

**Village of Homer Board of Trustees Minutes  
Homer, New York  
2008-2009**

**HOMER, NY  
MARCH 4, 2008**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Michael McDermott; Trustees –Michael Berry, Roy Crandall, Andy Brush Genevieve Suits, Attorney –Patrick Perfetti; Lindsay Andersen– Dog Control; Bruce Weber -Code Enforcement Officer, Town Councilmen - Brian Young and Kevin Williams, Eric Mulvihill – WXHC Radio reporter; Christine Laubenstein – Cortland Standard reporter; Beverly Berry – Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Kim Allen, Carol Kulikowsky and Janet Steck

**5:30 p.m. Public Hearing on Emergency Parking was called to order by Mayor McDermott. Followed by Pledge of Allegiance.** Attention of the matter had been brought to the Mayor by Daniel Hayes of the Center for the Arts in concern when events are happening there, it is parked full, and thought spaces should be reserved for fire fighters/emergency personnel with proposed 3 parking places in front of the Recreation Office and 2 parking spaces between the Fire Station and the Elizabeth Brewster House. With no comment from the public it was motioned by M. Berry to add the Emergency Parking as proposed - All aye.  
Public Hearing closed at 5:39 p.m.

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees brought to order at 5:40 p.m.**

February 5, 2008 minutes – Table approval decision to next meeting – Motion – G. Suits – All aye.

Treasurer's Report – not available  
Motion to pay bills – R. Crandall – All aye.

Brian Young spoke to the Board regarding open lines of communications on building renovations of any questions or concerns. Discussion took place about meeting time looking at first Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. This to be decided among the four members – M. Berry, G. Suits, K. Williams, B. Young. B. Young continued they are looking for a common area for those using the elevator to enter offices, the outside is concrete blocked, and there are no deadlines on completion at this time. If anything impacts the Village offices he or K. Williams will contact G. Suits or M. Berry. He concluded that eventually the wheelchair access in the Senior Center will be eliminated and that wall will be sheet rocked and finished from there, once the handicapped access from the elevator entrance is completed.

Scheduled Public Hearing for Ken DeMunn Project, March 25, 2008, 6:30 p.m. in the Senior Center. Petitions were presented to the Mayor by J. Steck.

**ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:**

**CODES:** Czimmer no action pending junk car, same vehicle and had been ordered by the Court to be removed. P. Perfetti will follow up. B. Weber to check status regarding 22 Cayuga Street. Vehicles are parked on front yard at 29 Cayuga Street.

Letter had been sent to property owner at 2 South William Street regarding junk vehicle, at Attorney for action. Motion to accept report as submitted G. Suits – All aye.

**DOGS:** Amount of fuel had been changed with budget of 2007/08 per L. Andersen, Clerk Assistant – Dawn Stevens will be asked to do a quarterly Fuel Allocation for Dog Control report regarding fuel pumped. Board asked that signs be on truck when pumping fuel.  
Motion to accept as written - G. Suits - all aye.

**POLICE:** The Police Department can hire Deputy Sheriffs. The lights are on at the building.  
Motion to accept report – A. Brush – all aye.

The gutter is not large enough for the roof melt-off and it is freezing on the handicap pavement again. Will have to look at it again in the spring to alleviate.  
R. Crandall stated the Dodge is on state bid, wants to check past repairs, it is better on gas than the Ford.

**RECREATION:** J. Lewis – Director is to submit report of hours monthly – received current. Director’s report submitted. Current Boys Basketball has had no printed schedules for games or practices. Motion to accept as read – R. Crandall – all aye.

**STREETS & PARKS:** Salting and sanding at intersections, due to low salt inventory.  
Permissive Referendum for \$9,900 Dump Truck repair from Repair Reserve scheduled for March 25, 2008, 6:30 p.m. Senior Center.  
Athey street sweeper repairs continue.  
Motion to accept report as submitted R. Crandall – all aye.

**WATER/SEWER:** Motion to accept report as submitted A. Brush – all aye.

**FIRE STATION: Permission is granted to allow the Fire Station to apply for a permit to allow sale of beer at the Firemen Field Days – June 5, 6 & 7 Motion – R. Crandall - all aye**  
Motion to accept report as submitted G. Suits – all aye.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Mayor attended Grant Symposium regarding grant information through Arcuri’s office, Wednesday February 27, 2008, information had been sent to Chiefs, M. Niehus from the Fire Department was the only other Village of Homer attendee.  
Motion to accept report as submitted – G. Suits – all aye.

Motion to accept Stacey Whitcombe’s transfer of membership from Virgil Fire Department to Homer Fire Department , contingent on physical being completed – G. Suits – all aye.

**VEHICLE REPORT:** Approved as submitted A. Brush – all aye.

**Resolved for Mayor to accept and sign recreation contract with Town of Cortlandville for 2008 – G. Suits all aye.**

**Motion** to offer NYS Deferred Compensation to employees M. Berry – all aye.

**New Business –** The Village Election will be held Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at the Senior Center from 12:00 noon to 9:00 p.m.

Mayor McDermott and Supervisor Forbes met with Angela DiNisco from Center of Government Research regarding sharing of services.

Union reps meeting with Attorneys scheduled for today, March 4, 2008, was cancelled.

Meals on Wheels requested the Mayor to deliver the meals for the County Nutrition program, Mayor is unavailable, G. Suits, Deputy-Mayor will check her calendar for that day.

Mayor received information regarding banners on Main Street information is in Trustee folder.

Bi-Centennial committee has asked Village of Homer to do a float for the parade. Mayor has asked Mary Alice Bellardini to assist. Discussion of ideas for the float took place including possibilities – Cardiff Giant – Attorney John Ryan as David Harum – Carved Indian Princess.

Amnesty Day will be held at the Village compost site, Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. White goods will be accepted and metal, absolutely no tires. Advertising will be in the newspaper and on the web-site.

Police Chief has been asked regarding the Village donating to the Jr. Hockey tournament, the Village cannot donate public funds.

Mayor McDermott appointed Robert Lottridge to fill the vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Trustees supported that decision.

Attorney Patrick Perfetti reported waiting for court, regarding small claims misuse of village cell phone, to collect debt. He will go back to court regarding D. Small Thoma Development loan and will commence action regarding Mrs. Patterson.

**Motion to enter Executive Session 7:16p.m.** G. Suits – all aye.

**Motion to adjourn Executive Session 7:43p.m.–** M. Berry all aye.

CDBG report approved as submitted A. Brush – all aye.

Meeting adjourned 7:45 p.m.

**Michael McDermott, Mayor**  
**Beverly D. Berry,**  
**Deputy Clerk-Treasurer**

**Village of Homer Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**April 1, 2008**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor McDermott at 5:32 PM. Present were Trustees Genevieve Suits, Roy Crandall, Mike Berry, Andrew Brush, and Clerk Lou Anne Randall.

**Mayor McDermott led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**The Mayor swore in Trustees Mike Berry and Roy Crandall for their two-year term.**

**Minutes from February 5<sup>th</sup>, and March 4<sup>th</sup> 2008 were approved as submitted, Motion Trustee Suits, all aye.**

**The Mayor made annual appointments.** (refer to the attached) Motion by Genevieve Suits – all ayes to accept all appointments.

**Motion by Trustee Crandall – all aye to the following resolution:**

**WHEREAS** the Board of Trustees has determined to pay a fixed rate for mileage as reimbursement to officers and employees of the Village who use their personal automobile while performing their official duties on behalf of the Village;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

**Section 1.** That the Board of Trustees shall approve reimbursement to such officers and employees at the rate of \$.40 per mile.

**Section 2.** That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

**Motion** by Mike Berry– **all aye to the following resolution:**

**WHEREAS** there is to held during the coming official year a) the New York State Conference of Mayors Annual Meeting and Training School; b) the New York State Conference of Mayors Annual Meeting and Fall Training School for Fiscal Officers and Municipal Clerks; c) the NYCOM Public Works Conference for the Streets/Parks Department and AWWA Meetings for the Water/Sewer Department.

**WHEREAS** it is determined by the Board of Trustees that attendance by certain municipal officials and employees at one or more of these meetings, conferences or schools benefits the municipality;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

**Section 1.** That the following officers and employees are hereby authorized to attend the following schools: NYCOM General Meetings – Mayor Mc Dermott; NYCOM General Meetings – Members of the Board of Trustees; NYCOM Fall Training School –Lou Anne Randall Clerk-Treasurer: Beverly D. Berry, Dep. Clerk-Treas.; AWWA Meeting – Supt. Lawrence Barber; NYCOM Public Works Conference & NYS Assoc. of Highway Supt. School- Supt. Michael Galeotti, Sr.

**Section 2.** That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

**Motion** by Trustee Brush – **all aye to the following resolution:**

**WHEREAS** the Board of Trustees has determined to authorize payment in advance of audit of claims for public utility services, postage, freight and express charges and **WHEREAS** all such claims shall be presented at the next regular meeting for audit, and **WHEREAS**, the claimant and officer incurring or approving the same shall be jointly and severally liable for any amount disallowed by the Board of Trustees.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

**Section 1.** That the Board of Trustees authorizes payments 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 auditing and the claimant and officer incurring or approving the same shall be jointly and severally liable for any amount disallowed by the Board of Trustees.

