

At a regular meeting of the Malone Village Board, held on Monday, February 11, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at the Malone Village Meeting Room, located at 16 Elm Street, the following were present:

BRENT S. STEWART

MAYOR

**Susan Hafter
Lenora Richards
Dailon Patnode
Todd LePine**

**Trustee
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Trustee**

Also in attendance:

**Tammy R. LaValley, Village Clerk
Jeff Smith, DPW Supervisor
Chief of Police, Steve Stone
Jennifer Farmer, Malone
Andrew Moore, Bangor
Amanda Guerin, Burke
Christy Bashaw, Malone
Chris Brooks, Malone**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

MINUTES APPROVED. (JANUARY 28, 2008; PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING MINUTES)

Upon motion made by Trustee LePine, seconded by Trustee Patnode and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last regular meeting and public hearing were approved and accepted as presented.

Upon motion made by Trustee Richards, seconded by Trustee Hafter and unanimously carried, the following bills were approved and authorized for payment:

PAY BILLS.

REVOLVING LOAN FUND:	\$16.86
CAPITAL FUND:	\$187.50
JOINT REC FUND:	\$360.54
SEWER FUND:	\$32172.78
GENERAL FUND:	\$39698.54
WATER FUND:	\$43204.63
TRUST & AGENCY:	<u>\$96065.17</u>
TOTAL:	\$211706.02

CODE APPLICATIONS.

The following applications were reviewed by the board and will be on file in the Village Clerk's Office.

BUILDING PERMITS

**MERTON FERRIS
15 WEBB AVENUE
MALONE**

APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO CHANGE A FLAT ROOF ON HIS CURRENT GARAGE TO A PITCHED ROOF. ESTIMATED COST OF THIS PROJECT IS \$2000.00. APPLICATION APPROVED BY CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, JOHN LECLERC.

**THE ADIRONDACK ARC
36 MARION STREET
MALONE**

APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO DO BASEMENT STRUCTURAL REPAIR AND TO INSTALL AN AUTOMATIC GENERATOR SYSTEM. ESTIMATED COST OF THIS

PROJECT IS \$4000.00. APPLICATION APPROVED BY CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, JOHN LECLERC.

DEMOLITION PERMIT

**GEORGE MARTIN II
53 DUANE STREET
MALONE**

APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO DEMOLISH A GARAGE/EMPTY SHOP THAT HAS COLLAPSED. ESTIMATED COST IS \$1000.00 FOR THIS PROJECT. APPLICATION APPROVED BY CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, JOHN LECLERC.

CORRESPONDENCE.

- 1. THE VERDIN COMPANY – STREET CLOCKS.**

Mayor Stewart stated that he received some pamphlets on street clocks if anyone would like to look them over. Maybe down the road we can get one for the Village. Trustees Richards and Hafter both stated that they mentioned this last year and would love to see one in the Village.

- 2. REC. COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULED FOR 2/12/2008 AT 7 P.M.**

Mayor Stewart read this aloud and told everyone this is an informational piece; if anyone would like to attend, their meetings are held upstairs at the Arena.

NEW BUSINESS.

- 1. WATER OPERATOR CERTIFICATION COURSE. APRIL 15-17, 2008, PLATTSBURGH, NY.**

This announcement came from the Kevin Scheuer, from the Department of Health.

- 2. MAYOR GRANTS PERMISSION TO SEND VOM PATROLMAN MIKE CRAWFORD TO COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT TRAINING COURSE. THREE DAY COURSE IN PLATTSBURGH; TWO DAYS IN CLASSROOM TRAINING AND ONE DAY OF FIELD TRAINING.**
- 3. MAYOR GRANTS PERMISSION TO SEND JAY SHANTY, WWTP, TO 2008 TRAINING FOR LEAK DETECTION AND CONTROL. TO BE HELD ON MARCH 11, 2008, AT A COST OF \$120.00.**
- 4. VOM CLERK REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2008.**

Upon motion made by Trustee Hafter, seconded by Trustee Patnode and unanimously carried, this report was approved and accepted as received.

