Village of Ellenville Board Meeting Monday, July September 25, 2017

The regular meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Kaplan at 6:00 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL**

Mayor Jeffrey Kaplan Deputy Mayor Raymond Younger Trustee Efrain Lopez Trustee Francisco Oliveras Trustee Patricia Steinhoff Present Present Absent w/notice Absent w/notice Present

#### **ALSO PRESENT**

Joseph P. Stoeckeler, Jr., Village Manager Abigail Osgood, Village Attorney Brian Schug, Code Enforcement Officer Daniel Tucker, Acting Treasurer Noreen Dechon, Village Clerk

#### **MINUTES**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to accepted the minutes of September 11, 2017 as amended. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

# PETITIONERS & CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence received from Ellenville Regional Hospital thanking the Police Department for their participation in their recent Health Fair.

Correspondence received from Judge Parker requesting that the casino training classes be moved to another location rather than the courtroom. Mayor Kaplan stated that the Village had negotiated a lease and at this time there is nothing that can be done.

#### POLICE REPORT

Chief Mattracion showed board members the new body cameras that his department will be using as well reviewing the number of incidents the Police Department had responded to during the month of August. Mayor Kaplan requested that the Chief look into the matter of speeding motor bikes on Elm and Burlison and the possibility of placing street bumps which Attorney Osgood will look into.

Chief Mattracion spoke about the need to have a part time officer to an 89 day appointment for Officer Nathan Webster.

## MOTION APPOINTING NATHAN WEBSTER-89 DAY APPOINTMENT

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to appoint Nathan Webster for 89 days as a 40 hour week employee without benefits beginning September 27, 2017 upon recommendation of the Police Chief.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

#### MOTION AUTHORIZING CURFEW

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded Deputy Mayor Younger to issue a 8:30 pm curfew on October 30 & 31 for people under the age of 18 unless accompanied by an adult upon recommendation of the Chief of Police. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Deputy Mayor Younger spoke about speeding cars on Backman Avenue, the drinking and the sleeping in the gazebo on Route 209. Code Enforcer Schug suggested that the outlets be removed from the gazebo and the Attorney and Police Chief will research vagrancy laws and report back at the next board meeting.

Deputy Mayor Younger also commended the Police Department staff for their quick response in saving a person's life recently.

#### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

Manager Stoeckeler spoke about the building plans that he received from Fellenzer Engineering in reference to the Emergency Shelter/Community Center. Mr. Stoeckeler asked board members to review the plans and he feels that option #2 would be the best option.

Manager Stoeckeler also spoke updated board members about the status of the Ellenville Million. In addition, Manager Stoeckeler spoke about the need to hire a temporary employee and will check with Civil Service about a title for this position.

The Park Street sidewalks will be out to bid this week and we are requesting the cost per linear foot.

## MOTION TO INSTALL STREET LAMPS

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the Village Manager to confirm the prices for the installation of street lamps on Market and Warren Streets. Motion withdrawn

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to install a street lamp on Warren Street. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

## MOTION TO SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING – INWOOD STREET PARKING

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to schedule a Public Hearing prohibiting parking on the east side of Inwood Street.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Mayor Kaplan requested Chief Mattracion to review the parking situation in question.

Restore New York Grant – Manager Stoeckeler has been in contact with Ben Siden from Laberge Group in reference to applying for a grant. The grant is for a building that is vacant and can be restored to be used as a mixed use (storefront and apartments). The application fee is between \$8,000 - \$10,000 with up to \$90,000 available to applicant. The Village of Ellenville can only submit one application and Manager Stoeckeler has contacted several property owners to see if they are interested in grant. After being told by several property owners that meet this criteria and they were not interested, Manager Stoeckeler advised the board that 180 Developers, 14 ½ Warren Street, would like to apply.

## MOTION ENDORSING 180 DEVELOPERS FOR THE RESTORE NY GRANT

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded Deputy Mayor Younger to endorse 180 Developers application to the Restore NY Grant with the following stipulations:

- Receive a letter of intent
- Property Taxes are current on that parcel
- Proof of Funds
- Pay the full application fee

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Acting Treasurer Tucker presented the board with the current Expense Control Report. Different questions were asked and the Board about certain budget lines.

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to authorize the Acting Treasurer to transfer \$1,000 from Contingency to the budget line of Tax Advertisement. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

## **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Attorney Osgood reported on the findings from her research in reference to sex offenders living within a short distance from the school campus. State law does not have restrictions on this matter and they would supersede any local legislation on this matter.

#### **BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

Code Enforcer Schug spoke about the condition of some of the sidewalks in the Village and stated that it is the property owners' responsibility for their upkeep. Mayor Kaplan suggested a five year community plan for sidewalk projects.