**Section 2.** That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

**Rules of Procedure** were reviewed and approved, **Motion** by Roy Crandall– all aye.

**Open purchase orders** were issued for county items on State Bids. **Motion** Genevieve Suits, all ayes.

**Conflict of interest statements** – Trustee Genevieve Suits said she would not sign any Suit – Kote vouchers, as that would be a conflict of Interest. Mayor Mc Dermott would refrain from decisions regarding the American Legion, as that would be a conflict of interest.

**The attached list of Budget Transfers was approved,** Motion by Trustee Suits – all aye.

**The attached list of Encumbrances was approved,** Motion by Trustees Suits – all aye.

**The attached list of Budget Modifications was approved,** Motion By Trustee Crandall – all aye.

**TREASURER’S Report indicating the Financial Status of Operating Funds was received as submitted,** Motion Trustee Crandall – **all aye.**

Motion Trustee Suits, all aye to pay the following bills:

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 1121-1182</b>	<b>\$102,571.26</b>
<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 359-386</b>	<b>\$ 13,546.77</b>
<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 359-388</b>	<b>\$ 12,371.67</b>
<b>Capital Projects Fund</b>	-----	-----
<b>Comm. Dev Fund</b>	-----	-----

**ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:**

**Cemetery** – Opens April 3, 2008.

**CODES** – report was received as submitted, Motion to accept by Trustee Crandall – all ayes.  
A report was made that there were 25 bags of garbage at a residence on Cortland Street. Bruce has talked to them about cleaning up the mess. There is also a truck without wheels on Cortland Street. There are three unlicensed vehicles on Cayuga Street. The clerk will notify Code Enforcement.

**DOGS** – report was as submitted, Motion to accept by Trustee Suits - all aye.  
Open house for their new facility is April 19<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 – 3:00 PM.

**POLICE** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Brush – **all aye.**  
Christopher Parrow will be the new officer for the Police Department. On motion, by Trustee Berry – all ayes, the Board approved Christopher Parrow as the new uncertified Police Officer.

**RECREATION** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Crandall. - **All ayes**

**STREETS/PARKS & MEO** –reports were received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Suits – **all aye.**  
Composite opens. David McEvoy resigned as of March 28, 2008. The Mayor will send him a letter. David was employed by the Village for 13.5 years. Larry McCall is not coming back as a part-time lawn mower. Superintendent Galeotti would like to hire a part-time and have them also work in Park duty. The pay would be \$10.00 an hour. Trustee Crandall noted he lent the Street department the Plasma Cutter and Engine hoist. Village of Homer Amnesty Day will be May 10<sup>th</sup>.

**WATER/SEWER** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Crandall – **all aye.**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT’S** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – all aye.  
Keyless entry will be installed during the first week of May. The Village would like 3 keyless entry cards; one

for the Clerk's Office and the other two for two Trustees. Also a monthly report of entrance submitted to the Board.

**FIRE CHIEF'S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Suits – **all aye.**

After election the Mayor will meet with the new Chiefs to go over their job requirements. The Employee handbook will be given to the new Chiefs. Mike Harter is asking the Village to send a letter to Homeland Security for a grant on a ladder Truck in the amount of \$800,000.00. The SCBA is for \$280,000.00; the Village needs to send a letter with the grant paperwork stating if a grant is given to the Village of Homer Fire Department the Village will pay 5% or what is deemed for the grant. On motion by Trustee Berry – all aye, a letter will be written by the Mayor in regards to the approval of submitting the grants.

**MIKE HARTER'S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Crandall – **all aye.**

The Mayor reported on the Union update. The Union Attorney will meet for the next round of negotiations on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

The Planning and Zoning Boards will have training on April 9<sup>th</sup> and April 10<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 9 PM at the County Office Building.

The Mayor was given the approval to have a phone review for evaluations of the phone service.

The court date for Chief Hess and Chief Newell is May 1, 2008.

**On motion by Trustee Suits the Board went into Executive Session at 7:00 PM.- all ayes**

**On motion by Trustee Crandall the board moved to adjourn Executive Session 7:47 PM. - all ayes**

**On motion by Trustee Suits the meeting was adjourned at 7:48 PM – all aye.**

Mayor Michael McDermott  
Lou Anne Randall, Village Clerk-Treasurer

**HOMER, NY**  
**May 6, 2008**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Michael McDermott; Trustees –Michael Berry, Andy Brush, Roy Crandall, Genevieve Suits, Attorney –Patrick Perfetti; Dog Control - Paul Burhans; Code Enforcement Officer - Bruce Weber, Fire Department President – John Ryan WXHC Radio reporter – Eric Mulvihill; Cortland Standard reporter – Christine Laubenstein; Beverly Berry – Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jeff Austin, Bill Kulikowsky, Janet Steck, Merri Baldwin, Margo Yager, Ward Dukelow, Joanne Canale, Carol Kulikowsky

**Pledge of Allegiance. Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees called to order at 5:34**

Discussion regarding the change of zone to PDDR for Kenneth DeMunn that it would increase tax base, but could understand the residents concern, the whole Village could benefit, speaking with other village residents that were for the project and it had pluses and minuses, and the decision had not been easy to make. Mayor had spoken with residents, some were for and some against, some signatures duplicated and one deceased There are other processes for the project to go through such as Planning Board and SEQR. Mayor asked for a motion. M. Berry motioned for the Village Board to accept the request to change the zone to PDDR as requested. Vote – R. Crandall –aye, M. Berry – aye, A. Brush – nay, G. Suits – aye, Motion carried 3-1.

Motion to approve minutes of April 1, 2008 Village Board of Trustees meeting A. Brush, all aye  
Motion to approve March 25, 2008, public hearing minutes regarding proposed Zoning Change from B2 to PDDR, Property of Cynthia Franz, Delores Parker & Anthony Rinaldi, - Reputed Owners, 75 North West Street, - TM #66.56-01-07.110, Kenneth DeMunn - Applicant, M. Berry, all aye.

Payment of Bills motion, M. Berry, all aye. Clerk Treasurer required emergency surgery and will be out of the office, but working from home.

The Annual Report was filed early with the State Comptroller's Office.

Motion to resolve transferring \$16,000 from the Water Reserve Fund to the General Fund for the Water Tank Liner, G. Suits, all aye.

#### **ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:**

**CEMETERY:** Mayor commended Jim Toolan and Staff and Dawn Stevens for their quick response to care taken to remedy a bush covering a gravestone. Motion to accept report as written, R. Crandall, all aye. Mayor McDermott will speak with J. Toolan regarding status of indigent burial at Glenwood Cemetery as to whether the Village is the only place they are accepted or if all county cemeteries accept indigent burials.

**CODES:** Attorney Perfetti stated effective April 22, 2008 there was no pending junk car incidents in court. He spoke with B. Weber on April 23, 2008 and B Weber will check status. Pierre Beaudry appeared in court regarding 22 Cayuga Street, stated everything is taken care of, B. Weber to check and get back to Attorney Perfetti. Kelley Patterson, South William Street is to have the dumpster in this week to clean property, again Bruce will follow up and contact Attorney Perfetti prior to court date of May 13, 2008.

Letter had been sent to property owner at 2 South William Street regarding junk vehicle, at Attorney for action. Motion to accept report as submitted G. Suits – All aye.

**DOGS:** Motion to accept as written - G. Suits - all aye. P. Burhans has received calls regarding people walking leashed dogs and loose dogs charging out from properties. P. Burhans will issue tickets. Cost of fuel is tough on the bottom line of doing business.

**POLICE:** Motion to accept report –M. Berry– all aye. The new hire is doing well. The school, regarding the resource officer position, has approached the Village; currently the NYS Troopers fill this position. If the Village police take over the position it would increase payroll associated costs (retirement, benefits) schooling of the officer. The officer would only be able to cover any school-based happenings, nothing on buses out of jurisdiction. Motion to research most equitable and to what extent a Village Police officer could do in this position - M. Berry, all aye

**RECREATION:** Motion to accept report – A. Brush– all aye. The sand and Marco clay is down on the new fields, needing to have rain to help it settling. Tee-ball will play at Calale in the meantime and there will be no ball at Newton Park. The concrete is poured at the concession stand. Discussion regarding liability of foul balls

at Griggs Field will not be alleviated by signage. The sign would be effective during closed hours. P Perfetti will research wording.

**STREETS & PARKS:** Motion to accept report M. Berry – all aye. Contento's is bringing in the dumpsters for Amnesty Day, May 10, at no charge and will take the scrap metal. Stephen Royals will take a tree inventory re: type and size, at no charge with a group of volunteers. Requested tape measures and shirts that would identify them. Fifty Norway pines will be planted along the property parallel to the railroad tracks on Cortland Street. A part time employee has been hired to replace the one full time and one part time that retired, to do summer mowing and weekend park duty. The new lawn mower has come in. David McEvoy's leave of absence is done and he is back to work. **VEHICLE REPAIR:** Motion to accept report M. Berry, all aye. Dump box is in and done.

