

The Village Board of Cato held their annual organizational meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2009 at the Village Office, 2564 Millard Avenue, Cato, New York at 4:30 p.m. The following members were present.

Mayor: Carl Lincoln

Trustees: Donald Hoyt, Donald Thompson, Joseph Vincent, and Mark Owen

Clerk/Treasurer: Gary Houser Jr.

Meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

READING OF MARCH 12, 2009 MINUTES:

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the March 12, 2009 meeting by Trustee Donald Thomson and seconded by Trustee Joseph Vincent. Unanimously approved 5-0.

APPOINTMENTS:

DEPUTY MAYOR:

Mayor Carl Lincoln appointed Donald Thompson as Deputy Mayor for one year appointment. Motion made by Trustee Joseph Vincent and seconded by Trustee Mark Owen to approve of the appointment. Unanimously approved 5-0.

Mayor Carl Lincoln read the following appointments with a motion made by Trustee Joseph Vincent and seconded by Trustee Donald Hoyt to approve of appointments as read.

OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER:

Post-Herald, Red Creek, New York

OFFICIAL DEPOSITORY:

Community Bank, N.A., and First Niagara Bank

VILLAGE ATTORNEY:

Patrick Sardino of Smith, Sovik, Kendrick and Sugnet, P.C.

DEPUTY CLERK/ ONE YEAR TERM:

This position was left open.

CLERK/TREASURER:

Gary Houser Jr.

COMMISSIONERS OF STREETS:

Trustee Joseph Vincent and Trustee Mark Owen

COMMISSIONERS OF WATER:

Trustee Donald Thompson and Trustee Donald Hoyt

SEASONAL LABORER:

Francis Porter, and put an ad in the paper for one more person.

REPRESENTATIVES FOR MIC YOUTH BOARD:

Trustee Donald Thompson and Mark Owen

ZONING INSPECTOR/ ONE YEAR APPOINTMENT:

Donald Bittel- The board stated till he sells or moves out of his house.

REGISTRAR AND DEPUTY REGISTRAR:

Margaret Sweetman was appointed Registrar. Joseph Vincent was appointed as Deputy Registrar.

VILLAGE OF CATO PLANNING BOARD/SEVEN YEAR TERM:

One open spot.

VILLAGE OF CATO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS/ FIVE YEAR TERM:

Daniel Day and Noel Patterson

OFFICIAL MEETING NIGHT AND TIME:

The official meeting night is the Second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

MILEAGE ALLOWANCE:

Motion was made by Trustee Joseph Vincent and seconded by Trustee Donald Hoyt to set mileage allowance at \$.50 per mile reimbursement when Village personnel use their own vehicles to attend Village related functions. Unanimously approved 5-0.

ADVANCE APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:

Whereas, the Board of Trustees have determined to authorize payment in advance of audit of claims for public utility services, gasoline purchases, postages, freight, express charges and purchases that would incur a late charge if held for 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 payment in advance of claims for public utility services, gasoline purchases, postage, freight, express charges and purchases that would incur a late charge if held for next regular meeting for audit 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. Motion made by Trustee Donald Hoyt and seconded by Trustee Joseph Vincent to approve of advance approval of claims resolution as stated above. Unanimously approved 5-0.

ATTENDANCE AT VILLAGE ASSOCIATION MEETINGS, SCHOOL & CONFERENCES:

Motion made by Trustee Donald Hoyt and seconded by Trustee Joseph Vincent to authorize attendance at conferences and schools by officers and employees as follows:

Unanimously approved, 5-0.

Whereas, there is to be held during the coming year (a) the Annual Meeting conducted by the NYS Conference of Mayors and other Municipal Officers for municipal officers; (b) The Training Schools for fiscal officers and municipal clerks, conducted by the NYS Conference of Mayors and other Municipal Officials; (c) The Village Association of Cayuga County dinner meeting held monthly except July, August, and December; (d) The County Highway Superintendent meetings, NY Rural Water and various other training sessions for the Superintendent of Public Works.

Whereas, it is determined by the board of trustees that attendance by certain municipal officials and employees at one more of these meetings, conferences or school benefits the municipality;

Furthermore, it is determined by the Board of Trustees that attendance by certain and the Deputy Mayor be the official representatives to the Cayuga County Village Association meeting held monthly except during the months of July, August, and December.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. That the following officer and employees are hereby authorized to attend schools and meetings representing the Village. Mayor, Trustees, Superintendent of Public Works, Seasonal Laborers, Clerk- Treasurer, Deputy Clerk, Zoning Officer, Planning Board, and Zoning Board of Appeals.
Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately and contain until next organizational meeting.

OFFICIAL VOTING MEMBERS TO THE VILLAGE ASSOCIATION:

The official appointed voting members to the Village Association is the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.
Motion made by Trustee Joseph Vincent and seconded by Trustee Donald Hoyt.
Unanimously approved 5-0.

STREET SWEEPING:

The board discussed this and are looking at the end of April, first of May.

SALT SPREADER:

On motion of Trustee Donald Thompson and seconded by Trustee Donald Hoyt to purchase a salt spreader from Tractor Supply well it was on sale. Unanimously approved 5-0

REVIEW OF TENTASTIVE BUDGET:

Tentative budget for the public hearing scheduled for April 9, 2009 at 8:00 p.m.

TRANSFRERS:

A motion by Trustee Donald Hoyt and seconded by Trustee Joseph Vincent to transfer \$6,000.00 from General Savings into General Checking. Unanimously approved 5-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

On motion of Trustee Joseph Vincent and seconded by Trustee Donald Hoyt that the board go into executive session to discuss personnel issue. Entered executive session at 5:13 p.m. On motion from Trustee Joseph Vincent and seconded by Trustee Donald Hoyt for the board to come out of executive session at 6:02 p.m. Unanimously approved 5-0

ADJOURMENT:

There being no further business to discuss, a motion made by Trustee Joseph Vincent and seconded by Trustee Donald Thompson to adjourn. Motion unanimously passed 5-0.
Meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Gary M. Houser Jr.
Clerk/ Treasurer