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Board of Trustees

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State of New York  
Village of Celoron  
Community Center

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A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Celoron, New York was held on Monday, April 8, 2013 at 7:00 P.M.

Members Present: Trustees Kogut, Mattison, Schrecengost and Young

Others Present: Village Clerk-Treasurer Shirley A. Sanfilippo, MMC/CMFO, Village Attorney John D. Vanstrom, Deputy Clerk Jetta L. Wilson, Highway Superintendent Terry Schrecengost, Dennis Phillips of The Post-Journal, Dan Peck of YNN and 21 members of the public

Deputy Mayor Schrecengost called the meeting to order, asked the Clerk to call the roll and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Deputy Mayor Schrecengost announced that the next order of business was the appointment of Mayor for the Village.

Trustee Mattison moved, seconded by Trustee Kogut to appoint Scott Schrecengost as Mayor.

Carried: 4 ayes

Scott Schrecengost stated that he accepted the position of Mayor of the Village of Celoron and offered his resignation as a Trustee.

Clerk-Treasurer Sanfilippo administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Schrecengost.

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

Thank you for placing your confidence in me by appointing me Mayor for the Village of Celoron. It is a great honor to serve the residents of the Village in this manner.

Mayor Keeney has left big shoes to fill. He approached the job of Mayor in the same way that he approached coaching a football team. When he first took office, a lot of Village documents and important information necessary to properly run the Village were missing. To him it was like being down 24-0 in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. He assembled a team with professional staff members and numerous community members. With all the hard work, Mayor Keeney has pulled the community together, greater than he ever knew.

It was under his leadership that this Village completed the Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan. We have nearly completed a re-codification of the Village Code. He improved upon activities for both the youth and senior citizens, which this Board intends to continue. Improvements have been made to Lucille Ball Memorial Park resulting in increased use of the facilities. We were notified last week of the award of \$10,000 in Bed Tax Funds from Chautauqua County which will be used to continue the implementation of the Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan. I know most people will agree, Jack was the best Mayor we have had in the past 20 years.

Tonight the Board of Trustees will be approving the 2013-2014 Budget. Despite a loss of \$200,000 in taxable value, increased retirement system costs, increased workers compensation costs and increased fuel costs, we have been able to limit the tax levy increase to \$510. This was

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accomplished in part by restructuring the Clerk's office staffing. Prior to April of 2009, the staff consisted of a full-time Clerk-Treasurer and two to three part-time employees. In April of 2009 the staffing level was changed to one part-time Clerk-Treasurer and one part-time Deputy Clerk, which has saved the taxpayers close to \$100,000 over the last four years.

The proposed tax rate is still less than the \$6.48 per thousand tax rate that was in effect when Mayor Keeney took office.

The tax rate in the Village of Celoron has been as high as \$7.35 per thousand which occurred in 2004. According to the official minutes, the tax levy in the 2004-2005 Budget was \$212,286.53 as compared with the 2013-2014 proposed tax levy of \$210,058.00.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mary Keeney, 42 W. Fifth St., Celoron made the following remarks: "I just wanted to take a minute tonight to say a few words in honor of my husband and Mayor Jack Keeney. Jack loved coming daily to the office and performing his duties as Mayor. He never looked at it as work but enjoyed the many responsibilities and opportunities that came his way. Although he never cared for the word losing whether it pertained to a ball game or other means, he did lose his last battle that being with that insidious disease of cancer. I would like you to know that he did it his way, that being at home, privately, quietly and with dignity. Michael, Christine and I will always be eternally grateful that we were able to be with him during this whole time, as sorrowful as it was. Jack cared for and strongly believed in all of you that are sitting at this table and also you, Jetta. He knows that you are unified and will continue to carry on all the good works that the past four years the Village of Celoron has accomplished and that there are many, many more to come for the great community of Celoron. Thank you."

Jay Matteson, 61 W. Chadakoin St., commended the Board for the great job that had been done. It is the first time in four years that the Village has had tranquility. He hopes that they will keep up the good work. He commented on recent misinformation that had been distributed in the Village. He disagreed with recent statements that had appeared in The Post-Journal. He thanked the Board and Administration for the good job that they are doing and said he appreciates all of them.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Trustee Kogut motioned, seconded by Trustee Mattison to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular Meeting held on March 11, 2013 and the Public Hearing of March 25, 2013.

Carried: 4 ayes

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

PUBLIC SAFETY – Trustee Kogut – none

ANIMAL CONTROL – Mayor Schrecengost thanked Lisa Sobocinski for doing a great job as Animal Control Officer for the Village.

PARKS & RECREATION – Trustee Young stated that she was working on putting together the Summer Concert Series and that the dugout would be repaired this spring.

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HIGHWAY AND EQUIPMENT – Trustee Mattison and Highway Superintendent Schrecengost reported that the lights were being installed in the highway garage. The Board set the date for Spring Clean-up for May 18, 2013 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

ZONING & PLANNING – Mayor Schrecengost stated that there would be a Planning Board meeting on April 17, 2013 to consider the Site Plan Application of George Patti on Livingston Avenue.

