

**Village of Ilion Village
Regular Meeting
March 09, 2016**

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, Trustee Fred Hartmann, Trustee Bridget McKinley, Trustee Kalman Socolof

Excused: Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore

Also Present: Village Treasurer MariJo Thompson, Police Chief Timothy Parisi, Fire Chief James Trevett, Village Attorney Mark Rose, ACO Melissa Bennett, Village Clerk Cindy Kennedy

Public: 9

Pledge: The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

Request for Appearance/Public Comment:

Ed View- Proposed Dog Park: Mr. View presented literature to the Village Board regarding a proposed dog park to be built in the recently modified/cleaned site on East Street and East State Street currently owned by National Grid. Mr. View stated that dog parks create revenue for the Municipality. There are dog parks in Rome and New Hartford and he encouraged the Village Board to visit those parks to understand how they are managed. The "Friends of Russell Park" committee will also hold a meeting on March 30, 2016 and report back to the Village Board on findings of maintaining a dog park in Russell Park. The Village Board will table a decision until they review the materials presented.

Bill Rabbia- Oneida/Herkimer Solid Waste Authority:

- Mr. Rabbia reviewed the financial account that the Village of Ilion has with the Solid Waste Authority.
- In 2015, the Village of Ilion had a net income of \$15,778 and a net surplus of \$42, 754.
- The Solid Waste Authority bids for the collection contract on a 3 year cycle with two 1 year renewals. 2016 is the first year on the 1 year renewal cycle.
- The last time the Village Board increased the rates for the bags and garbage cart/toters was April 1, 2008.
- The residents of the Village of Ilion maintain a 34% recycling rate, which is above the national average.
- The contract that begins on April 1, 2016 will allow for a recycling cart/toter for every Village residence that currently has a garbage cart/toter. At the present time, that includes 732 out of 3,300 residences. Instructions on using the recycling carts will be disseminated to those customers who will receive them.
- Shredded paper should be put in clear plastic bags and placed with other recyclables.

Personnel: Marina Hiring Process: Marina Dockmaster Don Sterling met with Mayor Leonard

and the Village will begin the Marina dockhand hiring process, in preparation for a May 1, 2016 start date.

A motion allowing Mayor Leonard to sign the agreement between NYS and the Village of Ilion regarding the terms of retail sales on the Canal System was made by Trustee Hartmann 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		Aye	Nay	X 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:		4 Aye	0 Nay	1 Absent	0 Abstain

Zoning Board of Appeals Appointment: A motion to appoint Jim Conover as a ZBA Commission member 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		Aye	Nay	X 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:		4 Aye	0 Nay	1 Absent	0 Abstain

Department Reports

LIBRARY: Report accepted as submitted

FIRE/CODES: Reports accepted as submitted

Mayor’s Comments: Mayor Leonard has received numerous phone calls regarding blowing garbage and recyclables on windy nights. He issued a reminder to all residents that large items are to be brought out on the night before the scheduled collection day, and no sooner than that. Garbage and recyclables should be place in a tightly sealed container. Tickets will be issued to those not adhering to the rules.

POLICE: Report accepted as submitted

An increase in calls to the Central Valley Schools has been noted. A discussion followed regarding school safety and the use of a resource officer.

Firing Range Agreement: A motion allowing Chief Parisi to sign the firing range agreement 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	X 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:	4	Aye	0	Nay	1 Absent
					0 Abstain

Volcano Run- CVA: Chief Parisi and the school have collaborated on CVA's Volcano Run that will take place on Sunday, May 15, 2016.

Chief Parisi presented the bid for a new Police Department Chevrolet Tahoe. The bid price is \$36,227 and lighting would be an additional \$7,000 for a total of approximately \$45,000. The department would take delivery after June 1st, therefore the first payment would be in the 2017-2018 budget. The Village Board will place the purchase discussion on the agenda for the March 23, 2016 Village Board meeting.

ACO: Acceptance of the monthly report will be postponed until the March 23, 2016 meeting due to difficulties viewing the current report.

VILLAGE CLERK: A motion to accept the Village Board meeting minutes of February 24, 2016 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		Aye	Nay	X 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:	4	Aye	0	Nay	1 Absent
					0 Abstain

Resolution # 2016-01: A motion to approve Resolution#2016-01: Designating Mayor Terry Leonard as the accredited delegate of the Village of Ilion at the Semi- Annual meeting of the MEUA 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		Aye	Nay	X 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:	4	Aye	0	Nay	1 Absent
					0 Abstain

A motion as set forth to enact Local Law #2016-01 to waive the tax cap levy for the Village of Ilion's 2016-17 budget 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		Aye	Nay	X 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:	4	Aye	0	Nay	1 Absent
					0 Abstain

Raffle Consent Form: CABVI has submitted a raffle consent form to sell raffle tickets in the Village of Ilion. A consensus of the Village Board will be postponed until further information from CABVI is obtained.

