

Village of Ilion
Village Board Regular Meeting
November 18, 2015

Mayor Leonard called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Village of Ilion Municipal Building Board Room.

Present: Mayor Terry Leonard, Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore, Trustee Fred Hartmann, Trustee Bridget McKinley, Trustee Kalman Socolof

Also Present: Village Treasurer Connie Gagliardi, Fire Chief James Trevett, ACO Melissa Bennett, Village Clerk Cindy Kennedy

Public: 19

Pledge: Pledge was said by all present.

Request for Appearance/Public Comment:

- Ilion Community Codes Committee: Tom Goldin spoke on behalf of the ICCC. Mr. Goldin summarized the reason the ICCC was formed and presented the Village Board with the first 5 recommendations that their committee came up with to help make a difference in the process of understanding and enforcing codes throughout the Village. The Village Board is in search of a Property Maintenance Officer to assist with Codes tasks and is working with the Fire Union on the hire of this position. The Village Board members also recognize that, legally, it is sometimes difficult to pursue property owners for all codes issues and that there are many rental properties in the Village of Ilion. The next ICCC meeting is Monday, December 7, 2015.

Personnel:

- Due to the upcoming retirement of Village Treasurer Connie Gagliardi, the Village Board conducted two internal interviews for the open position, based on the qualifications set forth for the Civil Service position. A motion to hire MariJo Thompson to the position of Village Treasurer, effective January 9, 2016, was made by Trustee Hartmann and seconded by Deputy Mayor Moore.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	Aye	Nay	Absent	X Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	Aye	Nay	Absent	X Abstain
Vote Total:	3 Aye	0 Nay	0 Absent	2 Abstain

- The Village Board has received notification that David Pettengill, Village of Ilion DPW worker, will retire effective November 30, 2015.

Department Reports

LIBRARY: No report at this time

FIRE/CODES: Reports accepted as submitted

- A short discussion took place on items in the monthly report.
- A discussion took place on out-of-area landlords and multiple dwellings.
- A discussion took place on unlicensed cars on residential property.
- A company has contacted the Village for the purpose of selling fireworks. More information is needed if they wish to use Village property, due to the upkeep in the winter months.
- The city of Utica used the Ilion Marina for training purposes and will conduct more training in the Village of Ilion, using Ilion firefighters as standby members. This extra duty will be billed and reimbursed for the overtime costs.

POLICE: Report accepted as submitted

- A discussion took place on items listed in the monthly report.

ACO: Report accepted as submitted

- A discussion took place on items listed in the monthly report.

DPW: Report accepted as submitted

- DPW Supervisor Sterling would like to close Russell Park's lower access road for the winter season. After a brief discussion, the Village Board consensus is to close the road on December 1, 2015.
- DPW Supervisor Sterling submitted a list of excess DPW equipment he would like to place on an auction website. A motion to place the excess, unneeded equipment on an auction website was made by Trustee Socolof and seconded by Deputy Mayor Moore.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain

Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Vote Total:	5 Aye	0 Nay	0 Absent	0 Abstain

- DPW Supervisor Sterling would like to extend the green waste pickup season. This move needs to be negotiated in the Spohn's contract. A motion to have one last green waste pickup at the Village of Ilion's expense by Ilion DPW workers on Friday, November 20, 2015 was made by Trustee Socolof and seconded by Deputy Mayor Moore.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Vote Total:	5 Aye	0 Nay	0 Absent	0 Abstain

- The Village of Ilion's leaf vactor machine has been broken for the 2015 leaf collection season. DPW Supervisor Sterling was able to borrow the Village of Hamilton's machine to use. A motion to purchase the Village of Hamilton's leaf vactor machine at a cost of \$4,000, to be paid from the DPW equipment replacement fund, was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee McKinley.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Vote Total:	5 Aye	0 Nay	0 Absent	0 Abstain

- Two DPW workers will end their probationary periods in the month of December. Andrew Wood will end his on December 11, 2015 and Gary Norman will end his on December 15, 2015. A motion to accept Andrew Wood and Gary Norman as full-time DPW employees on their respective probation end dates was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee Hartmann.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Vote Total:	5 Aye	0 Nay	0 Absent	0 Abstain

- A temporary snow plow operator, Donald Weaver II, was hired for the 2015-16 snow plow season.
- DPW Supervisor Sterling will wait to fill the position vacated by David Pettengill's retirement until the end of the plowing season.

TREASURER:

- Abstracts: A motion to approve the abstracts as submitted for the November, 2015 was made by Trustee McKinley and seconded by Trustee Hartmann.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent		Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	Aye	Nay	Absent	X	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent		Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent		Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent		Abstain
Vote Total:	4 Aye	0 Nay	0 Absent		1 Abstain

Village General \$734,887.58

Electric \$202,806.45

Water \$104,452.85

Capital Water Project \$0 Paving \$0

Library \$19,008.23

Small Cities \$77,003.16

M&T One Card (ACH) \$321.21

- Unpaid Taxes Affidavit: A motion to approve the submission of the unpaid taxes affidavit by Village Treasurer Gagliardi to Herkimer County in the amount of \$352,793.72 was made by Trustee Socolof and seconded by Trustee Hartmann.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent		Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent		Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent		Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent		Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent		Abstain
Vote Total:	5 Aye	0 Nay	0 Absent		0 Abstain

- FEMA Reimbursement: During the floods of 2013, FEMA required a 25% Village match to funds needed for clean up. FEMA offered that 25% back upon completion of

the required paperwork. Ilion has received their portion in the amount of \$67,518.26.

