

VILLAGE OF ALTAMONT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
May 4, 2010

Mayor James M. Gaughan
Trustee William F. Aylward
Trustee Kerry Dineen
Trustee Christine Marshall
Trustee Dean Whalen

Michael Moore, Legal Council
Patty Blackwood, Clerk
Catherine Hasbrouck, Treasurer
Paul Miller, Chief Altamont Fire Dept.
Donald Cropsey, Jr., Building Inspector
Guests: 9

7:30 p.m.

Mayor Gaughan called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Keith Lee, Co-Chairman of the Parks Committee, thanked Altamont Community Traditions, village gardeners and village volunteers for their efforts in Orsini Park, Angel Park and Maple Avenue Park during Green and Clean Day. Mr. Lee conducted a plant sale on May 1 with the help of Catherine Maikoff, Anita Farry and Michael La Mountain raising over \$750 to benefit Maple Avenue Park.

Trustee Marshall reported Stormwater and Sewer Committee met several times in April. Engineers filed an update of the extended use plan for the village wastewater treatment project with NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation by which Village is requesting a low interest loan for the project. Application from last year received a score eligible to receive a low interest loan if the Village had been project ready. Engineers have indicated Village should receive the same rating for the updated plan. Committee is beginning to look at other funding options for wastewater treatment project.

Trustee Dineen, Business Committee, reported second "Guide to Altamont and the Heldebergs" brochure will be out to the public in June. Ninety percent of the businesses from last year's brochure have renewed their advertising.

Mayor Gaughan reported Guilderland Chamber of Commerce announced 2010 Chamber and Town Beautification award winners. Altamont Community Traditions won Award of Merit, SEFCU of Altamont won New Construction award and Kevin Clancy of Kevin Clancy Real Estate won Small Business Person of the Year. Loyalty Day to be held on May 8th at 2:00 pm and Memorial Day Parade to be held on May 23rd at 2:00 pm. Mayor Gaughan encouraged village residents to attend one or both events. Village of Altamont is accepting applications for 2010 Farmer's Market. CDTA awarded Altamont with grant of just over \$700 for 2 bicycle racks to be placed in Village parks.

Paul Miller, Chief AFD, reported 8 calls for April bringing total to 42 for the year. Chief Miller stated AFD ordered upgrade to cascade system.

Donald Cropsey, Jr., Building Inspector; reported Planning Board met in April and approved concept for photo studio and art gallery. Public hearing for photo studio to be held on May 17th. 100 Main Bean and Bakery to open by end of May.

Trustee Dineen made a motion seconded by Trustee Aylward to approve the Treasure's report; Abstract #22, Abstract #23 and transfer of funds as submitted.

Roll Call: All in favor

Public Comment:

Norman Bauman, Maple Avenue, acknowledged Judi Dineen for the wonderful job she is doing as President of Altamont Community Traditions. Altamont Community Traditions to hold a social gathering on June 29th.

Trustee Aylward made a motion seconded by Trustee Whalen to approve hiring of Germaine Rexford, Gun Club Road, as part-time seasonal laborer for Bozenkill Park up to 20 hours per week at an hourly wage of \$12.36 per hour from mid-May through mid-October per recommendation of Patty Blackwood, Clerk. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Aylward made a motion seconded by Trustee Whalen to approve hiring of Tim McIntyre, Jr. of Berne, NY and Chris Le Clair of Altamont, NY at \$8.75 per hour and Chet Ferriero of Berne, NY at \$8.50 per hour as part-time seasonal laborers for Department of Public Works from mid-June through mid-September per request of Tim McIntyre, Supt. of Public Works. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Dineen made a motion seconded by Trustee Aylward to approve Altamont Fire Department participation in annual Memorial Day Parade in Voorheesville on May 29, 2010 and annual Memorial Day Parade in Knox on May 31, 2010.

Roll Call: All in favor

Public Hearing 7:45 p.m.

Public Hearing was opened with the reading of the Legal Notice by Michael Moore, Legal Council. Mr. Moore recommended title and opening section of Local Law to be changed to refer to Section 458-b of the New York Real Property Tax Law rather than the chapters noted in the Legal Notice.

Mayor Gaughan stated Local Law follows Town of Guilderland and other municipalities in the area. Local Law provides tax exemptions for Cold War Veterans. Tax Assessor has had one inquiry regarding tax exemptions for Cold War Veterans.

Trustee Aylward made a motion seconded by Trustee Dineen to close public hearing at 7:47 pm. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Mayor Gaughan stated he was informed by Village Council to prepare a Negative Declaration under SEQRA requirements for Local Law 2-2010. Village Council will prepare necessary documentation for June 1, 2010 Board meeting.

Trustee Aylward made a motion seconded by Trustee Dineen to approve naming park on Maple Avenue "Schilling Park." **Roll Call: All in favor**
Copy of Resolution included with Official Minutes.

Trustee Marshall made a motion seconded by Trustee Whalen to approve of Board Minutes for April 6, 2010. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Aylward made a motion seconded by Trustee Marshall to adjourn at 7:56 pm.
All in favor

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Blackwood
Clerk