

**Waterbury Village Board of Trustees Meeting
Main Street Fire Station
September 9, 2015**

Attendees: P. Howard Flanders, Village President; Lawrence Sayah and Natalie Sherman, Trustees; William Shepeluk, Municipal Manager; Anne Imhoff, ORCA Media; and Denise McCarty, Board Secretary.

Public: Lucy Pagan, Karol Smith, Chad Rich, Kathleen Daye, Mike Milne, Brian Kravitz, Laura Maravetz.

Opening and Call to Order

P. Howard Flanders called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

Consider any Modifications to the Agenda

The agenda was slightly modified to include union negotiations at the end of the meeting and discuss this topic in Executive Session.

Discussion of Recent Concerns from Randall Street Residents

There was a discussion about concerns with traffic pulling out onto Main street and cars parked onto the crosswalk, cars parking right to the corner of Elm and Randall, cars parked on both sides of Randall and Elm Streets, commercial traffic and delivery trucks, how large the delivery trucks are, glasses taken from Prohibition Pig and left on the sidewalks, or broken glass on the ground, concerns about 1,000 State employees returning to Waterbury and the increase in traffic, and speeding on Elm Street. There are many people leaving the bars that are impaired and there is no law enforcement present. Discussion followed regarding police coverage in the Town and Village. Discussion also followed regarding looking into a "Please Don't Drink and Drive" sign on the corner near the bars, the size of delivery trucks, and using a speed radar sign on Randall Street.

Zoe Gordon, Economic Development Director Introduction and Discussion on Determining Priority Needs to Support Downtown District, Comments on Draft Economic Development Plan and Update on Stanley Wasson Site

W. Shepeluk introduced Zoe Gordon to the Trustees. She gave an update on what she has been working on so far, which includes reaching out to the local business owners and reviewing and revising the Economic Development Plan. The Board of Trustees circulated the following items to Z. Gordon for review:

- Determine the priority items to help sustain and support future business in the downtown district.
- The Trustees would like to have an established list of actions the Village and Town could utilize to maintain the vitality of the downtown district. These items would be identified and prioritized by the businesses in the downtown district.
- This prioritized list could then help determine future uses of building and properties in the downtown by the Village, the Town and private developers.
- Is it parking capacity, is it housing, is it parking enforcement, is it more retail or commercial space, what is needed?

This position is evolving from when it was first developed after Hurricane Irene to assist with our immediate needs.

Update on Parking and Traffic Enforcement Shifts by Police Department

At a recent meeting, the Trustees authorized the Municipal Manager to direct the Waterbury Police Department to work 2 four hour shifts per week during the day time to enforce traffic ordinances.

Update on Appeal of Hubacz Personnel Decision

No new update at this time.

Discussion of Possible Items from 51 South Main Street to be Moved to New Municipal Complex

L. Sayah moved to allow the Town to use the sconces from the old municipal office to be used at the new municipal office. The motion was seconded by N. Sherman and passed unanimously.

Update on Amendments to Traffic Ordinance

The Municipal Manager hopes to have the ordinance done to present at the next Board of Trustees Meeting on September 23rd.

Update on Reflection Concerns from Solar Panel in Well Field and Summer Generation Rates

A resident (M. Milne) who lives across from the solar panel array near Sweet Field has raised concerns about the glare from the solar panels starting in mid March through the middle of August. The glare extends from the front door of his house and reaches at least 25 feet to the back of his house into his kitchen as well as his deck until 6 pm in the evening. Laura Maravetz, a neighbor on the same side of the road and across from the solar array also stated that the glare from the solar panels causes a terrible glare at her house. The Municipal Manager, a landscape consultant, a consultant from AES, as well as someone from Green Lantern came out to the location to assess the reflection concerns. Discussion followed regarding why Green Lantern did not use tracking panels, what kind of trees were being suggested for screening, and how high the trees had to be. Both residents affected by the glare have lost \$53,000 and \$30,000 on their homes. The landscape consultant and AES will send their report to Bill Woodruff. The Trustees will review the report and may take this item up at another time. L. Sayah suggested that if any other neighbors in the area were having similar concerns, they should contact the municipal office or Trustees.

Update on Boundary Survey of 51 South Main Street

The Municipal Manager stated that the survey would be done at the end of this month.

Date for Employee Pancake Breakfast and Possibly Other Volunteers

Possible dates for the employee pancake breakfast would be one of the days between October 13th through the 21st at St Leo's Hall if the space is available. The Trustees will check their calendars and collaborate. P. Howard Flanders would like some of the volunteer boards to be invited also.

Minutes of previous meetings

L. Sayah moved to approve the Trustee meeting minutes of August 19th as presented. The motion was seconded by N. Sherman and passed unanimously.

Upcoming Meetings

The next meeting of the Trustees is on Wednesday September 23rd.

Discussion Contract with the Police Union

At 9:17pm, N. Sherman moved to enter into Executive Session for purposes of discussing the contract negotiations with the Waterbury Police Union. The motion was seconded by L. Sayah and passed unanimously.

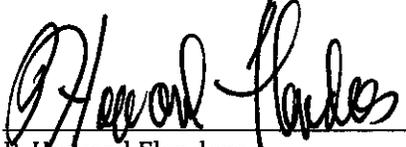
The Board exited Executive Session at 9:40pm with no action taken.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:40pm.

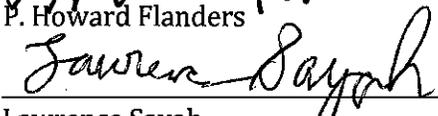
Respectfully submitted,

Denise McCarty
Board Secretary

Approved on: Sept. 23, 2015



P. Howard Flanders



Lawrence Sayah



Natalie Sherman