

Village of Camillus  
Regular Meeting  
April 2, 2012

Present: Mayor Patricia J. Butler  
Trustee James Palumbo  
Trustee Ann Eckert  
Trustee Timothy Stapleton  
Trustee Bridget Yule

Attorney: Robert J. Allan

13 people in attendance

Mayor Butler opened the meeting at 7:50 p.m. by leading the "Pledge of Allegiance".

**Camillus Fire Department**

Fire Chief Groesbeck stated that everything is going well in the fire department with the new members that were just approved. He stated that the Camillus Fire Department is 99% compliant. The members are getting their physicals every year. NYS requires these physicals every two year, but CFD requires them each year.

Fire Chief James McBride addressed the Board stating that the three current chief's vehicles are seven years old and the fire department would like to replace them. They missed the original NYS bid but they were able to get vehicles with the specifications that they wanted as well as the options that are put on after delivery. Hosselton will sell the Camillus Fire Department the 2012 vehicles at a 2011 price. If they wait until next year the price per vehicle will go up around \$6,000. He handed out the quotes from Hosselton Chevrolet for the prices of three new Chevrolet Tahoes. Chief McBride stated Tahoes are smaller vehicles than Suburbans. The base price is \$25,680, factory options are \$1,225, emergency lights \$2,494, \$160 delivery charge per vehicle and \$55 title for a total of \$29,614.93 per vehicle. They plan on putting \$15,000 down payment they would be looking at financing \$73,844 at 2½ % for five years. The current chief's Suburbans are over seven years old and are worth \$9,500 to \$12,000. Chief McBride stated that it is too late to custom order so they lost out on the red. They had to take what was in stock which is black. The department feels this is the time to get new vehicles. The Camillus Fire Department will sell the current Chief's Suburbans and they think they should received around \$10,000 each which will off set the cost of the vehicles also. Chief Groesbeck stated that there is \$15,000 budgeted for the down payment and this purchase would not increase taxes. Chief Groesbeck stated the Camillus Fire Department "is the best bargain in the Town of Camillus."

Mayor Butler asked how this would be financed and for how long. Chief McBride stated he has it down for five years at 2 1/2%. Trustee Yule asked when this has to be done. Chief McBride stated as soon as possible, because these vehicles are on a first come, first serve basis. Chief Groesbeck stated after three years he would like to implement the replacement program.

Attorney Allan stated that the Village of Camillus will have to get a Bond Anticipation Note for these vehicles. The Village Board will have to pass a resolution authorizing the acquisition of these vehicles. The Village will pay the \$15,000 out of the Camillus Fire Department's budget and bond for the remainder. There is only one payment each year and then new bond is taken

out.

A resolution was offered by Trustee Palumbo who moved for its adoption, seconded by Trustee Yule, to wit:

Whereas the Village Board of Trustees authorizes the acquisition of three 2012 Tahoes to be used as Chief's vehicles through New York State bid from Hosselton Chevrolet at a cost not to exceed \$88,844.79 for all three vehicles.

The voting resulted as follows:

Timothy Stapleton, Trustee	Voted – Yes
Ann Eckert, Trustee	Voted – Yes
James Palumbo, Trustee	Voted – Yes
Bridget Yule, Trustee	Voted – Yes
Patricia Butler, Mayor	Voted – Yes

The resolution was duly adopted.

Attorney Allan stated that regarding the financing you will know that the Camillus Fire Department budgeted \$15,000 as a down payment. The other \$73,844.79 will come from the lending institute. When the new vehicles come in the Village will declare the old vehicles surplus and you may take the proceeds from the sale and put it toward the first year's payment.

Upon motion of Trustee Palumbo, seconded by Trustee Stapleton and unanimously approved the Board approved the minutes of January 1, 2012, February 6, 2012, February 11, 2012 and March 5, 2012.

Mayor Butler stated that the office is closed on April 6, 2012 for Good Friday.

Mayor Butler stated that she and the Clerk met with Jesse Norcross in preparation of developing the web site. He requested that each Board member supply a picture and a short biography.

