

**Village of Homer Board of Trustees Meeting
September 7, 2017
6:05 p.m.**

The Regular Meeting of the Village of Homer Board of Trustees was held at Town Hall, 31 North Main St., Homer, New York with Mayor McCabe presiding.

Members present:	Mayor, Hal McCabe
	Trustee, Patrick Clune
	Trustee, Edward Finkbeiner
	Trustee, Kevin Slack
	Trustee, Tim Daley

Also present were: Village Clerk, Dan Egnor; Village Attorney, Dante Armideo; Town of Homer Town Supervisor, Fred Forbes;

Mayor McCabe called the meeting to order.

On **motion** by Trustee Clune, the Board approved the Village of Homer Board of Trustees Minutes of August 9, 2017 as written – **all ayes**.

On **Motion** by Trustee Clune to pay the following bills for the month of August, 2017– **all ayes**.

- **F & G Funds – Vouchers 155-173 - \$25,118.21**
- **A Fund – Vouchers 492 – 173 - \$147,824.90**

ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF WRITTEN REPORTS:

CEMETERY – Report was received as submitted. Motion to accept by Trustee Slack – **all ayes**.

CODES – Report was not submitted. 32 Cortland was mentioned. The initial complaint regarding idle vehicles has been satisfied. Moving forward the Board wants all previous month’s Violation orders submitted with the Code Report as well.

DOGS – Report was received as submitted. **Motion** to accept by Trustee Daley – **all ayes**.

DPW – Report was received as submitted. **Motion** to accept by Trustee Clune – **all ayes**.

FIRE INSPECTOR – Report was not submitted.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Report was received as submitted. **Motion** to accept by Trustee Clune – **all ayes**.

POLICE – Report was received as submitted. Local ordinance regarding minors out after curfew and their parents ticketed for the infraction may run afoul of judicial review of similar cases within the state. Village Attorney Dante Armedio will advise. **Motion** to accept by Trustee Finkbeiner – **all ayes**.

RECREATION – Report was received as submitted. Mayor McCabe mentions that drone footage might be used for a Village promotional video. No code exists yet for drone usage within Village limits. **Motion** to accept by Trustee Finkbeiner – **all ayes**.

WATER & SEWER – Report was received as submitted. Superintendent Larry Barber states that the Route 281 repair has saved the Village 163,000 gallons a day in lost water. The Village also needs to submit a full application to Department of Environmental Conservation to clean out the rest of Factory Brook. Initial dam is still in place. Recent tank inspections went very well. **Motion** to accept by Trustee Clune – **all ayes**.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Mayor McCabe offered privilege of the floor to those in attendance. No requests were made.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Town/Village rental, all are in concurrence with \$400.00 monthly payments. Town Supervisor, Fred Forbes states that he needs a new exhibit A for said agreement. Village concurs with the floor plan of the final renovation floor plan.

Move in date for the Village into Town Hall will be on before Saturday 9/31/17. Trustee Slack offers there should be a ribbon cutting ceremony with pizza/cake/drinks, press should be there as well, Town Supervisor Forbes will see if the Town Board can be in attendance. Tentative date set for Tuesday 10/10/17 at 6:00 pm. Trustee Slack further states that the old Village office should revert back to a Village Recreation building.

On **Motion** by Trustee Clune, the Board voted to move in and begin the lease agreement. – **all ayes.**

Mayor McCabe wants 23 South Main Street, AKA the Pit, to be developed with a Restore NY Grant. The Village will RFP and have an open process for all developers. Thoma will charge \$5,000 to write the grant application. The Board should approve this at their next meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

On **Motion** by Trustee Finkbeiner, the Board authorized addendums to the Plan First contract for computer upgrades at the Village office. Initial contract approved at a previous Board meeting. These changes reflect needed wiring to be added and an upgrade in the Firewall for better security. Total cost is \$7,514.26 – **all ayes.**

On **Motion** by Trustee Clune, the Board voted to approve School Resource Officer contract changes that outline daily work hours for said officer, 7.5 hrs. per day, officer will be allowed 45 hrs. of absence per the term of the contract, that accounts for sickness, personal and vacation days, and officer will be allowed up to 5 days bereavement for immediate family and up to 3 days for extended family – **all ayes.**

On **Motion** by Trustee Finkbeiner, the Board sought language to be added to approved SPCA contract to state that Village property owners shall be responsible for animal/pest removal if said animal/pest found to be not rabid – **all ayes.**

On **Motion** by Mayor McCabe, the Board should seek guidance into the Village taking over management of hosted Main Street Farmer's Market. Trustee Finkbeiner states that current management may have suffered losses recently. The Village could hire a Market Manager for the summer season for approximately \$2,000; they would handle all vendor issues, set-up EBT and do advertising. Insurance for the Village Farmer's Market would approximately be \$5,000. The Mayor recommends that for the first year, there be no fees. Trustee Finkbeiner will conduct research on the issue. Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Case will have discussions with previous management. Trustee Clune recommends tabling the discussion until more input is garnered. – **all ayes.**

On **Motion** by Trustee Finkbeiner, the Board recessed the meeting to an Executive Session at 7:13 p.m.

On **Motion** by Trustee Clune, the Board reconvened at 7:34 p.m.

On **Motion** by Trustee Clune, items of interest for the Board's next work session, look into what CDBG grants that may be available for development undertakings for the Village. Trustee Finkbeiner states that certain developments could be afforded naming rights as an incentive – **all ayes.**

On **Motion** by Trustee Finkbeiner, the Board adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:38 p.m. – **all ayes.**

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Egnor, Village Clerk
Darren "Hal" McCabe, Mayor