

MEETING MINUTES
of the Village of Windsor, N.Y.
107 Main Street
Windsor, NY 13865
February 3, 2015

Present: Mayor: Ronald G. Harting
Trustee: Robert Bennett, absent
Eileen Shelp-Olmstead, absent
Thomas M. Skinner
Robert E. West
Clerk/Treasurer: Patricia L. Harting
Streets & Water Suptdnt: David M. Decker
Code Enforcement: Gary Post
Attendees: 2

Call to Order: **Time:** 7:00 P.M.
 By: Mayor Ron Harting

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

Public Comment - Rob Munson from Bridge Street was present to discuss the discoloration in his water. He had pictures of the water. The clerk suggested that we give him credit for the penalties and charge him a minimum until the new flush hydrant is in. Trustee Bob stated he has no problem in giving him a credit with the understanding that he will pay the bill on time and read the meter. Rob stated he didn't pay the bill because he didn't feel he should pay for water that he couldn't use.

Motion: to give a credit to Rob Munson for the amount credited on the spreadsheet highlighted which removes all penalties, relevies and charge only minimum usage with special assessment fees and to continue with the new February billing.

By: Ronald G. Harting
2nd: Thomas M. Skinner
Vote: AYE - All

County Legislator Scott Baker was present. Scott sent a letter to Richard Hanna regarding the bridge on Chestnut Street. Mr. Hanna responded that he has instigated an investigation into this matter. Scott will send him the pictures of the bridges. Scott talked to Town Supervisor Carolyn Price, as they are the ones responsible for the repair of the bridge. The town is not in a position to repair the bridge or to bond for it. Scott is going to reach out to the State to ask for help with this, as they are the ones that have put a stronghold on the municipalities to be able to repair this. Scott suggested that the village send a request to the county legislature requesting them to take over Chestnut Street. He stated it's unusual for a village street to bridge between two county roads. He believes that it's the only one in the county in that situation. Mayor Ron told Scott he is still working on the sex offender law and is waiting for the attorney to hear back from a ruling that is to be made within the next month. Scott feels we need to get Bob Bankie involved, a Senior District Attorney. He feels Bob would be able to understand what the village needs, where Gerry Mollen deals with more of violence actions.

Code Enforcement Report, Gary Post present - A report was presented. 1) Gary worked on the end of year report for the county. 2) He met with Ron, Beth Westfall and Bob

McKirtich regarding an issue on Locust Street and regarding parking zones. Our parking laws for a commercial business is out-of-wack. We need to adjust that. Gary presented the board with a sample resolution. 3) We need to have a law for signage.

Motion: to have Bob prepare a draft for codification for sign permits and fees.

By: Ronald G. Harting
2nd: Thomas M. Skinner
Vote: AYE - All

4) We had a Planning and ZBA meeting on the 22nd of January in regard to the new redemption center at 23 Main Street. It will be moving forward. 5) Spoke with the engineer regarding the property at 181 & 185 Main Street.

Streets Report, David Decker present - 1) Our salt usage has been a little above average due to all the small storms. We have met 70% of our requirements for the season. 2) A resident on Park Street called the office to complain about plowing in front of their house. David went up to speak with them. 3) David would like to purchase a plow wing for the dump truck. It would save man hours, fuel and wear & tear. We would both plow in one truck and be able to plow and salt at the same time instead of waiting till we're both done plowing. For safety reasons, it would be better because of all the blind spots in the truck backing out in these intersections. We would have two sets of eyes looking for traffic and would also be beneficial after a storm like the last one by we could raise the wing up a little and shelf the edges back. It comes off the truck in seconds so when it's not needed, it could be off. It would cost \$6,064 installed with moving the exhaust around and putting in a box. It's electric over hydraulics, it's 4' long. He will order the plow this week.