**WATER/SEWER:** Motion to accept report as submitted G. Suits– all aye. Sewer bill from City will be corrected with new billing from the City of Cortland. Attorney Perfetti sent letter to Steve Graves regarding the unpaid non-metered water bill and has received no response. The Board agreed with L. Barber's request for cash only paid prior to pickup of bulk water loads. Done with Nixon Ave and the directional borer will save time and money with boring under Cayuga Street for the connection. Super Cream owner, Julie Dann requests refund of \$12.50 sewer overage of the minimum that occurred during a surface pipe leaking. None of this water went into the sewer. Motion to refund the \$12.50, M. Berry, all aye.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Motion to accept report as submitted – A. Brush– all aye. Motion to accept Kent Wilson as a new member M. Berry - all aye.

Attorney Perfetti will research national background check for perspective members rather than just locally for arson history. The application wording should be changes from arrested to convicted. Fire contract for Town of Homer referred to M. Berry, Chief Ford and Attorney Perfetti, to meet the third Thursday at 6:30. The work was to begin today for the keyless entry. Will do keys for members, life members, 2 police, 2 trustees, Mayor and one for the Village office. J. Ryan requesting it be keyed to be open for from 8:00 – 10:00 a.m., this will allow access for delivery and others stopping in, other than that it will be locked. Key fobs will be assigned, and notice of lost key will be requested so that fob can be deleted from entrants. Board asked by J. Ryan why the schedule for community building events was needed. This is required for insurance liability, so Village Board is aware of events. Discussion took place regarding Deputy Chief not being sworn in, due to court case. Board advised by NYCOM and Village Attorney that this is the way it should be. The alarm room has been repainted and refinished. The boilers will now be inspected twice per year.

**FIRE STATION:** Motion to accept report as submitted A. Brush – all aye.

**MAYOR:** Route 41 from Main Street to route 281 will be part of the 5-year state capital plan.

Mayor will meet Thursday, May 8, 2008 with representatives from Henkle.

David Yaman purchased the First Niagara Bank property. He would like to have office in the back building. Parking will be reviewed at that time.

The Annual NYCOM meeting will be held June 8-11 at Saratoga Springs.

Mary Alice Bellardini is seeking donations fro the Lincoln portrait restoration.

Mayor is requesting a 5% decrease in expenditures by department heads to help cover cost of fuel increase. It may be a lower percentage, by the larger departments.

Motion to accept Ottenschot's request for a streetlight, G. Suits, all aye. The streetlight by Ottenschot Construction will be installed. Mayor McDermott met with David Hess of National Grid, and we are the only municipality that has not updated the streetlights in his district with the high-pressure sodium, which produce a yellow tone. The light all goes down to light the area rather than up. Over 200 overhead lights on the wooden poles would have a minimum of \$8,000 savings and 57 other lights on the metal poles would save \$5,000 - \$9,500, with the post lights on Main Street remaining the same white lights. M. Berry motioned authorizing Mayor McDermott to contact National Grid to replace the streetlights, all aye.

**ATTORNEY:** Judge Rumsey's opinion regarding the Officer Parente case was accepted for publishing.

Mr. Bennedy, 35 Clinton Street, regarding the extra driveway, where the actual parking is occurring is in railroad right-of-way, referred to IDA, who refers to Railroad, the railroad does not enforce. Attorney Perfetti will speak with Code Officer Bruce Weber as to where they are driving over the curb, and if it is not in the railroad right-of-way, this would qualify as terming extra driveway.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Jeff Austin informed the Mayor and Trustees of the Winterguard's NYS Championship second year in a row. Mayor McDermott will send letter of congratulations on their performance from the Mayor and Board of Trustees.

**Motion to enter Executive Session** 7:34 p.m. G. Suits – all aye.

**Motion to adjourn Executive Session** 7:42 p.m. M. Berry all aye.

CDBG report approved as submitted A. Brush – all aye.

Meeting adjourned 7:46 p.m.- G. Suits – all aye.

**Michael McDermott, Mayor**  
**Beverly D. Berry,**  
**Deputy Clerk-Treasurer**

**Village of Homer Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**June 3, 2008**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor McDermott at 5:35 PM. Present were Trustees Genevieve Suits, Roy Crandall, Mike Berry, and Clerk Lou Anne Randall. Also present was Ward Dukelow, John Ryan Jr., Christine Laubenstein and Eric Mulvihill. Absent: Andrew Brush.

**Mayor McDermott led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Minutes from May 6, 2008 were approved as submitted, Motion Trustee Suits, all aye.**

The Mayor read the Proclamation for the Homer Winter Guard. The Mayor will send a copy of the Proclamation to Mr. Larson at the Homer High School.

Professor Broyles from SUNY Cortland discussed the value of our public trees. Conducting the tree survey will provide the current economic and ecological value of our trees. This study will also note tree condition and maintenance issues too. Professor Broyles will need at least 20 to 25 people to help with the survey. He will conduct training courses before they start the Survey. Professor Broyles will need people who are interested, in good health and not afraid of using technology. He would also like bright shirt that have a design on them for all

of the people conducting the survey. The Mayor will check with the High School to see if anyone is interested in joining the group.

**On motion by Trustee Suits, to approve the Tree Survey – all ayes.**

**TREASURER’S Report indicating the Financial Status of Operating Funds was received as submitted, Motion Trustee Crandall – all aye.**

Motion Trustee Suits, all aye to pay the following bills:

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 173-262</b>	<b>\$ 95,246.25</b>
<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 66-88</b>	<b>\$ 9,175.30</b>
<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 66-89</b>	<b>\$ 3,399.23</b>
<b>Capital Projects Fund</b>	-----	-----
<b>Comm. Dev Fund</b>	-----	-----

The clerk presented the ESIP renewal package from the Mc Neil Co. **On Motion** by Trustee Berry the Board approved the renewal contract of ESIP Fire Insurance - **all ayes.**

The Mayor presented the Homer Elks Bingo License for approval. **On Motion** by Trustee Suits the Board approved the renewal of the license– **all ayes**

**ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:**

**Cemetery** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Crandall – **all ayes.**

The Mayor and Jim Toolan commended the crew for the excellent commitment to the cemetery for Memorial Day. Trustee Berry commented on how the whole Village looked great on Memorial Day.

**CODES** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Crandall – **all ayes.**

There are 2 cars at Czimmer’s. There is high grass at Joe Armideo property. Behind the Liquor store the garage is falling in. Bruce Webber will be notified of these problems.

**DOGS** – report was as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Berry - **all aye.**

There is a dog that keeps chasing the track team. Lindsey has told the owner to keep the dog on a leash.

**POLICE** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye.**

The Trustees wanted to know what is the policy on car chases? If there is not one than one needs to be put in place.

**RECREATION** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Crandall. - **All ayes**

The Mayor will write a letter of appreciation to the Suit Kote. The Trustees would like a list of all the major donors that helped with Griggs field. Trustee Suits will contact Recreation Director Jeff Lewis on all the donors.

**STREETS/PARKS & MEO** –reports were received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Suits – **all aye.**

Peg Sweeney contacted the Mayor about the tree in front of the IGA. There were tent caterpillars it. By the next morning the tree was eaten by the caterpillars plus the one across the Street. Superintendent Galeotti contacted ACME Co., which came and sprayed 8 trees. Amnesty Day was a great success and all the crew did a great job.

**WATER/SEWER** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Crandall – **all aye.**

On the 14<sup>th</sup> the Department bored under Cayuga Street for the connection to Nixon Ave.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT'S** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – all aye. New membership applicant: Mike Mc Clory, **On Motion** by Trustee Crandall the board approved his application– **All ayes**. Trustee Berry, Trustee Crandall and Mayor were given their Keyless cards by President John Ryan Jr. The system does have a battery back up that goes to the generator if the power is out too long. President John Ryan Jr. wanted to recognize the Legion for a great Memorial Day Service. The Fire Department is only attending 4 or 5 parades this year due to the increase in fuel. Mike Harter is in charge of the parade schedule.

**FIRE CHIEF'S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye**. Trustee Berry is working on renewing the Fire Contract with the Town of Homer.

**MIKE HARTER'S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Suits – **all aye**.

The Mayor reported on the Union update. The Union Attorney will meet every week now.

The Mayor reported on the Comprehensive Meeting. Thoma asked the Businesses what they see in the future and what they disliked or liked about the Village. There was not much response.

Ken Teeter Consulting provided a Proposal for Professional service for the DeMunn Housing Project. This service would have to be paid by DeMunn Housing Project. This service will provide assistance to the Village regarding the suitability and compatibility of the project. On motion, by Trustee Suits the Board approved K. Teeter Consulting Professional Service for the DeMunn Housing Project – all ayes.

Trustee Berry would like a letter written to 2+4 to fix the fountain at the Senior Housing.

