MEETINGS TO DATE: 21
NO. OF REGULARS: 21

AGENDA
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF DEPEW
MARCH 10, 2014 7:00PM

ROLL CALL:
Trustee Hammer
Trustee Nolder
Trustee Pecora
Trustee Kucewicz
Mayor Hoffman

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
INVOCATION
NOTIFICATION OF FIRE EXITS
APPROVE VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES FEB 24, 2014
APPROVE PLANNING BOARD MINUTES MARCH 6, 2014

PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY
1. Public Hearing – Tentative Budget 14-15
2. Adopt/Table Budget 14-15
3. Authorize Local Match – Inflow & Infiltration Study
4. Authorize Administrator to Advertise for Sale of Vacant Land – Ridgeway St
5. Authorize Mayor to Sign NYCLASS Amendment to Municipal Cooperation Agreement
6. Opposition to Governor Andrew Cuomo’s Tax Freeze
7. Permission Membership Fire Dept
8. Permission Fire Dept
9. Tree Trimming/Removal:
11. Department Head Reports:
12. Committee Reports:
13. Unfinished and Other Business
14. Public Concerns and Comments
15. Claims and Accounts
16. Adjournment
ADOPT/TABLE 2014-2015 BUDGET

Trustee ____________, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Budget for the Village of Depew for the fiscal year 2014/2015 is hereby ADOPTED/TABLED with a tax rate of $19.226469 per thousand for residents on the Cheektowaga portion of Depew and $11.920411 per thousand for residents on the Lancaster portion of Depew.

The following resolution was seconded by Trustee ____________, and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted in the following:

Trustee Hammer –
Trustee Nolder –
Trustee Pecora –
Trustee Kucewicz –
Mayor Hoffman –

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Agenda Item #2
Approved ___Denied
RESOLUTION

MARCH 10, 2014

AUTHORIZE LOCAL MATCH – INFLOW AND INFILTRATION STUDY

Trustee _____________, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Village of Depew received a grant for Wastewater Engineering Study for $30,000 from the Environmental Facilities Corp and DEC,

WHEREAS, Conestoga-Rovers & Associates, 285 Delaware Ave Suite 500, Buffalo NY 14202, will be the engineer of record for the study costing $24,500.00. The required match is 20%.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:
RESOLVED that the Village of Depew Board of Trustees authorizes and appropriates a minimum of 20% local match as required by the Engineering Planning Grant Program for the Village of Depew Wastewater Engineering Study project. Under the Engineering Planning Grant Program, this local match must be at least 20% of the total project cost. The maximum local share appropriated subject to any changes agreed to by the Board of Trustees shall not exceed $8000.00 based upon a total estimated maximum project cost of $38,000.00. The Village Administrator may increase this local match through the use of in kind services without further approval from the Village of Depew Board of Trustees.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee ____________ and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted in the following:

Trustee Hammer –
Trustee Nolder –
Trustee Pecora –
Trustee Kucewicz –
Mayor Hoffman –

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Item # 3
___ Approved ___ Denied
RESOLUTION

MARCH 10, 2014

AUTHORIZE ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVERTISE FOR SALE OF VACANT LAND—RIDGEWAY ST

Trustee ______________, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

Be It Resolved, the Village Administrator is authorized to advertise for the sale of vacant land on Ridgeway St. Parcel size is 80 ft x 290 ft. Parcel was previously declared surplus property and did have an appraisal on it.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee ___________ and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted in the following:

Trustee Hammer –
Trustee Nolder –
Trustee Pecora –
Trustee Kucewicz –
Mayor Hoffman –

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Item # 4
__Approved ___Denied
AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO SIGN NYCLASS AMENDMENT TO MUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT

Trustee ____________, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, NYCLASS, New York Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System has amended the NY Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System Municipal Cooperation Agreement to reference the following changes:
1. The NYCLASS Investment Policy better conforms to New York State General Municipal Law.
2. The Governing Board is empowered with the ability to further amend the Investment Policy without further amendment to the cooperative, but while still maintaining appropriate notice to Participants.
3. Allows for the potential creation of other investment options as market conditions change or improve over time.

