

Village Board Work Session
May 2, 2011
7:00 p.m.

Members present: Mayor Roddey, Trustees Char, Mattheus, Smith, and Stewart.

Also present: Village Clerk Strobl.

The Work Session began with an Arbor Day ceremony at the newly planted tree in back of Maplewood, with members of the Community Forestry Council present. Trustee Mattheus read an Arbor Day proclamation, and Mayor Roddey thanked Trustee Mattheus and the members of the Council.

In recognition of the significance of yesterday's events, (the capture of al Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden), Mayor Roddey led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Roddey asked the Board for concurrence with a plan to offer village water service to the owners of three homes on Police Drive, in the town. The wells servicing the three homes have been shown to be contaminated with MTBE.

Following discussion, Mayor Roddey agreed to send a letter to the Town Board offering the water service.

Mayor Roddey discussed contacting the State Comptrollers Office to request an audit. It was agreed that this would be fiscally responsible due to having a new Mayor and a new Treasurer.

Mayor Roddey provided the Board with an update on Town sewer bills from the Village. He had provided costs to Supervisor Bloomfield and Budget Officer Standish, who replied regarding items they don't feel are applicable. Mayor Roddey will meet with Accountant Vernieri to review the accounting.

The Board discussed last week's Public Hearing on the sewer assessment, noting that much of the discussion involved assessment versus usage. The Board will not vote on the issue until more concrete numbers are received from the Accountant.

Mayor Roddey stated that having spent a lot of money on sewer recently, we now need to determine what direction we are going in regarding water. Trustee Mattheus offered an analysis of where we are so far. The approved process for the CRV wells will be to have the water treated on site, through chlorination. Over the next 10 -15 years the water treatment plant will need to be upgraded.

Mayor Roddey informed the Board that he has received a proposal from Taylor Biomass for solid waste management services. He asked that the Board review the document for a future discussion.

Trustee Smith noted that the Board needs to emphasize the importance of recycling in an effort to save money.

The Work Session concluded at 7:41 p.m.