## Village of Cleveland Board Meeting

**December 8, 2015** 

PRESENT: Trustees Joe Domachowske, Laureen Tackman and Deputy Mayor Christine Schreiber. Clyde Lewis, Dan Lewis, Cathy Kline, Joni Hinds. Absent: Mayor Youmans. Trustee Scott Williams arrived at 6:40pm.

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** by Deputy Mayor Schreiber at 6:30 pm with Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Cathy Kline inquired about the Village purchasing Christmas decorations for the light poles as she has seen in other Villages and Towns. She commented that she saw it was actually on tonight's agenda. Clyde Lewis asked if the code officer is writing up properties in the Village that need cleaning up, for example the one on Center St. across from Mr. Hamacher's house. This will be addressed with the code officer.

**DPW REPORT:** There was no report as the Superintendent was in training for the Fire Department.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Trustee Williams read the monthly report. The department has the new MSA G1 SCBA is on order, and they are looking to purchase a set of electric hydraulic extrication tools. The boat has been pulled and winterized.

SPIRIT COMMITTEE: Joni Hinds gave the following report: The Light Up The Park was well attended, at least 75 people including about 25 kids, who all received a toy from Toys for Tots. Hot cocoa and cookies were served. Members of Cleveland Pride and the Spirit Committee met the week before and decorated the park. Joni submitted her expenses for reimbursement, including a gift card for Mike Tylee for setting up the sound. She also mentioned the members that had previously handled the decorating contest were not going to do it this year due to poor interest. Trustee Schreiber and the Clerk will take it on this year and Joni will post it on Facebook. Joni also stated as Historian she has put together a 2 page history of the Village for a project for Oswego County as well as 10 little know facts of the Village (they are available at the Village hall for viewing.) She has also assisted Kathy Darrow with the history of Father Mertens and she reported she attended the Cleveland Historical Society meeting last night as well.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT:** Trustee Tackman read the listing of building permits provided by the Code Officer. This was not a report and Trustee Schreiber inquired if Mr. Hamacher has updated the Village information in his code software. The board would like to see more detailed reports in the future.

**REVIEW GARBAGE LAW:** The Board discussed the changes that have been made to the proposed law. The law provides the ability for unpaid garbage payments to be re-levied to taxes. The trustees are all in agreement with the proposed language. A public hearing will be held January 12, 2016 at 6:00pm.

**INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT:** The Town of Constantia has proposed and intermunicipal agreement for the purposes of sharing services and equipment of the Constantia Highway Department and the Village DPW. Trustee Tackman read the agreement. Trustee Williams ask that a list of the shared equipment be included, and the board would like the Village attorney to review prior to signing. They would like to know what we own jointly and how to handle borrowed equipment.

**CULVERT PIPE POLICY:** The present policy is the homeowner pays for the replacement of the culvert in their driveway. After checking with other municipalities, their policy is to cover the cost unless it is new construction. The culverts are in the Village right-of-way, therefore should be our responsibility to replace. The trustees agreed that this is a fair policy and therefore, Trustee Williams made a motion to accept this policy and that the Village will incur the cost of replacing existing pipe, unless it is new construction, second by Trustee Tackman, all in favor.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS FOR POLES: Downtown Decorations (same company we have purchased all the banners from) has 5 wreaths with candles to hang on Nat. Grid poles. Discounted to \$520. each (reg. \$800). Could be done for next year's holiday season. Maybe reduced more after January. The board would like to see different styles of decorations and wait till January to see what might be on sale. National Grid will charge us approx \$58 per year per pole to operate. They will install power for us next Sept./Oct. Trustee Tackman made a motion to approve the purchase of Christmas decorations up to \$3,000 for light poles or illuminating ornaments, second by Trustee Williams, all in favor.

**PAY BILLS**: Trustee Domachowske made a motion to approve December Abstract #7, vouchers 282-320, second by Trustee Williams, all in favor.

Trustee Tackman asked the clerk to contact the State DOT regarding the crosswalk signs that have been placed on Rt. 49 in the incorrect spots. Trustee Schreiber asked if we have heard anything on the funding for the dock, nothing yet, still waiting to hear. Trustee Schreiber made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35pm, second by Trustee Tackman, all in favor. Next meeting, Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 6:30pm with a public hearing at 6:00pm.