

The Village Board of Cato held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, October 8, 2009 at the Village Office, 2564 Millard Avenue, Cato, at 7:00 p.m., with the following members present:

Mayor: Carl Lincoln

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

Clerk/Treasurer: Gary Houser Jr.

Superintendent: Jay Youngs

Planning Board Chairperson: Margaret Sweetman

Mayor Carl Lincoln called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Trustee Mark Owen and seconded by Trustee Donald Thompson to approve the minutes from the September 10, 2009 meeting. Unanimously passes 4-1 exemption.

INCOME:

Thru 10/31/2007- Refuse stickers: \$150.00, Zoning Permint: \$0.00, Current Taxes: \$5,151.80, Tax Search: \$10.00, Death Certificates: \$80.00, Metered Sales: \$0.00, Hydrent: \$275.00, Total: \$5,666.80.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT/PERMITS FOR SEPTEMBER 09:

NONE

C-M RECREATION CENTER MINUTES:

FIRE DEPT. MINUTES AND REPORTS:

Received minute from July, and August meetings which includes treasurer's report. The Board asked Superintendent Jay Youngs to go talk with the fire department about the placement of the sign, to see if they could move it to make plowing easier.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT:

One of the Boy Scouts is going to paint the fire hydrants for his Eagle Scout badge. The Boy Scouts are going to get the evergreen trees from Don Hoyt's house on Saturday November 28, 2009 and going to put them up on Saturday December 5<sup>th</sup>. Main Street grant is for commercial property only per Tim Hodson from Home site and that there is a small city grant available for homeowners. She said that the Planning Board has set up a priority team for the grants and they are: Jim Wheeden, Tim Hodson, Patty Russo, Ray Derby, Carl Lincoln, and Don Hoyt, and she said that they are looking into a grant for the Mill. Steve from Cayuga County Planning Board talked with CIViC Heritage and would like an idea of what they would like to see in the village. If the grant goes in by February the money would not be available till the fall of 2010.

SUPT. JAY YOUNGS:

Supt. Youngs reported that hydrant #41 had the couplings were in wrong and that the connectors was what messed this hydrant up. He also stated that John service tech. from Meller is going to come out on Wednesday November 11<sup>th</sup> to help fix this problem. Jay also said that they are going to be able to fix the hydrant that was damaged in from the accident that hit it. The Board also would like Jay to investigate the hydrant behind the Middle School to see if it on the school meter or on the Village line. Jay went and looked

at a wood chipper that would cost \$4,000.00 and had 1000 hrs. on it. The board would like him to look into it further. Jay set up a meeting with EJ Prescott for Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. to look at new meters, and Vellone Brothers on Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. to look at meters as well. He also told the board that he has all the supplies for the pump house roof.

#### VILLAGE ASSOCIATION MEETING:

Is going to be at the Sunset at 7:00 p.m. and the host is the Village of Meridian. The topic is going to be neighborhood watch.

#### CODES ENFORCMENT OFFICER:

A letter from Mike Chapman in reference to the Codes Enforcement Officer was asking \$20.00 per capita, with a total of \$12,000 a year. Mayor Lincoln and Trustee Mark Owen had a meeting with Mike Chapman discussing the letter and the amount to pay. The Village Board would like a letter sent to the Legislatures Office in regard to the Sheriffs Sub Station, storage of a car, and the communication tower being in the Village Building and on Village property for the past 30 years with no fee charged to them. Also in the letter voice the concerns that the State talking about consolidating services, and the concerns about code enforcement in the Village. If we continue to provide the service to the Sheriffs Office then we will have to start charging them rent for the space, and or to off set the price the Village would have to raise taxes, and with the raise in the taxes some people in the Village may not be able to handle the increase. A motion made by Trustee Donald Thompson and seconded by Trustee Donald Hoyt to send the letter to the Legislatures office. Unanimously approved 5-0.

#### NEW COMPUTER FOR VILLAGE OFFICE:

A motion made by Trustee Donald Thompson and seconded by Trustee Donald Hoyt to purchase a new computer for the office so the old computer can be moved out to the superintendent's office, not to exceed \$600.00. Unanimously approved 5-0.

#### OLD BUISNESS:

The board would like an update put on the old business sheet of how the roof on the pump house is coming along. The Board would also like Bruce Tuttle to re-mark the land behind the church and have it appraised by Dean Cummings.

#### CURFEW REMINDER:

Village of Cato adopted 10/08/03 a Local Law entitled, "Village of Cato Regulation of Minors", which states it is unlawful for any minor under the age of 18 to be out after 10 p.m., unless accompanied by a parent, guardian, etc. A copy of the law may be obtained from the Village office or contact Marylou Mayenzet from the neighborhood watch in the Village of Cato

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

NONE

#### BUDGET TRANSFERS/TRANSFERS:

A motion was made by Trustee Joseph Vincent and seconded by Trustee Mark Owen to transfer \$5,000.00 from the General Checking into General Savings, and \$5,000.00 from water savings into water checking unanimously passed 5-0.

INVOICES:

Motion made by Trustee Donald Thompson and seconded by Trustee Joseph Vincent to authorize payment of from General from Voucher # 0078- 0093, Water from Voucher # 0024-0030, and Trust Funds from Voucher # 0012-0014 in the following amounts:

General Fund:	\$ 5,295.50
Water Fund:	4,097.97
Trust Fund:	1,903.75
Miscellaneous Special Revenue Fund:	.00
TOTAL	<hr/> \$ 11,297.22

All invoices were unanimously approved 5-0.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Monthly report of treasurer presented to Village board and is attached to minutes.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Trustee Donald Hoyt and seconded by Trustee Joseph Vincent to adjourn, unanimously approved, 5-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:55p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Gary Houser Jr.  
Clerk/Treasurer  
Village of Cato