

Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Brockport was held in the Conference Room, Municipal Building, 49 State Street, Brockport, New York, March 1, 2010 at 7:00pm.

PRESENT: Mayor M. Connie Castañeda, Deputy Mayor Christopher R. Martin, Trustee Scott W. Hunsinger, Clerk Leslie Ann Morelli, Interim Treasurer Mary Beth Lovejoy

EXCUSED: Trustee Kent R. Blair, Trustee Hal S. Legg, DPW Superintendent Harry G. Donahue, Building/Zoning Officer Scott C. Zarnstorff, Police Chief Daniel P. Varrenti, Village Attorney Michael Leone, Fire Chief Scott Smith

ALSO PRESENT: Brian Winant, Joy Levandowski, Kevin Elliott, Daniel Kuhn, Kathy Snyder, Jon & Linda DelVecchio, Jim & Joan Hamlin, Mary Jo Nayman, Carol Hannan, Carrie Maziarz, Tony Perry, Norm GianCursio, Jason & Kate White, Jonathan Keck, Bernie & Karen LoBracco, Francisco & Linda Borrayo, Rhett King, Helen Brown, Amy Guptill, Diane Wood, Pam Ketchum, Kody Pezzimenti, David Burrows, Mary Ann Thorpe, Adam Jurad, Robin Waller, Fred Webster, John Lessord, Ute Duncan, Sandeep Singh, Margay Blackman, Pam Ketchum, Dave Moore, Bruce Hovey

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Castañeda called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MISSION STATEMENT: "To provide a high quality of life for all residents, exercising fiscal responsibility and preserving Brockport's unique heritage and historic character."

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Mayor Castañeda called for any additions or corrections to the minutes of the last meetings.

- ➔ Mayor Castañeda moved, Trustee Hunsinger seconded, unanimously carried 3/0 that the minutes of the meeting held February 17, 2010, be approved as written.
- ➔ Mayor Castañeda moved, Trustee Hunsinger seconded, unanimously carried 3/0 that the minutes of the meeting held February 22, 2010, be approved as amended.

Trustee Hunsinger pointed out and it was agreed that the February 22nd meeting ceased to be a meeting of the Village Board once the motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and carried at 6:53pm. Therefore, the brief continued notes of further discussion was removed and considered as notes of the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Budget.

AUDIT – PAY BILLS:

- ➔ Mayor Castañeda moved, Deputy Mayor Martin seconded, unanimously carried 3/0 that the bills be allowed and paid upon audit.

A/P Clearing Account Check #: 000383-000438

	<u>Date Paid</u>	<u>Amount</u>
FUND (A): <u>General</u>	3/2/10	\$75,039.65
FUND (F): <u>Water</u>	3/2/10	\$6,946.63
FUND (H): <u>Capital</u>	3/2/10	\$170,493.79
FUND (T): <u>Walk Bike</u>	3/2/10	\$205.78
		\$252,685.85 Grand Total

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Carol Hannan of Main Street read the following prepared statement into the record:

"I would like to comment on the budget advisory committee meeting I attended last week. I fully expect that committee to announce, at some time in the not too near future, that our police department should be disbanded as too costly to maintain. Why this conclusion? One member of that committee has already published that opinion. If there was any doubt as to the true mission of this group, it was repeatedly expressed by another gentleman who kept announcing, "We have to inform the public so they'll know how to vote." Vote on what? The only vote he could possibly have been referring to is the dissolution vote. The village board votes on the budget, and as a self-proclaimed expert with vast experience, as he kept pointing out, he would already know that. I think this advisory committee is a fraud – a group assembled to support a foregone conclusion – and influence voters to dissolve the village.

I voted for elected officials to formulate a village budget. That's their job. And here is a forum to express opinions on budget priorities. It seems to me that our budget process is being deliberately delayed, our department heads unnecessarily grilled, and our trustees obviously frustrated by the lack of information needed to work on the budget.

Before I leave the podium, I'd like to comment on the critique my letter received last week. When people at this podium are critiqued for shouting insults at audience members, when audience members

are chastised for catcalls directed at trustees, and when the board makes a habit of critiquing ALL comments, then and only then will I accept a critique in silence.”