Attorney Perfetti reported on Linani's which is now 13 months over due. On motion by Trustee Crandall the Board approved Attorney Perfetti to take further legal action against Linani's. – All ayes.

The Mayor reported on having 46 students from Homer Intermediate School to tour the Village Government Offices. The Mayor also gave the kids cookies and answered all of their questions.

The Clerk asked about Recreation Director Jeff Lewis' vacation pay. Jeff asked for a third week vacation that he claimed was supposed to have been granted to him by previous Mayor Beebe. There was no information on this in his personnel folder. Deputy Clerk Beverly Berry asked former Mayor Beebe if he had any recollection of this extra week of vacation. Former Mayor Beebe had no recollection of this arrangement with Jeff Lewis. There was nothing in the Board minutes referring to this matter. Trustee Berry stated the Board couldn't be bonded to what he was privy to without any record. The Clerk is to send a letter regarding this matter that he will not be given the extra week of vacation.

Attorney Perfetti has written a letter to Henkel Corp regarding the Village Police Department Property. Henkel is willing to sell the property to the Village.

**On motion by Trustee Suits the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM – all aye.**

Mayor Michael McDermott  
Lou Anne Randall, Village Clerk-Treasurer

**July 1, 2008**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor McDermott at 5:28 PM. Present were Trustees Genevieve Suits, Roy Crandall, Mike Berry, and Clerk Lou Anne Randall. Also present was Attorney Patrick Perfetti, Beverly Berry, Ward Dukelow, Christine Laubenstein and Eric Mulvihill.

**Mayor McDermott led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Minutes from June 3, 2008 were approved as submitted, Motion Trustee Suits, all aye.**

Judge Shiffer thanked everyone for being patient while the courtroom was reconstructed. The new court hours will be on Tuesday from 4 to 6 PM. Office hours for the court will be Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursdays from 10 am to 2 pm.

Eric Mulvihill brought in signs that state “ITS the law clean up after your DOG”. He would like permission to put these signs on the Village Green. The Mayor will contact the First Religious Society to see if we can print them and put them on the Village Green.

**On motion by Trustee Suits, to approve the signs – all ayes.**

**TREASURER’S Report indicating the Financial Status of Operating Funds was received as submitted, Motion Trustee Crandall – all aye.**

Motion Trustee Crandall, all aye to pay the following bills:

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 263-349</b>	<b>\$ 148,513.83</b>
<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 90-121</b>	<b>\$ 12,911.07</b>
<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 90-121</b>	<b>\$ 3,085.74</b>
<b>Capital Projects Fund</b>	-----	-----
<b>Comm. Dev Fund</b>	-----	-----

The Mayor discussed the new streetlights that will go on the square lights. There are 8 street head lights that will be replaced. We have not received an estimate on the cost to replace them. All the white bulbs will be replaced with small yellow lights. This will save the Village \$7,000.00.

National Grid finally put a streetlight on Prospect Street for Mr. Ottenschot’s place of business.

**ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:**

**Cemetery** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Crandall – **all ayes.**

**CODES** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Brush – **all ayes.**

The trial for Mr. Czimmer is set for August 14 at 1:00 pm. Superintendent Galeotti mowed 2 King St. and the back of 22 Cayuga Street. Mr. Beaudry’s property on 22 Cayuga Street needs to be confirmed as a dangerous/nuisance building by Code Enforcement Officer Weber. If Bruce Weber does site under the 9NYCRR Code he needs to provide the Judge with the description, status and definition as the burden of proof is on the Code Enforcement Officer

**DOGS** – report was as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Crandall - **all aye.**

The clerk will follow up with Lindsey regarding the dog chasing people on Stanford Dr.

**POLICE** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye**.

A letter was read from Patrolman Ryan Mead asking for a leave of absence during his recovery from surgery. **Motion** to accept his leave of absence by Trustee Brush – **all aye**.

**RECREATION** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Crandall. - **All ayes**

Pam Johnson still has not handed in a roster list for small fry football for the past two years. Attorney Perfetti will send a letter requesting the fees or the fields will be unavailable to them this year. Ward Dukelow stated the Recreation Commission talked about the situation. Small fry is an independent program, which does not allow the Village to obtain the used equipment. Trustee Berry stated the Village could not afford the program or take the risk on the liability issue.

**STREETS/PARKS & MEO** –reports were received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye**.

The Trustees went over the fuel consumption report for the year.

**WATER/SEWER** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Crandall – **all aye**.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT’S** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – all aye.

**FIRE CHIEF’S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye**.

**MIKE HARTER’S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Suits – **all aye**.

The Mayor reported on the Union update. There is nothing new to report on.

The Tree contracts are being sent out for renewals. The Mayor would like the contract to be for 2 years instead of annually. On **Motion** by Trustee Crandall the Board approved the Tree contracts to be for 2 years. – **All ayes**.

The Mayor reported on a meeting that he had with Key Bank. They are offering the parking lot behind Dave Ames building with no cost to the taxpayers. On **Motion** to accept the parking lot, Trustee Crandall – **all ayes**.

The Mayor read the letter from Hi-Lanes Bowling alley who is renewing their liquor license.

The Mayor read a letter from the Kiwanis Club asking for anyone interested in joining their organization.

The Mayor discussed Atlantic Inland contract regarding termination. The Village received many complaints from the residents about the inspections. The Board decided to terminate the contract. The Mayor will write the letter of termination. On **Motion** by Trustee Brush the Board approved the contract to be terminated. – **all ayes**

Attorney Perfetti stated July 10, 2008 at 1:00 pm would be court for Newell and Hess.

On **Motion** by Trustee Crandall the board moved to go into Executive Session at 7:03 PM – **all ayes**.

On **Motion** by Trustee Crandall the board adjourned the Executive Session at 7:35 PM – **all ayes**.

Recreation Director Jeff Lewis will still be able to teach his football camp.

Be it resolve that: Recreation Director Jeff Lewis will be granted comp time as long as he notifies the Village Clerk of when he is using his time. Jeff will be permitted to use his comp time at his discretion provided employment duties are proficiently performed.

On **Motion** by Trustee Brush the board accepted the above conditions– **all ayes.**

The Mayor was asked if there was a job description of the Code Enforcement Officers and to set specific hours for the Code Enforcement Officer

The Mayor, Trustee Brush and Trustee Crandall met with the DOT regarding the truck traffic through the Village. They did notify the Mayor of Clinton Street being redone in 2010.

**On motion by Trustee Suits the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM – all aye.**

Mayor Michael McDermott  
Lou Anne Randall, Village Clerk-Treasurer

**Village of Homer Board of Trustees Meeting  
August 5, 2008**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor McDermott at 5:32 PM. Present were Trustees Genevieve Suits, Roy Crandall, Andy Brush, Mike Berry, and Clerk Lou Anne Randall. Also present was Attorney Patrick Perfetti, Beverly Berry, Mr. Ritter and James Toolan.

**Mayor McDermott led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.**

Mayor McDermott presented 25 years of Service Certificate from NYCOM to James Toolan. The Mayor thanked him for his past services. The Mayor also presented American Legion, Francis Ritter a Certificate for an outstanding Memorial Day Service.

Linani's CDBG is now 15 months behind. The total Debt value is \$12,538.47. Attorney Perfetti will pursue collection. On motion by Trustee Suits the board approved for Attorney Perfetti to move forward with collection. – All ayes.

**TREASURER'S Report indicating the Financial Status of Operating Funds was received as submitted, Motion Trustee Crandall – all aye.**

Motion Trustee Crandall, all aye to pay the following bills:

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 350-449</b>	<b>\$ 150,697.04</b>
<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 122-155</b>	<b>\$ 10,841.67</b>
<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 122-155</b>	<b>\$ 56,020.50</b>
<b>Capital Projects Fund</b>	-----	-----
<b>Comm. Dev Fund</b>	-----	-----

**ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:**

**Cemetery** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Crandall – **all ayes.**

James Toolan requested the board look into the land behind the cemetery since it is for sale. Attorney Perfetti suggested eminent domain on the part that borders the cemetery. The Village will look into this further.

**CODES** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Crandall – **all ayes**.

The Mayor reported Atlantic Inland would be terminated as of August 11, 2008. Mr. Henry of 12 King Street is requesting a Handicap parking on his front lawn through the ZBA. Residents of 56 1/2 Cortland Street have not mowed their lawn all summer.

**DOGS** – report was as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Berry - **all aye**.

**POLICE** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye**.

The Police are doing 1 to 2 hour foot patrol during each shift. This will help save on gas, and for people to interact with them.

**RECREATION** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Brush. - **All ayes**

Pam Johnson came in during the decision and will meet with the clerk tomorrow at 11:00 am to pay the fees for out of district participants in Small Fry Football. As of July 14<sup>th</sup> Beverly Berry has been working with Jeff in the Recreation Office from 9 am to 1 pm daily. This has proven to be very beneficial with sign ups and answering recreation calls.

**STREETS/PARKS & MEO** –reports were received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye**.

On South Fulton there were graffiti of vulgar language written on the road. After the Holiday in Homer someone switched the Street signs of Bartlett and Cayuga Street.