Code Enforcer Schug recommended Keith York as an alternate to the Planning Board.

## MOTION APPOINTING ALTERNATE TO PLANNING BOARD

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger Mayor, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to appoint Keith York as an alternate on the Planning Board effectively immediately.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Mr. Schug updated the board on the following projects:

- Cohen's Bakery
- Lucky Petroleum
- Taco Bell
- Stewarts

## RESOLUTIONS MOTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF ACTUATOR

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff for Village Board to authorizing the purchase of an Actuator from Koester for the Sewer Department in the amount of \$5,858.50 which includes travel and installation upon recommendation of Sewer Department Foreman. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

# MOTION TO APPOINT PAUL ECHOLS, MUNICIPAL ONE WORKER

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger appointing employee #25127, Paul Echols, to a permanent Municipal Worker I effective September 27, 2017. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

## MOTION TO SCHEDULE

## FALL CLEAN UP

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff scheduling fall clean-up for the last two weeks in October and the first two weeks in November upon recommendation of the Street Department Foreman.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

# MOTION TO ACCEPT DONATION OF PROPERTY

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger for the Village Board to accept the donation of property 82.4-3-12.2 and 82.84-1-10.2 approximately 8 acres pending Attorney approval and clear title. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

# MOTION AUTHORIZING MANAGER TO APPLY TO UCEDA FUNDING

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger for the Village Board to authorize the Village Manager to apply for funding to UCEDA in the amount of \$15,000 for pole barn repair and construction to be coupled with DASNY \$100,000 grant.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

# MOTION AUTHORIZING MANAGER TO APPLY TO UCEDA FUNDING

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger for the Village Board to authorize the Village Manager to apply for funding to UCEDA in the amount of \$15,000 for sidewalks on Park Street to be coupled with \$50,000 grant through Senator Bonacic. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

# MOTION AUTHORIZING MANAGER TO APPLY TO UCEDA FUNDING

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger for the Village Board to authorize the Village Manager to apply for funding to UCEDA in the amount of \$10,000 for the D&H/O&W Rail Trail. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

# MOTION AUTHORIZING BIDDING FOR PARK STREET SIDEWALKS

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff for the Village Board to authorize the Village Manager to advertise for bid for the Park Street Sidewalk Improvement Project with a return date of November 1, 2017 at noon.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

# MOTION AUTHORIZING BIDDING FOR CDBG GRANT

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff for the Village Board authorizing the Village Manager to advertise for bids for the CDBG funded sewer improvements with a return date of October 18, 2017 at noon.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

## MOTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE TO ZERO TURN MOWER

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the expenditure of \$9,500 for a zero turn 61"mower with bagger from Ace Hardware to be reimbursed through Senator Bonacic's grant.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

# MOTION APPROVING EXPENDITURE FOR WASTE BLOCK

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger for the Village Board authorizing the expenditure of \$4,340 for the purchase waste block to be reimbursed through Senator Bonacic's grant. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

# MOTION APPOINTING E. LOPEZ, JR. TEMPORARY MEO

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger for the Village Board to appointing employee #52509, Efrain Lopez, Jr.\* to the position of temporary Motor Equipment Operator effective October 4, 2017 upon recommendation of the Village Manager.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

\*Note – The above employee is Trustee Lopez's son

# MOTION AUTHORIZING VILLAGE MANAGER TO CONTACT EMPLOYEE #09252017

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by a motion by Deputy Mayor Younger seconded by Trustee Steinhoff that the Mayor and the Village of Ellenville Board of Trustees ("Trustees") absent any extenuating circumstances or a determination of whether or not a reasonable accommodation is necessary to perform the job, does hereby authorize the Village Manager to notifying employee 09252017 that pursuant to Civil Service Section 71, the Trustees will take action at its October 23, 2017 meeting to terminate the individual's employment with the Village.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

#### **BOARD REPORTS**

Deputy Mayor Younger told board members about the school hosting a Social Media & Safe Networking Forum on October 4, 2017. Public is invited.

Manager Stoeckeler reminded everyone about the upcoming easement vote for the D&H/O&W to be held at the High School Media Center on October 3, 2017 from 8:00 am - 8:00 pm.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to enter into Executive Session to discuss a specific personnel issue at 7:15 p.m.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

#### PUBLIC SESSION

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to reconvene to public session at 7:30 p.m. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

## MOTION TO HIRE MICHAEL SEITER

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to appoint Michael Seiter as a Municipal I Worker upon recommendation of the Village Manager. Salary will be on Step 2 of the collective bargaining unit.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

#### **ADJOURN**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen Dechon Village Clerk