

Village of Owego Board of Trustees Meeting
Minutes of September 21, 2009

The regular Village of Owego Board of Trustees Meeting was held on Monday, September 21, 2009 at the DPW Annex, 20 Elm Street, Owego, NY beginning at 7:00 p.m., with the following people in attendance:

Deputy Mayor:	Grace Thomas
Trustees:	Adam Jung Jane Woody Connie Sternberg Melody Patterson
Clerk-Treasurer:	Lynne A. Mieczkowski
DPW Supt:	Jeff Soules
Police Chief:	Rick McCulskey
WWTP:	Ron Horton
Village Attorney:	Irene Graven
Absent:	Mayor Edward Arrington Fire Chief Ed Bidwell

The meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m.

The Historical Owego Marketplace President, Simon Caudullo, requested approval from the Village Board to close Lake Street for the day of the Autumn Harvest Festival (Saturday, October 18, 2009). Simon spoke to merchants on Lake Street. Majority are in favor of the Autumn Festival (18 businesses in favor – 4 questionable) Discussion on insurance certificate was held.

Motion by Trustee Jung seconded by Deputy Mayor Thomas to close Lake Street on 10/18/09 for the Autumn Harvest Festival. Trustees Woody, Sternberg, Jung and Deputy Mayor Thomas voting aye. Trustee Patterson abstained.

Motion Carried.

The Master Gardener's Group was presented a proclamation for their commitment and dedication for their work in beautifying our Village Community. Jamy Howard accepted the proclamation.

Privilege of the floor was offered to those in attendance.

Stella Reschke addressed the Village Board regarding the Lights on the River Festival, Friday December 4, 2009 – 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. and requested permission to close the Court Street Bridge for the Fireworks activity.

Motion by Trustee Sternberg seconded by Trustee Patterson to close the Court Street Bridge for the Fireworks on 12-4-09 (for Lights on the River).

Motion by Trustee Jung seconded by Trustee Sternberg to table prior motion until more information is available.

Unanimously Approved

Motion by Trustee Jung seconded by Trustee Sternberg approving the “Dick Fink Memorial” Relay for Life Team the use of the facilities at Marvin Park, for the Halloween Festival, 10/31/09, contingent on the Village receiving a Certificate of Insurance

Unanimously Approved

Clerk Treasurer

Motion by Trustee Patterson seconded by Trustee Sternberg accepting the proposal from Thoma Consulting Cortland, New York to administer the Village’s “Home Grant”. Also, that the Mayor be authorized to sign all necessary paperwork for the “Home Grant”.

Unanimously Approved

- Submission of 8/17/09 meeting minutes for review.

Motion by Trustee Sternberg seconded by Trustee Woody approving the August Treasurer’s Report.

Unanimously Approved

Trustee Jung

No Report.

Trustee Patterson

- Paving update for Village Streets

Consensus by the Village Board to hold a contest “Coolest Street in Owego”, results to be announced at 11/2/09 Village Board Meeting.

Trustee Sternberg

- Flood Mitigation Meeting – week of 9/28

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- 495 E. Main Street deadline for removal is 10/2/09
- Removal of snow & ice - Code Book – (Sec 172-11) – Trustees to review
- Time Warner Renewal

Trustee Thomas

No Report.

Trustee Woody

- No activity for Planning & Zoning
- 10/3/09 > Firemen to hold a Boot Drive
- Fire Convention 2010

Police Chief McCulskey

No Report.

Village Attorney

- Cemetery Survey – completed
- 42-44 Temple Street / Working with Code Officer on issues

Privilege of the floor offered to those in attendance. No one wished to address the board.

Motion by Trustee Jung seconded by Trustee Patterson to adjourn at 8:10 p.m.

Unanimously Approved