

**Village of Chester  
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes  
June 8, 2015**

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Chester held their monthly meeting in the Village Hall meeting room on Monday, May 11, 2015.

Members present: Mayor Philip Valastro, Deputy Mayor Carole Duffy, Trustee Betty-Jo Bono, Trustee John T Bell and Trustee Christopher Battiato.

Also present: Village Clerk, Rebecca Rivera, Village Attorney, Ian L. Schlanger, Village Police Chief, Peter Graziano, Village Street Superintendent, Charles Bono, Village Treasurer, Angela O'Neill, and Village Code Enforcement Officer, John Orr. Water Commissioner, Thomas Becker, was absent.

Mayor Philip Valastro opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AUDIT OF BILLS:** Mayor Philip Valastro noted that the audit of the Village's monthly bills for approval was complete.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Mayor Valastro mention that meeting minutes for May 11, 2015, and the Special Board Meeting of May 26, 2015, would be approved at the next Village Board meeting July 13, 2015.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Village Treasurer, Angela O'Neill, read her report as follows:

**CASH BALANCES ENDING May 31, 2015:**

<u>Fund/Bank Account</u>	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>(Disbursements)</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
<b><u>General Fund</u></b>				
Checking(Orange County Trust)	675,578.43	407,702.01	19.37	563,160.77
M.M. (Orange County Trust)	--	250,000.00	113.24	671,278.70
<b><u>Water Fund</u></b>				
Capital Cap Checking	--	31,141.00	6.33	61,295.41
Checking	59,766.92	216,745.84	23.75	169,038.27
<b><u>Sewer Fund</u></b>				
Checking	130,367.98	177,041.00	32.64	338,323.13

**Cumulative Fiscal Year Interest Earned by Fund 06/01/2014 – 05/31/2015**

General Fund	10,838.34
Water Fund	319.55
Sewer Fund	276.96

**Treasurer's Discussion:**

1. **EXPENSE CONTROL REPORT:** Year to Date Expense Control Report is attached.
2. **REVENUE CONTROL REPORT:** Year to Date Income Control Report is attached
3. **2014-2015 BUDGET MODIFICATIONS:** Any over budget accounts as of 5/31/15 will be presented as budget modifications and presented at the July 2015 Village Board Meeting for Board Approval.
4. **2015-2016 COLLECTION:** Collection of Village Property Taxes and Sewer are underway.

Village Treasurer, Angela O'Neill mentioned that budget modifications will be ready for the July 13, 2015, Village Board meeting.

A motion to accept the Treasurer's report, as read, was made by Trustee, John T. Bell, second by Deputy Mayor, Carole Duffy. Motion unanimously passed.

**POLICE REPORT:** Police Chief, Peter Graziano, read his report as follows:

**1. Personnel:**

- Appointment of Officer Jason Andino to fill existing full time Policer Officer Vacancy.

**2. Citizen Issues:**

- No issues.

**3. Public Safety Issues:**

- Traffic Details: Continuing.
- Fire Display on 11 July, be aware of traffic congestion in the area.

**4. Facilities:**

- No issues

**5. Equipment:**

- No issues.

**6. Vehicles:**

- 727, a 2008 Impala was auctioned off on GovDeals.com for \$1,522.55.
- The 2015 Ford has arrived and the up fit process will be starting.

**7. Other:**

- No issues

**8. Department Activity YTD:**

Call Type	2015
Calls for Service	1343
Criminal Cases	261
Arrests	187
Traffic Accidents	079

**BUILDING REPORT:** Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer, John Orr, read his report as follows:

Sienko – 20 Oakland Ave

1- Project almost complete.

Previtera – 18 School St.

1- Project almost complete.

BYK – 48 Leone Lane (former Chem-Cor)

1- Final inspection scheduled.

N2O – 2 Vadala Rd.

1- Work almost complete.

F&A – 41 Greycourt Ave

1- Foundation is complete.

Norris – 26 Elm Street

1 – Foundation complete.

Castle – 109 Brookside Ave

1- Issued permit for Solar System.

Meadow Hill Apartments.

1- Issued permit for the first building.

New York State has redeveloped its CEDAR program. CEDAR stands for Code Enforcement Disaster Assistance Response. The program is to assist a local building department when a geographic area is devastated by a disaster. This program was in effect over 10 years ago but had problems. Some of the biggest problems in the past were deployment, accountability and insurance coverage. These issues have been worked through and the CEDAR team now falls under New York State Home Land Security Division and will be requested and accountable through NYS EOC.

In a recent deployment, 53 participants responded to Long Island after hurricane Sandy. During the deployment staff members conducted 12,731 building evaluations in 11 days. Usually a deployment will be for 1 to 3 days and is a voluntary.

If a request comes in for team members, the team member can decide if they can go or not. I'm asking the Board permission to join this team.

A motion to authorize Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer, John Orr, to join Code Enforcement Disaster Assistance Response, was made by Deputy Carole Duffy, second by Trustee John T. Bell. Motion unanimously passed.

**STREET REPORT:** Street Superintendent, Charles Bono, read his report as follows: no report submitted.

**WATER REPORT:** Mayor Valastro read water report as follows:

1= Daily filtration plant and well #12 routine.

2= At the filtration plant twice weekly EFM membrane cleanings have been done. A tank heater had to be replaced on the backwash CHN skid and the quarterly CIP membrane cleanings have been done.

