

**Minutes  
Village of Orchard Park  
Board of Trustees**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Orchard Park was held on Wednesday, November 13, 2013 in the Municipal Center, 4295 South Buffalo Street, Orchard Park, New York. Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Members present:**

Mayor John B. Wilson  
Trustee Francis T. Hogenkamp  
Trustee David A. Rood  
Trustee Jo Ann Litwin

**Others present:**

Dir. Of Public Works Andrew J. Slotman  
Attorney Philip Marshall  
Clerk-Treasurer Mary Beth Jensen  
Building Inspector Jeffrey Sweet

**Members excused:**

Trustee Joseph R. Wales

Mayor Wilson made the following announcement:

“Fire exits are located at the rear in the Board Room and at the doorway to the lobby. In the event of a fire, you will be notified by announcement on the public address system. If notified, please move in a calm and orderly fashion to the nearest exit.”

Mayor Wilson recognized Catherine Colmerauer who will be covering Village Board meetings for the Bee Newspaper.

Moved by Trustee Rood, seconded by Trustee Hogenkamp that the minutes of October 28, 2013 be approved as received.

On the question:           4 voting “Aye”   0 voting “Nay”   Carried

Moved by Trustee Rood, seconded by Trustee Litwin that the vouchers numbering 10932 to 10953 in Abstract #10 of 2013-2014 in the amount of \$43,989.97 be paid as presented.

On the question:           4 voting “Aye”   0 voting “Nay”   Carried

Comments from the floor of items not on the agenda.

Mayor Wilson recognized the students in the audience.

**Reports:**

Moved by Trustee Rood, seconded by Trustee Hogenkamp that the reports of the Village Justice, Acting Village Justice, Water Department and Treasurer for the month of October 2013 be received and filed.

On the question:           4 voting “Aye”   0 voting “Nay”   Carried

▪ **Building Inspector Sweet reported:**

- the roof assembly is going on the Don Tequilla building and the windows have been ordered for the front of the building.
- interior drawings have been submitted for Spot Coffee.
- the new building structure on Bank St is complete and the floor is scheduled to be poured next week.

- **Director of Public Works Slotman reported:**
  - the DPW is still collecting leaves
  - first snowplowing went well
  - working with the Chamber and Town on the holiday wreaths
  - if a resident notices a street light outage, please contact the Village Clerk or report it directly on the NYSEG website.
  - regarding the cistern grant - installations will begin in December, but will not be functional until spring.
- **Trustee Rood had nothing to report.**
- **Trustee Hogenkamp reported**
  - Holiday in the Park plans are moving along.
  - the flower baskets are watered in the summer even when it rains because they are fertilized when watered.
- **Trustee Litwin had nothing to report.**
- **Attorney Marshall had nothing to report.**
- **Clerk-Treasurer Jensen had nothing to report.**
- **Mayor Wilson reported**
  - he has been invited by NYCOM to be a legislative representative, so he will be traveling to Albany on Sunday. Topics are discussed and evaluated to formulate the agenda that will then be discussed in February. Among the topics he plans to suggest are pension reform and the Triborough Amendment.
  - after a recent Healthcare Workshop, Mayor Wilson had lunch with the Executive Director and Deputy Director of NYCOM. They were impressed with how the Village is developing; Mayor Wilson explained that the Village works with businesses during all stages of the process.

Moved by Trustee Rood, seconded by Trustee Litwin that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, Mary Beth Jensen, Village Clerk-Treasurer of the Village of Orchard Park, Inc. has delivered to the Board of Trustees an account of the 2013 Village taxes remaining unpaid and said account shows the description of each parcel of real property upon which taxes remain unpaid, person or persons in whose name property is assessed and the amount of unpaid tax, and

WHEREAS, said Village Clerk-Treasurer having made an oath before the officer authorized to administer oaths, and the taxes mentioned in such account therein remain unpaid and that after diligent efforts she has been unable to collect the same

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 1436 of the Real Property Tax Law, said Mary Beth Jensen, as Village Clerk-Treasurer of the Village of Orchard Park, Inc. be credited with the amount of \$5,572.53 the amount of the unpaid 2013 Village taxes.

On the question: 4 voting "Aye" 0 voting "Nay" Carried

Moved by Trustee Litwin, seconded by Trustee Hogenkamp that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, there remains unpaid Village taxes on certain Village properties, and

WHEREAS, these unpaid taxes have been compared to the original tax roll and are correct, and

**WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Orchard Park, Inc. has entered into an agreement with the County of Erie to collect the unpaid Village taxes,**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk Treasurer, Mary Beth Jensen, be instructed to turn over the unpaid 2013 Village taxes in the amount of \$5,572.53 to the County of Erie for collection.**

**On the question: 4 voting "Aye" 0 voting "Nay" Carried**

**Moved by Trustee Hogenkamp, seconded by Trustee Rood to authorize Mayor Wilson to sign, submit and execute a contract with Erie County Community Development Block Grant (ECCDBG) program for the following project upon approval of ECCDBG:**

**1. Rural Transit Service, Inc.**

**On the question: 4 voting "Aye" 0 voting "Nay" Carried**

**Police Chief Mark Pacholec stopped in. He commented that the department is supportive of the New Year's Eve event and the open container law will not apply.**

**The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 25, 2013.**

**Moved by Trustee Rood, seconded by Trustee Hogenkamp to adjourn at 7:30 PM.**

**On the question: 4 voting "Aye" 0 voting "Nay" Carried**

**Respectfully submitted**

**Mary Beth Jensen  
Village Clerk-Treasurer**