### **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Butler stated that Earth Day will be held April 21, 2012 and she would like a resolution to supply heavy duty trash bags and a case of water for the volunteers. Upon motion of Trustee Yule, seconded by Trustee Eckert and unanimously approved the Board moved to purchase 80 to 100 trash bags and a case of water for the volunteers for Earth Day.

Trustee Stapleton asked if the Village was going to have an E-waste pickup. Mayor Butler stated the DPW has not seen many e-waste items around. The land fill is not allowing e-waste for Earth Day, but Solvay Bank is collecting e-waste in the month of April and they have a large box in the lobby. Trustee Palumbo and Trustee Stapleton both would like to provide to the Village residents with an avenue to e-waste. Mayor Butler asked how they would like to get the word out to the residents. Trustee Palumbo stated the Village could put out a flyer to the library and a

few other business that on Earth Day residents could bring their E-waste and make the DPW a central collection point and then the DPW will take these items to a certified drop off point. Mayor Butler stated that the Village will have a truck available on Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. She suggested notifying Amanda, the reporter for the Eagle Newspaper. Mr. Dick Kirk stated he would put Earth Day information on his LED sign to help the Village.

Mayor Butler stated that the board is going to move into Executive Session but before it does she would like to ask for any comments from the Public.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Leland Vogelsang, 4446 Milton Avenue, asked if the subject of the “Trash Collection Fee” would be discussed. Mayor Butler stated the Board has not made any determination and it has not been instituted yet.

Ms. Mary Popovich wanted clarification regarding the noise ordinance and the Special Permit resolution that was granted to Krabby Kirk’s Restaurant. Her concern is was with Section 3 as follows:

- (3) Musical Performances/Sound System Use. Due to the proximity of residential premises, strict compliance with any Village noise and business operation(s) regulations and requirements, shall be met. The premises, as a place of public assembly, may also be subject to issuance of an Operating Permit as per NYS Building (Uniform) Code and Village Code. Applicant has specifically represented that its entertainment operations shall be within the following hours and by sound system or small instrumental ensembles only from and including (generally) June through September during the following hours:

Monday – Wednesday	11:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.
Thursday – Saturday	11:00 a.m. – 1:00 a.m.
Sundays	11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.; after 9:00 p.m. on any such days only by acoustical ensembles

Attorney Allan stated that the applicant has to comply with the noise ordinance. The noise ordinance has a certain number of decibels. The reason that this resolution was passed at the last meeting was because the conditions of this Special Permit has been discussed for several meeting by the prior Board of Trustees. The prior attorney entered the meeting late and a very short resolution had been already passed which did not show the conditions that were already agreed upon and were not recorded in the minutes. Attorney Allan stated when he saw the resolution he showed it to Mr. Kirk and Mr. Kirk agreed these were the conditions of the Special Permit. Attorney Allan wanted to be sure these conditions went into the record of the minutes. Attorney Allan stated that this Special Permit has a one year term. If things don’t work out and it is too noisy this Permit can be revoked. Mr. Kirk stated that if Mary Popovich has any problems to give him a call because he runs a tight ship.

Mayor Butler introduced Mr. William Reagan to the Board. Mr. Reagan is a Code Enforcement Officer in the Village & Town of Marcellus and also the Village of Liverpool. She stated she

had four applications for this position and the Board will be discussing this in Executive Session.

Upon motion of Trustee Palumbo, seconded by Trustee Yule and unanimously approved the Board went into Executive Session to discuss the Camillus Fire Department and the Village personnel issues at 8:50 p.m.

The meeting moved out of Executive Session at 9:07 p.m.

### **APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS**

Upon motion of Trustee Stapleton, seconded by Trustee Eckert and unanimously approved the Board approved Abstract #06 as follows:

	<u>Abstract #06</u>
General Fund	\$ 28,358.65
Sewer	\$ 29.00

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Butler stated she will be attending the NYCOM Training School and she would like authorization to prepay the hotel and NYCOM Registration fee. The hotel is \$520 and the registration fee is \$230.00 if paid before April 21, 2012. Upon motion of Trustee Yule, seconded by Trustee Palumbo and unanimously approved the Board moved to prepay the expenses for the NYCOM Training Class and the hotel for May 6, 7 and 8, 2012 in Saratoga Springs.