Be It Resolved, the Mayor is authorized to sign the certification amending this policy and the Village Administrator is authorized to be the key contact for the NYCLASS – New York Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee __________ and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted in the following:

Trustee Hammer –
Trustee Nolder –
Trustee Pecora –
Trustee Kucewicz –
Mayor Hoffman –
OPPOSITION TO GOVERNOR ANDREW CUOMO’S TAX FREEZE

Trustee _______________, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, Andrew Cuomo as Attorney General made it clear that he intends to reduce the layers of government that exist in New York State by forcing the “Citizens Empowerment Act” through both houses of the New York State Legislature with little or no public or legislative discussion targeting village government and promoting dissolution of Villages, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Assembly and Senate with little regard for community dialogue or in house debate surrendered to the Governor’s bullying and voted to approve the Citizen’s Empowerment Act, and

WHEREAS, As Governor, Andrew Cuomo continues to create legislation that is intended to create fiscal hardship on Villages and local government by capping property taxes at less than 2%, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Assembly and Senate again with little regard for community dialogue or in house floor debate surrendered to the Governor’s bullying and voted to approve the Property Tax Cap, and

WHEREAS, the Property Tax Cap has reduced local revenues with no increase in AM funding to municipalities, and

WHEREAS, the “Tax Freeze” is a temporary program that does not provide relief from unfunded NY State mandates which annually increase the cost of local government services and further contributes to the tax burden on residents, and

WHEREAS, Reduced tax revenues eventually will make it necessary to reduce locally delivered services or exceed the imposed tax cap, and

WHEREAS, Governor Cuomo is proposing, in his 2014-15 budget, to impose further punitive legislation upon local government under the proposed “Tax Freeze”, and

WHEREAS, The “Tax Freeze” requires consolidation of municipal services, and

WHEREAS, Many local municipalities affected have consolidated many municipal services and have little or no opportunity to further consolidate, and

WHEREAS, The “Tax Freeze” if enacted will promote additional fiscal hardship upon local government and especially upon Villages that have previously consolidated services, and

WHEREAS, Compliance with Governor Cuomo’s continuing assault upon Village property tax revenue will eventually put Village governments in fiscal distress.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Depew Board of Trustees opposes the Tax Freeze legislation included in Governor Andrew Cuomo's proposed 2014-2015 New York State Budget, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Depew Board of Trustees encourages the Senate and Assembly members to delete the punitive legislation known as the "Tax Freeze" from the Governor's proposed budget.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee ___________ and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted in the following:

Trustee Hammer –
Trustee Nolder –
Trustee Pecora –
Trustee Kucewicz –
Mayor Hoffman –

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Item # 6
Approved  Denied
PERMISSION – MEMBERSHIP – DEPEW FIRE DEPARTMENT

Trustee ____________, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, membership is hereby granted to the following in the Depew Fire Department pending the passing of their physical:

CAYUGA HOSE CO #3
Paul Schnitzer 4745 Broadway Depew NY 14043
Erin Schnitzer 4745 Broadway Depew NY 14043
Thomas Kiebala 141 Borden Rd Apt 1 Depew NY 14043

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee ____________ and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted in the following:

Trustee Hammer –
Trustee Nolder –
Trustee Pecora –
Trustee Kucewicz –
Mayor Hoffman –

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Agenda Item #7
__Approved ___Denied
RESOLUTION          MARCH 10, 2014

PERMISSION – DEPEW FIRE DEPT

Trustee ____________, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

Permission is hereby granted to the Depew Hook and Ladder Co to use the Southside Fire Hall on June 14, 2014 for their Annual Chicken Barbeque from 5 am until 1 am.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee ____________, and CARRIED.