

AUGUST 17, 2015

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

**VILLAGE OF GREENWOOD LAKE
PO BOX 7, 18 CHURCH STREET
GREENWOOD LAKE, NY 10925**

PRESENT MAYOR: JESSE DWYER

**TRUSTEE: KATHELEEN HOLDER
THOMAS HOWLEY
KELLI KELM
CHAD SELLIER**

ATTORNEY: JOHN BUCKHEIT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

ROLL CALL BY VILLAGE CLERK PATRICIA OLSEN.

ALL PRESENT.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TESTS REGULARLY FOR WEST NILE VIRUS IN MOSQUITO TRAPS AROUND THE COUNTY. THEY DID FIND THE WEST NILE VIRUS IN ONE OF THE TRAPS IN GREENWOOD LAKE. THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME, IT HAPPENED BACK IN 2012 AS WELL. WE DID SENT OUT EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION ALERTS TO LET EVERYONE KNOW TO TAKE THE PROPER PRECAUTIONS. SINCE THERE HAVE BEEN NO HUMAN CASES THAT TELLS ME OUR RESIDENTS ARE BEING CAUTIOUS. TRUSTEE SELLIER DID MENTION THAT THERE WAS A CASE IN BROOKLYN OF A GENTLEMAN THAT SHOWED UP AT A HOSPITAL WITH SYMPTOMS, AND HE WAS RELEASED THE NEXT DAY.

THE EAST ARM ROWING CLUB CONTINUES TO MAKE HEADLINES ACROSS THE GLOBE. FOR THE SECOND YEAR IN A ROW THEY DEFENDED GOLD TITLES AT THE MASTERS ROWING CHAMPIONSHIP IN CAMDEN NEW JERSEY. IT IS BECOMING ONE OF THE MOST RENOWNED ROWING CLUBS AROUND. FIFTEEN MEMBERS WENT DOWN LAST WEEKEND TO COMPETE AND THE WOMANS FOUR AND MIXED EIGHT BOTH WON GOLD. WE ARE VERY PROUD OF THEIR SUCCESS.

NO CORRESPONDENCE TONIGHT.

VISITING ELECTED OFFICIALS

COUNCILMAN RUSS KOWAL FROM THE TOWN OF WARWICK.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORTED BY BUILDING INSPECTOR DODY NICHOLAS

FOR THE MONTH OF JULY I ISSUED 10 ORDER TO REMEDY'S, 22 BUILDING PERMITS, 17 CO/CC'S, SENT OUT 54 SEPTIC LETTERS, 12 EXPIRED PERMIT LETTERS, 14 RENTAL INSPECTIONS LETTERS, 8 FIRE INSPECTION LETTERS, DID 38 RENTAL INSPECTIONS, 10 COMMERCIAL FIRE INSPECTIONS AND 3 MUNICIPAL SEARCHES. IN ADDITION I APPEARED IN COURT WITH THREE CASES, ATTENDED A PLANNING BOARD AND ZBA MEETING. I WORKED WITH THE DEC & HAZMAT ON CLEANING UP A PROPERTY IN WAH TA WAH. IT IS A PRE FORECLOSURE PROPERTY THATA THE OWNER STORED MATERIALS TO MAKE BIO DIESEL FUEL. A COMBINATION OF USED VEGETABLE OIL AND METHANOL. EVERYTHINGS HAS BEN CONTAINED AND IS WAITING PICKUP BY HAZMAT. THE PROPERTY WAS LOCATED ON FIRST ROAD.

TRUSTEE KELM – I DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT IT, THIS IS THE FIRST I AM HEARING ABOUT IT.

