

Village of Camillus
Regular Meeting
February 20, 2012

Present: Mayor Patricia J. Butler Attorney: Robert J. Allan (absent)
Trustee James Palumbo (absent)
Trustee Ann Eckert
Trustee Timothy Stapleton 9 people in attendance

Mayor Butler opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. by leading the "Pledge of Allegiance".

Camillus Fire Department

Mayor Butler recognized Fire Chief Doug Groesbeck who stated that they recently attended two structure fires, one in Elbridge and one in Warners.

Chief Groesbeck stated that he would like to purchase 20 LED Survivor flashlights. The department is in the process of replacing the original 50 LED flashlights that were purchased in 2004 and this will be the second set they are replacing. Last year they replaced 10 and now this purchase is for 20 more. He received three quotes as follows:

Dival Safety Equipment	\$79.00 each
HarRob Fire Apparatus	\$79.00 each
Jerome Fire Apparatus	\$80.70 each

The LED Survivor Flashlights are rechargeable and the chargers are in their lockers and will work with the new flashlights. They are multi-function and have a flashing light and are water proof. Trustee Stapleton stated that the batteries can cost from \$5 to \$25 per battery. Upon motion of Trustee Stapleton, seconded by Trustee Eckert and unanimously approved the Board approved the purchase of 20 LED "Survivor" flashlights from HarRob Fire Apparatus at a cost of \$1,580.

Chief Groesbeck stated he would like to purchase 5 lengths of 100 ft. 4 inch supply hose. They purchased 1,500 ft. last year. Chief Groesbeck explained when he became chief all the rigs had 4 inch hose except Enginer 5. Last year he changed Engine 5 to 4 inch hose to make every apparatus uniform. Now there is no spare hose on the rack. That is why he is asking for this hose. The bids are as follows:

Jerome Fire Apparatus	\$451 a length – they pay freight
Har Rob Fire Apparatus	\$499 a length
Dival Safety Equipment	\$465 a length

Trustee Stapleton asked what they would do with the 5 inch hose. Chief Groesbeck stated this hose is about 15 years old. Trustee Stapleton stated he will do research on this and he will see if we can donate or sell this hose.

Chief Groesbeck stated he would like to purchase 12 50 ft. lengths of 1 ¾ inch hose and the bids are as follows:

Jerome Fire Apparatus	\$154 per length
Dival Safety Equipment	\$155 per length – they pay freight
Har Rob Fire Apparatus	\$119 per length

Upon motion of Trustee Stapleton, seconded by Trustee Eckert and unanimously approved the Board approved the purchase of 12 each 50 foot length of 1 ¾ inch hose at a cost of \$1,380 from Dival Safety Equipment.

Upon motion of Trustee Eckert, seconded by Trustee Stapleton and unanimously approved the Board approved the purchase of 100 length of 4 inch supply hose from Jerome Fire Apparatus for \$2,255.

Chief Groesbeck stated that there is \$10,000 budgeted in General Firefighting that will cover these expenses.

Mayor Butler stated that President Brian Raichlin is in the process of organizing the service award meeting.

Camillus Police Department

Lt. Tim Macholl reported violations for the month of January stating there was one car accident, seven domestic disputes resulting in one domestic arrest, one traffic stop with tickets, a misdemeanor arrest for aggravated unlicensed operations of a vehicle and one harassment arrest (someone was bothering a person on the telephone).

Code Enforcement

Mayor Butler stated she has a report from the Code Enforcer who could not be here tonight.

1. Mr. Willams looked at the tree on Green Street and it is a danger to the home and the residents walking.
2. Regarding the roof over the Clerk's Office he would like to speak with Attorney Allan for advice.
3. Regarding the review of the plans for the gas station he would like to speak with Attorney Allan.
4. Regarding the vehicle notices, he has resent them. Two of the notices have been returned.
5. Regarding Camillus Cutlery, he met with TKD to allow them to view the sewer maps in the Village. They will be stopping in again to view the maps and are assisting the surveyors.

Trustee Stapleton stated that he still wanted to take a walk around with John Williams.

