

MEETINGS TO DATE 2  
NO. OF REGULARS: 2

**VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF DEPEW  
APRIL 11, 2011**

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

**ON A MOTION BY**, Trustee Pecora, and seconded by Trustee Nikonowicz, the March 28, 2011 Village Board Minutes were approved.

**ON A MOTION BY**, Trustee Nolder, and seconded by Trustee Pecora, the April 4, 2011 Reorganization Minutes were approved.

**ON A MOTION BY**, Trustee Hammer, and seconded by Trustee Nikonowicz, the April 7, 2011 Planning Board Minutes were approved.

**ON A MOTION BY**, Trustee Nikonowicz, and seconded by Trustee Nolder, the April 4, 2011 Zoning Board Minutes were accepted.

**PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

Dan Beutler – 26 Tyler – asked about being able to speak during the public hearing and also said to correct date of planning board meeting.

**OPEN PUBLIC HEARING – TENTATIVE BUDGET 2011-2012**

Liz Melock, Village Administrator read legal notice announcing Public Hearing and Mayor Steven Hoffman opened same at 7:34 pm.

Mayor Hoffman read a summary of the expenditures that increased:

Worker's Compensation Premium – 38% increase - \$155,000 more than last year's premium.

Health Insurance Increase – 9% increase - \$116,610 more than last year's premium.

NYS Retirement System – 10.5% increase - \$87,992 more than last year's premium.

Gasoline accounts – increased by \$35,000

Building Inspector Labor – increased by \$27,458

Garbage contract - \$25,000 increase

Secretary to Mayor - \$32,815 plus medical

Community Development Director - \$2600

Prosecutor - \$1760

No wage increase in current budget.

We are looking at other carriers for our worker's compensation premiums and should have those numbers in about a week.

1. Dan Beutler – 26 Tyler St – Questioned many pages of the budget – Building Inspectors labor line and DPW various department labor lines. Administrator explained in the Building Dept the clerk's pay is now in there and some additional funds for revamping the department, DPW salaries were just re-distributed and he should see page 29 for the breakdown of DPW.
2. Ed Eberle -59 Morris Circle- questioned why the Mayor's Secretary makes more than the Mayor. Mayor Hoffman stated he did not take the position because of the pay and he did not know how they did the job without the position filled.
3. Terry Mescall – 36 Susan Dr – questioned the Mayor's Secretary's salary and benefits. Administrator explained she receives the same benefits as any other full time employee.
4. Patricia Simmons – 44 Karen – wanted the rest of the agenda read.
5. Becky Arcese – 14 Patsy – wanted to know if a position was created for Teresa Fusani. Mayor explained that Teresa replaced Mike Wojcicki. No positions were created.
6. Irv Reinig – 380 Columbia Ave – read his comments regarding the high taxes we pay in Depew. See attached handout.
7. Becky Arcese – 14 Patsy – wanted to know if any money was in the budget for sewer repairs, does not want the pumps anymore wants the sewers fixed.
8. Ed Eberle – 59 Morris Circle – regarding the village dissolution grant – wanted to know if it was turned down by the Board. Trustee Hammer answered that yes it was voted down by the majority of the Board and the grant funds are lost.

**ON A MOTION BY**, Trustee Hammer, seconded by Trustee Pecora, the Public Hearing is closed at 7:45pm. CARRIED.

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**PERMANENT STATUS DPW LABORERS**

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

Based on the recommendation of Chris Juliano, Superintendent of Public Works, Thomas Thurnherr, James Spinella and Timothy Hartnett have successfully completed their six month probation period and are promoted to Laborer I with CDL effective April 12, 2011 at a salary of \$23.64 per hour.

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

Trustee Hammer – Yes  
Trustee Nolder – Yes  
Trustee Pecora – Yes  
Trustee Nikonowicz – Yes  
Mayor Hoffman – Yes

**APPROVE SPECIAL USE PERMIT**

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

The Special Use Permit is hereby approved for Lancaster Auto & Truck, Allen Sterling, 3111 Walden Avenue Depew NY for an automobile service station at this location. The permit is renewable on an annual basis. Parking lot is to have the parking spots striped.

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

Trustee Hammer – Yes  
Trustee Nolder – Yes  
Trustee Pecora – Yes  
Trustee Nikonowicz – Yes  
Mayor Hoffman – Yes

**AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO SIGN AGREEMENT –U & S SERVICES**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Mayor Steven Hoffman, is authorized to sign an agreement with U & S Services Inc, 233 Fillmore Ave. Suite 11, Tonawanda, NY 14150 beginning May 1, 2011 for a service agreement to cover the equipment and service calls for the CPU units, peripheral equipment, field panels and software associated with the Village heating and air conditioning systems at a cost of \$5,430.00 per year.