WATER: Reports accepted as submitted

- A brief discussion took place on items in the monthly reports. Brian Lamica, Municipal Utilities Board (MUB) Commissioner, stated that the MUB Board wishes to have the Water and Electric Departments' monthly reports submitted to them in order to assist the Village.
- PRV Update: The manhole/pressure release valve to assist with the well water entering the Village water system has been ordered. Village Attorney Rose will draft a letter to the private property owner where the valve will be located stating that his driveway will be repaired at the end of the placement of the manhole cover/prv.
- Water Rate Increase Discussion: A Public Hearing on the proposed increase was held on Monday, November 16, 2015. A motion to approve a 14% water rate increase, effective December 1, 2016 (for the period of water usage that starts with December, January, and February,) with notification of the new increase to customers in the December billing was made by Trustee Socolof and seconded by Deputy Mayor Moore.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Vote Total:	5 Aye	0 Nay	0 Absent	0 Abstain

LIGHTS: no report submitted

- The Holiday banners have been hung around town.
- The Smart Meter installation is continuing around the Village.
- The Light Department continues the preparation for the West Main Street Bridge reconstruction.
- There are 3 trees that need to be taken down due to hazards with power lines. The removal is taking place in tandem with the Ilion DPW department.

COURT: Report accepted as submitted

- Annual Audit: The Court Audit has been completed. Deputy Mayor Moore and Trustee McKinley will review the Audit results with Judge Canipe.

VILLAGE CLERK:

- A motion to accept the Village Board Meeting Minutes of 10.28.2015 was made by Trustee Socolof and seconded by Deputy Mayor Moore.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Vote Total:	5 Aye	0 Nay	0 Absent	0 Abstain

- A motion to accept the ECode 360 Vendor Presentation Meeting Minutes of 10.22.2015 as amended was made by Trustee Socolof and seconded by Trustee Hartmann.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Vote Total:	5 Aye	0 Nay	0 Absent	0 Abstain

- A motion to approve the amended Village Board meeting Minutes dated 10.21.2015 was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee McKinley.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Vote Total:	5 Aye	0 Nay	0 Absent	0 Abstain

- Resolution #2015-34: A motion to approve Resolution #2015-34: Resolution of Easement Allowing Verizon Access to Village of Ilion Property near the West Main Street Bridge was made by Trustee Socolof and seconded by Trustee McKinley.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Vote Total:	5 Aye	0 Nay	0 Absent	0 Abstain

OLD BUSINESS:

- Duofold Site Update: The Barton and Loguidice Company strongly encouraged the Village of Ilion to file the Brownfields application with the EPA that will allow the DEC to come in and evaluate the site for further contamination.
- A discussion continued on funding sources and the maintenance of the Duofold

site. Fire Chief Trevett also noted that there is an interested party in the wood flooring and beams associated with the Duofold site. Discussion took place on what would be involved in the demolition of the 12 acre site. A motion to file the application with the EPA was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee Socolof.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Vote Total:	5 Aye	0 Nay	0 Absent	0 Abstain

- National Grid East Street Project Update: The project on East Street is nearly completed and the Village Board has been invited to a tour of the site on Thursday, November 19, 2015.
- Information Technology Update: Two companies have come in to evaluate what is in place and would like to put together proposals for the Village IT needs. It is necessary to have a two-part plan that includes a component to update all equipment and a component that includes continued maintenance and monitoring of equipment. One company will travel to Ilion on December 1, 2015 for a complete tour of all facilities.
- NYMER Update: Bill VanGorder will submit information to the Village Board by December 1, 2015 that will assist in preparing an RFP for the Village's insurance needs.

NEW BUSINESS:

- NYCOM Legislative Session update: 10.16.2015- Mayor Leonard and Trustee McKinley: The new NYCOM President and staff members are willing to come to the Mohawk Valley to meet with Assembly members, Senators and local leaders with the goal of establishing legislative priorities. Discussion followed on tax caps and budgets for municipalities.
- Upcoming Calendar Review: The next Village Board meeting will take place Wednesday, December 16, 2015.
- Christmas in Ilion: A published list of Christmas in Ilion events will be distributed. Events begin on Monday, December 7, 2015.
- A public meeting on drug awareness will take place on December 1, 2015 at 7:00 pm at Central Valley Academy.
- United Way Campaign: Opportunities for contributions to the United Way through

Village payroll pamphlets have been distributed inside payroll envelopes.

- Parking in the Mall area: Discussion took place regarding parking in and around the Ilion mall area due to expansion with the medical center and the HARC workshop. The traffic commission will be invited to become involved.
- Young's Ace Hardware will have an official ribbon-cutting ceremony on November 23, 2015 at noon.
- Trustee Socolof led a discussion on Union Dues that the United States Supreme Court will rule on in the Spring of 2016.
- Boy Scout Troop 9 Request: Per a request from Boy Scout Troop 9, a motion to allow Boy Scout Troop 9 of Ilion to sell Christmas trees in the Dollar General/GPO parking lot for 3 consecutive weekends was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee Hartmann.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Vote Total:	5 Aye	0 Nay	0 Absent	0 Abstain

A motion to enter Executive Session at 8:20 PM in order to discuss a personnel issue was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee Socolof.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Vote Total:	5 Aye	0 Nay	0 Absent	0 Abstain

Adjournment: 8:20 PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No actions were taken.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy A. Kennedy
Village Clerk