SANITATION – Trustee Mattison and

BUSINESS – Trustee Kogut – none

CORRESPONDENCE – Clerk Sanfilippo reviewed the following correspondence:

1. NYCOM Correspondence regarding Mandate Relief.
2. Invitation to the Chautauqua County Visitors Bureau annual dinner & meeting.
3. Press Release from DEC regarding input on Fall 2013 Waterfowl seasons.
4. Press Release from DEC regarding 2012 bear harvest.
5. Press Release from DEC regarding trout and salmon fishing.
6. Press Release from DEC regarding avoiding conflicts with coyotes and bears.
7. Press Release from DEC regarding fishing season with free sport fishing clinic.
8. Workshop on implementing sustainable transportation systems.
9. NYCOM briefing on the 2013-14 adopted state budget.

FINANCE – Entire Board/Clerk

Clerk-Treasurer Sanfilippo asked for approval of Abstract #20 in the amount of \$19,324.19, check #1808 thru 1818, dated March 12-31, 2013; and Abstract #21 in the amount of \$6,642.18, check #1819 thru 1833, dated April 1-8, 2013.

Trustee Mattison moved, seconded by Trustee Young to approve payment of the abstracts.

Carried: 4 ayes

Trustee Kogut moved, seconded by Trustee Mattison to make the following amendments to the 2013-2014 Tentative Budget:

Increase: Revenue Account A3501 C.H.I.P.S. by \$10,413.99  
Appropriations Account A5112.2 C.H.I.P.S. by \$10,382.99

Decrease: Appropriations Account A1990 Contingency by \$500.00  
Appropriations Account A3620 Code Enforcement Officer, Contractual by \$500.00

Carried: 4 ayes

AUDIT – Trustee Mattison – none

INSURANCE – Trustee Young – none

BUILDING – Trustee Young – none

SPECIAL EVENTS – Trustee Mattison reported that the Rib-Fest plans were coming along good.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolution #14 – 2012-13**

RESOLVED, That the Clerk Treasurer be and she hereby is authorized to make the following amendments to the 2012-2013 Budget:

INCREASE:	Account A3510.4 Control of Animals, Contractual	\$ 200.00
	Account A8160.4 Refuse & Garbage, Contractual	<u>\$3,200.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$3,400.00
DECREASE:	Account A3410.4 Fire Department, Contractual	\$2,000.00
	Account A9060.8 Hospital & Medical Insurance, Employer	<u>\$1,400.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$3,400.00

Trustee Kogut moved, seconded by Trustee Young to approve the resolution.

Carried: 4 ayes

**Resolution #15 – 2012-13**

RESOLVED, That the Village of Celoron General Operating Budget as set forth herewith, be and hereby is approved and adopted effective June 1, 2013 for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2014 and that the sum shown amounting to \$485,917.99 be appropriated for the use of the Boards, Departments and Officers enumerated, and

WHEREAS, the Budget shows an estimated income from various miscellaneous Revenues of \$232,359.99, and the use of an estimated surplus of \$43,500, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Village Law of the State of New York there is hereby levied on the taxable properties and against the inhabitants of the Village of Celoron, New York, and ordered to be raised for the year 2013-2014, the sum of \$210,058.00 the amount which is necessary to be raised by direct tax.

**VILLAGE OF CELORON, NEW YORK  
GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
JUNE 1, 2013 TO MAY 31, 2014**

<u>ACCOUNT</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
A1010	<b>BOARD OF TRUSTEES</b>	\$3,400.00
	Personal Services	\$2,800.00
	Contractual Services	\$600.00
A1210	<b>MAYOR</b>	\$2,100.00
	Personal Services	\$1,600.00
	Contractual Services	\$500.00

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A1410	<b>VILLAGE CLERK</b>		\$51,100.00
	Personal Services	\$46,600.00	
	Equipment	\$1,000.00	
	Contractual Services	\$3,500.00	
A1420	<b>VILLAGE ATTORNEY</b>		\$9,000.00
	Personal Services	\$7,000.00	
	Contractual Services	\$2,000.00	
A1620	<b>VILLAGE HALL</b>		\$9,000.00
	Equipment	\$1,000.00	
	Contractual Services	\$8,000.00	
A1640	<b>GARAGE BUILDING</b>		\$3,750.00
	Contractual Services	\$3,750.00	
A1670	<b>CENTRAL PRINTING</b>	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
A1910	<b>UNALLOCATED INSURANCE</b>	\$16,000.00	\$16,000.00
A1920	<b>MUNICIPAL DUES</b>	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00
A1950	<b>TAXES/ASSESSMENTS</b>	\$1,750.00	\$1,750.00
A1990	<b>CONTINGENT</b>	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00
A3410	<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>	\$30,600.00	\$30,600.00
A3510	<b>CONTROL OF ANIMALS</b>		\$1,300.00
	Personal Services	\$600.00	
	Contractual Services	\$700.00	
A3620	<b>CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER</b>		\$8,200.00
	Personal Services	\$7,200.00	
	Contractual Services	\$1,000.00	
A5110	<b>STREETS</b>		\$139,820.00
	Personal Services	\$94,820.00	
	Equipment	2,500.00	
	Contractual Services	\$42,500.00	
A5112	<b>C.H.I.P.S.</b>	\$48,547.99	\$48,547.99
A5142	<b>SNOW REMOVAL</b>		\$9,000.00
	Personal Services	\$2,000.00	
	Contractual Services	\$7,000.00	
A5182	<b>STREET LIGHTS</b>	\$22,000.00	\$22,000.00
A7110	<b>PARKS</b>	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
A7310	<b>PLAYGROUND</b>		\$6,500.00
	Personal Services	\$1,000.00	
	Equipment	\$1,000.00	
	Contractual Services	\$4,500.00	