2. Carrie Maziarz of Adams Street read a prepared statement into the record but did not provide such statement for transcription. She referenced the former Kleen Brite Labs properties at 100 Fair Street and 200 State Street. She referred to Monroe County Executive Maggie Brooks having written a letter November 8, 2007 to the Monroe County Legislature requesting tax foreclosure auction of these properties at the request of then-Trustee/Vice Mayor Castañeda. This led to Monroe County Legislature resolution 457 of 2007 signed by County Executive Brooks December 20, 2007. On November 20, 2007 then-Trustee/Vice Mayor Castañeda was excited to report to the Village Board that the properties were being foreclosed on and offered at tax auction and for new opportunities for the properties to return to the tax rolls. She was so excited to get someone to buy the properties, she wanted the Village to buy signs and move fast on it. The community forewent nearly \$3 million in back taxes.

In February 2008 100 Fair Street was sold to Fair Street Development LLC who purged the building for scrap metal and failed to obtain a demolition permit as required by Village Code to demo the towers. Code Enforcement Officer Zarnstorff was contacted and confirmed that no demolition permit was issued. To date, the County has not received any tax dollars. A total of \$81,685 is owed in County, Town, and Village taxes. School taxes are not included in that figure. There have been 2 hazardous materials (hazmat) calls to the property at 100 Fair Street. The latest led to the arrest of the owner. Per an Environmental Conservation Police report, Kevin Truelson caused a hazardous spill on September 7, 2009. He stated to the interviewer that he had never seen the steel tank on his property before and that he was moving it to get it out of the way. However, it had been on the property since at least April 2009 or earlier per the EC investigation results. He lied about having knowledge of it.

C. Maziarz asked where the plan is for 100 Fair Street and 200 State Street, as then-Trustee/Vice Mayor Castañeda told everyone that this was the best thing to happen to these properties.

3. Daniel Kuhn of Utica Street read the following prepared statement into the record:

“At the last Board meeting, the comment was made by a few people that they oppose dissolution of the Village because they love Brockport, and don’t want to lose the community they love. I was inspired by that sentiment, because I share it. I thought back to my law school training, in which we learned that the best way to approach your opposition was to find something you have in common with them. Or, possibly, I learned that on an episode of Star Trek.

I would ask the people that say they love Brockport and want to preserve it; what do you want to preserve? What do you love so much that evokes such passion?

Do you love the Village government whose meetings, I am told, are viewed by people in other communities as though they were an ugly soap opera? Or do you love a community whose architecture and other aspects are so beautiful that our entire downtown is listed a historic place and we are renowned as a walkable, bikeable, boatable community?

Do you love a Village government that this year, will essentially need to open a giant credit card account simply to keep the lights turned on? Or do you love a community of people that, just this past week, raised close to \$5,000 for the family of a little girl with a life-threatening illness?

Do you love watching our community’s vital services, like the Fire Department, be gutted in a hopeless attempt to balance the books? Or do you love the fact that we have enough people in our community willing to risk their lives for others to support one of the largest volunteer fire agencies in New York?

Do you love the people who lie to save their vested interest in the status quo, who hide behind fake names on the internet and anonymous hate mail and who, when contacted for the simple purpose of having a discussion about our differences, hang up the phone and slam doors in my face, but not before taking the time to personally insult me, say I must be terrible at my job or I’d have the money to move out of Brockport, and tell me they feel sorry for my children? Or do you love leaders who, no matter their stance on the issue, are willing to stick their necks out and passionately express their opinions in the interest of having dialogue?

Do you love when former members of the government call business owners “slumlords” and call college students “transients”, despite the fact that some of those college students (case in point) fall in love with this place and stay here to raise a family? Or do you love a community that is welcoming and enjoyable and home for people from all walks of life – college students, families, seniors, migrant workers, professors, and business owners?

This village government – this is just an entity. If it goes away, our community will be safer, more affordable, more positive, and a better community to citizens and businesses alike.

