

**October 28, 2004**

A meeting of the Village of Horseheads Board of Trustees was held on the above date at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Patricia Gross, Trustees Ronald Swartz and Howard Miller, Village Manager Vincent Azzarelli, Village Attorney John Groff, Clerk-Treasurer Sharron Cunningham, Manager's Assistant Rachel Baer, DPW Supt. Chris Lawrick, Planning Bd. Member Mike Stenpeck, Court Clerk Jan Zeigler. Also present were: Martha Hauser, W. Broad St.; Jean Quinn, 555 Gardner Road; and Scott Barber, 413 S. Main St.

Resolution by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Swartz

BE IT RESOLVED, that the reading of the minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting of October 14, 2004 be dispensed with and the same stand approved as entered by the Clerk.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Gross:	Aye
Trustee Swartz:	Aye
Trustee Miller:	Aye

Resolution by Trustee Swartz, seconded by Trustee Miller

BE IT RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Traffic Commission Meetings of October 13<sup>th</sup> and October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004 are hereby received and placed on file in the Village Clerk's Office.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Gross:	Aye
Trustee Swartz:	Aye
Trustee Miller:	Aye

Resolution by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Swartz

BE IT RESOLVED, that the hours for Halloween trick-or-treating will be on Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2004 from 5:00pm - 7:30pm., and be it further

RESOLVED, that on Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, the hours for trick-or-treating in Hanover Square will be 4pm - 7pm.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Gross:	Aye
Trustee Swartz:	Aye
Trustee Miller:	Aye

Resolution by Trustee Swartz, seconded by Trustee Miller

BE IT RESOLVED, that the list of equipment on that attached sheet is hereby declared surplus, and the Village Manager is authorized to dispose of same by sale or as scrap, if same have no value.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Gross:	Aye
Trustee Swartz:	Aye
Trustee Miller:	Aye

Resolution by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Swartz

BE IT RESOLVED, that the application of Lynch Funeral Home, Inc. for a Special Sign Permit for 318 W. Broad Street is hereby received and forwarded to the Village Planning Board for its review and comment, and be it further

RESOLVED, that a public hearing regarding same is hereby scheduled for Thursday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2004 at 7:05 p.m.

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Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Gross: Aye  
Trustee Swartz: Aye  
Trustee Miller: Aye

Resolution by Trustee Swartz, seconded by Trustee Miller

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board hereby approves the one-year probationary appointments of Robert A. Young, 302-B John Street, and Chad R. Francis, of 105 W. Franklin St., to the Village of Horseheads Fire Department.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Gross: Aye  
Trustee Swartz: Aye  
Trustee Miller: Aye

At this time, Atty. Groff declared open a public hearing on a Proposed Local Law Establishing a Moratorium on Pole Signs. As nobody came forward, Atty. Groff declared the public hearing closed.

Resolution by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Swartz

WHEREAS, the Village is considering a local law creating a moratorium on the installation of pole and/or ground signs exceeding 35 feet in commercial zones, and

WHEREAS, this proposed local law was presented to this Board on October 14, 2004, and notice of a public hearing regarding this matter was published in the official newspaper of the Village and a public hearing regarding same was held on October 28, 2004, and

WHEREAS, this Village Board of Trustees has given this matter due consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that said Local Law Creating a Six Month Moratorium on the Installation of Pole and/or Ground Signs Exceeding 35 Feet in Commercial Zones in the Village of Horseheads is hereby adopted, and the Village Clerk-Treasurer is directed to file same with the Secretary of State as required by law.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Gross: Aye  
Trustee Swartz: Aye  
Trustee Miller: Aye

Chris Lawrick - leaf pickup began this week. Goes through november 28<sup>th</sup>.

Martha Hauser - W. Broad st. - Arbor Manor has a dumpster facing front of Broad St.. Arrived 2 weeks ago. I have to hire people to come to prune my hedge because dumpster blocks my access. This is in main view of Broad St. Dumpsters usually have nice fences around them. Shouldn't be in plain view.

Mayor Gross - asked manager to send letter to owner regarding possibly enclosing the dumpster with a fence.

Mayor Gross - asked the status of the street sweeper. Chris Lawrick - hasn't come in. Talked with salesman, delivery was supposed to be this week. We can use other one, on a very limited basis because it breaks down so often. I can send it out, but can't promise anything.

Mayor Gross - Got complaints from residents on Marshall and Hibbard, etc. I explained our circumstances. Chris - talked to Town, they said we could use the new one first. We are sharing it with them. We can have it at the beginning.

Mayor Gross - asked the status of the fire hydrants situation.

Chris Lawrick - ISO inspection at end of last year. That report we rec'd in January. I put together program for inspection of hydrants which I sent in a letter to manager and board. My people since then have done maintenance program on hydrants. Started on west side of Village and work east.

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We start at our line near Sing Sing Road school. We are presently on Boorum Place, West Avenue. Halfway through. In the holding point where we had the problem would not have been gotten to until May of 2005. In our goals and objectives I stated we'd do them all within a year, and finish all by May 31, 2005.

Mayor Gross - I thought you said we would do this once every 3 years.

Chris Lawrick - don't remember that conversation. I only have 2 people working in water dept.

Mayor Gross - what is new policy.

Chris Lawrick - half the hydrants every year, continuously.

Mayor Gross - Got a call from resident interested in donating money towards the purchase of a clock. I don't know where we could put a clock without causing a major accident. Would somebody be interested in taking this on.

Trustee Swartz agreed to handle this project. He is to report back to this Board by January 13, 2005.

Mayor Gross - what is the latest from Hunt Engineers, regarding the LRC building.

Village Manager - sent them all info. Waiting for reply.

Mayor Gross - property on Broad st. between bleachers and school. Spoke to manager about this possibly being developed and get tax money for it.

Mayor Gross - asked the status of our historical district, Elise Johnson Schmidt.

Village Manager - can't use anymore CDBG money. Our allocation has already been expended. BOT has to decide if we should pay for her services.

Mayor Gross - has she been notified. Village Manager - I have appt. with her next week.

Mayor Gross - Salle Richards from the Star-Gazette called, asking about the closing of MT effecting the Village. I had spoken with the Manager, we had discussed this water issue how it would be a bad effect. I guess now there was open criticism of me by people in Village Hall that I have no compassion. By no means did I have lack of concern for people. I had already discussed this with Vinnie. I had a hard time realizing we were hiring someone outside Chemung County when 800 people were losing their jobs. My second thing was maybe we could do something with a food bank here. I don't mind being criticized, but come face me personally. If anybody thinks I don't have compassion, tell me right now. I have lost my job two times.

Motion by Trustee Swartz, seconded by Trustee Miller, that this Board, along with Atty. Groff, move into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter of a particular person.

Mayor Gross:	Aye
Trustee Swartz:	Aye
Trustee Miller:	Aye

At 7:25 p.m., the Mayor, Board Members, and Atty. Groff moved into Executive Session, the minutes of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof.

At 8:30 p.m., the Board returned to the regular meeting of this date.

As there was nothing further to bring before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

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**Minutes**

**Village Board of Trustees**

**Executive Session**

**October 28, 2004**

An Executive Session of the Village Board was held on the above date at 7:25 p.m. Present were Mayor Patricia Gross, Trustees Howard Miller and Ronald Swartz, and Village Attorney John Groff. They discussed a personnel matter of a particular person.

At 8:30 p.m., upon a motion by Trustee Swartz, seconded by Trustee Miller, the Board closed the Executive Session and moved back into their regular meeting of this date.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Gross:	Aye
Trustee Swartz:	Aye
Trustee Miller:	Aye