

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 Monday, December 10, 2012 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 Joseph R. Wales
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

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.”

Moved by Trustee Hogenkamp, seconded by Trustee Wales that the minutes of November 26, 2012 be approved as received.

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

Moved by Mayor Wilson, seconded by Trustee Wales that the vouchers numbering 10272 to 10307 in Abstract #10 of 2012-2013 in the amount of \$153,099.96 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 welcomed a group of students in attendance.

Assemblyman Michael Kearns said a few words to the audience regarding the role of local Government and his responsibilities as an Assemblyman.

Howard Rost, (300 South Lincoln Avenue) questioned what impact the potential “fiscal cliff” will have on the Village and what is the Village doing in anticipation of it. He concluded by wishing everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Mayor Wilson responded by saying that the Village doesn’t know what to prepare for, but it might be a consideration in the upcoming budget discussions.

Reports:

Moved by Mayor Wilson, seconded by Trustee Wales that the reports of the Village Justice, Acting Village Justice, Water Department and Treasurer for the month of November 2012 be received and filed.

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

- Building Inspector Sweet reported
 - that two young families recently moved into the Village and are gutting and remodeling their homes.

- Verizon is currently installing an antenna on the water tower.
- Director of Public Works Slotman reported
 - the DPW will probably pick up leaves for another week.
 - two fire hydrants have been replaced.
 - two safety trainings are scheduled for January through ECC.
 - a technician is coming to help detect water leaks from NY Rural Water Systems.
 - SouthTowns Hazmat was called to assist with a small amount of gasoline that was reported in a storm drain.
 - reminded residents to keep their snow out of the public right of way – including streets and sidewalks.
- Trustee Wales reported on Village Events and Celebrations.
 - Holiday in the Park was a wonderful success. Santa’s helper handed out 432 treats and estimated she could have used 30 more. He thanked the sponsors of the event.
 - the NYE Celebration is being planned. Five restaurants are involved, each planning activities for the night; and there will be a “double orb” drop.
- Trustee Hogenkamp took the opportunity to speak to the students, reflecting on his childhood after the great depression. He reassured them that even during a fiscal crisis, life lessons can be learned and living with less does not have to be a despondent thing.
- Trustee Litwin had nothing to report.
- Attorney Marshall had nothing to report
- Clerk-Treasurer Jensen had nothing to report.
- Mayor Wilson
 - reported one of the reasons the Village is actively looking for water leaks is in response to last year’s audit, trying to reduce our line loss.
 - congratulated Trustee Wales and the rest of the HIP committee on a job well done.
 - wished everyone the best during the Holiday Season.

Moved by Trustee Litwin, seconded by Trustee Hogenkamp that Clerk-Treasurer Jensen be authorized to pay all vouchers submitted prior to the end of the month, after review by Deputy Mayor Rood or Mayor Wilson.

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

Moved by Trustee Wales, seconded by Trustee Hogenkamp to give permission to Eclipse Multisport to have their 50 yard finish half marathon to run through the Village on Buffalo Street from the northern Village line to the southern Village line on June 29, 2013. The police have been notified. Permission contingent on receipt of insurance certificates.

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

The next regular meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2013.

Moved by Trustee Wales, seconded by Trustee Hogenkamp to adjourn at 7:33pm.

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

Respectfully submitted
 Mary Beth Jensen
 Village Clerk-Treasurer