

VILLAGE OF ALTAMONT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
October 04, 2016

Mayor James M. Gaughan
Trustee Kerry Dineen
Trustee Nicholas Fahrenkopf
Trustee Madeline LaMountain
Trustee Dean Whalen

Patty Blackwood, Clerk
Catherine Hasbrouck, Treasurer
Larry Adams, Asst. Supt. of Public Works
Paul Miller, Altamont Fire Chief
Todd Pucci, Altamont Police Chief
Marijo Dougherty, Archives & Museum, Absent
Glenn Hebert, Building Inspector
Jason Shaw, Legal Counsel

General Public: 23

7:00 p.m.

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

Trustee LaMountain reported the Village will be hosting a Fall Festival with 26 local vendors in Orsini Park on October 22nd from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Paul Miller, Chief Altamont Fire Dept., submitted Chief's reports for September. Copy of Chief's report included with Official Minutes.

Larry Adams, Asst. Supt. of Public Works, reported water main flushing will begin this week and continue through October 31st. Yard waste collection will begin on October 18th and continue through November 30th.

Mayor Gaughan reported there is a museum exhibit of the 100th anniversary of the Altamont Free Library located in the Village Hall. The exhibit is open during regular business hours.

Trustee Dineen made a motion seconded by Trustee Whalen to approve the Treasurer's report; #8, #9, and transfer of funds as submitted. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Public Comment:

Kate Provencher, Thatcher Drive, asked if the Altamont Guilderland Referral Committee's meetings are public meetings. Mayor Gaughan stated the meetings are not public hearings and don't get advertised in the newspaper. Ms. Provencher asked how the public could give input on the topics. Mayor Gaughan explained the committee meets and presents their recommendations to the Village Board for their approval. Mayor Gaughan stated the public could submit their comments to the Village Board.

Rob Rabbin, Main Street, asked for an update on Stewarts. Glenn Hebert, Building Inspector, stated Stewarts has submitted a building permit application for interior renovation of their store. Stewarts hasn't submitted a demolition application for their new property at 109 Helderberg Avenue. If anyone were to submit a demolition application to the building department, the request for demolition of a property must go through the Planning Board. This is stated in section 355-34 of the Code of the Village of Altamont. Mayor Gaughan stated Ron's Service Station was allowed to be demolished without going through the demolition process because it

was a health and safety issue to the public due to the building being destroyed by fire. Mr. Hebert stated Ron's Service Station has an open violation on their property. The building department is aggressively going after them regarding the violation.

Marc Roman, Berne Altamont Road, asked how to address the two items on the agenda referring to the solar farm. Mayor Gaughan stated some of the comments Mr. Roman has submitted to the Altamont Guilderland Referral Committee have been included in the recommendations the committee is presenting to the Board this evening.

Trustee Whalen made a motion seconded by Trustee Dineen to approve of recommendations of Altamont Guilderland Referral Committee regarding application from U.S. Solutions (c/o Justin Beiter), Berne Altamont Road, 2 MV PV Solar Farm, Tax Map #36.00-01-28.4.

Roll Call: All in favor

Copy of recommendations included with Official Minutes.

Trustee Whalen made a motion seconded by Trustee Fahrenkopf to not consider request from Town of Guilderland for the Village of Altamont to determine their interest in declaring itself as lead agency status for a commercial solar array on a 56 acre parcel east of the Peter Young Center; with 10.9 acres of ground disturbance. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Fahrenkopf made a motion seconded by Trustee LaMountain to approve request for Village water for single family dwelling at 768 Route 146, Guilderland, Tax Map #37.04-2-26.1 per request of David and Nedra Werling. Capital charge for the new service connection to the water is \$2,500. Jeffrey Moller, Supt. of Public Works, has reviewed the application and recommended the connection. The connection approval is based on understanding that customer connect to existing curb-box. If needed, homeowner may have to connect to main, at homeowner's expense, if curb-box is defective. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Whalen made a motion seconded by Trustee Dineen to approve authorizing Jeffrey Moller, Supt. of Public Works, to move forward with termination of water service on October 11, 2016, if payment is not received from the following delinquent non-residents: Joel Dowling, 933 Altamont Voorheesville Road; and Theodore Danz, 241 Brandle Road.

Roll Call: All in favor

Trustee Fahrenkopf made a motion seconded by Trustee Dineen to approve of application from Colynn Tubbs, Guilderland, for Junior Firefighter in the Altamont Fire Department per request of Paul Miller, Chief. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Dineen made a motion seconded by Trustee LaMountain to approve resignation, with regret, of Deborah Hext, Planning Board Alternate Member, effective September 27, 2016.

Roll Call: All in favor

Trustee Whalen made a motion seconded by Trustee Fahrenkopf to approve resignation, with regret, of Shirley Morey, Senior Van Driver, effective October 3, 2016. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Whalen made a motion seconded by Trustee Dineen to approve of Board Minutes for September 6, 2016. **Roll Call: All in favor**

Trustee Dineen made a motion seconded by Trustee LaMountain to adjourn at 7:43 p.m.
All in favor

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Blackwood
Clerk