

WORK SESSION OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON MAY 27, 2014  
AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE DEPOSIT THEATER

PRESENT: Mayor O'Connor, Trustees Hathaway and Strauss, CT Decker, DCT Budine, Debbie Stever, CEO Conklin, Sharon Wright, Paula and Lucy Lantz, Melissa Bishop and Alan Sorensen of Planit Main St. and Police Chief Cantwell

ABSENT: Trustee Mott and O'Connell, Fire Chief Rynearson, Assist Fire Chief Zacharias, and DPW Hubbard

Mayor O'Connor opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor O'Connor opened the public hearing as follows:

PUBLIC HEARING

Local Law #2 of 2014 Design Guidelines

President O'Connor gave a summary of the Design Guidelines as follows:

The commercial and mixed use properties within the Village of Deposit's CBD- Central Business District and CHO-Commercial Highway Oriented Zoning Districts represent a major economic investment and also provide an opportunity for the rehabilitation of existing structures or the introduction of new buildings on previously developed sites. The Design guidelines are intended to provide guidance for creating aesthetically pleasing and functional businesses within the Village of Deposit. It includes both standards (requirements) and guidelines (suggestions). Standards typically use the word "shall" or a clear directive ("are not permitted" or "are required"). Guidelines typically use the word "should" or "consider". Projects must comply with standards and are strongly encouraged to comply with guidelines. The Design Guidelines apply to actions requiring Site Plan Review pursuant to Chapter 140 Zoning of the Village of Deposit within the following zoning districts: CBD- Central Business District and CHO – Commercial Highway Oriented (along Division St.). Actions requiring approval of a Special Permit by the Planning Board or that require a building permit and alter the exterior of a building shall also be subject to these guidelines. These guidelines were prepared to provide a basis for property owners, architects, engineers, landscape architects, developers, planning board members, residents, and Village officials to address site development issues within these commercial business districts.

Mayor O'Connor opened the Public Hearing to the public as follows: Melissa Bishop stated that she was surprised to find out the Village had no guidelines and that the Planning Board worked very hard on the document as submitted. She also wanted to thank Alan Sorensen for all his hard work in the preparation of the document. Mr. Sorensen then thanked all involved for the opportunity to work with the Village's Planning Board. Debbie Stever asked when it would go into effect and were there any outstanding planning board issues that are pending this new Local Law might affect. C/T Decker stated it takes approximately 30 days from the time the Local Law is filed with the state to become an official Local Law. Melissa Bishop answered there were no pending Planning board actions that will be affected by this law.

Mayor O'Connor closed the public portion of the Public Hearing. He then opened the hearing to the Board of Trustees. There being no comments the Public Hearing was closed at 7:15 p.m.

A roll call vote was then taken to adopt Local Law #2 of 2014 Design Guidelines as follows:

Trustee Mott	Absent
Trustee O'Connell	Absent
Trustee Strauss	Aye
Trustee Hathaway	Aye
Mayor O'Connor	Aye

MOTION#100/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee Hathaway seconded by Trustee Strauss stating that the Design Guidelines Local Law #2 of 2014 will result in no significance adverse impacts on the environment, and, therefore, an environmental impact statement need not be prepared. Accordingly, a Negative Declaration is issued for this project. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION#101/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee Strauss seconded by Trustee Hathaway to accept the monthly Code Report for filing as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

STREETS

Mayor O'Connor mentioned an article in the Deposit Courier in regards to the cleanup of Butler Brook. The Mayor reminded everyone that clean up of any portion of Butler Brook is the land owner's responsibility.

WATER

No old business

SEWER

No old business

BUILDINGS

No old business

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Trustee Strauss stated that he had talked with Supervisor Decker of the TOS and he was in favor of the purchase of the Quint ladder truck. Trustee Hathaway stated that Supervisor Axtell was in favor also with reservations – those being the money coming from the EMS reserve. Trustee Hathaway stated he had the same reservations but understood the need. CT Decker gave an update on the totals in the reserve accounts.