**WATER/SEWER** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye**.

Buzz Barber will resubmit the bids for the water tank liner.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT'S** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Suits – all aye.

The question came up regarding the Chiefs mileage. Are we paying them from the house or from the Fire Station to the scene? The Clerk will contact the Auditors to make an appointment for their audit.

**FIRE CHIEF'S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye**.

**MIKE HARTER'S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Suits – **all aye**.

On motion by Mayor McDermott the board moved to Executive Session at 6:26 Pm.

On motion by Trustee Suits the Board moved to adjourn Executive Session at 7:40 PM  
Litigation and personal matters were discussed.

The Tree contracts were sent out for renewals. The lowest bid came in with Dafoe Tree Service at \$110 per hour. Stub Tree Service was \$150 per hour. Dafoe Tree Service needs to submit their Certificate of Insurance. On **Motion** by Trustee Crandall the Board approved Dafoe Tree Service contract to be for 2 years. – **All ayes**.

The Mayor reminded everyone that the Bi Centennial parade is September 13, 2008.

The Mayor reported the Fire Inspector applications are now being accepted.

Reminder NYCOM Fall Training will be September 14- 19, 2008

The Mayor will attend a DOT Meeting on August 12, 2008 in Syracuse

**On motion by Trustee Suits the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 PM – all aye.**

Mayor Michael McDermott  
Lou Anne Randall, Village Clerk-Treasurer

**Village of Homer Board of Trustees Meeting  
September 2, 2008**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor McDermott at 5:37 PM. Present were Trustees Genevieve Suits, Roy Crandall, Andy Brush, Mike Berry, and Clerk Lou Anne Randall. Also present was Eric Mulvihill.

**Mayor McDermott led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**TREASURER'S Report indicating the Financial Status of Operating Funds was received as submitted, Motion Trustee Suits – all aye.**

Motion Trustee Crandall, all aye to pay the following bills:

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 450-534</b>	<b>\$ 69,593.45</b>
<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 156-178</b>	<b>\$ 5,527.00</b>
<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 156-179</b>	<b>\$ 17,045.45</b>
<b>Capital Projects Fund</b>	-----	-----
<b>Comm. Dev Fund</b>	-----	-----

**ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:**

**Cemetery** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Crandall – **all ayes**.

**CODES** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Suits – **all ayes**.

The Mayor contracted with Life Safety Consultants for Fire Inspections from 2008-2009. Complaints of 22 Cayuga Street not having their back yard mowed, Lucky Kitchen having the gas line tore up on side of building, South Williams and James Street still have junk around their house will all be addressed with Bruce Weber tomorrow.

**DOGS** – report was as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Crandall - **all aye**.

**POLICE** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye**.

Kids are wrecking the bandstand and destroying property. The Police are trying to catch them. Kathy Barnes has started as Part-Time Police Officer during 3<sup>rd</sup> shift.

Mike Harter went and looked at a used Police Car in Cayuga Heights. He stated it was worth buying.

Mechanically was in good condition. On motion by Trustee Crandall the Board approved the Mayor to submit a bid for the 2006 Dodge Charger with 36,000 miles for \$5,100 not to exceed \$6,000 to the Village of Cayuga Heights. – all ayes.

**RECREATION** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Brush. - **All ayes**

Roger Sager gave his notice. Jeff Lewis and Beverly Berry will take over sign-ups for next year at the Recreation Office.

**STREETS/PARKS & MEO** –reports were received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye**.

A letter from Dean Gaffney requesting a medical leave of absence was read. Dean hurt his hand in a work accident and will be out of work for another 4 to 6 weeks. Dean has to have a return to work release from his doctor before he can return. On motion by Trustee Crandall the Board approved Dean Gaffney's medical leave of absence. – All ayes.

The Railroad should be starting their work on the entire crossing for the roads in the Village. The Village will have to do the paving and close the roads.

**WATER/SEWER** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye.**

Royal Liner is the only one who re-bid the tank liner for the Water Tank. The amount is for \$34,000. On motion by Trustee Suits the Board approved the bid for the Water Tank as long as they are still guaranteeing the work as before- ayes Suits, Brush and Crandall. Nay- Berry.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT'S** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Crandall – all aye. Jeffrey Iloff Jr. membership was presented to the Board. On motion by Trustee Suits the Board approved Jeffrey Iloff Jr. as a member of Triumph Hose Company No. 1 – all ayes.

**FIRE CHIEF'S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye.**

Trustee Berry stated he met with Town of Scott Supervisor, Steve McMahon, last Thursday. The Supervisor would like a yearly report by the Fire Chief on calls.

**MIKE HARTER'S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Suits – **all aye.**

On motion by Mayor McDermott the Board moved to Executive Session at 6:48 PM.

On motion by Trustee Suits the Board moved to adjourn Executive Session at 7:17 PM  
Litigation and personnel matters were discussed.

Fire Chief Ford stated the Town of Homer would be working on the Bridge on Pine Street. Can we make the bridge strong enough for a fire truck to go over?

The Mayor reminded everyone that the Bicentennial Parade is September 13, 2008.

Reminder NYCOM Fall Training will be September 14-19, 2008

There will be a meeting with our Union Attorney on September 8, 2008 at 5:30 PM.

The Clerk was notified the American Legion is renewing their liquor license.

**On motion by Trustee Brush the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 PM – all aye.**

Mayor Michael McDermott  
Lou Anne Randall, Village Clerk-Treasurer

**Village of Homer Board of Trustees Meeting  
October 7, 2008**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor McDermott at 5:37 PM. Present were Trustees Genevieve Suits, Roy Crandall, Andy Brush, Mike Berry, and Clerk Lou Anne Randall. Also present was Eric Mulvihill, Jeff Lewis, John Ryan Jr. and Pam Johnson

**Mayor McDermott led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**TREASURER’S Report indicating the Financial Status of Operating Funds was received as submitted, Motion Trustee Suits – all aye.**

Motion Trustee Berry, all aye to pay the following bills:

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 535-630</b>	<b>\$ 84,038.18</b>
<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 180-212</b>	<b>\$ 4,434.69</b>
<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 180-212</b>	<b>\$ 4,985.86</b>
<b>Capital Projects Fund</b>	-----	-----
<b>Comm. Dev Fund</b>	-----	-----

**ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:**

**Cemetery** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Crandall – **all ayes.**

**CODES** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Crandall – **all ayes.**

Mr. Czimmer is set to return to court. Attorney Perfetti has to file paperwork with the Judge this week. There are 3 cars under tarps. Mr. Weber reported that 56 ½ Cortland Street has been picked up. Bruce Atkins wrote a letter to the Village regarding 22 Cayuga Street. Bruce is asking the Village to condemn the property and tear it down. The Village believes the bank has taken over the property through bankruptcy. The Mayor will call the bank tomorrow and see if they do own the building and what their intentions are going to be. 6 North Fulton Street has not complied with the Code Enforcement Violation for having unlicensed cars and a second driveway. On motion by Trustee Berry the Board approved to have Attorney Perfetti move forward with Court proceedings. – All ayes.

**DOGS** – report was as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Brush - **all aye.**

**POLICE** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Suits – **all aye.**

Ryan Mead has not return to work. His primary doctor needs to approve his release. Trustee Crandall will look for a new/used car for the Police Department.

**RECREATION** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Brush. - **All ayes**

The Mayor reported that with the way the economy is going we should anticipate an increase in participation in recreation programs next year. Pam Johnson came in regarding small fry football. A parent called earlier complaining about how Pam was running the program. The equipment is not fitting the players correctly and the cost to play small fry football went from \$50.00 to \$80.00 per child. Pam explained that she had a \$1700.00 deficit in the beginning of this season. That is why the cost was increased. Jeff Lewis reported according to her roster sheet she owed the Village another \$140.00 for kids that lived outside the Town of Homer. Pam Johnson asked if she could have businesses sponsor the small fry and put banners on the field. The Board approved the banners.

**STREETS/PARKS & MEO** –reports were received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye.**

Dean Gaffney will be returning to work on October 16<sup>th</sup>. The railroad crossing on James Street has been completed. The Railroad put a fence and railroad tie in front of the Railroad property next to 35 Clinton Street, owned by Mr. Bennedy, to prevent him from using it as a second driveway.

On motion by Trustee Crandall the Board approved the Mayor to buy the new street lights for \$5,400, which will be billed on our next light bill. All ayes. David Hess from National Grid has the entire Street lights at his Cortland Office

National Grid recommends the light on the corner of Copeland and South Main be taken down and one put up on North Main Street. On Motion by Trustee Crandall the Board approved the changes. All ayes.

The Bandstand is still being vandalized by kids. There is now a chain across the stairway with a NO TRESPASSING sign. Chief Mack has an officer keeping an eye on the bandstand for further vandalism. Jim Toolan is putting in new electrical for the new Christmas Lights on the bandstand.

Fall Clean is to begin on October 20, 2008 from James Street going south, then on October 27, 2008 James Street going north.

**WATER/SEWER** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Crandall– **all aye.**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT’S** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – all aye. President Ryan asked if the Village had a shredder to dispose of old files. They had a great turn out for there open house.

Steve McMahon from Town of Scott asked if we would reconsider his Fire Contract for the Town by submitting the figures as per assessment. The Clerk told him she would have it done by Friday and see what the figures look like than.

**FIRE CHIEF’S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye.**

The Mayor reported that Homer Fire Department was the only fire Department not represented in the Bi-Centennial parade. The Mayor reported he has asked the Fire Department three time to perform a Fire Drill for Greenbriar. Life Safety is going to perform the Fire Inspection for them on Friday October 10<sup>th</sup>.

**MIKE HARTER’S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Suits – **all aye.**

After review of our budget and the constraints that we are facing the Board decided to allow only Department heads cel phone reimbursements. Included are Water/Sewer, Streets, Fire Chief, and Recreation. On motion by Trustee Suits the Board approved the cel phone reimbursements.

Union update: the workers turned down the health insurance plan.

The Clerk received the report from Selective Insurance on our parks and safety. Next year we have to have enough mulch down within specs.

The Mayor received notice for the Planning and ZBA Board training workshops.

The Mayor would like to write letters to Congressman Mike Arcuri, Senator Clinton and Senator Schumer to oppose the weight increase on tractor-trailers on interstate highways. On motion by Trustee Berry the Board approved for the Mayor to write letters to oppose the increase in weight of tractor-trailers on the interstate. All ayes.

Trustee Crandall would like a letter from the Village stating it will maintain and but never claim ownership of the backyard by the river at 71 S. Main Street, Homer, NY. On motion by Trustee Suits, the Mayor is to write the letter. All ayes.

Mr. Nadge questioned the property on 7 James Street, which has a rear parking lot. He would like to either buy it or have the Village pave the driveway. The Mayor will contact him to discuss this further.

Key Bank has offered the Village Historian a space for \$1 a month. The fee will be waived. On motion Trustee Crandall approved to use the office in the Bank for Historians displays. All ayes. Attorney Perfetti will handle the paperwork for this transaction.

The Mayor will be holding a meeting on October 14, 2008 with Thoma on a Main Street Grant. The grant is for \$30,000 for each building. Kevin William, Mr. Fragnoli, RNSK, and Homer Laundry were all invited to participate.

On November 5, 2008 there will be a re-assessment meeting for the Town and Village of Homer at the Homer High School at 7:00 PM.

Budget workshops will be held on October 27, 2008 at 5:30 PM and November 13, 2008 at 5:30 PM.

Attorney Perfetti will follow up with Phil Connery on the overdue balance of his CDBG. The Clerk will submit all the figures to the Attorney.

Lawrence Beaudry will be renewing his liquor license for Hobo's.

Attorney Perfetti reported the Village of Homer won the appeal in the Josh Patente case.

**On motion by Trustee Brush the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 PM – all aye.**

Mayor Michael McDermott  
Lou Anne Randall, Village Clerk-Treasurer

**Village of Homer Board of Trustees Meeting  
November 4, 2008**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor McDermott at 5:37 PM. Present were Trustees Genevieve Suits, Roy Crandall, Andy Brush, Mike Berry, and Clerk Lou Anne Randall. Also present was Eric Mulvihill, Charlie Ford, Paul Burhans, Lawrence Barber and Attorney Perfetti and Attorney Peterman.

**Mayor McDermott led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**TREASURER'S Report indicating the Financial Status of Operating Funds was received as submitted, Motion Trustee Suits – all aye.**

Motion Trustee Berry, all aye to pay the following bills:

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 631-710</b>	<b>\$ 71,803.37</b>
<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 213-245</b>	<b>\$ 39,919.26</b>
<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 214-245</b>	<b>\$ 61,712.32</b>
<b>Capital Projects Fund</b>	-----	-----
<b>Comm. Dev Fund</b>	-----	-----

**ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:**

**Cemetery – report was received as submitted, Motion to accept by Trustee Suits – all ayes.**

The Cemetery will be closing on November 19, 2008. The cemetery crew has put up all the Christmas decoration.

**CODES** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Crandall – **all ayes**.

Mr. Stout has been sent to Attorney Perfetti for court proceeding on illegal driveway. The Clerk will have the papers served to Mr. Stout tomorrow.

**DOGS** – report was as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Suits - **all aye**.

**POLICE** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Suits – **all aye**.

Ryan Mead has not returned to work. Ryan Mead on October 15, 2008 suffered a further and subsequent non-employment related infirmity to the aforementioned disability, affecting his left foot/ankle that exacerbates and prolongs his previous disability. Attached is a resolution stating the Village of Homer will hold his job until August 11, 2009 on uncompensated leave status. **Motion** to accept by Trustee Berry – **all ayes**. The Board decided to wait on buying a new police car until March of 2009.

**RECREATION** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Brush. - **All ayes**

The board would like plate sills and bolts put on the doors at Griggs Concession Stand. There is still vandalism being done to the building. Trustee Suits would like a list of all the neighbors that surround Griggs field.

**STREETS/PARKS & MEO** –reports were received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye**.

The railroad crossing paving has been completed. There has not been any vandalism on the Gazebo since the No trespassing sign and chains were installed. Larry Housel sent in a proposal of \$800 to replacing the new street bulbs on Main Street. **Motion** to accept by Trustee Berry to approve the proposal – **all ayes**.

The John Deere 2120 tractor needs a new transmission; an estimate by Empire Tractor was around \$7,436.98. Superintendent Galeotti decided to fix it themselves with help from Jerry Hapgood from the Town of Scott. The Mayor has applied for Benches and a Clock on Main Street with the Main Street Revitalization Program grant with Thoma Development.

**WATER/SEWER** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Brush– **all aye**.

Royal Liners installed the water tank liner with no problems. Superintendent Barber reported on the Jr. High School water meter that is not working properly. The meter is not accurately reporting the water flow; the Village is losing revenue from it not working properly. Barber suggested that the Village buy the new meter, which will cost \$5,000.00 and have the Jr. High School install the new meter. This way the Village will be able to keep track and know that is properly working.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT'S** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – all aye. Schedule for the Community Building has been handed in for the month of October. The Fire Department audit is now scheduled for December 15, 2008. Each Company will have to present their books, bank statement and all information on their fundraising.

Life Safety Consultants fire inspection report was reviewed.

The Board reviewed the memberships for Jason Markley and Joshua Mahler. They were approved on **motion** by Trustee Suits – **all ayes**.

Jennifer Van Sykes is on hold due a question on her application. The Board informed Charlie Ford to clarify the question before the Board could approve her membership.

**FIRE CHIEF'S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye**.

Chief Ford would like to donate the old black coats to another Fire Department for water ball purposes only. The Board asked the Chief to receive a letter from the Fire Department stating they will only use those coats for water ball.

We are still waiting for paperwork on Key Bank regarding the Historical room and parking lot.

#### RESOLUTION FOR THOMA

I, Lou Anne Randall, the duly qualified Clerk of the Village of Homer, New York, do hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Village of Homer held on November 4, 2008 and is incorporated in the original minutes of said meeting, and that said resolution has not been altered, amended, or revoked and is in full force and effect.

#### RESOLVED:

That Michael McDermott, as Mayor of the Village of Homer, is hereby authorized and directed to file an application for funds from the New York State Office of Community Renewal through its New York Main Street Program 2008, and upon approval of said request to enter into and execute a project agreement with the State for such financial assistance to the Village of Homer for the Homer Downtown Revitalization Program

Signed: Lou Anne Randall  
Clerk/Treasurer

On November 5, 2008 there will be a re-assessment meeting for the Town and Village of Homer at the Homer High School at 7:00 PM.

Budget workshops will be held on November 13, 2008 at 5:30 PM and November 24, 2008 at 5:30 PM.  
On Motion by Trustee Brush the board moved into Executive Session at 6:49 PM. – all ayes

On Motion by Trustee Suits the Board moved to adjourn the Executive Session at 7:57 PM- all ayes.  
The purpose of the Executive Session was to review the Union proposals.

Clerk Lou Anne Randall, Superintendent Water/Sewer Lawrence Barber and Chief Daniel Mack requested their vacation time be extended until February 28, 2009. On motion by Trustee Berry the Board approved their request. – All ayes.

The Clerk reported the Trash contract has to be renewed. Attorney Perfetti prepared all of the Bid specs. On motion by Trustee Berry the board approved for Trash Bids to be advertised. The Bid opening will be November 25, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.

The Mayor reported the Department Heads will meet with PESH coordinator on November 17, 2008 at 9:15 am.

The Board reviewed properties that the Village owns and see about some of the parcels next year. Attorney Perfetti suggested we have someone give us fair market value on the parcels in question.

Attorney Perfetti will have Linani's sent confession of Judgment and Durkee will receive confession of Judgment. Phil Connery did call the Village today and stated someone is looking to purchase his building and will be paying his loan.