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A7510	<b>HISTORIAN</b>		\$400.00
	Personal Services	\$300.00	
	Contractual Services	\$100.00	
A7550	<b>CELEBRATIONS</b>	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
A8010	<b>BOARD OF APPEALS</b>	\$200.00	\$200.00
A8020	<b>PLANNING BOARD</b>	\$200.00	\$200.00
A8160	<b>REFUSE &amp; GARBAGE</b>	\$22,000.00	\$22,000.00
A9010	<b>STATE RETIREMENT</b>	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
A9030	<b>SOCIAL SECURITY</b>	\$12,500.00	\$12,500.00
A9040	<b>WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION</b>	\$4,700.00	\$4,700.00
A9050	<b>NYS UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE</b>	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
A9055	<b>NYS DISABILITY</b>	\$350.00	\$350.00
A9060	<b>HOSPITAL &amp; MEDICAL INSURANCE</b>	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
A9730	<b>BAN</b>		\$28,100.00
	Capital Projects	\$11,900.00	
	Capital Projects	\$15,000.00	
	Interest	\$1,200.00	
	<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>		<u>\$ 485,917.99</u>

VILLAGE OF CELORON  
2013-2014 ESTIMATED REVENUES

<u>ACCOUNT</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
A1090	<b>INTEREST</b>	\$1,800.00
A1081	<b>PILOT</b>	\$700.00
A1120	<b>COUNTY SALES TAX</b>	\$102,000.00
A1130	<b>GROSS UTILITY TAX</b>	\$4,000.00
A1170	<b>SPECIAL FRANCHISE</b>	\$12,000.00
A1230	<b>FEES/COUNTY TREASURER</b>	\$2,500.00
A1550	<b>DOG IMPOUNDMENTS</b>	\$200.00
A2130	<b>RECYCLING</b>	\$5,000.00
A2210	<b>GENERAL SERVICES REIMBURSEMENT</b>	\$18,000.00
A2401	<b>INTEREST</b>	\$350.00
A2450	<b>COMMISSIONS</b>	\$1,400.00
A2540	<b>BINGO 3% NET PROCEEDS</b>	\$1,500.00
A2590	<b>BUILDING PERMITS</b>	\$1,000.00
A2770	<b>UNCLASSIFIED</b>	10,000.00
A3001	<b>PER CAPITAL AID</b>	\$16,864.00
A3005	<b>MORTGAGE TAX DISTRIBUTION</b>	\$6,000.00

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A3820	<b>RECREATION</b>	\$498.00
A3501	<b>C.H.I.P.S.</b>	<u>\$48,547.99</u>
	<b>TOTAL ANTICIPATED REVENUES</b>	\$232,359.99
	<b>APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE</b>	\$43,500.00
	<b>TAX LEVY</b>	<u>\$210,058.00</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$485,917.99</u>

Trustee Mattison moved, seconded by Trustee Kogut to approve the resolution.

Carried: 4 ayes

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

The Clerk read the following appointments:

Mayor's Office  
To the Board of Trustees of the Village of Celoron, New York

Trustees:

In pursuance of the authority vested in me by the Village Law of the State of New York, I do hereby appoint the following:

Steven Grundstrom  
69 W. Duquesne Street  
P.O. Box 231  
Celoron, New York 14720-0231

as a member of the Board of Trustees in and for the Village of Celoron, New York. (To fill the unexpired term of Scott Schrecengost, resigned.)

and

Norman Mattison  
P.O. Box 189  
Celoron, NY 14720-0189

as Deputy Mayor in and for the Village of Celoron, New York.

The terms for which said appointments are to be made will expire on December 2, 2013.

Dated: April 8, 2013

Scott Schrecengost  
Mayor of the Village of Celoron, New York

Clerk-Treasurer Sanfilippo administered the Oath of Office to Steven Grundstrom.

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**OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Pam Piazza, 218 N. Allegheny Ave., commented on the condition of the trees on Dunham Avenue near The Resource Center. She commended the Board and Administration on doing a great job and stated that she would miss Mayor Keeney.

Mayor Schrecengost stated that with the adjustments made to the budget the tax rate would only be increasing by about five cents.

Trustee Mattison motioned to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Young seconded the motion.

Carried: 4 ayes

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Shirley A. Sanfilippo, MMC/CMFO  
Village Clerk-Treasurer