

**SPECIAL MEETING
Village of East Syracuse
Board of Trustees
March 21, 2014**

Mayor Robert T. Tackman called the special meeting of the Board of Trustees for Friday, March 21, 2014 to order at 7:10PM.

Present: Trustee James E. Carr, Jr., Deputy Mayor Barbara Falcone Quonce, Trustee Carol Para, Trustee Daniel J. Wagner, and Mayor Robert T. Tackman.

Also Present: Village Clerk Patricia J. Derby

Purpose of meeting is to review Agreement with Town of DeWitt and discuss settlement negotiations.

Motion – by Trustee Carr, seconded by Deputy Mayor Quonce -To enter into Executive Session to discuss negotiations and agreement.

Polling the Board: Trustee Carr – aye, Deputy Mayor Quonce – aye, Trustee Wagner – aye, Trustee Para – aye, and Mayor Tackman – aye. Motion carried.

Executive Session

Mayor Robert Tackman reported on the details and changes that occurred following the acceptance by the Town of DeWitt Board of the Inter-Municipal Agreement. The term approved by the Town for the Agreement would not commence until January 1st, 2015. This requires the Village to operate and fund a Police Department until that time. The Agreement accepts the transfer of all five (5) full-time Officers and provides for at least 1 car in the Village 24/7.

Because the change of term is a fundamental change to the Agreement previously approved by the Village Board of Trustees (term was to begin upon abolishment) the Village must re-schedule the Referendum and re-consider the Local Law.

The Village Attorney has reviewed the Intermunicipal Agreement and provided his opinion and advice on how to proceed.

The Board of Trustees discussed the financial implications as relates to settlement negotiations.

The Village Board of Trustees exited Executive Session at 7:45PM.

Inter-municipal Agreement

Motion – by Trustee Wagner, seconded by Trustee Carr - To adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Inter-municipal Agreement pursuant to General Municipal Law Article 5-G between the Village of East Syracuse and the Town of DeWitt contemplating enhanced Town Police Services within the Village of East Syracuse.

The contract is strictly contingent upon the approval of voters by referendum. The base contract period is from **January 1, 2015** to December 31, 2018.

The contract details and provides for (among other things) a scope of enhanced services to be provided by the Town of DeWitt Police Department, the transfer of personnel from the Village of East Syracuse to the Town of DeWitt, transfer of equipment and vehicles, and compensation. A copy of the proposed contract will be placed on file in the Office of the Village Clerk.

Polling the Board: Trustee Carr – aye, Deputy Mayor Quonce – nay, Trustee Wagner – aye, Trustee Para – aye, and Mayor Tackman – aye. Motion carried.

Special Election

Motion – by Trustee Wagner, seconded by Mayor Tackman - To ***cancel the*** Special Election (pursuant to Section 9 of the Village Law) ***that was*** to be held Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at the Village of East Syracuse Municipal Building for all qualified electors within the Village of East Syracuse for the purpose of voting on the adoption or rejection of Local Law abolishing the Village of East Syracuse Police Department ***including provisions for an Agreement with the Town of DeWitt for enhances services, both*** adopted by resolution of the Village Board of Trustees on March 3, 2014 ***due to material changes to the Intermunicipal Agreement.***

Polling the Board: Trustee Carr – aye, Deputy Mayor Quonce – aye, Trustee Wagner – aye, Trustee Para – aye, and Mayor Tackman – aye. Motion carried.

Public Hearing

Motion – To schedule a Public Hearing on **Wednesday, April 2, 2014** at the Municipal Building Court Room at 204 North Center Street, East Syracuse, NY at **6:00PM** to consider a new Local Law #1 of 2014 abolishing the Village Police Department pursuant to NYS Village Law Section 8-800 subject to a public referendum and mutual execution of the Intermunicipal Agreement approved herewith.

Local Law No. 1, of 2014 reads as follows:

**Local Law No. 1 of 2014
Village of East Syracuse
To Abolish the East Syracuse Police Department**

The purpose of Local Law No. 1 of the year 2014 is to abolish the Village of East Syracuse Police Department pursuant to Section 8-800 of NYS Village Law.

Section 1. Abolishing the Village of East Syracuse Police Department pursuant to Section 8-800 of New York State Village Law.

And to transfer the function of the Village Police Department with the Town of DeWitt Police Department and further enter into a proposed contract with the Town of DeWitt for the extension of additional police services with the Village of East Syracuse.

This Local Law is subject to a permissive referendum and will be put to the qualified voters of the Village of East Syracuse at a special election to be held and conducted on **Wednesday, April 16, 2014.**

This Local Law shall take effect upon the filing with the Secretary of State.

Polling the Board: Trustee Carr – aye, Deputy Mayor Quonce – aye, Trustee Wagner – aye, Trustee Para – aye, and Mayor Tackman – aye. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Motion – by Mayor Tackman, seconded by Deputy Mayor Quonce – To schedule a Special Meeting on Wednesday, March 26th at 6PM to begin Budget Review for preliminary budget for fiscal year 2014/2015.

Polling the Board: Trustee Carr – aye, Deputy Mayor Quonce – aye, Trustee Wagner – aye, Trustee Para – aye, and Mayor Tackman – aye. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35PM

Respectfully submitted by,

Patricia J. Derby
Village Clerk