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In short, what I'm saying is what we are trying to do is preserve the community of Brockport that we love by removing this layer of government that has proven it is no longer viable and cannot serve our needs. What do you love about Brockport?

4. Mary Jo Nayman of Carolin Drive – said she was appalled at some of the behavior at the February 22nd Village Board budget work session. She said the Mayor's Advisory Committee on budget is a volunteer group set up to hear about the budget. The taxpayers elected the Village Board, yet 3 Trustees representing the Village taxpayers and their monies walked out because they didn't want to hear what was going on.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS: None

CERTIFICATES OR PROCLAMATIONS: None

GUESTS: None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: (All Department Heads are in attendance the 2nd meeting of each month)

A. PUBLIC WORKS – Superintendent Harry G. Donahue (excused)

B. POLICE DEPARTMENT – Chief Daniel P. Varrenti (excused)

1. Accept resignation of full time officer A. Rivoli – Board referred to the resignation letter submitted by Officer Rivoli indicating that he had secured employment elsewhere.

→ Trustee Hunsinger moved, Deputy Mayor Martin seconded, unanimously carried 3/0 to accept with regrets the resignation of Anthony Rivoli as full time officer with the Brockport Police Department effective March 6th.

2. Accept resignation of part time officer R. Gleason – Board referred to the resignation letter submitted by Officer Gleason indicating that he no longer has the time to commit due to his other employment.

→ Trustee Hunsinger moved, Deputy Mayor Martin seconded, unanimously carried 3/0 to accept with regrets the resignation of Ralph Gleason as part time officer with the Brockport Police Department effective March 1st.

C. BUILDING / ZONING / CODE ENFORCEMENT - Scott C. Zarnstorff (excused)

D. FIRE / AMBULANCE / DISPATCH - Chief Scott Smith (excused)

1. Elimination of Dispatch – Trustee Hunsinger shared that he met with Chief Smith today regarding the elimination of dispatch. They reviewed a quote for central station system monitoring for the Market Street fire hall for \$1,192.62. Technical service and labor would be a part of that. He said although Board approval is not needed as it falls within the purchasing and procurement policy, he wanted to apprise the Board and share that he supports the purchase. Further, Chief Smith obtained one quote for \$6,300 and is soliciting at least 2 other quotes in regards to securing the building. This may require a special meeting be called for to review the 3 quotes and act on it. Securing the building includes a key fob system for the various doors and truck bay doors and each of the stations. It would be a swipe system that collects data as to who entered and at what time. This would go hand in hand with the video system and Knox box system already in place. This could be in place by the end of April.

Mayor Castañeda reminded the Board that she received word from Clarkson Supervisor Kimball questioning whether the elimination of dispatch is legal and in the best interest of all, as it could impact the fire service contracts. The matter has been referred to the Village Attorney for review.

Trustee Hunsinger said work is being done to move forward with the elimination of dispatch so that once legal counsel comes back with its review, they can move forward with the timely and fiscally responsible closure of the dispatch office.

Trustee Hunsinger said there are 2 part timers that do the mandated state reports and that there can be an effect on grants.

Trustee Hunsinger reminded Mayor Castañeda that the 2010 Fire Department budget called for the discontinuation of employing a part time cleaner for the Market Street fire hall. He said he believes the gentleman is out of town on vacation this month, but suggested Mayor Castañeda

follow through with notifying him that his services are no longer being funded.

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E. CLERK - Leslie A. Morelli

1. Accept resignation of part time cleaner L. Stephens – Board referred to the resignation letter submitted by Laura Stephens indicating that she has secured full time employment elsewhere. Clerk Morelli shared reminded the Board that she was hired one year ago to clean Village Hall and Police Department year round and the Welcome Center during its season May 1 – October 15. She replaced long-time cleaner Tina Newbould who continued to serve as a substitute for Laura when needed.

→ Deputy Mayor Martin moved, Mayor Castañeda seconded, unanimously carried 3/0 to accept with regrets the resignation of Laura Stephens as part time cleaner of Village Hall, Police Department and Welcome Center effective March 1st.