3= On Greycourt Ave we replaced 120 ft. of water main after the new culvert pipe was installed. The pipeline will be pressure tested and chlorinated and two consecutive days of bacteria sampling must pass to put the main back in service.

4= Weekly mowing's at all water facilities have been done.

5= Two bacteria samples for May were taken to the lab.

**PARK & RECREATION:** No report submitted.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Resolution Adopting Proposed Local Law 2 Of 2015 Amendment To Chapter 79: Sewers And Sewage Disposal; Self-Service Laundromat:

**WHEREAS**, on this 11th day of May, 2015, a proposed local law was introduced, proposed Local Law #2 of 2015 "Amendment to Chapter 79: Sewers and Sewage Disposal; Self-Service Laundromat;" and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing on the above-referenced proposed law was held and closed on June 8, 2015,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it hereby

**RESOLVED** that the Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Chester hereby adopts proposed Local Law 2 of 2015 entitled: Proposed Local Law #2 of 2015 "Amendment to Chapter 79: Sewers and Sewage Disposal; Self-Service Laundromat, "which, upon adoption, becomes Local Law No. 2 of 2015; and be it further

**RESOLVED** that the Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to take such actions and perform such other and further acts that are reasonably necessary to fulfill the purposes of this Resolution.

Introduced By: Deputy Mayor Carole Duffy

Seconded By: Trustee John T. Bell

On a vote of 5 to 0, the resolution was adopted

Resolution Authorizing Litigation against the Town of Monroe And/or The Town Of Monroe's Supervisor:

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Chester, along with the towns of Monroe and Chester, is a member of the Moodna Basin Joint Operation & Maintenance Commission ("Moodna Basin J.O.M.C."); and

**WHEREAS**, the Moodna Basin J.O.M.C. employed Brian Smith as its part-time administrator; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Inter-Municipal Agreement that governs the Moodna Basin J.O.M.C., the Town of Monroe's Town Supervisor is responsible for, among other things, issuing all paychecks and making all payments on behalf of the Moodna Basin J.O.M.C., including, but not limited to, payments due and owing to Brian Smith; and

**WHEREAS**, the Supervisor of the Town of Monroe has failed, neglected, or refused to make payment to Brian Smith despite due demands for him to so do,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it hereby,

**RESOLVED**, that the Mayor of the Village of Chester, be and hereby is directed to make formal demand upon the Supervisor of the Town of Monroe to make payment to Brian Smith for his salary and other compensation due him on account of his employment as Administer of the Moodna Basin J.O.M.C., and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Mayor of the Village of Chester, be and hereby is authorized and directed to retain the law firm of Norton & Christensen, upon such terms as he deems just, proper and advisable, and shall authorize such Counsel, on behalf of the Village of Chester, to take such actions as may be deemed advisable, including, but not limited to, commencing litigation, against the Town of Monroe and/or the Supervisor of the Town of Monroe to compel the Town of Monroe's Supervisor to make payments on behalf of the Moodna Basin J.O.M.C. to Brian Smith for compensation due him; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to take such actions and to perform such other and further acts that are reasonably necessary, proper or convenient to fulfill the purposes of this Resolution.

Introduced By: Deputy Mayor Carole Duffy

Seconded By: Trustee John T. Bell

On a vote of 5 to 0, the resolution was adopted

Resolution Directing Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law 3 of 2015 Amendment to Chapter 90: Towing:

**WHEREAS**, on this 8th day of June, 2015, a proposed local law was introduced, proposed Local Law #3 of 2015 "Amendment to Chapter 90: Towing;" and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing is required to be held thereon.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it hereby

**RESOLVED**, that the Village Board will hold a Public Hearing at 6:45 P.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on the 13th day of July, 2015, at the Village Hall, on the proposed Local Law entitled: Proposed Local Law #3 of 2015 "Amendment to Chapter 90: Towing;"

and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Village Clerk give due notice of this public hearing in accordance with the Village Code and the Laws of the State of New York.

Introduced By: Deputy Mayor Carole Duffy

Seconded By: Trustee Betty-Jo Bono

On a vote of 5 to 0, the resolution was adopted

Inter-Municipal agreement, Mobile data terminal equipment:

**RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Board of Trustee of the Village of Chester, that the Chief of Police is hereby authorized to execute the Inter-Municipal agreement, dated May 11, 2015, with the County of Orange for the Village to receive and utilize the Mobile data terminal equipment under the terms and conditions of said agreement;

and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Chief of Police is hereby authorized and directed to take such other and further acts that are necessary and proposer to fulfill the purposes of this resolution.

Introduced By: Deputy Mayor Carole Duffy

Seconded By: Trustee Betty-Jo Bono

On a vote of 5 to 0, the resolution was adopted

#### **CALENDAR**

- The Village Clerk's office will be closed on Friday, July 3, 2015 due to Independence Day.
- Chester Fireworks for 2015. The Chester fireworks are scheduled for Saturday, July 11, 2015. The event is going to begin at 4:00 p.m., and will be an evening celebration with bands, bandstands and vendors. The fireworks will begin at dusk.
- Summer Camp Info – see Parks and Rec - <http://thetownofchester.us/parks-and-recreation/recreation-programs/summer-camp/>
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#### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to close the public meeting and to go into executive session to discuss litigation with reconvening thereafter was made by Trustee, John T Bell, and seconded by Deputy Mayor Carole Duffy. Motion unanimously passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Rivera  
Village Clerk