- 5. VOM BUILDING INSPECTOR AND FIRE CODE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2008.**

This report was reviewed by the Board members. There was a question as to what exactly unsafe buildings/conditions and health inspections were defined as. The Village Clerk will speak with the code officers about this and get some clarifications.

- 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS.**

Mayor Stewart stated that we are still trying to figure out the whole Justice Court issue. Betty Little was supposed to meet but so far nothing. And there is supposed to be a telephone call from the New York State Comptroller's Office in regards to this item. There is supposed to be a conference call next week to discuss it and if there is anything new to report, Mayor Stewart will present it at the next Village Board meeting.

7. VOM POLICE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2008.

This report was reviewed and will be on file at the Village Clerk's Office. Chief Stone stated that he wants to send Sgt. Premo to supervisory school in May/June but will submit some paperwork to the Mayor before that, for the next meeting.

8. DISCUSS POSSIBLE POLICE OFFICER HIRE.

Mayor Stewart stated that it looks to him like there's a March 3, 2008 police training school, in Plattsburgh. Chief Stone stated that he emailed the instructor and he will accept any enrollees up until March 2, 2008. Canvas was requested on February 4, 2008. And, the Sergeant's test was ordered since the last list has expired. Starting salary for the Patrolman is \$28080.00 and after training it is \$32552.00. Chief Stone stated that they need 635 hours of training and 40 hours in field training before we can actually utilize them. Mayor Stewart stated that we cannot interview anyone until we get the canvassing back from the County. Dolly has crunched some numbers and has found some money in the budget that we can use for payroll. Trustee LePine stated that Steve may also know where we can get some money. Chief Stone stated that in the drug forfeiture monies; we can use that money for officers' salaries not benefits, so we may be able to utilize that money also. We don't have that money in that account yet; we are waiting to hear from Derek Champagne. We just received over \$9000.00 on a drug bust. We are expecting more money from the D.A.'s office. Chief Stone stated that we are actually looking to hire two officers; there is no doubt that Craig Collette will be leaving in July and then Sgt. Dean Fountain will be leaving shortly thereafter. We may also have some monies coming from the feds.; I would have to ask Dolly if we received anything yet.

Trustee Richards asked if we should think about hiring two officers at this point. Chief Stone stated that he spoke to Trustee Patnode about the tuition; many places make their new officers pay for their own training. If they can't pay all at once, we can take it out of payroll. And part of that agreement would be that if they stayed with us for 10 years, we would reimbursement them that tuition fee. Tuition at this time is \$3250.00. This would be a separate agreement with us; not part of their union contract.

Trustee Richards asked about the training again. It is starting in March in Plattsburgh and in the fall in Canton.

At present we have some monies from the donation we received from Alice Hoffman. That's in the general fund. We have some monies in contingency also. And we can check on monies from the feds. Trustee Patnode stated that he wanted to add that these two officers are not adding to the police force we have now; they will be to replace the ones that are leaving, is that right? Chief Stone said yes.

Upon motion made by Trustee Patnode, seconded by Trustee LePine and unanimously carried, the Malone Village Board approved the hiring of two police officers, as soon as the canvassing and interviewing is complete; part of this motion would be that the training/police school tuition would be paid for by the new hires themselves, whether paid for in lump sum, or paid for through payroll deductions. After 10 years of employment with the Village Of Malone, officers that have paid their own tuition will be reimbursed by the Village of Malone.

9. JUSTICE COURT CLERK VACATION – APRIL 11-18, 2008.

Rene Braley is going to be out on vacation during this time; Judge Simays will also be out. The office will be closed so we need to alert the media; post it in the newspaper and hang some signs on the doors during that week. There will be no collection of fines during that week.

10. TENTATIVE WORK SESSION SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 27 2008, AT 6:30 P.M. FOR DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED REZONING OF CERTAIN AREAS OF THE VILLAGE. (ZONING, PLANNING, VILLAGE BOARD MEMBERS.)