DPW REPORTED BY TRUSTEE HOWLEY

THEY WERE SWEEPING VILLAGE WIDE, PAVING POTHOLES, ASSISTED THE WATER DEPARTMENT WITH A WATER MAIN BREAK ON GOLDEN AVE. THEY MOW AND MAINTAIN ALL OUR PARKS. THEY ARE PREPARING FOR THE WINTER. THEY REPAIRED A CATCH BASIN ON TEN EYCK, BUILT THE DOG PARK AND SEEDED IT. WATER WAS INSTALLED BY THE WATER DEPARTMENT AND THEY DID SOME ROAD SIGNS.

POLICE REPORTED BY CHIEF HANSEN

FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2015 THE POLICE DEPARTMENT HANDLED 1361 COMPLAINTS, ISSUED 104 CITATIONS, MADE 28 ARRESTS, ISSUED 14 PARKING TICKETS, INVESTIGATED 9 MVA'S 2 VILLAGE CODE VIOLATIONS, MADE 4 VILLAGE CODE ARRESTS, INVESTIGATED 45 NAVIGATION COMPLAINTS AND ISSUED 12 NAVIGATION TICKETS.

JUSTICE REPORTED BY KEITH GARLEY

WE OPENED 172 NEW CASES AND CLOSED 175 CASES. WE HAD QUITE A FEW VTL VIOLATIONS, 126. EVERYTHING IS RUNNING SMOOTH. KATHY AND ROBIN ARE DOING A HECK OF A JOB AND I REALLY APPRECIATE IT.

MAYOR DWYER – ARE YOU CONSIDERING ADDING A SECOND COURT DATE?

JUSTICE GARLEY – WE ARE GOING TO IN THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER AND JUDGE STANTON WILL BE DOING THOSE. HE SAT THROUGH ONE OF MY COURTS AND WILL SIT THROUGH ANOTHER AND THEN HE SHOULD BE READY TO GO.

COMMISSION REPORTS

TRUSTEE HOLDER – THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IS HOLDING A WORKSHOP ON AUGUST 19TH AT 6:30. THIS WILL BE AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER. ALL THE MEETINGS ARE BEING STREAMED LIVE AS WELL. ON WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 2ND THEY HAVE A MEET AND GREET FOR THE 4TH GRADE AND KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS. SEPTEMBER 3RD IS THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL. HIGH SCHOOL ORIENTATION FOR FRESHMEN FOR CHESTER IS AUGUST 27TH AND TRANSFERS ON AUGUST 28TH FROM 9:00 – 10:30. WARWICK HIGH SCHOOL WILL BE THURSDAY THE 27TH FROM 9-12 FOR BOTH FRESHMEN AND TRANSFERS.

RECREATION – THE CONCERTS ARE WINDING DOWN, THERE ARE FOUR LEFT. WE HAVE HAD OVER 40 BANDS CONTACT VILLAGE HALL. IF YOU KNOW OF A BAND THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE PLAY AT THE BEACH, PLEASE LET US KNOW. LASTWEEKEND THE GREENWOOD LAKE SOCCER CLUB HAD OVER 120 PEOPLE ATTEND A RED BULLS SOCCER GAME. ON SEPTEMBER 19TH THERE IS A PANCAKE BREAKFAST AT THE AMERICAN LEGION.

MAYOR DWYER – SOMEONE HAD A GREAT IDEA. THERE ARE A LOT OF BOATS OUT ON THE LAKE THAT COME TO LISTEN TO THE CONCERT, AND SOMEONE SUGGESTED THAT WE TURN A SPEAKER TOWARDS THE LAKE.

TRUSTEE HOWLEY REPORT

WE ARE GOING INTO ARBITRATION WITH THE PART TIME POLICE UNION, IN EARLY SEPTEMBER TO DETERMINE THE OUTCOME OF THE CONTRACT.