2. Authorize re-hire of T. Newbould as part time cleaner at fewer hours – Clerk Morelli shared that T. Newbould is willing to return to the position at the current rate \$10 per hour and at fewer hours than the 20 hours per week L. Stephens was originally hired to work. Speaking for Village Hall, due to financial conditions, she believes they can forego cleaning 5 times per week and cut back to 2 times per week. Further, T. Newbould used to clean the Market Street fire hall and expressed a willingness to do so again should the need arise. Clerk Morelli commented that Village buildings are public buildings and should be maintained to at least a minimum standard of cleanliness and presentability. Paying employees at their rate per hour and taking them away from their work is not necessarily cost effective. However, she would understand a short hiring delay due to the non-essential spending freeze through the end of the fiscal year.

Mayor Castañeda said she would prefer to hold off on filling the vacancy at this time.

3. Public Hearing on Budget – Clerk Morelli shared that she checked with Brockport Central School District as to use of one of their facilities to hold the public hearing on the budget. The Board wishes to have the hearing on Thursday, April 15th. The Middle School Auditorium and the Middle School Large Group Instruction Room are both available. The auditorium has an occupancy limit of 580. The LGI has an occupancy limit of 165. Either location is acceptable as the Middle School is within Village limits (the other schools within BCSD are not.) Board agreed the Middle School Auditorium would be best.
4. Village Treasurer – Clerk Morelli referred to the draft advertisement for Village Treasurer in which she amended since the last hiring per the recommendations of Mayor Castañeda and Trustee Legg. She asked the remaining Board members to forward any further recommendations to her by Wednesday. Then it will be published in Suburban News, on the Village website and on various free employment and association websites.

F. INTERIM TREASURER – Mary Beth Lovejoy

1. Cash Flow Analysis - MB Lovejoy made a power point presentation and shared that no matter where you go, Board members do not necessarily have a financial background and are sometimes embarrassed to ask questions or give the impression they do not understand the financials. They often do not know how to read or interpret the data they receive. Part of the Treasurer's job is to educate. Part of the Board's job is to take advantage of training and information and to ask questions when they don't understand. She said from what she has been told, in recent years there has been little training, open discussion or teamwork on budgets or finances.

Purpose of Cash Flow Projections

- Determine the liquidity of an organization at any given point and time throughout the fiscal year
- Assist in determining borrowing needs
- Assist in budget planning

How Cash Flow is Prepared

- Actual numbers are used for the months of the fiscal year that have already occurred using the financial information available
- Assumptions are made about receipts and disbursements based on prior years history, current year information and the financial information known to happen during the remaining period

Assumptions Used in Preparing the Village of Brockport's Cash Flow

- Fire contracts will be paid based on 2008 contract and will come in timely
- Sales tax will continue to come in at the current rate

- Third party billing will remain relatively stable for the remaining months
- Payrolls will remain relatively stable; with the exception of the departure of one police officer

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- No additional payments will be made to the reserve accounts
- Re-levy Tax payments will come in timely
- Franchise Tax payments will come in timely

What does the Cash Flow say?

- There will be enough operating cash without borrowing through the end of March
- By the end of May, the operating cash will be at a deficit of approximately \$223,000
- Reserve accounts have a balance of slightly over \$400,000
- Cash Receipts are projected to be between \$325,000 and \$335,000 short of budgeted revenues
- Disbursements are projected to be very close to budgeted expenditures
- Village will end the year in a operating deficit

What are the Revenue Shortfalls?

- Sales Tax \$100,000
- Gross Receipts Tax \$30,000
- Fire Protection \$50,000
- Ambulance Charge \$30,000
- Transfer from other funds \$46,500
- Fines and Forfeitures \$30,000
- CMS Reclass \$18,000
- Fund Balance \$20,000

What Else Have I been doing?

- I have reviewed the Village's 2009 Audit Report by Raymond F. Wager, CPA, PC
- I have reviewed the last five years of AUD's (annual financials filed with the state)
- Day to day functions of the treasurer
- Met with staff from Bernard P. Donegan Municipal Finance

What have I learned?

