims and payouts per year, the careful budgeting, investing and distribution of funds and insurances within the insurance. Mr. Barber thanked Trustee Becker and Murphy for their attendance in the Committee(s) and thanked the Village overall for the support and membership.

The Board asked questions related to the Village's plan design and thanked Mr. Barber for the presentation.

Village Resident/Beautification Committee Leader Mary Kirkwyland, wrote up a descriptive plan to the Board of Trustees regarding the proposal to plant trees 10 trees along the east side of North Street, beyond the road right of way. It detailed the types of trees and the locations, and the request to increase the beautification budget to pay for the plastic guards and water bags that will aid in protecting the trees. The cost of the trees will be paid by private donations. An additional \$350 shipping cost will also be incurred, however will be reimbursed to the Village through the annual grant received for the committee. The Board did not receive the detailed plan, however Mrs. Kirkwyland verbally answered the questions raised and the Board seemed agreeable to the proposal. Mayor Taylor thanked Mrs. Kirkwyland for all her work related to the Beautification committee.

Village Resident Bruce Drowne requested a water project update. He questions if the water pressure increase had been factored in, and asked for details regarding the lease for the new tank on TC3 land and the donating of the current site. He also mentioned the frequent speeding cars and the difficulty of the timing of the traffic light in regards to turning off the road and questioned if there had been any increases in crime due to the decrease in budget. He also asked if Lee Road will be paved in the future.

Mayor Taylor went into detail on the status of the water project and brought the full Board up to date on the permits, financing and other details.

Upon no further questions or comments, privilege of the floor closed at 8:07 p.m.

The Board Meeting opened at 8:07 p.m.

New Members of Neptune Hose

On a motion by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Becker, the following was passed. Vote: Murphy-Aye, Becker-aye, Hibbert-Aye, Taylor-Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 12-2016  
New Members of Neptune Hose

**Resolved**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves the following new member(s) of the Neptune Hose Co. #1 Inc:

Erin Baker, 9 Leisure Lane, Freeville  
Lauren Matlak, 3361 Page Green Road, Cortland

Beautification Budget

On a motion by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Murphy, the following was passed. Vote: Murphy-Aye, Becker-aye, Hibbert-Aye, Taylor-Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 13-2016  
Beautification Budget Amendment

**Resolved**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves the following Budget Amendment for Beautification:

Increase of \$300.00 to Beautification Expense line	89894.01.418
Increase of \$300.00 to Beautification Grant Revenue line	2189.01.000

Local Law

On a motion by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Hibbert, the following was passed. Vote: Murphy-Aye, Becker-aye, Hibbert-Aye, Taylor-Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 14-2016  
LL001-2016

**Resolved**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby adopts the following Local Law:  
**LOCAL LAW 001 OF THE YEAR 2016**

**A LOCAL LAW TO ALLOW THE OVERRIDE OF THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL  
MUNICIPAL LAW §3-C**

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden as follows:

SECTION I.     PURPOSE & INTENT.

It is the purpose and intent of this local law to allow, if determined necessary and/or appropriate, for the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing in 2016 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the tax levy limit as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c.

SECTION II.     AUTHORITY.

This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-c which expressly authorizes a local governing body to override the property tax cap for the coming fiscal year by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) or more of said governing body.

SECTION III.    TAX LEVY LIMIT OVERRIDE.

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden, County of Tompkins, is hereby authorized, if determined necessary and/or appropriate, to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing in 2016 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law §3-c.

SECTION IV.     SEVERABILITY.

If a court determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, firm, or corporation or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court order or judgment shall not affect impair or invalidate the remainder of this local law but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person, individual, firm, corporation or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

SECTION V.     EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Summer Camp

The Board discussed the upcoming Summer Camp program. The hiring process has begun early so the planning and registration process can be done earlier. It was noted that the proposed Director is due to have a baby this summer, so will be working closely with the proposed Assistant Director.

On a motion by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Hibbert, the following was passed.

Vote: Murphy-Aye, Becker-aye, Hibbert-Aye, Taylor-Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 15-2016  
Lockenwitz-Summer Camp Director

**Resolved**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves the appointment of Christina Lockenwitz to the position of Summer Camp Director for the 2016/2017 Dryden Community Camp , at a rate of \$ 14.00/hr.

On a motion by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Murphy, the following was passed. Vote: Murphy-Aye, Becker-aye, Hibbert-Aye, Taylor-Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 16-2016  
Skinner-Asst. Summer Camp Director

**Resolved**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves the appointment of Kimberly Skinner to the position of Assistant Summer Camp Director for the 2016/2017 Dryden Community Camp , at a rate of \$ 12.50/hr.

On a motion by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Becker, the following was passed.  
Vote: Murphy-Aye, Becker-aye, Hibbert-Aye, Taylor-Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 17-2016  
Camp Cost

**Resolved**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby sets the rate at \$70.00 per week for the 2016/2017 Dryden Community Camp.