**REMEMBER: TRUSTEES PLEASE MEET WITH YOUR DEPARTMENT HEADS.**

**On motion by Trustee Brush the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 PM – all aye.**

Mayor Michael McDermott  
Lou Anne Randall, Village Clerk-Treasurer

**Village of Homer Board of Trustees Meeting  
December 2, 2008**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor McDermott at 5:40 PM. Present were Trustees Genevieve Suits, Roy Crandall, Andy Brush, Mike Berry, and Clerk Lou Anne Randall. Also present was Eric Mulvihill, Paul Burhans, and Attorney Perfetti.

**Mayor McDermott led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**TREASURER'S Report indicating the Financial Status of Operating Funds was received as submitted, Motion Trustee Suits – all aye.**

Motion Trustee Berry, all aye to pay the following bills:

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 711-795</b>	<b>\$ 146,382.84</b>
<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 246-277</b>	<b>\$ 10,740.41</b>
<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 246-277</b>	<b>\$ 3,869.58</b>
<b>Capital Projects Fund</b>	-----	-----
<b>Comm. Dev Fund</b>	-----	-----

**ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:**

**Cemetery** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Crandall – **all ayes**.

**CODES** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Brush – **all ayes**.  
Mr. Stout was in court and has a return date of January 13, 2009.

**DOGS** – report was as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Suits - **all aye**.

**POLICE** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry- **all aye**.  
Attorney Perfetti will write a letter of intent to Patrick Mead on his status of returning to the Police Department.

**RECREATION** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Brush. - **All ayes**  
Christmas on the Green will be this Friday night at 6:30 PM. Trustee Brush and Trustee Suits have met with Small Fry Football they will discuss the outcome on the December 9, 2008 budget meeting. They would like Village to run Small Fry program.

Town of Cortlandville contract was reviewed for the amount of \$23,956.23 for the Recreation Program. **On motion** by Trustee Suits, the board approved the contract. **All ayes**.

**STREETS/PARKS & MEO** –reports were received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Suits – **all aye**.

**WATER/SEWER** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Brush– **all aye**.  
Trustee Suits was wondering if the Village would be interested in having a Contest on Decorating a Fire Hydrant. The contest could run January through February and the winners (4-5) would paint the hydrants in the spring. East Aurora does have this contest. Trustee Suits will call them for details.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT'S** – no report was submitted.

Jennifer Van Sykes' membership application is on hold due a question on her application. She needs to produce a certificate of disposition before she is approved. Joshua Markley needs to rectify a NSF charge with the Village by December 31, 2008 or his membership will be suspended.

**FIRE CHIEF'S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye**.

Attorney Perfetti has reviewed the contract with Key Bank for the Village Historical Society to occupy the space next to the Key Bank. The Village would have to install a bathroom, which will not cost over \$1,000. On motion by Trustee Berry, the Village Board approved to have Mayor Mc Dermott sign the contract to sublease the space with Key Bank and install the bathroom. All Ayes.

PESH will be meeting with the Streets, Recreation and Water/Sewer Departments on December 4, 2008.

December 8, 2008 will be a Village Planning Board meeting in regards to Dr. Morris converting 74 N. West Road building into a Doctor Office.

Budget workshops will be held on December 9, 2008 at 5:30 PM and December 16, 2008 at 5:30 PM.

Games of Chance for the Homer Elks approved - on Motion by Trustee Suits – all ayes

Bingo at Homer Elks approved – on Motion by Trustee Berry – all ayes

Games of Chance for the American Legion approved – on Motion by Trustee Suits – all ayes.

The Trash Contract for 2009 to 2012 were opened on November 25, 2008

Spor Companies was Trash - \$72,075.12, Recycling -\$72,075.12 Total - \$144,150.24

Casella Waste Service was Trash - \$102,362. Recycling – 64,480. Total - \$166,842.00

The Bid was awarded to Spor Companies. The Board approved the contract with Spor Companies. **On Motion** by Trustee Crandall – **all ayes**

On Motion by Trustee Brush the Board moved into Executive Session at 7:07 PM. – all ayes

On Motion by Trustee Suits the Board moved to adjourn the Executive Session at 7:15 PM- all ayes.

The purpose of the Executive Session was to review the Union proposals.

**REMEMBER: TRUSTEES PLEASE MEET WITH YOUR DEPARTMENT HEADS.**

**On motion by Trustee Brush the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 PM – all aye.**

Mayor Michael McDermott

Lou Anne Randall, Village Clerk-Treasurer

**Village of Homer Board of Trustees Meeting  
January 6, 2009**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor McDermott at 5:37 PM. Present were Trustees Genevieve Suits, Roy Crandall, Andy Brush, Mike Berry, and Clerk Lou Anne Randall. Also present was Eric Mulvihill, Frank Ryner and Attorney Perfetti.

**Mayor McDermott led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.**

Dave Spor from Spor Companies asked if we could change our Trash pick up days to Wednesdays and Thursdays starting March 4, 2009. Cortland County Landfill is closed on holidays and that would set them back a day for pick up. The Board agreed to have the new Trash Haulers pick up trash on Wednesday and Thursday.

Steve Hays from the Fire Department would like to start an Explorer Post that would be run by the Boy Scouts. The program would also be insured through the Boy Scouts. Attorney Perfetti would look into this to make sure the Village could allow this program. We will check with Bailey Agency to see if we could run the program through the Village and our insurance.

**TREASURER’S Report indicating the Financial Status of Operating Funds was received as submitted, Motion Trustee Suits – all aye.**

Motion Trustee Berry, all aye to pay the following bills:

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 796-870</b>	<b>\$ 65,190.02</b>
<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 278--307</b>	<b>\$ 5,461.68</b>
<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 246-277</b>	<b>\$ 3,160.98</b>
<b>Capital Projects Fund</b>	-----	-----
<b>Comm. Dev Fund</b>	-----	-----

**ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:**

**Cemetery** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Crandall – **all ayes**. Last burial was on December 30, 2008, the last until spring.

**CODES** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Brush – **all ayes**. The Clerk will ask Bruce to check the garage behind the former Connery building. The roof has fallen in. There is a chair on Cortland Street, will have Mike check on that in the morning. A letter needs to be sent to the Veterinary on Rte 281 for not cleaning the sidewalk. The Mayor showed all of the Trustees pictures from Greg and Michelle Piercey who reside at 78 James Street. Mr. & Mrs. Holl neighbor across the street has Tom Kile plow their driveway. Tom Kile is putting the snow on another neighbors land. The snow is piling up so the Piercy’s cannot see from their driveway and would like the Village to stop Tom from plowing there. Chief Mack researched the law and there is no law to stop Tom Kile from plowing across the street and putting the snow there. The Mayor asked Tom Kile to angle the snow up the street more. The Trustees all agreed there is not much more they could do about this.

**DOGS** – report was as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Suits - **all aye**.

**POLICE** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Suits- **all aye**. Patrolman Parrow has completed his training and is now on his own. Eric stated the lights were out on the Police Station sign. Could we put a floodlight on the sign from the Police Station? The Clerk will notify Lawrence Barber about the lights.

**RECREATION** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry. - **All ayes**  
Cortlandville Supervisor Tupper asked if we could forego the \$10.00 fee for Cortlandville residents. The Mayor explained this was the first year Cortlandville paid for the full amount of their recreation contract. Mayor said we will see how the participation improves and if the Town of Cortlandville continues to pay their full amount of their contract.

**STREETS/PARKS & MEO** –reports were received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Crandall– **all aye.**  
Willow Park street lights were never fitted with new lights. Barb Purchase called with a complaint. We called Dave Hess from National Grid and he will be sending a crew out to finish installing the lights.  
Small Fry Equipment has been moved to Calale Field.

**WATER/SEWER** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Suits– **all aye.**

**FIRE INSPECTOR** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye.**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT’S** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Crandall – **all aye.**

Elizabeth Austin membership approved, **Motion** Trustee Suits – **all aye.**

Bryan Ponticello membership approved, **Motion** Trustee Suits – **all aye.**

The Fire Department would like approval on Ontario Amusement for the June Field Fays. The Board decided to table this matter until next month.

**FIRE CHIEF’S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Brush – **all aye.**

The Mayor will contact Chief Ford about starting the bomb fire for Winterfest February 6, 2009.

Little Italy is renewing their liquor license.

Union Attorney will be meeting with the Mayor on Monday, January 12, 2009 at 10:00 am in regards to the hearing on Friday January 16, 2009. The hearing is in front of the PERB about the time clocks and payday being changed to Friday. The Union did not agree with the new insurance plan. All of the Union members had to stay on the old plan.