DEPUTY MAYOR KELM

THE GREENWOOD LAKE 5K, FUN RUN AND FRIEND IN NEED TOOK PLACE ON AUGUST 1ST. THEY RAISED APPROXIMATELY \$4000 WHICH WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE LOCAL FAMILY IN NEED. THERE WERE ABOUT 175 RUNNERS AND WALKERS AND 40 KIDS. I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE THAT HELPED OUT, ALI SABARESE, TERESA THOMAS, REBECCA FORCHETTE. MAYOR DWYER, PAT OLSEN. THERESA FINN, ANNMARIE SABARESE, DANIEL PACCIONE, ED BILELLO, TOM HOWLEY AND KATHLEEN HOLDER FOR ALL OF THEIR HELP. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE GREENWOOD LAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT, AMBULANCE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT WHO SPRAYED THE KIDS DOWN FROM THE FIRETRUCK. I WANT TO THANK AJ ALFANO, WHO IS ONE OF OUR FIREFIGHTERS, HE RACED AND MEDED. WHEN THE FIRE ALARM WENT OFF, HE FINISHED THE RACE, RAN TO THE FIRE HOUSE, WENT TO THE CALL, AND THEN RACED BACK TO HELP SPRAY THE KIDS FROM THE FIRETRUCK. I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE SPONSORS, GWL ELKS, JOHN BUCKHEIT, THE LIONS CLUB WHO SUPPLIED THE FOOD, AND THE FOLLOWING SPONSORS: BLANKET BOSS, KWIK MART, WINDERMERE AGENCY, DIRTY DEEDS, NIGHT OWL TAXI, MURPHY'S TAVERN, IRISH WHISPER, RED PILLAR CONSULTING, JOHNNYS SERVICE STATION, JERSEY PADDLEBOARDS, SPLIT ENDS, THE GRILL, PEDAL POWER, PLANET PIZZA, CVS PHARMACY, MOUNTAINWOOD GOURMET, THE VILLAGE BUZZ CAFE, CASPER ENTERPRISES WHO ALSO DONATED THE BANNER AT THE FINISH LINE, MELANIE HUNTER DANCE, MAGOS TORTILLA GRILL, FARM MARKET AND INTREPID STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING, ORANGE COUNTY YOUNG REPUBLICANS, GWL BARBERSHOP, HUDSON STYLES SALON, MOLAN, GWL TRUE VALUE HARDWARE, EMERALD POINT AND MEDICAL BILLING SOLUTIONS AND ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS. THANKS TO ALL FOR SPONSORING AND VOLUNTEERING TO HELP A FAMILY IN NEED.

THE SENIOR CENTER JUST GOT A BRAND NEW FLAT SCREEN TV WHICH THEY ARE VERY EXCITED ABOUT. IT WAS PAID FOR BY THE VILLAGE AND A \$200 DONATION FROM THE LIONS CLUB. I'D LIKE TO THANK THE LIONS FOR THEIR DONATION, AND ED BILELLO AND ERIC KELM FOR HANGING AND SETTING UP THE TV THE OTHER EVENING. ANY SENIORS LOOKING FOR INFORMATION OR EVENTS PLEASE CALL THE SENIOR CENTER AT 477-8482.

IRISH NIGHT AT THE BEACH IS SPONSORED BY THE GREENWOOD LAKE GAELIC CULTURAL SOCIETY. CELTIC CROSS WILL BE PERFORMING. THEIR WILL BE RAFFLES, SODA BREAD, T SHIRTS AND MORE.

ON A FINAL NOTE I WOULD LIKE TO WISH A VERY HAPPY 30TH BIRTHDAY TO THE MAYOR TOMORROW.

TRUSTEE SELLIER REPORT

IN THE MONTH OF JULY THE PLANNING BOARD HAD ONE APPLICANT THAT WAS POSTPONED TO AUGUST. THE ZBA MET AND THEY HAD ONE APPLICANT THAT WAS ALSO POSTPONED TIL AUGUST. THIS MONTH THEY HAVE THREE APPLICATIONS. THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE DID NOT MEET IN THE MONTH OF JULY.

