

**VILLAGE BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING**  
**January 18, 2012**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 4:30 p.m.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Joyce Lobene, Mayor  
Theodore E. Rauber, Trustee  
Carol J. Nellis-Ewell, Trustee  
Gary Penders, Trustee  
Fritz Gunther, Trustee

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

**Others Present**

Owen McIntee, SME Superintendent  
Richard Olson, Village Attorney  
Jackie Sullivan, Village Clerk  
Tom West, DPW Superintendent

Mayor Lobene called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Mayor Lobene thanked that DPW and Electric crews who worked through the night for the electric outage caused by high winds.

Attorney Olson commented that he met with Planning Board Chair David Wohlers and Planning Board Member Craig Byham to discuss the Gallo and Iacovangelo invoice that was approved at the January 4<sup>th</sup> Village Board Meeting. In addition Attorney Sortino has requested additional documentation pertaining to the case. Attorney Olson added that based on a Supreme Court decision in 1988 pertaining specifically to nativity scenes and government participation the Village of Spencerport should not participate financially or otherwise promote the nativity scene for the Christmas on the Canal Celebration in the future. Attorney Olson further explained a similar case that the Town of Greece is currently working on.

Mayor Lobene further explained that a resident complained about the 911 Event and the prayers that were said and that she indicated to the Christmas on the Canal committee that the Village should not sponsor the nativity scene and that it should be sponsored solely by a local church however she would bring this situation to the Village Board and Attorney.

Trustee Nellis-Ewell commented that the Village should not go against legal counsel or the Supreme Court.

Discussion ensued regarding advertising budget and the overall Christmas on the Canal Budget.

Attorney Olson reiterated that the Village should not participate with any aspect of the nativity scene.

**Resolution 87 1/2012**

Introduced by: Mayor Lobene  
Seconded by: Trustee Nellis-Ewell

Be it resolved that the Village of Spencerport Board of Trustees hereby approves attendance at the spring 2012 Land Use Decision-Making Training Program by any Village, Planning and Zoning Board Member, Village Attorney and/or Support Staff Member. Cost not to exceed \$200 per attendee.

Vote of the Board:

Theodore E. Rauber, Trustee	Aye
Carol J. Nellis-Ewell, Trustee	Aye
Gary Penders, Trustee	Aye
Fritz Gunther, Trustee	Aye
Joyce Lobene, Mayor	Aye

### **Resolution 88 1/2012**

Introduced by: Trustee Gunther  
Seconded by: Trustee Penders

Be it resolved that the Village of Spencerport Board of Trustees hereby approves attendance at the MEUA Winter Engineering Workshop, Tuesday and Wednesday, February 7 & 8, 2012 in East Syracuse, NY by SME Superintendent McIntee and two staff members. Cost not to exceed \$220 per attendee.

Vote of the Board:

Theodore E. Rauber, Trustee	Aye
Carol J. Nellis-Ewell, Trustee	Aye
Gary Penders, Trustee	Aye
Fritz Gunther, Trustee	Aye
Joyce Lobene, Mayor	Aye

Clerk Sullivan questioned if February 7, 2012 would be a good night for the public hearing for the comprehensive plan.

Trustee Nellis-Ewell responded that February 7<sup>th</sup> was not good and she would contact Donna Stassen if the third Thursday would be a good time and a resolution will be completed at the February 1<sup>st</sup> Village Board Meeting.

Trustee Penders reported that he and Clerk Sullivan contacted TSC to receive a quote for security cameras at the Depot, Gazebo and Mertz Park. Five cameras were quoted along with a run of fiber optic cable (supplied and installed by VOS) and a DVR for recording purposes. Total estimated cost for the project is \$35,000 including equipment; contractor and VOS make ready work.

Trustee Penders continued that the quoted equipment requires an IP address for each camera and would add an additional \$200 monthly cost for the additional IP addresses.

Clerk Sullivan commented to the Village Board that the annual financial audit has been completed and the auditor Jenn Talbot would like to discuss the findings with the Village Board on Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.

The Village Board indicated that the date was acceptable.

Mayor Lobene suggested that the Village Board consider making Veterans Day an employee holiday.

Trustee Rauber indicated that he has received quotes from two vendors for the installation of sign lighting at the Trolley Depot.

Superintendent McIntee indicated that the contractors are better equipped to install the lighting than SME.

Department heads presented their employee reviews to the Village Board.

Motion was made by Trustee Nellis-Ewell, seconded by Trustee Penders and carried unanimously that the workshop meeting be adjourned at 9:30 p.m.