EMERGENCY SQUAD

No old business

POLICE DEPARTMENT

No old business

PRESIDENT

No old business

TRUSTEES

No old business

FINANCE

MOTION#102/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee Strauss seconded by Trustee Hathaway to purchase the 1984 Sutphen Quint Ladder Fire Truck for \$38,000 from Chenango Fire Department to be paid from the EMS Reserve. The motion carried unanimously.

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STREETS

No new business

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BUILDINGS

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

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PRESIDENT

Mayor O'Connor wanted to make the public aware of feral hogs in the area. There is a flyer on the hogs in Village Hall.

TRUSTEES

Trustee Hathaway stated he was going to schedule a meeting with Hubbard to put together a cost estimate for the upgrade of the Village hall doors and windows.

FINANCE

MOTION#103/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee Strauss seconded by Trustee Hathaway to authorize the Mayor's signature on the Abstract of Audited Vouchers as follows:

General Fund	\$ 21,292.24
Water Fund	\$ 5,964.07
Sewer Fund	\$ 17,646.41

The motion carried unanimously.

Lucy Lantz presented a Casino Resolution in support of Traditions at the Glen. The Trustees did not support the resolution at this time.

**A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A PLAN  
FOR THE INVESTIGATION OF COMPLAINTS CONCERNING  
HOUSING DISCRIMINATION IN THE VILLAGE OF DEPOSIT**

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Fair Housing Law, as well as the Laws of New York State, prohibit discrimination in the sale, rental, financing, and brokerage of housing based on race, creed, color, gender, national origin, familial status, or handicap; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Deposit is committed to furthering the Federal Fair Housing Act within the boundaries of the Village of Deposit

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Village Trustees of the Village of Deposit, as follows:

**SECTION I.** The Mayor of the Village of Deposit is hereby designated to receive and accept written complaints and grievances concerning allegations of discrimination in the sale, rental, financing, and brokerage of housing based on race, creed, color, national origin, familial status, or handicap within the boundaries of the Village of Deposit.

**SECTION II.** All such complaints shall be promptly referred to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development or his designee, for investigation and such other action as the Secretary shall deem appropriate.

**SECTION III.** The Mayor and all other officials, employees and agents of the Village of Deposit shall fully cooperate with the Secretary or his designee, in any such investigation or other action as a result of a complaint.

**SECTION IV.** This resolution shall take effect immediately.

This resolution entered by Trustee Strauss, seconded by Trustee Hathaway, and passed with 3 voting aye and 2 voting nay, at a regularly called meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Deposit, this 27th day of May, 2014, a quorum being present and voting.

Trustee Mott	Absent
Trustee Hathaway	Aye
Trustee Strauss	Aye
Trustee O'Connell	Absent
Mayor O'Connor	Aye

MOTION#104/14-15

Motion made by Trustee Strauss seconded by Trustee Hathaway to accept the Events Application of the Wooden Cross on August 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at Firemen's Park. The motion carried unanimously.

Next the board had a discussion on creating Reserve Accounts. CT Decker explained that there were several kinds of Reserve accounts that can be created but probably only two really fit the Village's needs; Specific and Type. A Specific Reserve is just that. It is monies set aside for a specific project or piece of equipment and must only be used for that purpose and is also subject to permissive referendum at time of creation. Later when spending the money a motion and a second is all that is required. A type reserve is for equipment, machinery, apparatus, vehicles etc. and is not subject to permissive referendum unless at time of expenditure bonding is required. A type reserve account allows for more flexibility in spending. A specific reserve account is for that particular item only. Trustee Strauss stated that he would like to see a sewer reserve for WWTP big ticket expenditures and also a highway reserve. No action was taken at this time in regard to reserve accounts.

MOTION#105/14-15

A motion was made by Trustee Hathaway seconded by Trustee Strauss to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: