

**Village of Camillus  
Regular Meeting  
October 19, 2015**

Present: Mayor Patricia Butler  
Trustee Ann Eckert  
Trustee Helen Kiggins Walsh  
Trustee Martin Rinaldo  
Trustee Richard Waterman

Attorney: Robert J. Allan  
  
  
  
4 people in attendance

Mayor Butler opened the meeting at 6:00 pm with the “Pledge of Allegiance”.

Mayor Butler announced that the Camillus Fire Department will have a Halloween Contest and Party on October 24 at 6:30.

Camillus Fire Department Safety Officer Robert Binns passed away on October 9, 2015. The Mottville and Camillus Department members gave him a very respectful send-off.

There are planned fire drills in November for Connelly Acres and at Applewood Manor.

OSHA classes have been scheduled for members on October 26, 2015 and October 28, 2015.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS**

Mayor Butler asked the Board if there were any questions regarding payment of the vouchers. None were asked.

Upon the motion of Trustee Walsh and seconded by Trustee Eckert and unanimously approved by the Board, Abstract #20 was approved as follows:

General Fund	\$29,126.80
Sewer Rent Fund	\$ 710.02

**Mayor’s Announcements**

The next meeting is scheduled on November 2, 2015. This will be a short meeting for vouchers and any important matters in order to allow time set up for the next day’s election. Election Day is November 3, 2015.

Board members that are running are Patricia Butler for Mayor, Ann Eckert and Dick Waterman for Trustees.

A budget workshop is planned for November 14, 2015 at 9 a.m. A Public Hearing for the Budget is planned for November 16, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

**Clerk/Treasurer Report**

Reimbursements are all finished for funds from the CHIPS and Save the Rain grants.

**Trustee Reports**

Trustee Eckert stated streetlights were fixed on South and Mechanic Streets. The Camillus Chief's vehicle (Car1) was seen at the DIRT week events at the Fairgrounds recently as well as Brewerton Speedway. Mayor Butler stated she was not aware of the vehicle being driven to these events and will look into it. This vehicle is to be used for firematic or work related matters only.

Trustee Walsh asked the status of the Camillus Fire Departments Chiefs. Mayor Butler stated Chief Jim McBride and Deputy Chief Sam Maxsween are still Car 1 and Car 2, respectively. Chief Maxsween will be on a leave of absence for medical reasons. Captain Brian Raichlin is Acting Car 4 for the department. Captain Raichlin as well as other officers and members will be using a Chief vehicle (Car 2) for emergency calls and classes. Douglas Groesbeck has resigned from the Camillus Fire Department.

Trustee Waterman has asked Tony Ross to assess all Village sidewalks. This estimate is very large and he will pursue a grant to help pay for continued repairs and replacement.

Trustee Waterman will seek out the demolition company to ask if the sidewalks will be repaired near the Verizon building now that it is being demolished.

Attorney Allan stated a letter will be sent to Solvay Bank to have them repair the apron near the exit of the bank.

Attorney Allan stated contact should be made with the demolition company to make them aware that the sidewalks out front should not be completely removed.

Trustee Waterman asked about a memorabilia room in the Village of Camillus upstairs office. This floor is not handicapped accessible and poses an issue. Trustee Waterman suggested searching for a grant if the Board wishes to in order to install an elevator. Trustee Eckert suggested asking Tom Blair for a small room in his planned construction at the former Camillus Cutlery property.

A large tree is on Onondaga County property on the proposed towpath behind Village Hall. This needs to be removed to proceed with the walking path. Dr. Beebe is moving forward and installing a gate.

The Clerk stated the Syracuse Water Department sometimes goes down this path to check on an underground pump.

Trustee Waterman attended a Stormwater Coalition meeting that was very informational. All municipality outfalls will be tested for water quality. A new FEMA flood insurance map will be released in 2016.

Trustee Waterman asked Attorney Allan about commercial garbage fees. Natalia from the Green Gate originally opted out of this service and now would like the Village to pick up the trash from the restaurant. The Board agreed to revisit the garbage fee issues such as unequal amounts of trash picked up and different times of operation. Attorney Allan stated a standard shall be agreed upon to make this fee fair.

Trustee Waterman stated he is collecting historic items and will be storing these items in the upstairs office.

The Clerk stated the Village's Law Book will be officially ready by the end of the month.

Mayor Butler advised that on Friday, October 23, 2015 is a planned railroad repair and road closure until October 27, 2015 at Milton Avenue and Hinsdale Road. A detour will be posted on Hinsdale through Township Boulevard.

Attorney Allan stated 5 Leroy Street is in fact in foreclosure. A Rochester law firm is moving forward.

Attorney Allan stated he has a letter drafted for 48 North Street and the proposed wheel chair lift. The two parties can meet soon to address liability issues and then a Public Hearing can be scheduled to make a final decision.

### **Public Comments**

Resident Belle Brown asked about department cell phones being returned. Mayor Butler stated all department cell phones are accounted for and service has been discontinued for officers no longer in the department.

Resident William Vivencio asked about action to be taken regarding the Chief's vehicle being taken to the local races. Mayor Butler stated the Board will make a decision based on their findings.

Mayor Butler asked for Executive Session to discuss the use of fire department vehicles.

Upon the motion of Trustee Walsh and seconded by Trustee Eckert, the Board agreed to enter Executive Session at 6:50 P.M.

Upon the motion of Mayor Butler and seconded by Trustee Rinaldo, the meeting moved out of Executive Session at 7:15 P.M.

Upon the motion of Trustee Rinaldo and seconded by Trustee Walsh, the Board adjourned at 7:16 P.M.

By Christina Groesbeck  
Sharon Norcross, Village Clerk/Treasurer