Mayor Butler stated she would like a motion to approve William Reagan as Code Enforcement Officer at a salary of \$15,500. There was no second. Trustee Palumbo questioned the salary stating that if Mr. Reagan is receiving \$15,500 in Liverpool then Camillus may be paying too much. Liverpool is much larger. Attorney stated Liverpool has two additional code enforcement officers and also Mr. Reagan was not on call 24/7. He will be on call 24/7 in Camillus.

Trustee Yule recommended to offer Mr. Reagan \$14,000 and see if he counter offers. Trustee Stapleton stated that Mr. Reagan actually brought up the \$14,000 to \$15,000 so he opened the door for this discussion. Upon motion of Mayor Butler, seconded by Trustee Yule and unanimously approved the Board authorized Mayor Butler to offer Mr. Reagan \$14,000 annually with the ability to go up to \$15,000 if needed.

Mayor Butler stated she sought out donations for fireworks and has received verbal commitments from Barton & Loguidice and Sweet Spot Development. Trustee Eckert stated she is going around to businesses in the Village with a letter asking for donations for the Memorial Day and she will include the fireworks in her letter. Mayor Butler stated the Wheelock's is also contributing \$500 towards the \$2,000.

Upon motion of Trustee Yule, seconded by Trustee Palumbo and unanimously approved the Board authorized Mayor Butler to sign a contract with Barton and Loguidice to review the MS 4

Annual Report prepared by Code Enforcement John William for a fee not to exceed \$1,200.

A question was raised about the "Trash Collection Fee" The Clerk stated that as she understands the rental registration fee bills went out on October 30, 2010 and were due by November 30, 2010. Some people paid, but some did not. The unpaid bill should have been put onto the January 2012 Village Tax bill, but they were not. Now we will have to wait until the 2013 Village Tax bill to add the charges and then if not paid go onto the 2014 Town and County tax bill.

Attorney Allan stated there is a Local Law regarding the Rental Registration. He felt there should have been a Local Law for the Trash Collection Fee. Trustee Palumbo stated he thought there was a Local Law, but the Clerk stated she has not found it as yet. She will continue to research this matter further.

Trustee Yule asked about progress of the Sunoco Gas Station. Attorney Allan stated he needs the final conditions to put in the resolution. Trustee Palumbo stated he feels the preliminary comments from the sub committee and the recommendations from the engineers should stand. Attorney Allan wanted clarification on the hours of the Subway Restaurant. Trustee Yule stated the Subway Restaurant will shut down around 10:00 p.m. because Mr. Tal had told them they do not make any money after 10:00 p.m. Trustee Yule will E-mail Mr. Tal tomorrow and get the exact times of operation of the Subway Restaurant. Trustee Yule stated the committee told Mr. Tal that he may not change the type of restaurant unless the change is approved by the Board. Trustee Yule said that Mr. Tal will take out the two islands recommended by the engineer, but they did not want to revise the plans because each time they do it costs over \$700. Trustee Palumbo stated he is fine with taking out the islands and thinks Mr. Tal can do everything else with signage. Attorney Allan wanted clarification of the condition that trash will be picked up between 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon. Attorney Allan asked about the delivery of the gas. Trustee Yule stated that would be up to Mr. Tal, the committee was only concerned about the trash truck because it makes so much noise. Trustee Yule stated that because this property has never been anything else besides a gas station can the Board request to review these items after a one year period. Attorney Allan stated yes you may put that in as a condition.

Mr. Schultz, 204 Timber Ridge Drive, asked if the DPW was going to fix the Timber Ridge Drive potholes. Trustee Yule stated there is a large pot hole on Maple Drive just as you turn onto Maple Drive from Timber Ridge Drive which was created by National Grid and should be fixed by National Grid and there is a pot hole one at the stop sign that the DPW will have to fill.

Upon motion of Trustee Yule, seconded by Trustee Stapleton and unanimously approved the Board approved patching the pot hole on Timber Ridge Drive.

Upon motion of Trustee Yule, seconded by Trustee Stapleton and unanimously approved the meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Sharon Norcross  
Village Clerk/Treasurer