Old Business:

Route 51 Bridge Update: The Village Board consensus is to allow Mayor Leonard to sign a letter drafted by Jessica Breiten addressed to State officials in regards to the replacement of the Route 51 Bridge.

Spohn’s Contract: A meeting with DPW Supervisor Jack Sterling, Mayor Leonard and Mike Spohn will take place next Wednesday regarding the contract and the Option year 1. The projected cost will be \$310,000 and will include the recyclable totes to current garbage cart/ toter customers and may possibly extend the green waste pickup weeks. The Village Board consensus was given to continue with the Option year 1 contract.

Kayak Business Update: The owner has had a discussion with Mayor Leonard. The business has insurance and the owner will be invited to come to a Village Board meeting to give further explanation.

Genesis Group/Shared Services Update: A motion allowing Mayor Leonard to express interest in MOU’s and shared services on bulk purchases 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		Aye	Nay	X 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:		4 Aye	0 Nay	1 Absent	0 Abstain

Bottled Water Discussion: Bottled water services will continue at the Municipal Building and one cooler will be maintained. A motion to replace one water cooler in the Municipal Building at a cost of \$169.95 was made by Trustee Hartmann 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		Aye	Nay	X 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:		4 Aye	0 Nay	1 Absent	0 Abstain

German Flatts Water Contract: Mayor Leonard has the water contract between the Village of Ilion and the Town of German Flatts. The Village wishes to reopen negotiations yearly at the Village’s discretion. Further discussion took place on items in the contract.

Barringer Road Streetlights: Light Department Supervisor Paul Greenfield will contact Town of German Flatts Supervisor Frank Spatto regarding the proposed streetlights on Barringer

Road. The Village Board consensus is to wait until they hear from Supervisor Spatto and the Town of German Flatts Board before installation begins.

DPW: Street Paving: A proposed street paving list has been submitted and will be based on the estimate DPW Supervisor Sterling receives on estimated costs associated with materials. Also, Ilion mall parking projects were discussed. A handicapped parking ramp on the Post Office side of the health center will be made at a cost of \$800, On the Dollar General side, state regulated handicapped spaces, curbing, and ramps are projected to cost \$5,000 and will come from the DPW budget. The Village will request a small donation from the medical center related to these projects. Approval of the projects will take place at the March 23, 2016 Village Board meeting.

Water Rate Increase Update: The Village offices received several calls regarding higher water bills. Two factors were involved in the increase. The Village Board-approved 14% increase and a one week delay in water bill readings have caused the higher bills to customers.

Otsego Street Stairs Update: A second company- Lupini Construction- will provide a proposal on stair repair.

Insurance RFP: NYMIR has presented their insurance RFP for policies and liabilities. It will be sent to one local company. Four to five companies are being researched. It is recommended that all proposals be submitted by April 16, 2016.

Information Technology Update: Work has been proceeding throughout the Municipal Building.

New Business: Notice of Defect: The Village of Ilion has received a Notice of Defect regarding the stairs on First Avenue. DPW Supervisor Sterling has reviewed the staircase and feels that they can be taken care of through removal or placement of barriers.

Upcoming Meetings: Herkimer County Town Supervisors Meeting: March 24, 2016

Department Heads/Safety Trainings: April 21, 2016

NYCOM Annual Meeting: May 1-3, 2016

Legislative Breakfast: March 18, 2016

Budget Workshop: Sunday, March 13, 2016

A motion to move to Executive Session at 7:56 P.M. to discuss contract negotiations 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		Aye	Nay	X 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:		4 Aye	0 Nay	1 Absent	0 Abstain

Adjournment: 7:56 P.M.

**Village of Ilion
Executive Session
March 9, 2016**

Board Meeting Executive Session at 8:03pm

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

Village Attorney Mark Rose

Absent: Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore

A motion at 8:28 to exit Executive Session was made by Trustee Hartmann 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		Aye	Nay	X 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:		4 Aye	0 Nay	1 Absent	0 Abstain

Actions:

A motion was made by Trustee Socolof and seconded by Trustee Hartmann to approve a new three-year contract covering 2016 – 2018, with Village Treasurer, MariJo Thompson.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore		Aye	Nay	X 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:		4 Aye	0 Nay	1 Absent	0 Abstain

A motion was made by Trustee Socolof and seconded by Trustee McKinley to approve a new, three-year, Teamsters Union contract covering the Department of Public Works.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore		Aye	Nay	X 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:		4 Aye	0 Nay	1 Absent	0 Abstain

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm was made by Trustee Fred Hartmann 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		Aye	Nay	X 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:		4 Aye	0 Nay	1 Absent	0 Abstain

Respectfully Submitted:
Mayor Terry A. Leonard

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy A. Kennedy
Village Clerk