

MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR OVER 65 HELD DECEMBER 4, 2006

Present: Bruce E. Miles, Mayor
Michael W. Murphy, Trustee
Nancy W. Johnsen

Absent: None

Recording: Angela D'Arduini, Clerk/Treasurer

The public hearing was called to order by the Mayor Miles at 7:00 PM. No one came to speak for or against the Real Property Tax Exemptions for persons over sixty-five years of age.

The public hearing was adjourned at 7:10 PM

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD DECEMBER 4, 2006

Present: Bruce E. Miles, Mayor
Michael W. Murphy, Trustee
Nancy Johnsen, Trustee

Others: Chief William Dean, Jeff Liberati, Matt Schaertl, Chris Nill, Michelle and Connor Raeman, Stu, Sandra and Andrew North, Jancie and Matthew Colotti, Matthew Peek, John and Laura Wesche, Ryan and Becky Rickard, Zach Footer, Eddie Brewer

Recording: Angela D'Arduini, Clerk/Treasurer

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Mayor Miles. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Cub Scout members of Pack 49, Den 8. Minutes of the meeting held November 6, 2006 were read and a motion was made by Trustee Johnsen, seconded by Trustee Murphy to approve the minutes as presented. Bills were authorized for payment on Abstracts of Audited Vouchers #19, General Fund totaling \$36,861.35; #20, Water Fund totaling \$556.86; and #21 Sewer Fund totaling \$155.83. A motion was made by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Johnsen to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of October, unanimously approved subject to audit.

OVER 65 EXEMPTION

The following resolution for the 2008-2009 tax roll was offered by Trustee Johnsen, seconded by Trustee Folts who moved its adoption.

RESOLVED, AND BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Manchester as follows:

Section 1. Real Property owned by one or more persons one of whom is sixty-five years of age, or real property owned by husband and wife, one of whom is sixty-five years of age or over shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of fifty per centum of the assessed valuation thereof:

Section 2. No exemption shall be granted:

- a) if the income of the owner or the combined income of the owners of the property exceeds the sum of Twenty – One Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$21,700) for the twelve consecutive months immediately preceding the date of making application for exemption. Where title is vested in either the husband or the wife, the combined income may not exceed such sum. Such income shall include Social Security and retirement benefits, interest, dividends, rental income, salary or earnings, and income from self-employment, but shall not include gifts or inheritance; and
- b) unless the title of the property shall have been vested in twenty-four months prior to the date of making application for exemption; and
- c) unless the property is used exclusively for residential purposes; and

- d) unless the real property is the legal residence of, and is occupied in whole or in part by the owner or by all of the owners of the property.

Section 3. As allowed by Section 467D of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, a sliding scale income level will be allowed as follows:

If income is More Than / but this amount is Less Than / % of deduction allowed

16,001	17,000	45%
17,001	18,000	40%
18,001	19,000	35%
19,001	19,900	30%
19,901	20,800	25%
20,801	21,700	20%

Section 4. Application for such exemption must be made by the owner, or all of the owners, of the property, on forms to be furnished by the Town of Manchester Assessor, and shall furnish the information and be executed in the manner required or prescribed in such forms, and shall be filed in the office of the Town of Manchester Assessor at least ninety days before the day of filing the final assessment roll.

Section 5. Any conviction of having made any willful false statement in the application for such exemption shall be punishable by a fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars and shall disqualify the applicant from further exemption for a period of five years.

Section 6. This resolution will remain effective until it is amended by resolution of the Village Board of Manchester, NY from said date.

The above resolution was put to roll call vote which resulted as follows:

Mayor Miles	Voting	“AYE”
Trustee Johnsen	Voting	“AYE”
Trustee Murphy	Voting	“AYE”

The resolution was duly adopted.

CUBSCOUT PACK 49

Cub Scout Leader, Stu North and members of Pack 49, Den 8, attended the board meeting. The cub scouts are working towards their citizenship goal. Mayor Miles opened the floor to any questions they might have. He then presented a Certificate of Achievement to each of the cub scouts in recognition of their attendance and participation at the meeting.

FREDERICK’S PROPERTY

Sniedze Associates received a proposal for work as submitted by Arrow Contracting Inc. for the Operation, Maintenance and Monitoring Plan for the Frederick Property. The proposal is for annual monitoring, sampling and analysis of groundwater for a five (5) year period. There are eight (8) monitoring wells located on this site. The proposal was forwarded to Gregory B. MacLean at the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation for his review and approval. The price is \$49,550.00. Mayor Miles will check with Bob Raeman at Sniedze Associates to see if this price is for the 5 year period and if it is reimburseable.

MANDATORY TRAINING FOR PLANNING & ZONING OFFICIALS

The clerk received sample legislation from General Code regarding the mandatory training required for planning and zoning officials. The board asked the clerk to contact Attorney John Tyo to draft a local law elaborating on the new 4 hour training requirements. The law takes effect on January 1, 2007.

WILD WATER DERBY

Matt Schaertl addressed the board. Plans are underway for the 2007 Wild Water Derby. The only request he had for the board was could the property behind the village

garage be used to remove participants from the water. The board asked Public Works Supervisor Jeff Liberati how he felt about it and he said as long as they clean up at the end he has no problem with it. Matt said they are estimating a 40% growth. The insurance is identical as last year. The Village can be added as an additional insured. Matt said the Village is welcome to participate in any way. Starbucks is a new sponsor.

CBDG GRANT

Chris Nill addressed the board. The CBDG grant is moving along nicely. Trustee Murphy did a great job setting up the meetings with business owners. All the money is committed. Once money becomes defederalized, business owners outside the business area can apply. There should be several applications for the Citizens Advisory Committee to review at the January 18th meeting

TEP GRANT

The Village Board must now concentrate on the following three items:

1. Formation of a Citizen's Advisory Committee for pathway development.
2. Inviting Steve Beauvais to be a part of the consultant selection committee along with the three board members. Chris Nill has also offered to be on the committee.
3. Limiting the Village's Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to the 15 prequalified firms in the NYSDOT Region 4.

Chris offered to draft a "heads-up" letter to the twelve affected property owners. He will check with Steve Beauvais before sending it out. Chris also drafted a letter to Senator Nozzolio regarding the Member Item Request for the "Manchester Gateway Pedestrian/Bicycle Pathway System. He provided him with an update on the current status of the proposed pathway project and stressed the importance of receiving the member item funding of \$40,000 to help meet the local match requirement.

PLANNING BOARD APPOINTMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Johnsen and unanimously carried to appoint Judy Robinson as an alternate to the Planning Board.

1995 INTERNATIONAL TRUCK

Public Works Supervisor Jeff Liberati told the board that T & J Service & Repair of Clifton Springs, NY would doll up the 1995 International Truck for auction for \$1,872.50. Jeff said the truck should do well at auction. It is a cab and chassis vehicle with low mileage. The board authorized the doll up.

OLD LEAF PICKER

Jeff would like to put the old leaf picker out to bid. He said we should ask for sealed bids with a minimum bid of \$500.00. The board was in agreement.

RIG

A letter was received from Attorney John E. Tyo regarding the firewall that has not been built by RIG as required by the fire code and the Code Enforcement Officer. It is Attorney Tyo's opinion that the Village of Manchester has authority to require compliance. Please advise if the Village Board wishes him to write directly to RIG.

The board asked the clerk to set up an appointment for the board to meet with Rick Wolk along with Attorney John Tyo and CEO Steve DeHond to do a walk through the area in question.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela D'Arduini
Clerk/Treasurer