- At FYI 5/31/09 the Village had a unreserved fund balance of \$167,130 (of which \$20,000 was appropriated to the 2010 fiscal year)
- If the Village completes the year as projected, it will not only have an operating deficit but a fund balance deficit as well

Calculation in its simplest form*

- Fund Balance as of 5/31/09 \$167,130
- Minus Operating Deficit 5/31/10 \$260,000
- Equals Fund Balance Deficit \$92,870

*There are accounting accruals which will reduce this loss of fund balance but will impact the following year.

Village Financial Difficulties Did Not Begin in 2010

- In 2009
Expenditures exceeded budget by \$626,606
Revenues exceeded budget by \$246,878
But this is due to one-time influx of specific revenues
- In 2005 – 2008
Expenditures exceeded budgeted amounts significantly
Fund Balance has decreased \$931,850 from 2005-2009

FISCAL DISTRESS

- Operating Deficit
- Reduction of Unreserved Unappropriated Fund Balance
- Expenditures exceeding Budget
- Revenues less than Budget

ALL SIGNS OF AN ENTITY IN FISCAL DISTRESS

Village has two problems

- Current year operating cash deficit
- AND
- Long term dealing with the financial position of the village

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What we need to do...

- STOP blaming individuals or departments for the problem – this is something we CAN correct and improve – we just need to work together!
- STOP the bleeding... reduce any possible expenses from now to the end of the fiscal year (this will aid both the problems)
- DECIDE... should proceed with a budget note or borrow reserve cash to meet our cash deficit problem (this could aid the operating cash problem but will have additional impact on the long-term fiscal problem)
- PREPARE... a reasonable budget with conservative revenue AND expenditures
- ESTABLISH... controls to carefully monitor on a month to month basis your cash flow and operating budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year

MB Lovejoy thanked Jean Miller of the NYS OSC for assisting with the cash flow analysis. MB Lovejoy said she met with Chuck Bastian of Bernard P. Donegan Municipal Finance today. She learned a couple of important things. First, she asked specifically about the 18% projected tax increase listed on their January 6th document. That was created as a result of the Village's information regarding a capital improvement plan. She said she cannot stress strongly enough that if the CIP is not put into place, there will NOT be an 18% tax increase. That was only a proposal – a draft – one option. The CIP may or may not happen. That is up to the Board. Second, we will have a fund balance deficit not just an operating deficit at fiscal year end 5/31/10.

MB Lovejoy stressed that the Village's financial situation did not happen overnight. This is just the year it ran out of cash. She said municipalities are not required to have annual independent audits. Doing so is a good thing as it analyzes financial information and details of what the municipality is doing correctly or incorrectly. It can be a valuable tool.

MB Lovejoy commented that even if a referendum on dissolution of the Village passes, the Village does not end the day after the vote. It still needs to work on being financial stable and deal with its debts. The Village has to become solvent and pay what it owes.

MB Lovejoy recommended to the Board that it avoid a budget note and use its reserve cash and plan to pay it back. A budget note must be paid back within 12 months. The interest rate will likely be high. The Village really can't afford to add \$250,000 plus interest to its 2010-2011 budget. MB Lovejoy urged that the Village not spend beyond its budget, use its accounting system to its capacity, and establish a sound purchasing policy.

Mayor Castañeda thanked MB Lovejoy, who has been here but a few days. She said she appreciates the Board and Department Heads allowing her to focus on the work that is needed to be done at this important juncture. She urged the Board to put their personal feelings and agendas aside and commit to working together on the budget. She asked that they be prepared to discuss further budget reductions as needed.

Clerk Morelli said she would not want the audience to be misinformed as to independent financial audits and clarified that a financial audit has been budgeted for, done, and paid for each and every year by a local CPA. However, upon recommendation of then-Treasurer Tojek, the Village contracted with a different firm who came highly recommended with expertise in municipalities. It proved to be an extremely thorough audit. MB Lovejoy said she stands corrected and that the audit for fiscal year ended 5/31/09 was not the first audit in many years. She thanked Clerk Morelli for the clarification.

Public –

Mayor Castañeda allowed brief questions and comments from the floor.