Motion: to purchase the mid-mount wing at a cost of \$6,064 installed

By: Robert E. West
2nd: Thomas M. Skinner
Vote: AYE - All

Water Report, David Decker present - 1) The fluoride equipment will be in place this month. 2) We will be working on the December annual report, the annual CCR and the SRBC stuff. 3) We have a small leak that we're looking for. Thinking maybe possibly it may be the 1" line on Elm Street, judging by what the resident's pressure because it's still a little low. 4) Been working with the Susquehanna River Basin Commission and the Groundwater Science issues. We are paying SRBC this month. We have a bill for \$12,564.00 for SRBC. In future years, it should cost us only \$1000 a year. This is for well #2. At this point, well #1 is grandfathered in. Groundwater Services gave us a price of \$8000 to \$9500 for an aquifer test waiver and any services we may need help with while filing SRBC paperwork. They sent a contract to be signed. Mayor Ron sent this to Attorney Bob to go over.

Motion: to allow the mayor to sign the contract with Groundwater Services

By: Robert E. West
2nd: Thomas M. Skinner
Vote: AYE - All

Treasurer's Report, Patricia Harting present - A report was presented. 1) We received the 4th quarter sales tax check. We end the year on this account with approximately \$13,000 over. 2) The clerk asked the board about getting a cell phone for the village. She stated that calls to David are from her cell because if she uses the landline it takes away his minutes and they mostly text anyway, which is from her personal cell phone. David stated that he believes she should have one as all their correspondence is with her cell.

Motion: for the Village to give Patti a cell phone

By: Thomas M. Skinner

2nd: Robert E. West

Vote: AYE - All

Motion: to accept the Treasurer's Report

By: Robert E. West

2nd: Thomas M. Skinner

Vote: AYE - All

Motion: to accept the Meeting Minutes of January 6, 2015

By: Robert E. West

2nd: Thomas M. Skinner

Vote: AYE - All

Resolution #3-2015

**RESOLUTION NO.3-2015
RE-LEVY OF UNPAID WATER**

WHEREAS, the 2014/2015 Village of Windsor water bills have not been paid in full, and

WHEREAS, the balance is to be re-levies on the 2015/2016 Village Tax Roll; and

WHEREAS, the attached is a complete list of the properties with unpaid 2015/2015 Village water bills totaling \$13,662.69;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the above detailed amount be sent to Broome County Department of Finance for re-levy as stated.

Motioned by: Robert E. West

Seconded by: Thomas M. Skinner

Vote: AYE - Mayor Ronald G. Harting

AYE - Trustee Thomas M. Skinner

AYE - Trustee Robert E. West

Resolution effective February 3, 2015

Resolution #4-2015

RESOLUTION NO.4-2015

WHEREAS, the Village workers were instructed to mow residents lawn's after proper notification to owners; and

WHEREAS, Village Local Law #1-2004 of the Code of the Village of Windsor, Chapter §197-3 states that such amount be charged to the owner and if not paid, a \$25.00 re-levy fee shall be added and such amount levied on to the following year Village taxes; and

WHEREAS, the attached is a complete list of the charges unpaid to be levied to the 2015/2016 Village taxes totaling \$694.47;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the above detailed amount be sent to Broome County Department of Finance for re-levy as stated.

Motioned by: Robert E. West

Seconded by: Thomas M. Skinner
Vote: AYE - Mayor Ronald G. Harting
 AYE - Trustee Thomas M. Skinner
 AYE - Trustee Robert E. West
Resolution effective February 3, 2015

Reports of Committees: No committee reports.

Mayor's Report - 1) The State gave a contact person for the Kayak/Canoe launch. Mayor Ron spoke with Gary Johnson about obtaining the property that we need to finish the launch. Gary was concerned about people parking on their property and what their liability is. Gary will talk to his brother Tom about this and get back to the mayor.

Motion: to have a Public Hearing for the Adams Cable Franchise on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 7:05 p.m.

By: Ronald G. Harting
2nd: Robert E. West
Vote: AYE - All

Motion: to go into Executive Session at 9:22 p.m. to discuss a legal matter

By: Ronald G. Harting
2nd: Robert E. West
Vote: AYE - All

Motion: to return from Executive Session 9:30 p.m.

By: Ronald G. Harting
2nd: Thomas M. Skinner
Vote: AYE - All

Motion: to pay bills as authorized by vouchers signed by board members

By: Robert E. West
2nd: Thomas M. Skinner
Vote: AYE - All

Motion: to adjourn at 9:40 p.m.

By: Ronald G. Harting
2nd: Robert E. West
Vote: AYE - All

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia L. Harting, Village Clerk / Treasurer