11. BUDGET AMENDMENTS/TREASURER, DOLLY MAGUIRE.

GENERAL FUND
BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 22-2007/2008

OFFERED BY: DOROTHY MAGUIRE, BUDGET OFFICER/TREASURER

AMEND THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET AS FOLLOWS:

INCREASE REVENUE CODE A2705 DONATIONS by \$13,134.00

INCREASE APPROPRIATION CODE A3120.1 POLICE SALARIES BY \$7,344.00

INCREASE APPROPRIATION CODE A3120.4 POLICE OTHER EXPENSES BY \$780.00

INCREASE APPROPRIATION CODE A9015.8 POLICE RETIREMENT BY \$1,227.00

INCREASE APPROPRIATION CODE A9030.8 SOCIAL SECURITY TAX BY \$455.00

INCREASE APPROPRIATION CODE A9035.8 MEDICARE TAX BY \$107.00

**INCREASE APPROPRIATION CODE A9060.8 HEALTH/DENTAL/VISION INSURANCE
BY \$3,221.00**

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Lenora Richards

SECONDED BY: Trustee Todd LePine

APPROVED BY BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON: 02-11-2008

**To: Mayor Brent Stewart
Village Board of Trustees**

**From: Dorothy M. Maguire
Budget Officer/Treasurer**

Date: February 7, 2008

Re: Water Fund Budget Amendment No. 6-2007/2008

At the last Board meeting, you approved a budget amendment transferring funds from Contingency F1990.0 into Source of Supply F8320.4 for the damage of two (2) variable speed drives located in Chasm Falls. The damage was the result of a windstorm on or about January 9, 2008. At the time of the transfer, it was uncertain as to whether or not the claim would be paid by the insurance company. An insurance check has been issued less a \$2,500.00 deductible.

I recommend that the Board amend the Water Fund Budget to replace the funds used from Contingency.

Increase Revenue Code F2680 Insurance Recoveries by \$10,952.00

Increase Appropriation Code F1990.0 Contingency by \$10,952.00

MOTION MADE BY: Trustee Susan Hafter

SECONDED BY: Trustee Dailon Patnode

APPROVED BY BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON: 02-11-2008

12. POSTING OF POLITICAL SIGNS.

Mayor Stewart stated that it came to his attention that on Super Tuesday a couple of political signs appeared in the Veterans Park on Main Street. The Mayor stated that out of respect for our Veterans, I am hoping that individuals could put signs on their private property or between the curb and sidewalks. This park is a memorial dedicated to those who sacrificed their lives for our country. Mayor Stewart stated that signs should not be placed in that park or any Veteran's Park for that matter. We owe them that much.

The subject of picketing in the park came up and will be looked into further, with a call to NYCOM. The Mayor will also find out their opinion on Political Signs in the park.

OLD BUSINESS.

1. LOCAL LAW #1- 2008 UNSAFE BUILDINGS.

Upon motion made by Trustee Hafter, seconded by Trustee Patnode and unanimously carried by the Malone Village Board, Local Law #1-2008, is hereby approved and adopted as presented by the Malone Village Attorney, Nathan Race and subsequent to the public hearing held on January 28, 2008. This law will be sent to the Secretary of State for their approval and acceptance.

2. LOCAL LAW #2 – 2008 VEHICLES, STORAGE OF

Upon motion made by Trustee Patnode, seconded by Trustee LePine and unanimously carried by the Malone Village Board, Local Law #2-2008, is hereby approved and adopted as presented by the Malone Village Attorney, Nathan Race and subsequent to the public hearing held on January 28, 2008. This law will be sent to the Secretary of State for their approval and acceptance.

3. CHANGE ORDER #2-6 FOR THE WATER PROJECT; SCHICKEL.

Mayor Stewart stated that somehow this change order was overlooked. It is in the amount of \$1170.00, and pertains to the contract with H. Schickel General Contracting, Inc., for the Water System Improvement Project. This is an overage in the contract; it was for materials for the pinnacle.

Upon motion made by Trustee Hafter, seconded by Trustee Richards and unanimously carried, this Change Order #2-6, in the amount of \$1170.00 was accepted and approved as received.

EXECUTIVE SESSION. (IF WARRANTED.)

ADJOURN.

Upon motion made by Trustee Patnode, seconded by Trustee LePine and unanimously carried, this meeting closed at 8:00 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

TAMMY R. LAVALLEY
Malone Village Clerk