



Village of East Syracuse

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Michael Moracco

Parks & Recreation

Thomas Richardson

DPW Superintendent

Randy Hughson

Code Enforcement

Christopher Shields

Fire Chief

Chris Shields

Village Board Meeting

Monday February 7, 2022

@6:30pm- Court room

Present: Mayor Dadey, Deputy Mayor Albanese, Trustee Raesky, Trustee Para, Trustee Celletti

Also Present: Clerk Moracco, Chief Shields, Chief DiBello, Randy Hughson, Deputy Clerk Zavaglia

Pledge of Allegiance

Public hearing - West Terrace St. zone change.

Residents Comments and Questions:

Resident 1: I own a house in 2 adjoining properties. Both of my vacant lots are commercial. The business that started all this is commercial. What is the rezoning if everything is already commercial?

Codes Officer Shields: When we have a zoning on the map the entire block gets zoned the exact same way. It doesn't matter if it's a residential house or a commercial building. In 2007 is when they rezoned the entire Village and they got rid of several zones and they made all of West Terrace St. main street zone as well as West Manlius St. and East Manlius St. Our main street zone is our strictest zone for obvious reasons which is not odd to have your main drag going through a small village be your strictest zone. The problem that we're having is that 80% of main street zone is commercial property and directly across the street is industrial railroad tracks. It's very difficult for the property owners because it limits them to what they can actually do with the property due to the railroad tracks directly across the street.

Clerk Moracco: Does the zone change benefit the residents with either the sale of their home or what they can do with their property?

Codes: It all depends on what the person buying the property wants to do. However, it does open up a whole other category so if you want to sell your house and a business wants to come in and build a business on your property you have the option of knocking down your house and selling them the land.

Resident 1: If a house burns down on that street and someone wanted to rebuild a house is that allowed?

Answer: Yes, if we add West Terrace St. to the list of other street names that would fall into the same predicament.

Resident 1: If this zone goes commercial will my taxes go up as a result of this?

Codes: The Town of Dewitt does the assessing so I don't know at this time. Does anyone know if that changes anything?

Mayor Dadey: I don't believe so but I think what would be in everyone's best interest and respectfully I would like to table this conversation till the next board meeting until we can answer these questions. We will put this on the agenda for the next board meeting. Are there any other comments or questions on the topic of the zone change?

Resident 2: If it's already 80% commercial why is it zoned main street instead of commercial?

Codes: You can have commercial businesses on main street but their limited. There's a classification called main street zone but you can do more within a commercial zone than you can do in a main street zone. (Ex: If someone wants to open up an auto repair shop. Today he is able to do that but there are just a few extra hoops that he has to jump through to do that. However, if it goes to commercial zone he wouldn't have to go through those extra hoops.)

Motion by Trustee Celletti 2nd by Trustee Raesky to postpone the public meeting for Monday March 14, 2022.

Polling the Board: Yes

Motion carried

Mayor Dadey- closes the public hearing and resumes the regular Board Meeting @6:50pm.

1. **Motion by Trustee Celletti 2nd by Deputy Mayor Albanese** to approve vouchers #64178 to 64289.

Polling the Board: Yes

Motion carried

R2022-39

2. **Motion by Deputy Mayor Albanese 2nd by Trustee Celletti** to approve the Board minutes for January 5, 2022, Department head meeting minutes for January 24, 2022 and Special meeting minutes for February 1, 2022.

Polling the Board: Yes

Motion carried

R2022-40

3. **Motion by Trustee Raesky 2nd Trustee Para** to approve Matt Wells' bond resolution.

Whereas, The Board of Trustees of the Village of East Syracuse Onondaga County New York (The Village) on April 4, 2016 adopted a bond resolution entitled Bond Resolution of the Village of East Syracuse Onondaga County New York authorizing the issuance in the amount of \$1,510,000.00 serial bonds to finance the reconstruction and improvement of the village sanitary sewer collection system.

Whereas, the Board of Trustees authorized the expenditures and appropriation of additional funds to the reconstruction and improvement of the village sanitary sewer collection system and amended this original bond in December 13th 2021 to increase the maximum estimated cost of the project.

Therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Villages here by requesting to extend the schedule of payments for the improvement of the village sanitary sewer collection system.

Polling the Board: Yes

Motion carried

R2022-41

4. **Motion by Deputy Mayor Albanese, 2nd by Trustee Raesky** for the Mayor to sign and renew the F.J. Pompo & Co. CPA Audit report in February 7, 2022.

Polling the Board: Yes

Motion carried

R2022-42

5. **Motion by Trustee Celletti 2nd by Trustee Raesky** to extend our IFS software contract, this software runs our HVAC total \$5,400.00.

Polling the Board: Yes

Motion carried

R2022-43

6. **Motion by Trustee Raesky 2nd by Deputy Mayor Albanese** to authorize the Mayor to sign C&S Engineering contract for 2022.

Polling the Board: Yes

Motion carried

R2022-44

7. **Motion by Deputy Mayor Albanese 2nd by Trustee Para**, for approval to apply for a grant from Community Development for playground equipment for children with special needs. \$50,000 max amount Village match amount would be \$10,000 total \$60,000.

Polling the Board: Yes

Motion carried

R2022-45

8. **Motion by Trustee Para 2nd by Deputy Mayor Albanese**, to apply for the State Farm grant in the amount of \$25,000 for additional equipment for the park.

Polling the Board: Yes

Motion carried

R2022-46

9. **Motion by Deputy Mayor Albanese 2nd by Trustee Raesky**, to approve the Zambelli Fireworks Manufacturing Co. contract for Our 45th Anniversary Celebration this year.

Polling the Board: Yes

Motion carried

R2022-47

Department Reports:

DPW-

Superintendent Hughson:

- Parks- Helped with Christmas activities.
- X-mas trees- Picked up trees for the month and dropped off at OCRRA at Amboy site.

- Signs- Changed and fixed bent signs around the village.
- Snow- We had a busy January, 17 salt trips, 9 plows, 6 sidewalks, 6 parking lots.
- Took down decorations on Main St. plus around the clock and put them away for next year.

FIRE DEPT.-

Chief Shields: At the moment we are waiting for the town to sign the contract.

Chief DiBello: The Fire Council meant last week and we voted as a group to send the town a letter as well, questioning why the contract has not been signed. That went out Thursday.

Public Comments:

Village Resident: Is there a plan to have a tree code within the Village?

10. Motion by Trustee Celletti 2nd by Deputy Mayor Albanese

to officially decide that at this time we will not move forward with a tree commission here in the Village of East Syracuse based on the prior decision and discussion we had last month.

Polling the Board: Yes

Motion carried

R2022-48

Adjourned @ 7:45pm

