Village of Cleveland Annual Organizational Board Meeting July 10, 2007

PRESENT: Board Members: Mayor Malchoff J. Davis, Trustees: Norm Youmans, Thomas Hickey, Joseph Mazi, Kevin Gribbon.
Ralph Stamp, Al & Cathy Kline, Marge Thomas, Joseph Domachowske, Bill & Becky Thousand, Sherry Kaderli, Mark & Julie Simpson, Phil Meagley, John Dunham-Code Enforcement Officer, David Hinds, Roy Reehil, Attorney Kevin Caraccioli of Caraccioli Nelson PLLC.

RECORDED BY: Village Clerk/Treasurer - Phyllis Sweeten

CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Davis at 7:30 pm with Pledge of Allegiance

MAYOR DAVIS remarks: Announced a Municipal Workshop sponsored by NYCOM being held in Parish on Thursday July 12, 2007 for all Board members interested. He also noted that the New Trustees officially took office on July 2, 2007.

OATH OF OFFICERS: Trustee Kevin Gribbon and Trustee Joseph Mazi were both sworn into office by Clerk Sweeten.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mayor made motion to approve the June 21st work meeting. Trustee Hickey noted that he was not present at the June 21st meeting as it states in the prepared minutes. Attorney Kevin Caraccioli suggested that new board members be entitled to vote since a quorum was not available from those who attended the June 21st meeting, Second by Trustee Youmans, Trustee Gribbon abstained, all others in favor, motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Mayor made motion to approve the financial reports from May 31, 2007, second by Trustee Youmans, all in favor. Trustee Gribbon questioned the 911 Memorial Fund.

PAY BILLS: Mayor made motion to pay bills on abstract # 2 vouchers #67-127, second by Trustee Hickey, Trustee Gribbon abstained, all others in favor, motion carried.

WORK MEETING: To be held on Tuesday July 17, 2007 at 7:30 pm after the Board of Appeals holds a public hearing at 7:00 pm at the Fire Station. The meeting was posted in the Citizen Outlet

2007-2008 APPOINTMENTS & ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING BUSINESS:

DEPUTY MAYOR: Norman Youmans
Motion: Mayor Davis, Seconded: Trustee Gribbon, all in favor.

DPW SUPERINTENDENT: Douglas Riggs
Attorney Caraccioli quoted Village Law Section 4-400 regarding this position being subject to approval from the Board after Trustee Gribbon questioned the need to have a motion to appoint this position.
Motion: Mayor Davis, Second: Trustee Youmans, Trustee Gribbon abstained, all others in favor, motion carried.

CLERK/TREASURER: Phyllis Sweeten was appointed as Clerk/Treasurer at the July 2006 organizational meeting to a two-year term ending in July of 2008.

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER, Sue Gardenier: to continue her services on a will call basis
Motion: Mayor Davis, Seconded: Trustee Mazi, all in favor.

CODE ENFORCEMENT: John Dunham, appointed for 6 months at 15.45/hr for 5 hours per week until the Village can contract with the Town of Constantia as per letter attached.
Motion: Mayor Davis, Seconded: Trustee Youmans, all in favor.

VILLAGE HISTORIAN: Charlene Weed, this is a voluntary position
Motion: Mayor Davis, Seconded: Trustee Hickey, all in favor.

VILLAGE NEWSPAPER: Citizen Outlet for the postings of all meetings, public notices, etc.
Motion: Mayor Davis, Seconded: Trustee Gribbon, all in favor

VILLAGE BANK: Bank of America and Pathfinder Bank until such time as all funds are converted over to Pathfinder Bank.
Motion: Mayor Davis, Seconded: Youmans, all in favor.

VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS to be held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m., as posted, with the exception of holidays, then the meeting will be held on the second Tuesday.
Motion: Mayor Davis, Seconded: Trustee Mazi, all in favor.

NEXT VILLAGE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING will be held on Tuesday July 8, 2008
Motion: Mayor Davis, Seconded: Trustee Hickey, all in favor.

RESOLUTION: that the Board of Trustees authorizes payment in advance of audit of claims for public utility services, postage, freight and express charges and all such claims shall be presented at the next regular meeting for audit and the claimant of officer incurring or approving the same shall be jointly and severely liable for an amount disallowed by the Board of Trustees. That this resolution is effective immediately. Motion: Mayor Davis, Seconded: Trustee Gribbon, all in favor.

PROCUREMENT POLICY: Mayor Davis made a resolution to adopt the procurement policy as written and attached, seconded by Trustee Gribbon, all in favor.

MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT: The Board of Trustees shall approve reimbursement to such officers and employees at the rate of $.415 per mile, effective immediately.
Motion: Mayor Davis, Seconded: Trustee Youmans, all in favor.

MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, and SCHOOLS: all officers and employees are authorized to attend such, that would benefit the Village. The Mayor and Trustees must obtain the Board approval. The Employees must obtain approval from the Mayor.
Motion: Mayor Davis, Seconded: Trustee Youmans, all in favor.
Mayor received approval from Board to attend The Watershed Conference on July 26, 2007 at the cost of $25.00/person. Trustees interested may also attend.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY: Appoint Allison J. Nelson, Firm of Caraccioli & Nelson, PLLC
Motion: Mayor Davis, Seconded: Trustee Youmans, motion denied, Davis-yes, Youmans-yes, Gribbon-no, Hickey-no, Mazi-no. Trustee Gribbon feels the Board should seek approval not appointment. Attorney Caraccioli stated that their contract will continue until an attorney is hired to represent the board. He would also like assurance that his bills would be paid. Trustee Gribbon

suggested the issue be tabled and go into executive session. Mayor and Board agreed to do so later in the meeting to discuss further.

APPEALS BOARD: James Pacific 2-year term, Susan Van Name 1-year term. John Goodfellow's 3-year term does not end until July of 2008.
Motion: Mayor Davis, Seconded: Trustee Gribbon, all in favor.

ASSIGNMENTS FOR BOARD MEMBERS:

- Mayor Davis: Water/Sewer and Village matters in general.
- Norm Youmans: New Village Hall Project.
- Thomas Hickey: Continue with the 150th Celebration as Co-Chair and Village Cemetery (rules & regs to current state standards, new laws, update charges for lots etc.), Village Play Ground (assess the equipment, make it safe for the children) and audit monthly bank statements.
- Kevin Gribbon: Work with Roy Reehil on the Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan.
- Joseph Mazi: Liaison with the Fire Dept., and sign checks in Mayors absence.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING BUSINESS:
OPEN For PUBLIC Comment:

Al Kline: The Board accepted a petition presented for streetlights on Gale Road. It was presented to the Town of Constantia previously. They will need to form a lighting district. Trustee Gribbon suggested the Town include Martin Road as well.
Ralph Stamp: offered to start a petition for Martin Road. Mayor wants to address the petition that has been presented right now for Gale Road.
Phil Meagley: would like streetlights back at the State Dock area.
Tom Pierce: noted that the DEC may be willing to put the lights back up.
Trustee Youmans will write the DEC requesting lighting – will get signatures from residents
Roy Reehill: discussed the dock and LWRP and suggested utilizing community support/petitions. He would like the Trustees to have a copy of the LWRP report he presented at this evenings meeting.
Doris Mazi: would like Sperry Mill Road paved. The Board will look into this.
John Hinds: Asked the new Board members what they see for the Village in the future? Trustee Gribbon responded that he sees financial challenges for the future (taxes). Trustee Mazi would like to see the Village as it was 25 years ago, people caring, working together and not saying hurtful things to each other. John Hinds encourages anyone interested to join the Fire Dept., volunteers are needed.

FIRE DEPT: Fire Chief David Hinds read the Fire Alarm Report for June 2007.

PAUL BAXTER: with the Tug Hill Commission: reminded the Trustees of the Municipal Audit Workshop on July 12, 2007.

150TH CELEBRATION Update: Joni Hinds: Aug 3rd is a Cruise-In, four car clubs will be attending. The prints will be on sale at the July 14th Historical Society Fund raiser. Sat Aug 4th, parade 11:00 am, 15 floats, there will be an MC on Main Street, awards for vehicle or float, 11:00-3:00 will be games, displays etc., 6:00-10:00 Fireman's Ball, 10:00 Fireworks. May have Tug Boat Tours.

VILLAGE HALL: Trustee Youmans and Mayor Davis reported: The Tyler Bldg has been purchased,

roof will be replaced with textured shingles not metal, employees/volunteers will remove old shingles, need to Bid out roof, volunteers do demolition of interior, fire Dept wants overhead door (OK with Board), will be receiving grant from Senator Wright for $50,000. , USDA OK with self help, Architect is working on Preliminary Architectural Feasibility Report, 15 % grant will be received from USDA, utilizing village employees and volunteers will greatly lower the amount of money needed to borrow, final cost estimate to include Village forces- will be approved by Board and USDA.
Trustee Gribbon would like no volunteer labor until meetings are arranged with USDA and insurance company. Trustee Gribbon made motion such that no activity take place in the Tyler Building until the Board has laid out a plan and agency has signed off on it, second by Trustee Hickey, all in favor.

WORK MEETING: Another work meeting will be held on Tuesday July 24, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Fire Station.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board went into executive session to discuss Legal Council issues at 9:55pm.

CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board left executive session and resumed regular business.

RESOLUTION: Trustee Youmans made motion to continue to utilize Caraccioli and Nelson as the Village Attorney until such time as the Board terminates Caraccioli and Nelson and finds an acceptable legal firm to replace them, second by Mayor Davis, all in favor.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Mayor Davis made motion to adjourn at 10:25pm, seconded by Trustee Gribbon, all in favor.

Submitted by: Phyllis Sweeten/Clerk Treasurer 7/17/07