**REMEMBER: TRUSTEES PLEASE MEET WITH YOUR DEPARTMENT HEADS.**

**On motion by Trustee Brush the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 PM – all aye.**

Mayor Michael McDermott  
Lou Anne Randall, Village Clerk-Treasurer

## **Public Hearing on Village Budget**

**January 14, 2009**

**HOMER, NY**

**7:00 p.m. Mayor McDermott called to order the Public Hearing to hear comments on special assessment rates for Phase 1, 2, and 3 sewer and the Proposed Budget for fiscal year 2009-2010. He led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Michael McDermott; Trustees – Genevieve Suits, Michael Berry, Roy Crandall, and Andy Brush; Lou Anne Randall – Clerk-Treasurer; Eric Mulvihill- WHXC Radio. Holden Slattery – Cortland Standard

**RESIDENTS PRESENT:** Sheet attached.

Mayor McDermott stated this was the hardest budget he and the Trustees had to do. There are 3400 people in the Village that had to be thought of. New York State Government has sent out statements on what the cut backs are going to be for the next year. The Village received their Sales Tax Check for last quarter, which is down \$30,000 for the whole County. The Village also received a bill from National Grid stating they have overpaid us since 2005 and would like us to pay \$25,000.00 in arrears to them. The Mayor and Clerk have contacted NYCOM on this matter and they are trying to rectify the situation. The Mayor stated they were just trying to do what is best for the Village of Homer.

**Darrell LeRoy** – Asked if the Mayor and Trustees had considered doing their jobs for nothing. Their pay could offset the three jobs being eliminated. He would rather pay a little bit more in his taxes than have three people laid off. Later Darrell asked where the Cemetery money was invested, in which company. He also wanted to know what the Clerk was going to do with the money now that the stock market was declining.

**Mayor and Trustee Suits** stated they did not receive any raises for their positions and what they receive in total would not cover even one position.

**Donna O’Neil**- Would rather pay higher taxes than layoff three workers.

**John Ryan Sr.** – Great job on keeping taxes low. Has questions regarding the budget. First, where are the legal fees for the Union Attorney? 2) Shouldn’t the sewer pay for itself? 3) Why is there money set aside for the Police reserve at \$5,000 and \$4,000 for Fire? 4) How much money does the Fire Department have in its reserve?

**Mayor and Clerk** told Mr. Ryan where the Union Attorney account number was located. The Clerk also informed Mr. Ryan how much the Fire Department had in its reserves. The sewer rates the city charges us will be increased in the near future.

**Ernie Newell** – Why was Beverly Berry getting an extra \$15,000 to sit down at the Recreation office? Why was Bobette being paid an extra \$4,000 to be a meter reader? She should be able to do the job during the day and eliminate the Meter Reader position.

**The Clerk** explained to Ernie that Beverly was not being paid extra. Her salary was split among four different account codes; Clerk, Recreation, Water and Sewer Departments.

**Ernie** asked again why couldn’t Bobette read meters during her 40 hour week instead of being paid extra for reading meters? He also wanted to know why the Village contracted asphalt with Suit-Kote. He asked to bid out the paving to Penn Can or Vestal Paving.

**The Mayor** explained Bobette has been reading meters quarterly since Max LeFever retired, her schedule does not allow time for her to do her regular work and the quarterly meter readings in a 40-hour workweek.

**Trustee Crandall** stated we do not have the Trucks for Penn Can or Vestal Paving to come and do the asphalt.

**Darrell LeRoy** – Asked if we thought about Consolidation. Why does the Clerk need an Assistant Clerk?

**The Mayor and Trustee Suits** stated they had talked with Supervisor Fred Forbes about consolidating. The Village and the Town have combined a lot of shared services already. The Clerk Assistant performs services to the Cemetery, Payroll, GIS mapping and other duties.

**Mahlon Irish** - Would like a break out on what it cost to operate the Fire Department. The turn out gear needs to be thrown away after 10 years according to the NFPA.

**Joanne Sweeney** – Knew this budget was difficult for all the Trustees to consider laying off three people. The Village Employees should feel lucky to receive a 3% raise during these difficult times. Everyone did a great job with this budget.

**Dave Barber** – Why is Buzz Barber getting a 3% raises when he was in charge of 3 people and with the new budget will be in charge of only 1 person. Why didn't the Village handle the union negotiations themselves?

**Mayor** explained how he went to the Street Department to sit and talk with them about this. They told him they already made up there minds and contacted the union. The Mayor let the Attorney handle the negotiations due to the complexity of the language for a union contract.

**Mayor** asked if there were any more comments from those present. No further comments. Public Hearing was closed.

**7: 45 p.m. Motion to adjourn Public Hearing.** Trustee Suits – all ayes.

**7:45 PM Motion for Board Meeting-** Trustee Suits – all aye

**Vote to approve the 2009-2010 Budget as written** – Trustee Berry – all ayes

**7:48 Motion to adjourn meeting** – Trustee Suits. - All ayes.

**Michael H. McDermott, Mayor**  
**Lou Anne Randall, Clerk-Treasurer**

**Village of Homer Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**February 3, 2009**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor McDermott at 5:37 PM. Present were Trustees Genevieve Suits, Roy Crandall, Andy Brush, Mike Berry, and Clerk Lou Anne Randall. Also present was Eric Mulvihill, Ernie Newell, Robert Johnson, Dave Barber, John Ryan Jr. Michelle & Greg Piercey, Pam Johnson, Ed Finkbeiner and Attorney Perfetti.

**Mayor McDermott led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.**

Michelle and Greg Piercy of 78 James Street spoke to the Board regarding there neighbor plowing. Mr. & Mrs. Holl neighbor across the street has Tom Kile plow their driveway. Tom Kile is putting the snow on another neighbors land. The snow is piling up so the Piercy's cannot see from their driveway and would like the Village to stop Tom from plowing there. Attorney Perfetti explained to them the only way to have this stopped is to do an injunction. The Mayor explained to Mr. & Mrs. Piercey this was addressed at the last meeting and that there is not a local law to stop Mr. Kile from plowing the Holl's driveway's snow across the street. The Mayor has

asked Mr. Kile to angle the snow that is being removed to limit height. This year we have had a lot of extra snow and it is an issue all over.

**TREASURER’S Report indicating the Financial Status of Operating Funds was received as submitted, Motion Trustee Brush – all aye.**

Motion Trustee Berry, all aye to pay the following bills:

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 871-943</b>	<b>\$ 57,482.00</b>
<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 308-348</b>	<b>\$ 4,472.76</b>
<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Vouchers 309-349</b>	<b>\$ 75,288.82</b>
<b>Capital Projects Fund</b>	-----	-----
<b>Comm. Dev Fund</b>	-----	-----

**ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:**

**Cemetery** – no report was received as submitted

**CODES** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Suits– **all ayes.**

**DOGS** – report was as submitted, **Motion** to accept by Trustee Crandall - **all aye.**

**POLICE** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Brush- **all aye.**

Eric Mulvihill still would like to see floodlights on the sign from the Police Station. The Mayor would like to ask Chief Mack about getting a computer to write tickets for the Town of Homer Judge.

**RECREATION** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Suits. - **All ayes**

Jeff is looking to honor all volunteers that helped with Griggs Field for April 25, 2009. February 9<sup>th</sup> there is a meeting with Recreation Office and Little League to review the Opening Ceremony. Winterfest Community Dance is this Friday from 7- 9 PM. Mike Galeotti will be plowing a spot for the bonfire and retrieving the wood for it to be lit.

**STREETS/PARKS & MEO** –reports were received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry– **all aye.**

**WATER/SEWER** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry– **all aye.**

**FIRE INSPECTOR** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Berry – **all aye.**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT’S** – report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Crandall – **all aye.**

The Fire Department would like approval on Ontario Amusement for the June Field Fays. This was approved and on Motion by Trustee Berry – all aye.

The Village can sponsor the Fire Explorer Group through our insurance. Gordon Wheelock and Charlie Ford will meet with the Clerk and McNeil Insurance Company to re-evaluate their insurance policy on the fire station and its contents.

John Ryan Jr. would like a copy of the retention system for all records.

**FIRE CHIEF’S** report was received as submitted, **Motion** Trustee Brush – **all aye.**

Alarm room almost finished.

Troy Beckwith of Friends is renewing their liquor license.

Time Warner rates are going up as of March 1, 2009.

Winterfest is this weekend; Friday night is the bonfire and Community Dance. The Human Dog Sled Race will be held on the Village Green.

The Mayor received another grant application for beautification of Main Street; he would like permission to apply again for this grant.

The contract for the Visitors Bureau on Motion by Trustee Suits was approved to be signed by the Mayor. – All ayes.

The Mayor informed the Trustees about Bowling with the Senior Citizens Meals for Wheels if anyone is interested.

The Mayor reported on his meeting with Elaine Olson, John Ryan – Attorney, and Harry Calale. They asked if the Village would pay for the road, water and sewer for “Whispering Winds”. The Board agreed the developer would have to pay for it not the Village.

Byrne Dairy has sent their application in to tear down Costa’s Market and build a new store with gas pumps. This is going in front of the Planning Board this month.

On motion for Executive Session by Trustee Suits at 7:20 PM

On motion by Trustee Berry to adjourn Executive Session at 7:37 PM

**REMEMBER: TRUSTEES PLEASE MEET WITH YOUR DEPARTMENT HEADS.**

**On motion by Trustee Brush the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM – all aye.**

Mayor Michael McDermott  
Lou Anne Randall, Village Clerk-Treasurer