Mayor Butler stated that the Village has appointed Barton & Loguidice as the Village engineer to work on grants and also review the Sunoco gas station plans and other projects. She stated that Mr. Allan Yager and Ms. Shannon Walters from Barton & Loguidice are here tonight. Mr. Yager stated that Community Development has changed the formula for eligibility and unfortunately the Village of Camillus does not have any income based areas to qualify for Community Development funds.

He stated the Village can apply for Onondaga County Save the Rain Infrastructure Improvement Grant, and the application is due March 6, 2012. He brought an additional proposal for the same amount for this grant. If Barton & Loguidice can not go after the Community Development Grant the Village would have to pass a resolution to void that contract. Before the next meeting on March 5, 2012 Barton & Loguidice would like to meet with the Village to go over the grant opportunities. They will try to determine if there are any options with community Development.

Ms. Walters asked if there were any questions. Trustee Stapleton asked if Barton & Loguidice is changing grants, will you be changing the payment structure. Mr. Yager said this proposal is only for the Onondaga County Save the Rain Infrastructure Improvement Grant so the payment structure stays the same. This is a stand alone proposal and a fixed fee. There is a clause that says if both grants move forward and there are duplicate items there is a warranted scope of fee reduction.

Mayor Butler stated she received a call this week from Community Development that there was a change in the table rate structure of .5% which puts the Village of Camillus out of the criteria to be able to receive the CDBS Grant. This Board did not apply for this grant in the last five years, but just the year that the Village applies the County changes the rate structure. This was based on the 2000 census. Next year it would be based on the 2010 census.

Ms. Walters stated if you qualify for Community Development this scope of services would be reduced because there are so many duplications. This grant is more of a capital improvement streetscape type of grant. They would be looking for a percentage reduction of run off through porous pavement, tree planting, permeable pavers, etc.

Mr. Yager stated the original plan was to package the three items together. The Community Development Grant would address sanitary sewers, Save the Rain would address the streetscape items and CHIPS money would be used to resurface the roads.

Trustee Stapleton asked if they are aware of any other grants. Mr. Yager stated there are not a lot of grants out there at this time.

One of the biggest sources of funding now is the Local Government Efficiency Grant Program. This grant is based on sharing services with other municipalities around. The nice thing about this program is you can get money up front to do a planning study to assess your needs to get the best bang for the buck. You may get up to \$200,000 per municipality to implement what you determine you need for example sewers, administrative or highway. It seems they are trying to

promote active sharing not dissolution.

Mr. Yager stated Barton & Loguidice would come up with some projects. Onondaga County Sewer & Water has done a sewer study to determine the problem areas and these are the areas they would focus on. The more water you treat the more money you can get.

Trustee Stapleton brought up the EPA's new flood planes. He stated that there is a new map coming out and some communities are planning to make their own map and save the Village residents a lot of money. He asked how to go about doing this. Mr. Yager stated that Barton & Loguidice can assist the Village as to how to proceed.

Trustee Yager stated that the biggest problem is the aging sewer system. Ms. Walters stated they could come in and evaluate your needs. Mr. Yager stated he will call Mr. DeMore at Community Development.

The Board setup a workshop for Saturday, February 25, 2012 at 11:00 to meet with Barton & Loguidice.

Mr. Yager stated that you can submit your application for this round and if you don't get approved you can resubmit for the second round. The Onondaga County Water & Protection will make recommendations and the legislators will also review the applications.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Butler stated that she is extending the Public Hearing regarding Sunoco to March 5, 2012 at 6:45 p.m.. Trustee Yule, Chairman of the committee, stated that Mr. John Tal is planning to bring a set of the revised plans into the office by the end of the week. She would like to complete all the discussions so Mr. Tal does not have to continually change his plans. She would like the plans finalized so the Board can move forward. When we invite him to come with his plans, the plans will show the Board's recommended changes.