YOU HAVE PROBABLY BEEN HEARING A LOT ABOUT THE GREENWOOD LAKE BARK PARK. IT IS BEING BUILT BY A LOCAL NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION WITH THE VILLAGE TO ESTABLISH IT. THEY HAVE A FACEBOOK SITE GWLBARKPARK. THEY ARE LOOKING FOR PUBLIC SUPPORT AND DONATIONS. WE ARE TARGETING TO OPEN THIS FALL.

MAYOR DWYER – THIS WILL BE A PUBLIC/PPRIVATE PARTNERSHIP. IT WILL BE RUN EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH DONATIONS. IT IS NOT GOING TO BE MAINTAINED BY THE VILLAGE AND THE LIABILITY WILL NOT BE FOR THE VILLAGE. I WANT TO THANK TRUSTEE SELLIER FOR HIS LEADERSHIP ON THIS AND THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY. PARTNERING WITH NON PROFITS AND ORGANIZATIONS IS A GREAT IDEA.

MAYOR DWYER – I WANT TO THANK COUNCILMAN KOWAL FOR HIS PARTICIPATION IN THE SUICIDE PREVENTION CONCERT SPONSORED BY THE GWL COALITION. IT WAS A GREAT NIGHT FOR A GOOD CAUSE.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT BY JOHN BUCKHEIT

I ACCOMPANIED THE MAYOR TO THE BISTATE COMISSION MEETING AND TO THE ELKS FUNDRAISER. I WOULD LIKE TO BRING ATTENTION TO THE MAYORS EFFORTS IN WORKING WITH THE BI STATE COMMISSION AND FIGHTING FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE LAKE AND REPRESENTING THE VILLAGE'S INTEREST IN VERY STRONG FASHION. I AM PLEASED TO ACCOMPANY THE MAYOR AND TRUSTEES TO ALL OF THESE LOCAL EVENTS. IT ALSO GIVES MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC A CHANCE TO COME OUT AND INTERACT WITH VILLAGE OFFICIALS AND ASK QUESTIONS. THIS MAKES OUR VILLAGE UNIQUE AND RESPONSIVE. IF ANYONE HAS ANY SPECIFIC QUESTIONS I AM AVAILABLE.

MAYOR DWYER – I AM SURE EVERYONE ON THIS BOARD FACES THE SAME THING WHEN OUT AT A PUBLIC EVENT, I DON'T WANT TO BOTHER YOU WITH YOUR FAMILY, BUT I JUST HAVE THIS ONE QUESTION. ITS GREAT, I LOVE QUESTIONS.

CLERKS REPORT BY BILLAGE CLERK PATRICIA OLSEN

WE ARE STILL COLLECTING TAXES AT THE CURRENT TIME. THEY ARE STILL PAYABLE UNTIL NOVEMBER 1ST, WITH INCREMENTAL INCREASES IN PENALTIES. WE ARE TAKING DAILY CALLS ON POTHOLES, LEAF PICK UP, ETC. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL OUR OFFICE AT 845--477-9215.

OLD BUSINESS

GROSS RECEIPTS AUDIT – MAYOR DWYER STATED WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING TO INCREASE REVENUE IN ORDER TO TAKE SOME BURDEN OFF OF THE TAXPAYERS. WE HIRED MORWOOD OAKS ASSOCIATES WHO AUDITS GROSS RECEIPTS. THEY RECENTLY CAME ACROSS OVER \$3000 THAT VERIZON OWED TO THE VILLAGE. WE KEEP HALF OF THAT. WE DON'T HAVE THE RESOURCES TO FIND THIS MONEY, TO AUDIT THEM, SO IT IS WORTH IT. IT HAS PAID FOR ITS SELF BECAUSE WE WOULD NEVER FIND THE MONEY. THEY AR CONTINUING TO AUDIT ALL OF THE UTILITIES COMPANIES TO SEE IF THERE IS ANY MORE MONEY OWED TO US.

