## VILLAGE OF ATHENS BOARD MEETING

Minutes—February 11, 2015 Time: 6:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

**PRESENT:** Mayor Christian Pfister, Trustee Robert June, Trustee Gail Lasher, Trustee Anthony Patsky and Trustee Peter Alberti.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing for the purpose of receiving public comment on the Proposed Law # 1 of 2015 - Senior and Disabled Tax Exemptions.

No Public Comment made.

Motion made by Trustee Patsky to adjourn the Public Hearing. Seconded by Trustee Lasher.
All in favor.

Public Hearing closes at 6:35 PM.

## Regular Village Board Meeting opens.

Department Head Reports (Schedule Budget Meetings)

Department of Public Works
 Fire Department
 Code Enforcement
 VRI
 Dennis Proper Chief Greco
 Mike Ragaini
 Dale Post

5. Police Department

#### Motions and Resolutions

1. Proposed Motion to Approve the Minutes from January 28, 2014 and February 6, 2015

Offered by: Trustee Lasher Seconded by: Trustee June Record of Vote: All in favor

2. Proposed Resolution Authorizing the payment of vouchers:

BE IT RESOLVED, the following vouchers are authorized for payment.

GENERAL FUND- Abstract #1827, vouchers numbered #9914456 through #9914485 in the amount of \$32,546.26. Abstract #1828, vouchers numbered #9914500 through #9914501 in the amount of \$2735.16. Abstract #1829 voucher # 9914501 in the amount of \$1898.30.

WATER FUND – Abstract #10326, vouchers numbered #9914487 through #9914493 in the amount of \$\$1343.56. Abstract # 10327, voucher number #9914503 in the amount of \$532.05.

SEWER FUND – Abstract #10306, vouchers numbered #9914494 through #9914499 in the amount of \$24,723.76. Abstract #10307, voucher #9914504 in the amount of \$532.08.

Offered by: Trustee Alberti Seconded by: Trustee Patsky Record of Vote: All in favor

3. Proposed Resolution to Adopt a Law Establishing 2015 Senior Citizen & Disabled Tax Exemption Maximum Income Limits

WHEREAS, the Greene County Assessor's Association has established a two year cycle for implementing changes to the sliding scale for the "Aged Senior Citizen's Tax Exemption" and the "Persons with Disabilities and Limited Income Tax Exemptions",

WHEREAS, changes to the existing scale can only be made through the adoption of a local law,

WHEREAS, Village of Athens held a public hearing on February 11, on the proposed law,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees does hereby adopt Local Law # 1 establishing \$24,500.00 as the maximum income limit for the Senior Citizen & Disabled Tax Exemption for 2015,

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, THE Board of Trustees adopts the sliding scale previously adopted by the Greene County Legislature for 2015. Roll call of vote:

Mayor Christian Pfister votes aye Trustee Robert June votes aye Trustee Gail Lasher votes aye Trustee Anthony Patsky votes aye Trustee Peter Alberti votes aye

**RESOLUTION** passes

## Trustee Reports

#### Communications

- 1. Volunteer of the Year Award
- 2. Compliance Resolutions for USDA
- 3. NYSDEC: LETTER ON PETROLEUM SPILLS # 1407781 & 1406347
- 4. NYMIR: Recommendations for Reducing Risk

# 5. NYSDOT: CHIPS Balance at \$80,901.41

## **Unfinished Business**

- 1. Police Contract
- 2. Water Meter Installation
- 3. Brick Row Sidewalk
- 4. Street Festival
- 5. Status of Code Adoption

## **New Business**

- 1. Police presence at EJ Arthur Elementary
- 2. Garry Palmer/Hollister Lake Cleanup
- 3. DPW Garage
- 4. Removal of Old Furnace in Gym Basement
- 5. Cultural Center Renovation
- 6. Town Bi-Centennial
- 7. Police Contract

Clerk's Report:

Review of financials

Motion to Adjourn: 8:36PM

Offered by: Trustee Alberti Seconded by: Trustee June Record of Vote: All in favor