VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF DEPEW
DECEMBER 22, 2008

ROLL CALL:  Trustee Fusani
            Trustee Hammer
            Trustee Keefe
            Trustee Maryniewski
            Trustee Monti
            Mayor Alberti

ON A MOTION BY, Trustee Fusani, and seconded by Trustee Maryniewski, the December 8, 2008 Village Board Minutes were approved.

ON A MOTION BY Trustee Keefe, and seconded by Trustee Monti, the December 18, 2008 Special Village Board Minutes were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

None

Mayor Alberti’s Comments

1. Hired two new police officers on Dec 18 – Rene Smith & Justin Refermat
2. Dec 8 Tree Lighting Ceremony took place – thanked Hook & Ladder Company for transporting Santa, thanked the recreation staff, village staff and Board members.
3. Senior citizens involved in scarves, hats and mitten project all were delivered
4. The village was awarded one of the two community development projects submitted – Sewer Remediation on Neoga St. We will have to wait till closer to June to see if more funding becomes available for the Neoga & St, James Sidewalk Project.

APPOINT SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Pursuant to Section 4-400 of Village Law, I, Mayor Barbara A. Alberti, do hereby appoint Christopher Juliano 5216 Columbia Ave Hamburg NY 14075 to the position of Superintendent of Public Works, effective January 12, 2009, at a salary of $62,000. This appointment is from Exam No.068331, Civil Service List established May 10, 2008.

The forgoing nomination was acted upon in the following manner by the Village Board of Trustees:

Trustee Fusani - Yes Trustee Maryniewski - Yes
Trustee Hammer - Yes Trustee Monti – Yes
Trustee Keefe - Yes Mayor Alberti - Yes

AWARD BID – VILLAGE WEB PAGE

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

WHEREAS, the Village of Depew was awarded a records management grant in the amount of $7,501.

WHEREAS, bids were solicited during the grant process.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid for the upgrade of the village web page in the amount of $6,630.00 be awarded to:

Ingenious Inc.
742 Washington St.
Suite 201
Buffalo NY 14203
The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee Monti, and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted in the following:

Trustee Fusani - Yes   Trustee Maryniewski - Yes
Trustee Hammer - Yes   Trustee Monti - Yes
Trustee Keefe - Yes    Mayor Alberti - Yes

MODIFY 2008/2009 BUDGET – COURT GRANT

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

WHEREAS, the Village of Depew Justice Court has received $6,590.00 grant towards updating the courtroom.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Administrator is hereby authorized to modify the 2008/2009 Budget in the following manner:

A510  Estimated Revenue
     Sub Account 10.3830  State Aid - Other $6,590.00

A960  Appropriations
     Sub Account 1130.435 – Justice Court – Contractual Services $6,590.00

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

Trustee Fusani - Yes   Trustee Maryniewski - Yes
Trustee Hammer - Yes   Trustee Monti - Yes
Trustee Keefe - Yes    Mayor Alberti - Yes

PROCLAIM MARCH 12, 2009 WORLD KIDNEY DAY

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

WHEREAS, healthy kidneys are essential to regulate the body by water and other chemicals in your blood, remove fluids, waste, toxins and drugs introduced to the body, release hormones that regulate blood pressure, make red blood cells and promote strong bones, and,

WHEREAS, more than 26 million Americans, about one in nine adults, suffer from chronic kidney disease and,

WHEREAS, 170,000 Western New Yorkers have Chronic Kidney Disease and another 170,000 are at risk and don’t know it,

WHEREAS, 1,600 Western New Yorkers are on dialysis,

WHEREAS, nearly 500 Western New Yorkers are awaiting a kidney transplant,

WHEREAS, approximately 40 percent are African American and 16 percent are Hispanic, and,

WHEREAS, the two main causes of chronic kidney disease are diabetes and high blood pressure, which are responsible for up to two-thirds of the cases,

WHEREAS, the National Kidney Foundation of WNY has a health screening program to identify people in the early stages of kidney disease, and,
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WHEREAS, the mission of the National Kidney Foundation of WNY is to prevent kidney and urinary tract diseases, improve the health and well-being of individuals and families affected by these diseases, and increase the availability of all organs for transplantation,

