

**SPECIAL VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 22, 2008**

The Village of Gowanda Board of Trustees special meeting was called to order by Mayor Richard Klancer at 6:00 p.m. in the Board room, Municipal Building.

Present: Mayor Richard Klancer
Trustee Barb Nephew
Trustee John Certis
Trustee Dale DeCarlo

Village Clerk Kathy Mohawk
Public Works Superintendent Mike Hutchinson

Trustee Sheibley was unable to attend due to a prior commitment.

The purpose of the meeting was to review the proposed projects for CDBG funding and prioritize them.

Village Clerk Mohawk listed the five projects which were discussed at the Public Hearing:

- a. The Hollywood Theater
- b. Acquisition and demolition of the print shop building
- c. Storm drain repairs to the Municipal Building
- d. South Water Street improvements/creekside walk continuation of project
- e. Rural Transit Van

Trustee Certis spoke first. He feels the Hollywood Theater and the creekside park would bring the most immediate benefit to the community.

Mayor Klancer stated he would rank the Hollywood Theater as first. He again stated that some of the work at the Creekside park site could be done by Village crews.

Trustee DeCarlo stated that taking over another building is not something the Village should want to do. He also stated that the Hollywood Theater project would be his first choice. Both Mayor Klancer and Trustee DeCarlo indicated that the creekside park project would rank second. Trustee DeCarlo advised that there is a lot of parks funding out right now.

Trustee Nephew asked about the problem with the storm drains in the Municipal Building. Public Works Superintendent Hutchinson said it appears to be roof drainage. He also advised that building maintenance projects do not qualify for CDBG funding. Trustee Nephew indicated that sewer reserve money could be used for these types of repairs. She stated that the Hollywood Theater has the most immediate impact on the local economy. Trustee Nephew also stated that someone has expressed an interest in using the slab from the eye doctor building to make a place for kids to play.

Mayor Klancer reported that Trustee Sheibley ranked the projects as 1) municipal building sewer line; 2) Hollywood Theater; and 3) Rural Transit Van.

Motion 188-08. Motion by Trustee DeCarlo, seconded by Trustee Nephew to rank the CDBG projects as: 1) Hollywood Theater; 2) South Water Street/Creekside Park improvements; and 3) Rural Transit Service. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Klancer spoke about the 31 Jamestown Street Restaurant and the chances of selling it. He indicated it should be advertised for sale as a business. There was some discussion of how it might be packaged to make it more lucrative to sell. It was decided to convene the UDAG committee to see if there might be interest in holding the mortgage for what is owed to the Village. Village Clerk will get together all expenses involved with the 31 Jamestown Street repossession and cleanup.

Public Works Superintendent Hutchinson asked the Village Board members what should be done with the freezers from 31 Jamestown Street. They were removed during the cleanup but Mr. Hutchinson does not think they can be used.

Motion 189-08. Motion by Trustee Certis, seconded by Trustee DeCarlo to get rid of the freezers from 31 Jamestown Street. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Klancer was presented with the Second Amendment to Real Property Donation Agreement from Gowanda Electronics and requested authorization to sign it.

Motion 190-08. Motion by Trustee DeCarlo, seconded by Trustee Nephew to authorize Mayor Klancer to sign the Second Amendment to Real Property Donation Agreement for Gowanda Electronics. Motion carried 4-0.

Village Clerk Mohawk advised that Trustee Sheibley requested consideration of a date change for the November meeting. She has a previously scheduled meeting on November 18th. It was agreed to hold the next Village Board meeting on Wednesday, November 12, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Klancer asked Village Clerk Mohawk to get any updates on the printing building from Building Inspector Brecker. Trustee Nephew asked the status of the summons for Mr. Kinsey.

Motion 191-08. Motion by Trustee Certis, seconded by Trustee DeCarlo to adjourn the special Village Board meeting at 6:35 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

The next Village Board meeting is November 12, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen V. Mohawk
Village Clerk