Diane Wood of Adams Street questioned why the Village has been paying for an independent audit each year, but apparently not reviewing it or taking recommendations from it. Mayor Castañeda said she hopes this Board appreciates, understands and takes the recommendations gleaned from the most recent audit.

Dan Kuhn of Utica Street questioned the Capital Improvement Plan. Mayor Castañeda said then-Treasurer Tojek provided the draft CIP to the municipal financial consultants who incorporated it into their draft financial analysis and projected tax rate increase. That was if all the CIP was followed. The Board needs to discuss the CIP and determine the priorities further with Department Heads. She said some tough decisions will need to be made.

Joan Hamlin asked if the Main Street water and sewer project was included. MB Lovejoy said yes. The debt service, principal and interest of the bond anticipation note (BAN), have been included. She said the Village has not gone to permanent borrowing (bond) yet. Mayor Castañeda commented that it would not be in the best interest for the Village to go to bond yet, as the interest rate would be too high due to the Village's financial distress.

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rate would be too high due to the Village's financial distress.

Sandeep Singh of Brook Terrace asked MB Lovejoy if she is recommending to the Board that they not take a budget note. MB Lovejoy said that is correct. She said rather than borrow money at a high interest rate and have to pay it back within 12 months; they can borrow from the General Fund reserves to get to the end of the fiscal year. Revenues start coming in again in June with Village taxes. She said the Village does, indeed, have cash available for its use and while it will likely get its hand slapped, it is better to take a hand slap than increase the financial deficit and budget for another \$250,000. She said borrowing \$250,000 would equate to a 10% increase on the tax levy. It is best to be reasonable and use what money is available and promise not to do it again. She said the Village won't get in trouble, just written up as to its use of reserves. She said that is her recommendation and the Board's decision to make.

Mayor Castañeda asked the Board their feelings on it. Trustee Hunsinger said it is kind of on the spot, but he'd be inclined to take the recommendation of the Treasurer. Deputy Mayor Martin concurred.

MB Lovejoy asked the Board to pass the budget note resolution as a "just in case" because timing of it is critical in case of emergency. Board concurred. Deputy Mayor Martin clarified that this is a measure of last resort in the record only if absolutely needed. This is dictated by law upon counsel.

→ Mayor Castañeda moved, Trustee Hunsinger seconded, unanimously carried 3/0 to adopt the following:

BUDGET NOTE RESOLUTION DATED March 1, 2010 OF THE VILLAGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BROCKPORT, NEW YORK
DISTRICT AUTHORIZING BUDGET NOTES.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BROCKPORT, NEW YORK AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Village of Brockport shall undertake certain costs and expenses, as more particularly described in Section 3 hereof.

Section 2. The Village of Brockport is hereby authorized to issue its Budget Notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$250,000, pursuant to the Local Finance Law of the State of New York, in order to finance the specific object or purpose described herein, which amount does not exceed five percentum of the annual budget for the current fiscal year.

Section 3. The facts and circumstances necessitating the issuance of such Budget Notes and the specific object or purpose to be financed pursuant to this resolution (hereinafter referred to as "purpose") are certain costs and expenses incurred or to be incurred in the current fiscal year of the Village of Brockport for which an insufficient or no provision is made in the annual budget for such fiscal and are described as follows: payroll, benefits, utilities.

Section 4. There are no other funds available with which to pay or provide for such purpose.

Section 5. The period of maturity of such Budget Notes shall be as follows: one year from date of borrowing.

Section 6. The Village of Brockport shall issue its Budget Notes in an aggregate principal amount of \$250,000, and may issue renewals thereof, pursuant to, and in compliance with, the Local Finance Law of the State of New York in order to finance the purpose; provided, however, such Budget Notes, including the renewals thereof, may mature not later than the applicable period provided in Section 29.00 of the Local Finance Law of the State of New York.

