

The work session of the Village of Arcade (VOA) Board of Trustees, Wyoming County, New York was held on Thursday, March 5, 2009 at 6:00pm there were:

**PRESENT**

Mayor Rich Kosmerl, Deputy Mayor Paul Burkett, Trustee Jim McGarvey, Trustee Ken Rule, Superintendent of Public Works Larry Kilburn, Clerk/Treasurer Pam Beiersdorf, Police Chief John Laird, and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Jennifer Kraft

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Kosmerl opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVE MINUTES**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Burkett and seconded by Mayor Kosmerl, the minutes from the work session held on February 24, 2009 be approved as presented by Clerk/Treasurer Beiersdorf.

The motion was passed upon the following vote:

<b>VOTE</b>								
Mayor Richard Kosmerl	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Deputy Mayor Paul Burkett	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Jim McGarvey	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Ken Rule	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
<b>VOTE TOTAL:</b>	4	Yes	0	No	0	Abstain	0	Absent
<b>RESULTS</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>PASS</b>				<b>FAIL</b>		

**LETTER TO WYOMING COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (WCIDA) - TPI EXPANSION**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Burkett and seconded by Trustee McGarvey, Mayor Kosmerl be hereby authorized to send a letter to Mike Heftka, WCIDA in response to his letter dated February 18, 2009 conveying the Board's support for an Empire Zone (EZ) designation as the preferred method versus a Payment In-Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) for this project. The EZ would allow taxing jurisdictions to collect property taxes at full value. TPI would pay its fair share of taxes and would be reimbursed by NY State, making this a win-win situation for local interests.

The motion was passed upon the following vote:

<b>VOTE</b>								
Mayor Richard Kosmerl	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Deputy Mayor Paul Burkett	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Jim McGarvey	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Ken Rule	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
<b>VOTE TOTAL:</b>	4	Yes	0	No	0	Abstain	0	Absent
<b>RESULTS</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>PASS</b>				<b>FAIL</b>		

**MARCO'S PIZZA & SUBS REQUEST FOR VILLAGE SUPPORT**

Mayor Kosmerl reported that he drafted a letter to Timothy McMahon of the Internal Revenue Service in response to Mark Saladyga's, owner of Marco's Pizza & Subs, request for support at the March 3, 2009 meeting.

**LETTER TO TOWN OF YORKSHIRE (TOY) - SEWER DISTRICT**

Mayor Kosmerl reported that he drafted a letter to Marcia Spencer, Town of Yorkshire Supervisor, in response to her letter asking if the VOA would be willing to accept sewage from the TOY, would consider such a proposal if a sewer district comes to fruition for the business district, would be willing to participate in a study. The letter indicates that the Board agrees it would be appropriate for the VOA to participate in the study to identify the feasibility and costs of such a project. In addition, Superintendent of Public Works Kilburn was appointed to be the VOAs representative on the study committee.

**PRESENTATION TO SENIOR CITIZENS - IDENTITY THEFT**

Mayor Kosmerl attended a presentation made to senior citizens regarding identity theft. The speaker's name was Letizia Tagliaferro, the Attorney General's Special Counsel for the WNY Region. Letizia was a prosecutor in the Erie County District Attorney's Office and a Special Counsel for Division of Criminal Justice Services prior to her employment with the Attorney General's office. The first week of March is Consumer Protection Week. Consumers today are more susceptible to identity theft than ever before. It is the fastest growing crime in the country and New York has the highest increase rate in the number of victims. Senior citizens are especially vulnerable to this type of crime as they generally have good credit histories, available assets, and do not regularly check their credit reports. Letizia provides seniors the tools they need to prevent themselves from becoming victims including what scams to look out for and how to spot new schemes designed to steal their identities.

**PERMISSION TO ATTEND TRAINING**

Motion by Mayor Kosmerl and seconded by Trustee McGarvey, Gillian Moore be hereby authorized to attend, concurrent with Justice approval, the Cattaraugus County Magistrates Association training on enforcing payment of fines and small claims on March 11, 2009 at the VFW in Little Valley, NY. Cost of the training is \$8.00 and includes dinner. In addition, Gill is authorized one (1) hour of overtime and travel via personal vehicle with mileage reimbursement in accordance with IRS guidelines. As a good practice, the Board requests that upon return from the session, either a written statement or presentation at a board meeting must be made to the Board that summarizes what was discussed and demonstrates what was gained by participating in the training.

The motion was passed upon the following vote:

<b>VOTE</b>								
Mayor Richard Kosmerl	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Deputy Mayor Paul Burkett	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Jim McGarvey	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
Trustee Ken Rule	X	Yes		No		Abstain		Absent
<b>VOTE TOTAL:</b>								
	4	Yes	0	No	0	Abstain	0	Absent
<b>RESULTS</b>		<b>X</b>	<b>PASS</b>				<b>FAIL</b>	

**NEW YORK MAIN STREET GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION**

Mayor Kosmerl reported that he met with Marty Mucher from Wyoming County Community Action (WCCA). As part of WCCAs charter to support residential development, Marty indicated that they would be willing to sponsor the grant application for downtown Main Street development.

**CSEA EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUND RENEWAL AGREEMENT**

At the March 3, 2009 meeting, a motion was passed authorizing the Mayor to execute the renewal Agreement effective July 1, 2008 through May 31, 2013 between the CSEA Employee Benefit Fund and the VOA once the Attorney for the VOA revises the wording on Page 1, Section 2. clarifying that the VOA agrees to forward employee payroll deductions to CSEA per covered employee per month. Upon further review of the agreement, Clerk/Treasurer Beiersdorf reported that Page 2 included wording that each covered employee would pay by means of a payroll deduction and that the VOA would remit the amount of such payroll deductions to CSEA on a monthly basis. The wording on Page 2 satisfied Mayor Kosmerl's previous concerns and the renewal agreement was signed.

**BUDGET WORK SESSION**

The Board reviewed and discussed the following department proposed budget(s) for FY 2009-2010:

- Draft C of the General fund

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting duly adjourned at 9:17pm upon motion by Mayor Kosmerl and seconded by Deputy Mayor Burkett.

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Clerk/Treasurer