Budget Amendments

On a motion by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Hibbert, the following was passed. Vote: Murphy-Aye, Becker-aye, Hibbert-Aye, Taylor-Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 18-2016  
Budget Amendments/Line Item Transfers

**Resolved**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves the 2015/2016 Budget Amendments/Line Item Transfers as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Marrotte.

MRG Group Engineering Agreement for Water Project

On a motion by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Murphy, the following was passed. Vote: Murphy-Aye, Becker-aye, Hibbert-Aye, Taylor-Aye. It was noted that the contracts were combined and the cost overall for engineering was lowered by \$61,000.

RESOLUTION No. 19-2016  
MRB Group Agreement

**Resolved**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves and authorizes the Mayor to sign proposal #2 to Owner-Engineer agreement with MRB Group for Engineering services related to the Water System Improvements Project.

Minutes

On a motion by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Murphy, the following was passed. Vote: Murphy-Aye, Becker-aye, Hibbert-Aye, Taylor-Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 20-2016

1/28/2016 Minutes

**Resolved**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves the minutes from the January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Board of Trustees Meeting with any corrections noted.

Re positioning DPW Administration

Mayor Taylor stated that after many months of discussions, to avoid anyone being fired, the following plan was agreed to, in relation to the Superintendent of Public Works and the Assistant Superintendent jobs.

On a motion by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Hibbert, the following was passed. Vote: Murphy-Aye, Becker-aye, Hibbert-Aye, Taylor-Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 21-2016  
Supt Moore-Resignation

**Resolved**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby Accept the resignation of Ronald Moore from the position of Superintendent of Public Works for the Village of Dryden effective March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11:59PM.

On a motion by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Becker the following was passed. Vote: Murphy-Aye, Becker-aye, Hibbert-Aye, Taylor-Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 22-2016  
Asst. Supt Sabin-Resignation

**Resolved**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby Accept the resignation of Paul Sabin from his position of Assistant Superintendent of Public Works for the Village of Dryden effective March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11:59PM.

On a motion by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Hibbert, the following was passed. Vote: Murphy-Aye, Becker-aye, Hibbert-Aye, Taylor-Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 23-2016  
Sabin-Supt. Appointment

**Resolved**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby Appoint Paul Sabin to the vacant position of Superintendent of Public Works for the Village of Dryden effective March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:00AM.at an annual salary of \$54,100.00.

On a motion by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Hibbert, the following was passed. Vote: Murphy-Aye, Becker-aye, Hibbert-Aye, Taylor-Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 24-2016  
Moore-Asst. Supt. Appointment

**Resolved**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby Appoint Ronald Moore to the vacant position of Assistant Superintendent of Public Works for the Village of Dryden effective March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:00AM. at an annual salary of \$52,520.00 plus overtime.

Clerk/Treasurer Marrotte noted that Mr. Moore has comp time stored up that should be used or converted to his new rate of pay (if not used). He stated he will plan to use the time in his comp bank.

Abstract

On a motion by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Murphy, the following was passed. Vote: Murphy-Aye, Becker-aye, Hibbert-Aye, Taylor-Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 25-2016

Abstract

**Resolved**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden hereby approves and authorizes the Mayor to sign the 2/25/2016 Abstract.

ITEMS FOR BOARD DISCUSSION/NOTATION:

Mayor Taylor requested Clerk/Treasurer Marrotte to contact Tompkins County Personnel to schedule a Civil Service test for Mr. Sabin.

It was noted that the information/budget request was received for Southworth Library. A slight increase was requested over the previous year. Mayor Taylor noted that possibly the Library should seek grant funding from the NYS Senator for assistance.

Mayor Taylor noted comments received from Chief Watkins regarding:

- a) arrests made in the recent car thefts. A press release was done by the Police Department.
- b) installation of automatic door opening system on South St. door. Will be installed in early March

Mayor Taylor noted she followed up with Kevin/Code Enforcement regarding property located at 12-14 West Main St. She stated she would follow up on 64 West Main also.

NOTE information flyer from DOG OWNER COACH and ask Abby to post on Village Hall Notice Board.

A meeting on FOIL and the Open Meetings Law was noted to be held on March 14<sup>th</sup> at the Coty of Auburn. The meeting will be telecasted and available to view via the municipalities webpage anytime during or after the meeting.

The local NYS Dept. of State training in Cortland was noted. Two Trustees and two Planning Board Members planned to attend.

It was noted that the certified copy of the resolution passed at the January Board meeting regarding the County and City Of Ithaca Police consolidation study had not been given to the Legislature and City Mayor yet. Deputy Clerk Homer stated that would be done the following day.

Trustee Murphy brought up the SRTS project and noted things like right of ways being looked into on George Street and also costs of flashing pedestrian crossing lights. He stated that the sidewalks proposed on Ellis drive are being removed from the project due to cost to the Village

Adjourn

On a motion by Trustee Becker and second by Trustee Murphy, the following was passed. Vote: Murphy-Aye, Becker-aye, Hibbert-Aye, Taylor-Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 26-2016

Adjourn

**Resolved,** that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dryden, hereby adjourns the meeting, at 8:54 p.m., not to re-convene.