Section 7. The power to further authorize the issuance of said Budget Notes and renewals thereof and to prescribe the terms, form and contents of said Budget Notes and renewals thereof, and to sell and deliver said Budget Notes and renewals thereof, subject to the provisions of this resolution and the Local Finance Law of the State of New York, is hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer, the Village's chief fiscal officer. The Village Treasurer and the Village Clerk or Deputy Clerk are hereby authorized to sign by manual or facsimile signature and attest any Budget Notes and renewals thereof

issued pursuant to this resolution, and are hereby authorized to affix to such Budget Notes and renewals thereof the corporate seal of the Village and to attest to the same.

Section 8. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

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The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Trustee Hunsinger	VOTING	yes
Deputy Mayor Martin	VOTING	yes
Mayor Castañeda	VOTING	yes

G. VILLAGE MANAGER – (vacant)

H. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR – (vacant)

I. VILLAGE ATTORNEY – Michael Leone, Esq. of Harris, Chesworth, O'Brien, Leone, et al.

VILLAGE BOARD REPORTS:

A. Mayor M. Connie Castañeda

1. Budget Work Sessions – Mayor Castañeda thanked those who attended the February 22nd budget work session and reminded all that the next one is 6pm Thursday, March 25th.

2. RG&E overcharge at Capen Hose Company Station 4 – Mayor Castañeda thanked Deputy Mayor Martin for his role in solving the RG&E overcharge issue at Capen Hose which has resulted in a \$17,427.39 refund. Deputy Mayor Martin shared that RG&E offered that the credit be worked off at \$200 per month but that was not acceptable.

B. Deputy Mayor Christopher R. Martin

1. Health Care – Deputy Mayor Martin reported that he and Mayor Castañeda attended the Monroe County Council of Governments meeting on health care February 9th. Although we are not eligible to participate in a consortium as we do not insure more than 50 employees and retirees under the age of 65. However, some good information was given by an independent broker, not the health care sales representatives. Deputy Mayor Martin said since then, he, Mayor Castañeda and Clerk Morelli met with the Village's insurance broker of record and reviewed recommendations and concurred on a plan that was rolled out to the Union leadership in hopes of implementation 6/1/10 which could save over \$100,00 in the first year. While it would be a major change, it is a better benefit at a lesser cost which could reduce expenses thereby saving jobs.

2. Financial Distress – Deputy Mayor Martin commented that the Village Board is not blind to what is going on. However, it is important to keep in mind that financial distress is a state and national problem as well. It is easier to sit here as local government is more accessible than sitting in the Governor's Office or the President's Office. He commented that every change, every unfunded mandate costs the Village more money and comes at the expense of tax dollars. He said the Board is working with its Interim Treasurer and looking forward to balancing the Village budget – something neither the State nor Country can do. The Village has a purpose and position to be maintained.

C. Trustee Kent R. Blair (excused)

D. Trustee Scott W. Hunsinger

1. Cash Flow Analysis – Trustee Hunsinger thanked Interim Treasurer Lovejoy on providing information on cash flow this evening. He asked Mayor Castañeda if he should direct any follow up questions on it to MB Lovejoy or to her. Mayor Castañeda said it would be fine to direct to MB Lovejoy as long as the Board was copied in.

Trustee Hunsinger said he will continue to work with the various departments he serves as liaison to on ways to further cut costs.

2. Elimination of Dispatch – Trustee Hunsinger thanked Mayor Castañeda for following up with Chief Smith on the issue of implementing the elimination of dispatch.

E. Trustee Hal S. Legg (excused)

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Executive Session:

⇒ At 8:25pm, Trustee Hunsinger moved, Deputy Mayor Martin seconded, unanimously carried 3/0 that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Brockport enter into an executive session to discuss pending litigation – Webster case.

⇒ At 8:51pm, Trustee Hunsinger moved, Deputy Mayor Martin seconded, unanimously carried 3/0 that the Board of Trustees re-enter the regular meeting.

→ Mayor Castañeda moved, Deputy Mayor Martin seconded, unanimously carried 3/0 to have the Village Attorneys continue with the Webster Litigation, elimination of dispatch issue, Third Party Billing resolution, Union contracts.

ADJOURNMENT:

→ Mayor Castañeda moved, Trustee Hunsinger seconded, unanimously carried 3/0 that the meeting be adjourned at 8:52pm.

Leslie Ann Morelli, Village Clerk