SALES OF EXCESS EQUIPMENT – MAYOR DWYER STATED THIS IS ANOTHER WAY TO INCREASE REVENUE. WE HAVE EQUIPMENT THAT WE ARE NO LONGER USING. WE PUT THESE ITEMS OUT TO BID THROUGH A GOVERNMENT SURPLUS WEBSITE.

THREE OF THE FOUR ITEMS HAVE SOLD NETTING US A PROFIT OF \$7000.00. THEY HAVE JUST BEEN STORED HERE.

WATER TREATMENT – WE DISCUSSED LEAD AND COPPER TESTING RESULTS AT THE LAST MEETING. WE IDENTIFIED WHAT NEEDED TO BE DONE. WE MET WITH THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, WENT OVER ALL THE OPTIONS AND IT IS APPARENT THERE WAS NO NEED TO TAKE IMMEDIATE URGENT ACTION. IT WAS BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION BECAUSE THERE ARE THINGS WE NEED TO DO TO MAKE OUR WATER LESS CORROSIVE. WE WERE 1 / 1 MILLIONTH OVER THE LEAD THRESHOLD. WE HAVE TO BRING OUR LEAD LEVELS DOWN BY THAT AMOUNT. I AM LOOKING AT IT LIKE IF THERE IS MORE THAN ONE HOME THAT HAS AN ELEVATED LEAD LEVEL, I AM GLAD WE KNOW ABOUT IT AND ARE TAKING CORRECTIVE ACTION TO REMEDY IT. WE ARE GOING TO CONDUCT A DESKTOP STUDY TO ANALYZE TEN YEARS OF DATA IN OUR WATER TREATMENT PROCESS TO DETERMINE WHAT COULD BE THE CAUSE OF THIS. SOME THEORIES ARE: CHLORINE WHICH IS NATURALLY CORROSIVE COULD BE UNDERMINING JOINTS IN INTERNAL PLUMBING. THIS IS NOT SYSTEM WIDE, IT IS NOT THE WATER MAINS, BUT THE SERVICE LINES THAT GO INTO YOUR HOME THAT HAVE COPPER AND LEAD JOINTS. WE ARE GOING TO SEND OUT PUBLIC EDUCATION PAMPHLETS TO INSURE HOMEOWNERS KNOW THE EFFECTS OF LEAD AND WHAT THEY CAN DO TO REDUCE THE EXPOSURE TO LEAD. THIS IS NOT AN IMMEDIATE THREAT BUT THERE ARE THINGS YOU CAN DO TO REDUCE EXPOSURE. THERE ARE SYSTEMS THAT YOU CAN PURCHASE AND INSTALL TO REDUCE LEAD IN YOUR HOME. WE WILL CONTINUE TO TEST AND EXPAND THE TESTING AREA.

BUDGET 2014/2015 - LAST YEARS BUDGET AND YEAR END ANALYSIS HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND WE FOUND THAT WE ADDED \$118,000 TO OUR FUND BALANCE WHICH IS ESSENTIALLY OUR SAVINGS ACCOUNT . WE HAVE PAID OFF DEBT AND INCREASED OUR FUND BALANCE AND REDUCED THE FUND BALANCE ALLOCATION. THE CLERKS AND EMPLOYEES HAVE DONE A FINE JOB.

CELL TOWER LAW – MAYOR DWYER STATED WE HAD A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THIS BOARD MEETING TONIGHT AS WELL AS A MONTH AGO WHERE WE DISCUSSED POSSIBLE CHANGES TO THIS LAW IN OUR CODE. WE ARE TRYING TO TIGHTEN IT UP AND MAKE THE WORDING MORE SPECIFIC. WE HAVE MET WITH THE PLANNING BOARD, AND OUTSIDE COUNSEL AND WILL CONTINUE UNTIL WE HAVE THE MOST EFFECTIVE CELL TOWER LAW IN ORANGE COUNTY. THE PUBLIC HEARING IS REMAINING OPEN AT THIS TIME AT LEAST UNTIL NEXT MONTHS VILLAGE BOARD MEETING. AT THIS POINT WE ARE ASKING FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS ONLY VIA LETTER OR EMAIL TO VILLAGE HALL.

