

VILLAGE OF ALTAMONT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
July 16, 2013

Mayor James M. Gaughan
Trustee William F. Aylward
Trustee Kerry Dineen
Trustee Christine Marshall, Absent
Trustee Dean Whalen

Patty Blackwood, Clerk
Catherine Hasbrouck, Treasurer
Jeffrey Moller, Supt. of Public Works
Robert White, Altamont Fire Chief
Todd Pucci, Altamont Police Chief
Michael Moore, Legal Counsel

Attending: Richard Straut and Brad Grant, Barton & Loguidice; Travis Stevens, Albany County Legislator

General Public: 7

7:00 p.m.

Mayor Gaughan called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Gaughan reported there is a group established in Albany called “Albany County Action Partnership”, a Board which is responsible for making decisions within the County for the distribution of funds that are largely federal monies. There was an article in the paper regarding a recent decision made as a result of the federal sequestration affairs cutting items throughout the federal budget and coming down to the local level. There was a cut in Head Start programs in Knox and Ravena Coeymans but retained Head Start funds for the City of Albany and City of Cohoes. County Legislator, Travis Stevens and Mayor Gaughan have been working together to address the shortfalls regarding equity and distribution of resources and are trying to get a representative from this area on the ACAP Board to bring balance and perspective to the Board.

Robert White, Chief Altamont Fire Dept., reported 12 calls for the month of June most notable was a structure fire at Extreme Auto. Chief White stated firefighters used new 45-minute air packs at the structure fire and thanked all agencies who assisted with the fire. Chief White reported upcoming events of Albany County Volunteer Fireman’s Association Annual Parade and Brooks Barbeque fundraiser with be held.

Todd Pucci, Chief Altamont Police Dept., reported culvert work on Route 156 to be completed by July 23rd. Altamont Fair will be held from August 13-18th, Freedompalooza will be held on August 24th and 5K Color Me Rad Race will be held on September 21st at the Altamont Fairgrounds. Altamont Police Department will be doing a lot of traffic enforcement during those events.

Trustee Dineen made a motion seconded by Trustee Whalen to approve the Treasurer’s report; #23, #2, #3 and transfer of funds as submitted. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Public Comment:

Trustee Aylward acknowledged Altamont Community Tradition on the success of the Strawberry Social that was held on June 25th in Orsini Park.

Ted Neumann, Lark Street, acknowledged the magnificent floral landscaping work done by Master Gardener Keith Lee and the Parks Committee in Schilling Park.

Mayor Gaughan made a motion seconded by Trustee Aylward to approve the proposed Eagle Scout project of Patrick McMillen, pending approval from the Boy Scouts Organization, to paint fire hydrants in the month of August on Main and Maple Streets in the Village of Altamont. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Richard Straut, Barton & Loguidice, reported Wastewater Treatment Plant project will be substantially complete by end of the month. The terms of borrowing have been set. Interest rate is more favorable than projected. Interest rate is 2.028% with some fees associated with that. The effective rate is 2.2%, which is below projected rate. Village is borrowing less money than originally anticipated. Trustee Whalen confirmed three of the agenda items are zeroing out contingencies because the contracts are near completion or completed and Village is taking credits back. About \$40,000 is remaining in contingency. If portion of money goes unexpended, any monies remaining can be used for paying down principal payment immediately, if Board approves. Mayor Gaughan stated Board and Treasurer will review EFC paperwork and report back at September's Board meeting what the schedule of payments will be so Board can decide on what the capital charge should be for the resident's sewer billings.