Mayor Butler stated that the agency that we use from Eastern Shores is moving to North Syracuse. Everything will remain the same and if we need to speak with our local agent he still lives in Camillus and will be working from his home in Camillus a few days a week.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Yule stated that Mr. Tal has reduced the size of the Sunoco sign as requested by her and she had a picture of the sign. He also was going to change the fencing

Trustee Yule stated that she wants to meet with Attorney Allan to have him prepare a letter for Mr. Tal with the changes that the committee wants him to consider. She would like the space between the curb cuts on Genesee Street to be a green space, the left egress as you look at the station from Genesee Street would be right turn only, reduce the hours of operation for the car wash, the reduction for the size of the sign, the fencing around the trash and the issue with the water from the car wash. Mr. John Williams stated that the First Street pump station is at its

maximum capacity. Trustee Yule stated that she needs John William's wording on the water issue. We can not move forward with the carwash without larger pipes being installed and they will have to be installed by Mr. Tal. Mr. Tal will have to meet with Attorney Allan at that time. Mayor Butler requested that when Mr. Tal meets with Attorney Allan that Trustee Yule is included. Trustee Yule stated this letter will let Mr. Tal know exactly what will be his responsibility and he can respond to the letter.

Trustee Stapleton asked about the covenant. Trustee Yule stated that the Board would have to change the covenant by resolution and we would need Attorney Allan for this change.

Trustee Stapleton stated that there was an LED portion of the sign that gave announcement. He wondered if Mr. Tal would allow the Village to make announcements on this sign.

Upon motion of Trustee Yule, seconded by Trustee Eckert and unanimously approved the Board approved the minutes of August 11, 2011 and September 29, 2011.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Yule asked if Mr. Blair has closed on the Camillus Cutlery. Mayor Butler stated that there was a lot of activity going on. There were several surveyors and engineers. Apparently some of the sewer laterals from North Street go through his parking lot and they were determining the locations. They had been reviewing the Village maps of the sewer lines and the storm sewer lines.

Trustee Eckert stated that she attended the Memorial Day Committee meeting. The next meeting will be March 8 and she is going to try to get some flags that the Village could sell for \$1. She is also selling Buy a Star, Be a Star for \$10 which will help support the parade. The Memorial Day Parade Committee will be raising money by charging a \$15 line up fee for the participants which is new this year.

Mayor Butler stated that she will be speaking with Mr. Wheelock to review the contract for the rides to go into the park for the Memorial Day Weekend and the insurance coverage. She stated that Camillus Fire Department will have a food booth. She was also going to call the Methodist Church regarding the Memorial Day Weekend. Trustee Eckert stated that there should probably be police coverage. A discussion was had as to who pays for police coverage. Trustee Yule stated there is no money in the budget for police coverage or the Memorial Day Parade.

Mr. Archie Bernardi, 204 Timber Ridge Drive, addressed the Board stating that the entrance to the Village from the east is not very impressive. He complained that A & R Auto doesn't really want to sell gas and they park cars in front of the gas pump and leaves them there. He has too many cars all over his property.

He stated that secondly, after the elections, the Town of Camillus offered to sit with the Village Board to determine if there were some tasks that could be merged, for example snow removal or trash collection to get some savings.

Mayor Butler stated that she met with Chief of Police Thomas Winn. She had contacted Supervisor Mary Ann Coogan and also Mark Pigula and has had several conversations regarding consolidated efforts. There have been bridges broken in the past five years and Mayor Butler is attempting to mend them. She is waiting for Supervision Coogan to have a face to face meeting.

Mr. Bernardi stated he is also concerned about the resolution of the trash pickup and the \$39,000 revenue it was going to generate. All the public heard is someone is working on this project. Mayor Butler stated we have new people in office and this is not a high priority. We are prioritizing our tasks. Mayor butler stated she has put trash on the list.

Mr. Bernardi stated that because Timber Ridge Drive is the last street to be built the assessments are the highest in the Village and he is afraid that his taxes will go up. Trustee Stapleton stated this Board has requested Onondaga County Comptroller Robert Antonacci to do an audit of the books of 2011. Trustee Yule, who was instrumental in preparing the budget, stated taxes did not go up this year because the Board realized that a study was needed. This is why she called Comptroller Antonacci. Mayor Butler stated that the Board is trying to tap into the services available that are no cost to the taxpayers. The Board had to bring an engineer on Board in order to apply for grants.