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

Trustee Hammer – Yes  
Trustee Nolder – Yes  
Trustee Pecora – Yes  
Trustee Nikonowicz – Yes  
Mayor Hoffman – Yes

**MODIFY 2010/2011 BUDGET- DPW SCRAP**

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

WHEREAS, the Village of Depew has received \$280.80 from scrapping material and these funds will be used for public works expenditures;

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Administrator is hereby authorized to modify the 2010/2011 Budget in the following manner:

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A510	Estimated Revenue	
	Sub Account 010.2655 Minor Sales	\$280.80
A960	Appropriations	
	Sub Account 1490.435–Public Works - Contractual	\$280.80

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

Trustee Hammer – Yes  
Trustee Nolder – Yes  
Trustee Pecora – Yes  
Trustee Nikonowicz – Yes  
Mayor Hoffman – Yes

**MODIFY 2010/2011 BUDGET –FIRE DEPT**

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

WHEREAS, the Village of Depew has received \$2,982.15 from the Department of Homeland Security for a Retention Grant and the proceeds of this check will be used for this purpose;

BE IT RESOLVED, the Administrator is hereby authorized to modify the 2010/2011 Budget in the following manner:

A510	Estimated Revenue	
	Sub Account 010.4960 Federal Aid – Emergency	\$2,982.15
A960	Appropriations	
	Sub Account 3410.203–Fire Dept – Retention Grant	\$2,982.15

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

Trustee Hammer – Yes  
Trustee Nolder – Yes  
Trustee Pecora – Yes  
Trustee Nikonowicz – Abstain  
Mayor Hoffman – Yes

**PERMISSION TO ATTEND NYCOM NEW OFFICIALS WORKSHOP**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED**, Permission is hereby granted to Mayor Hoffman, Trustee Nikonowicz, Trustee Nolder, and Trustee Pecora to attend the NYCOM New Officials Workshop on Thursday May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at the Craftsman Inn & Conference in Fayetteville, NY. The cost of the conference and hotel is \$546.00. Permission is also granted for use of the Village vehicle.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee Nikonowicz, and **CARRIED**.

**PERMISSION TO ATTEND PERMA SEMINAR**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED**, Permission is hereby granted to Carmi Poss to attend the PERMA workers compensation seminar. The cost of the conference and one night's hotel is paid for by PERMA. The cost of the travel night's hotel and tolls will not exceed \$200.00. Permission is also granted for use of the Village vehicle.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee Pecora, and **CARRIED**.

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**PERMISSION TO HOLD 10K RACE**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED**, permission is hereby granted to the Depew-Lancaster Boys & Girls Club to hold their 34th Annual 10K Race on Monday July 4, 2011 starting at 9:00 AM.

The forgoing resolution was seconded by Trustee Nolder, and **CARRIED**.

**PERMISSION TO HOLD MEMORIAL DAY PARADE**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED**, permission is hereby granted to the Depew Joint Veterans Committee to hold their annual Memorial Day Parade and Services on Monday, May 30, 2011, beginning at 10:30 AM. The Police Department who will provide necessary traffic enforcement has approved the parade route.

The forgoing resolution was seconded by Trustee Pecora, and **CARRIED**.

**PERMISSION – MEMBERSHIP – DEPEW FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Trustee Hammer, 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:

**AETNA HOSE CO**

Keith Wachowski 83 Warsaw St Depew NY 14043

**JUNIOR FIREFIGHTER**

Richard John Streck III 262 Evane Dr Depew NY 14043

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

Trustee Hammer – Yes

Trustee Nolder – Yes

Trustee Pecora – Yes

Trustee Nikonowicz – Yes

Mayor Hoffman – Yes

**Tree Trimming/Removal:**

**Employment Applications:** DPW – Thomas Paradowski Jr, Recreation – Jordan Partyka, Mitchell Grahnert, John Spencer, Christina Moore, Michelle Spencer, Mark Lubera, Mary Dougherty, Chris Crawford, Courtney Crawford, Brandon Garry, Cassandra Miller, Kelsey Martin, David Balus, Jeff Root, Chris Burns, Eben Borkowski

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS,** Including Building Dept: None

**REPORT OF THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY**

Deferred to Village Engineer regarding Vanderbilt Pumping Station

**REPORT OF THE VILLAGE ENGINEER**

Board had a meeting with Erie County Sewer to convey the Force Main to EC.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

None

**UNFINISHED AND OTHER BUSINESS –**

None

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**PUBLIC CONCERNS AND COMMENTS –**

None

**CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS**

**ON A MOTION BY** Trustee Pecora, seconded by Trustee Nolder, the following claims are to be paid: General \$66,046.60, Sewer \$4,938.14, the motion was **CARRIED**.

**ADJOURNMENT –**

**ON A MOTION BY** Trustee Hammer, seconded by Trustee Pecora, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm. The motion was **CARRIED**.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth C. Melock  
Village Administrator