Trustee Whalen made a motion seconded by Trustee Aylward to approve authorizing Mayor Gaughan to sign Stephen Miller General Construction Change Order No. 6, for Contract 1A, regarding Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements. Change Order No. 6 revises the Contract Documents to include: (1) Modifications to the 12-inch SBR effluent piping and (2) Demolition and removal of existing asbestos concrete influent sewer pipe. The Order on Consent deadline was extended by the NYS DEC to July 1, 2013. The total cost of Change Order No. 6 is \$14,280.53. The total contract amount for Contract 1A prior to Change Order No. 6 was \$2,468,500 with a \$5,345.32 contingency allowance. The revised total contract amount for Contract 1A after Change Order 6 is \$2,477,435.21 with \$0.00 contingency allowance remaining. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Dineen made a motion seconded by Trustee Aylward to approve authorizing Mayor Gaughan to sign Tri-Valley Plumbing & Heating Change Order No. 3, for Contract 1B, regarding Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements. Change Order No. 3 revises the Contract Documents to include (1) Return outstanding unspent contingency funds to the Village from the Contract 1B allowance and (2) Extend the substantial completion date for Contract 1B by 30 days from June 1, 2013 to July 1, 2013. The extension has been authorized by the NYS DEC which holds an Order on Consent with the Village. The total cost of Change Order No. 2 is (\$2,108.73) credit to the Village. The total contract amount for Contract 1B prior to Change Order No. 2 was \$27,600 with a \$2,108.73 contingency allowance. The revised total contract amount for Contract 1B after Change Order No. 2 is \$25,491.27 with \$0.00 contingency allowance remaining. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Whalen made a motion seconded by Trustee Dineen to approve authorizing Mayor Gaughan to sign Tri-Valley Plumbing & Heating Change Order No. 3, for Contract 1C, regarding Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements. Change Order No. 3 revises the Contract Documents to include (1) Return outstanding unspent contingency funds to the Village from the Contract 1B allowance and (2) Extend the substantial completion date for Contract 1C by 30 days from June 1, 2013 to July 1, 2013. The extension has been authorized by the NYS DEC which holds an Order on Consent with the Village. The total contract amount for Contract 1C prior to Change Order No. 3 was \$43,000 with a \$3,501.26 contingency allowance. The revised total contract amount for

Contract 1C after Change Order No. 3 is \$39,498.74 with \$0.00 contingency allowance remaining. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Whalen made a motion seconded by Trustee Dineen to approve authorizing Mayor Gaughan to sign Brownell Electric Corp. Change Order No. 5, for Contract 1D, regarding Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements. Change Order No. 5 revises the Contract Documents to include (1) Install conduit and wiring for SBR air purge valves; (2) Install conduit and wiring for SBR decanter local control stations; (3) Relocate SBR motor actuated air control valves; (4) Complete miscellaneous field changes (completion directed by Engineer) and (5) Extend the substantial completion date for Contract 1C by 30 days from June 1, 2013 to July 1, 2013. The extension has been authorized by the NYS DEC which holds an Order on Consent with the Village. The total cost of Change Order No. 5 is \$16,527. The total contract amount for Contract 1D prior to Change Order No. 5 was \$308,640 with a \$1,311 contingency allowance. The revised total contract amount for Contract 1D after Change Order No. 5 is \$323,856 with \$0.00 contingency allowance remaining. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Dineen made a motion seconded by Trustee Aylward to approve holding a Public Hearing on Wednesday, September 4, 2013 at 7:15 p.m., 115 Main Street, Altamont, New York, subject to permissive referendum, to expend \$17,000 from the Water Reserve Fund for a Hazard Classification Study of the Altamont Reservoir Dams to be conducted by Barton & Loguidice. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Dineen made a motion seconded by Trustee Aylward to approve for Village of Altamont to file a certificate with the Secretary of State designating the NY Secretary of State as an agent for service of a notice of claim. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Aylward made a motion seconded by Trustee Dineen to approve for applications from Ryan Russo, Settles Hill Road, and Dezmond Dover, Maple Avenue, for Junior Firefighter memberships in the Altamont Fire Department per request of Robert White, Chief. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Aylward made a motion seconded by Trustee Dineen to approve for Altamont Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary to hold Brooks Barbeque fundraiser on Friday, September 6, 2013. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Aylward made a motion seconded by Trustee Whalen to approve request of Phil Carducci, 35 Whipple Way, to hold annual Altamont 5K Run/Walk along the streets of Altamont on August 24, 2013 from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Aylward made a motion seconded by Trustee Dineen to approve Altamont Fire Department's participation in Albany County Volunteer Fireman's Association Annual Parade along the streets of Altamont on August 24, 2013 from 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Dineen made a motion seconded by Trustee Aylward to approve Village of Altamont credit card policy per request of Catherine Hasbrouck, Treasurer. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Dineen made a motion seconded by Trustee Whalen to approve of contract for Village of Altamont's renewal of liability insurance from Marshall & Sterling to expend up to \$37,450. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Whalen made a motion seconded by Trustee Dineen to approve request for Village water and sewer for single family dwelling at 260 Brandle Road, Altamont, Tax Map #37.19-2-27.2 per request of Wayde and Monica Bush. Capital charge for the new service connection to the water and sewer system is \$7,500. Jeffrey Moller, Supt. of Public Works, has reviewed the application and recommended the connection.

Roll Call: All in favor

Trustee Aylward made a motion seconded by Trustee Whalen to approve of Board Minutes for June 04, 2013. **All in favor**

Trustee Whalen made a motion seconded by Trustee Dineen to adjourn at 7:40 p.m.
All in favor

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Blackwood
Clerk