Mrs. Mary Popovich, owner of 47-49 Main Street addressed the Board stating she was happy to hear there is an engineer available. She is taking advantage of Community Development funds improving the façade of her buildings. Her main concern is parking. She would like to have a Comprehensive Parking Plan. She has been told the Village Garage would be torn down and this would create more parking. Trustee Stapleton questioned if parking was addressed in the Local Law for the Village Central Zoning Overlay District.

Mrs. Popovich stated she only has two commercial store fronts, but she has residential apartments over the store fronts. Trustee Yule stated there was talk of taking down one garage. Mrs. Popovich stated that would only provide 4 to 5 spaces. Trustee Yule stated that is all there are, the Village can not create parking spaces when there is no land. Mrs. Popovich stated she needs 8 to 10 parking spaces and she is trying to figure out her options. Should she try to find land to lease spaces.

Mrs. Ann Schultz, 204 Timber Ridge asked if there was any roadwork to be done this year? Trustee Yule stated the Village will probably have to have the Town Highway Supervisor evaluate the roads again.

Mayor Butler stated that Mr. Robert DeMore from Community Development made a suggestion to possibly secure grant money.

Mayor Butler stated she called Verizon Fios to remove the extra cable at LeRoy and First Streets that is coiled around the pole.

A discussion was had regarding the tree at 11 Green Street. It was determined this tree is the Village of Camillus's responsibility. Upon motion of Trustee Stapleton, seconded by Trustee Yule and unanimously approved the Board authorized the removal of a dead tree at 11 Green

Street by Treelanders for a cost of \$475.

There was a discussion regarding the proposal from Barton & Loguidice to prepare an application for the Green Infrastructure Grant. Trustee Stapleton stated that we are allowing Barton & Loguidice to change the original proposal that they presented to the Board for the CDBG Grant.

Mayor Butler stated that the Village needs to put the CDBG Grant on hold at the present time and because of the time frame we need to move on the Green Infrastructure Grant which will be \$2,000. Barton & Loguidice is still trying to see if there is a possibility to get Community Development. If this happens the cost would be reduced because both these grants are similar and a lot of the information is the same.

Upon motion of Trustee Stapleton, seconded by Trustee Yule and unanimously approved the Board rescinded the original contract from Barton & Loguidice for \$2,000 for the CDBG Grant.

Upon motion of Trustee Stapleton, seconded by Trustee Yule and unanimously approved the Board approved the proposal for the Green Infrastructure Grant for \$2,000 from Barton & Loguidice. .

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

A discussion was had that Chief Binns should change his cell phone plan because he has 400 minutes and goes over this number while the other Chiefs have unlimited plans. She asked the Clerk to have Chief Binns plan changed.

Upon motion of Trustee Yule, seconded by Trustee Eckert and unanimously approved the Board approved Abstract #03 as follows:

	<u>Abstract #03</u>
General Fund	\$ 15,351.62
Sewer Rent Fund	\$ 28.76
Trust & Agency	\$ 326.80

Mayor Butler stated that she has three applications for membership in the Camillus Fire Department and she would like to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters at 8:42. p.m.

The meeting moved out of Executive Session at 8:50 pm.

Upon motion of Trustee Yule, seconded by Trustee Stapleton and unanimously approved the Board accepted Kevin Brooker, Christopher Jacques as active members and Sandra J. Ross as an inactive members of the Camillus Fire Department.

Trustee Stapleton stated that earlier he mentioned the FEMA flood plan. He would like to take it further to do a little more research to see if our engineers can banned with other municipalities

on Nine Mile Creek to be able to create their own flood map if FEMA accepts it. He stated a new map will affect many residents and they will have to pay much higher insurance rates. It could cost up to \$2,000 to \$3,000 per household. The community can take the responsibility to create the maps and submit them and we may be able to do something good for the Village. Maybe the Village can get this through the engineer combining the costs in the State Grant and they may fund the entire project. If we can show that we don't agree with FEMA's engineers and we can prove it we can save our residents a lot of money.

Upon motion of Trustee Yule, seconded by Trustee Stapleton and unanimously approved the meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Sharon Norcross
Village Clerk/Treasurer