

**Minutes**

**Village Board of Trustees**

**October 24, 2013**

A regular meeting of the Village of Horseheads Board of Trustees was held on the above date at 8:30 AM. Present were:

**Village Board and Staff**

Deputy Mayor Ron Swartz  
Trustee George Koliwasky  
Trustee Larry Clark  
Trustee Mike Skroskznik  
Village Manager Walt Herbst

Clerk-Treasurer Sharron Cunningham  
Village Atty. John Groff  
DPW Matt Mustico  
Code Enf. Bob Young  
Police Chief Mike Barton  
Manager's Asst. Rachel Baer  
Justice Louis Tarantelli  
Justice Bill Driscoll

**Absent**

Mayor Don Zeigler

**Others Present**

Wayne Brubaker, Gardner Rd.  
Dave Padgett, W. Franklin St.  
Georgia Reynolds, Hibbard Ave.  
Pat Gross, W. Broad St.  
Jodi Skroskznik, Center St.  
Brad Lytle, Grand Central Ave.

Louise McIntosh, Renwick Lane  
Barb Skorczewski, W. Franklin St.  
Jean Quinn, Gardner Rd.  
Tom Rupp, Tiff Ave.  
Sean Murray, W. Broad St.

Resolution by Trustee Koliwasky, seconded by Trustee Skroskznik

BE IT RESOLVED, that the reading of the minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting of October 10, 2013 be dispensed with and the same stand approved as entered by the Clerk.

Roll Call Vote:

Deputy Mayor Swartz	Aye
Trustee Koliwasky	Aye
Trustee Clark	Aye
Trustee Skroskznik	Aye

**Audience Participation**

Dave Padgett, W. Franklin St. - thanked Officer McGrain for recent assistance. He had damage done to his yard by somebody. Officer McGrain investigated and found the guy. Also, a beer truck pulled onto his lawn between road and sidewalk to turn around. Its making a delivery to Moose Club. Put ruts in his lawn. Can we put curbing down through there?

Louise McIntosh, Renwick La. - leaf collection. We are only the municipality that requires bags. Where do the bags go, how do they get taken care of properly. I was told Monterey crews handled this. I wonder why we cannot have a shared service for vacuuming leaves up.

Georgia Reynolds, Hibbard Ave. - wants meeting changed back to 7 pm.

End of audience participation.

Resolution by Trustee Clark, seconded by Trustee Koliwasky

BE IT RESOLVED, that a public hearing regarding a proposed local law amending the local law establishing the position of Village Manager and the responsibilities of other departments is hereby scheduled for Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 7:10 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Deputy Mayor Swartz	Aye
Trustee Koliwasky	Aye
Trustee Clark	Aye
Trustee Skroskznik	Aye

Resolution by Trustee Clark, seconded by Trustee Skroskznik

BE IT RESOLVED, that the regular meetings of the Village Board scheduled for November 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM, and for December 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:30AM are hereby cancelled.

Roll Call Vote:

Deputy Mayor Swartz	Aye
Trustee Koliwasky	Aye
Trustee Clark	Aye
Trustee Skroskznik	Aye

Manager Herbst - this is due to the upcoming holidays. But we do have some things coming up that make require schedule a special meeting, or workshop, i.e. health insurance, audit, GIS participation.

Item #5, regarding a request to harbor chickens, is being tabled at request of applicant.

Motion by Trustee Koliwasky, seconded by Trustee Skroskznik, that the following item be added to the agenda:

- Audit of Bills

## Roll Call Vote:

Deputy Mayor Swartz	Aye
Trustee Koliwasky	Aye
Trustee Clark	Aye
Trustee Skroskznik	Aye

Resolution by Trustee Koliwasky, seconded by Trustee Clark

BE IT RESOLVED, that the audit of bills as listed below be received and approved for payment when in funds:

General Fund: \$99,251.71  
 Water : \$218,885.86  
 T/A: \$1,027.44

## Roll Call Vote:

Deputy Mayor Swartz	Aye
Trustee Koliwasky	Aye
Trustee Clark	Aye
Trustee Skroskznik	Aye

Trustee Clark asked if we can move into an Executive Session to discuss health insurance matters.

Atty. Groff - can only go into an exec sess from a public board mtg. Also, I would want to see if its an appropriate subject for exec sess. I can look into this.

Trustee Skroskznik - open house at FD was a good success. Guthrie helicopter was there.

Trustee Koliwasky - Saturday at the Soaring Museum will be a meeting on the Monterey facility and the Elmira psych center - on keeping them open.

Village Manager Herbst - regarding the comment made earlier on leaf pickup, we make arrangements for local farmers to take the bags of leaves, which they empty and dispose of bags properly.

Atty. Groff - Recently I went to a training conference on local government law. Dealt with issues such as the Open Meetings Law, FOIL, contracting, bidding, HR, etc. I will make copies of mat'ls received.

Matt Mustico - re: leaves. I prefer the bags. Takes more equip to vacuum leaves - very messy. Clogs storm drains. There is no machine that mulches as you pick them up. Southport has bagged leaves too. We do have farmers who take the leaves, plus we use compost pit.

As there was nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:52 a.m.  
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