

**Village of Homer Board of Trustees Meeting
October 6, 2015**

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Suits at 5:30 PM. Present were Trustees Paul Gower, Kevin Slack and Eugene Smith; absent Andrew Brush Clerk-Treasurer Lou Anne Randall and Attorney Casullo. Also present were Gordon Wheelock, Chief Mark Helms, Charlie Ford, Mike Brohlitz Robert Johnson Fire Chief, and Craig Umbehauer.

Minutes from September 1, 2015 were approved as submitted, motion Trustee Smith-all aye.

Motion Trustee Smith, - **All ayes** to pay the following bills:

General Fund	Vouchers 507-591	\$	78,373.38
Water Fund	Vouchers 193-221	\$	4,504.55
Sewer Fund	Vouchers 193-221	\$	6,954.69
Capital Projects Fund	-----		-----
Comm. Dev. Fund	-----		-----

ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:

CEMETERY - report was received as submitted motion to accept by Trustee Slack - all ayes. The new indigent section should have flush markers. On **motion** by Trustee Smith it was approved that the new indigent section of Glenwood Cemetery all have flusher markers – **all ayes**.

CODES – report was received as submitted, **motion** to accept by Trustee Gower - all ayes
Trustee Gower asked if Dee Street has continued working on the street, he believes the DOT has not approved the road.

POLICE – report was received as submitted, **motion** by Trustee Smith - all **ayes**.
The police department has been very busy. Sergeant Van Orden retirement party will be at the Homer Elks on October 24 @ 6 pm.

DOGS –report was received as submitted, **motion** by Trustee Slack -**all ayes**.

RECREATION – report was received as submitted, **motion** Trustee Smith - **all ayes**.

WATER/SEWER/STREETS– report was received as submitted, **motion** Trustee Gower- **all ayes**.

The DPW workers have replaced catch basins, manholes, patching and culverts.

Chris Lawton from Barton & Loguidice presented the Inflow and Infiltration Evaluation and Collection system improvements. Chris wanted to thank Lawrence Barber, Mack Lewis, Jeff Lewis and Steve Grim from Rural Water for all their help on collecting the data for this report. The goal of this study is to identify extraneous sources of inflow and infiltration that is entering

the Village's sanitary sewer system. It is important for the Village to lobby for next year's round of grants. This rehabilitation project will cost between 1.5 and 2 million dollars.

The Mayor reviewed the Auctions International report. The 2010 F150 price was \$ 15,600. The 1983 International Vac all was \$2,800.

On motion by Trustee Slack the board decided to wait and relist the 2010 F150 and sell the 1983 International Vac all for \$2,800 – all ayes.

FIRE CHIEF'S - report was received as submitted, **motion** Trustee Gower **-all ayes.**

This is fire prevention week which will be very busy. The Fire Department's Open house will be Thursday. Truck 501 has been repaired and the total cost was more than expected.

The Board decided to table Mike Balhatz's application. A meeting will be set up with the Board of Wardens, Attorney Casullo and Mayor Suits.

On motion by Trustee Smith, the Board approved the duly adopted resolution subject to permissive referendum as provided in the State of New York. This authorized expenditures of \$9,000 from Employees Accrued Benefit Reserve for the benefits paid to an employee. – All ayes.

Trustee Gower reported on the Building Committee- the Committee was looking into two properties- tennis court and Grove Street (Current Street's Department). Their next meeting is scheduled October 13, 2015.

Mayor reviewed the flow meters quotes. On motion by Trustee Smith the board approved the quote from Burgh Schoenenberger flow meter for the amount of \$13,025.00 - all ayes

Mayor discussed the History Center. The History Museum would like to work with the museum on having our History Center at the museum. This would be a nice idea.

Mayor discussed the village clock. On **motion** by Trustee Slack the board approved to purchase the clock for the amount of \$14,830.00. This will be installed on the Neiderhoffer property that is located on the corner of North Main and Water Street - **All ayes.**

Thoma Development presented the Board with an emergency repair grant for Teresa Villanova. This is for heating repair system in the amount of 2,605.00. On motion by Trustee Smith the board approved this emergency repair- all ayes.

Mayor reported that our health insurance rate will be only increase 3 percent for next year.

FYI regarding the vacating of the Upstate Oncology Center, Mayor Suits has received many letters complaining that this center is closing.

The Workers Compensation Bill has been given for next year's budget from Cortland County. The bill had a slight decrease due to separating the Volunteer Fire Fighters on their own insurance plan.

On motion by Mayor Suits the Board moved into Executive Session at 6:40 pm. – all ayes
On motion by Trustee Brush the board adjourned the Executive Session at 7:01pm – all ayes

In the Executive Session possible appointment was discussed. On motion by Trustee Gower to appoint Corporal Eckard to provisional appoint as Sergeant Eckard of the Village of Homer Police Department - all ayes

On motion by Trustee Gower, the Board adjourned the meeting at 7:07pm.

Mayor Genevieve Suits
Lou Anne Randall, Village Clerk-Treasurer