WHEREAS, early detection including regular reporting of the GFR calculation, currently the best indication of kidney disease staging can help prevent the progression of kidney disease to kidney failure, which requires continual dialysis or kidney transplant to maintain life, and,

WHEREAS, the cost of treatment for kidney disease patients is disproportionately higher than that of any other chronic disease, and,

WHEREAS, most patients who have end-stage renal disease rely primarily on Medicare and Medicaid to cover the costs of their life-sustaining care, which includes dialysis treatment, medications, laboratory testing, and as necessary, transportation services to the dialysis facility, and as a consequence, any changes in Medicare and Medical eligibility, significantly put them at risk, NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE VILLAGE OF DEPEW,

That March 12th is recognized as “World Kidney Day” in New York State and the Village of Depew in the hope that all possible support will continue to be extended to Chronic Kidney Disease patients in New York and throughout the country and world.

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

Trustee Fusani - Yes
Trustee Hammer - Yes
Trustee Keefe- Yes
Trustee Maryniewski –Yes
Trustee Monti- Yes
Mayor Alberti - Yes

APPROVE CRUSHING PERMIT – EMPIRE DIAGNOSTICS

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

WHEREAS, Joe Matuszek, has applied for a Crushing Permit for 2 Main St.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, a Crushing Permit is hereby APPROVED. If approved the following conditions apply:

1) Documentation must be provided where the fill that is being crushed came from and that the fill material has been tested and does not contain any contaminants.
2) Crushing must occur only Monday –Friday, excluding holidays and between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. only. No crushing will be done on holidays.
3) Crushing operations must not allow dust to escape into the surrounding properties.
4) Crushing operations must comply with the Village Code regarding noise ordinances.
6) No future permits will be issued for crushing only this one.
7) No new concrete will be brought in, only select fill will be allowed.
8) Berm needs to be constructed after the proper dumping permit is obtained.
9) DEC to be contacted to monitor air quality during operations.
The foregoing resolution and the amendments were seconded by Trustee Fusani, and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted in the following:

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**PERMISSION – DEPEW FIRE DEPT**

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

Permission is hereby denied to:

The Depew Fire Department for the following:

To use Ladder 5 for a wedding in Niagara Falls on December 26, 2008 at 3 pm. The truck will return at 5:30 pm after the wedding ceremony.

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

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**PERMISSION – MEMBERSHIP – DEPEW FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Trustee Maryniewski 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 his physical:

**CAYUGA HOSE COMPANY #3**

Edward Hulton Jr.
23 Hawthorne Ave.
Cheektowaga, NY 14227

The following resolution was seconded by Trustee Hammer, and CARRIED.

**TREE TRIMMING/REMOVAL:**

**EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS:** DPW – Kurt Baumeister

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:** Senior Center Nov 2008

ON A MOTION BY Trustee Keefe, seconded by Trustee Hammer, the department head report was accepted as presented.

**BUILDING APPLICATIONS AND REPORTS**

ON A MOTION BY Trustee Monti, seconded by Trustee Fusani, the building inspectors’ reports were accepted as presented.

**REPORT OF THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY**

No Report

**REPORT OF THE VILLAGE ENGINEER**

No Report
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COMMITTEE REPORTS
Mayor reminder that the fire hydrants need to be kept clear, reminder of the days that the village hall is closed due to the holidays
Mayor welcomed students from the Government Class

UNFINISHED AND OTHER BUSINESS
None

PUBLIC CONCERNS AND COMMENTS
Chief Domino – Thanked Board for the special meeting to hire two officers as there might be a large turn around in the next six months.

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS – 2009-14

ON A MOTION BY Trustee Keefe, seconded by Trustee Hammer, the following claims are to be paid: General $104,653.87, Capital $262,664.35. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

ON A MOTION BY Trustee Monti, seconded by Trustee Fusani, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm, in honor of Art Kutus and Happy Holidays to everyone, the motion was CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth C. Melock
Village Administrator