WTW PARK NATURAL GAS – UNFORTUNATELY THIS IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN THIS YEAR. O & R HAD SOME REGULATION CHANGES WITHIN THEIR COMPANY AND IT IS NOT FEASIBLE FOR THEM TO DO THIS PROJECT THIS YEAR. IT IS VERY POSSIBLE THAT IT COULD HAPPEN NEXT SPRING.

NEW BUSINESS

THE OLD WARWICK BOOK SHOPPE - THEY ARE OPENING IN GREENWOOD LAKE. THEY OWN A VERY SUCCESSFUL BOOK SHOP IN THE VILLAGE OF WARWICK. MANY OF US LOVE BOOKS AND WE WISH THEM SUCCESS.

BRABENEK GRANT – I REACHED OUT TO KARL BRABANEK A FEW WEEKS AGO AS HE IS LOOKING TO DISPENSE SOME GRANT FUNDS. I BROUGHT UP THE DOG PARK TO HIM AND HE AGREED IT WOULD BE A GREAT ADDITION TO OUR VILLAGE. HE IS SEEKING A GRANT FOR US THROUGH MEMBER ITEM FUNDING FOR \$10000.00 THAT WILL COVER MOST OF THE EXPENSE TO GET THIS DOG PARK UP AND RUNNING. IT WILL NEED ANNUAL MAINTENANCE AND ASSISTANCE FROM THE COMMUNITY. WE ARE EXCITED AND GLAD THAT KARL BRABANEK IS WILLING TO HELP US OUT.

EVENTS – WE HAVE COVERED MOST OF THESE. NEW JERSEY PADDLE BOARDS ARE HAVING A STAND UP PADDLE BOARD RACE ON THE LAKE IN SEPTEMBER. YOU CAN GO TO OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR ON ANY GENERAL TOPIC.

RESIDENT MANNY TURADO – I'M GLAD TO SEE WE DID WELL WITH THE BUDGET AND PERHAPS WE SHOULD START SAVING MONEY FOR SEWERS.

MAYOR DWYER – HAVING A STRONG FUND BALANCE, REDUCING OUR DEBT, INCREASING OUR REVENUES THROUGH NON TAX METHODS ARE ALL ESSENTIAL ITEMS IN GOOD GOVERNMENT AND BEING ABLE TO INVEST IN THINGS THAT MATTER. WE DO APPLY EVERY YEAR FOR SEWER GRANT FUNDING.

TRUSTEE HOLDER – THERE IS GOING TO BE A BED RACE AGAIN THIS YEAR. THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS TAKING IT OVER. IF ANYONE WANTS TO ENTER A BED PLEASE CONTACT TERESA THOMAS. THERE IS A FB PAGE AS WELL.

MAYOR DWYER – I AM SURE THEY NEED PARTICIPANTS AND VOLUNTEERS.

MOTION TO PAY ALL AUDITED BILLS.

MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE HOLDER. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE KELM. ALL AYES TO SAID MOTION.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 20TH VILLAGE BOARD MEETING.

MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE HOWLEY. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SELLIER. ALL AYES TO SAID MOTION.

RESOLUTION # 4 OF 2015/2016

THE VIILLAGE OF GREENWOOD LAKE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ACKMOWLEDGES THAT THE REQUIRED EXAMINATION OF THE JUSTICE COURT RECORDS OR FISCAL YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 2015 WAS COMPETED AND A COPY WILL BE SENT TO TYEH NEW YORK STATE UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM.

MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE HOLDER. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SELLIER. ALL AYES TO SAID MOTION.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING,

MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE HOLDER. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE KELM. ALL AYES TO SAID MOTION.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:15PM.

RESPECTFULLY,

**PATRICIA OLSEN
VILLAGE CLERK/TREASURER**