

VILLAGE OF ELLENVILLE
BOARD MEETING
September 14, 2020
PUBLIC/ZOOM MEETING

Meeting called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Kaplan at 6:00 p.m.

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| ROLL CALL | Mayor Jeffrey Kaplan | Present |
| | Deputy Mayor Younger | Present |
| | Trustee Francisco Oliveras | Present |
| | Trustee Patricia Steinhoff | Present |
| | Trustee Michael Mochetta | Present |

ALSO PRESENT

Michael Warren, Village Manager
Michelle Booth, Deputy Village Clerk
Daniel Tucker, Village Treasurer
Abigail Osgood, Village Attorney
Brian Schug, Code Enforcement Officer
Dan Shuster, Village Planner-via Zoom

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger and seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to approve the minutes from August 24, 2020. All in favor-aye-motion carried.

Petitioners & Correspondence:

Most of the cast was present from the play *Almost, Maine*. The Mayor congratulated them on their hard work and dedication to support the Shadowland Stages.

The Mayor stated that this past weekend was the first weekend that we did our outdoor dining without the school buses. It was just done this past weekend with a police car and barricades and seemed to work fine. The Mayor of Kingston came to eat with his family and thought we were doing a great job here in Ellenville. The Mayor is very thankful to Mr. Vallone and Rolling V for the use of their buses and would like to present him with a plaque at the next meeting.

Ellenville Regional Hospital is again requesting to use Liberty square in front of the fountain to hand out free PPE to the community and also to do Narcan training.

Manager's Report:

Pavilion-There was discussion and concerns of the people that have been sitting in the pavilion. There is a big problem nationwide with people being homeless. It's a different story when they are sitting there drinking during the day. Trustee Mochetta suggested have a social worker or counselor come and talk to them. Deputy Mayor Younger suggested closing it down at dusk, treating it like a park. Trustee Steinhoff feels that we should wait and get reports from Chief Mattracion and Michael Jeter. Trustee Oliveras as a Police Officer in Monticello knows that it should be patrolled more often.

The Mayor just wanted to touch base on how we are mandated by the state to put our police policy in effect. Senator Metzger called to see how we were coming along with our policy. Our review board at this time is being led by the Police Chief, which the Mayor has no problem with, but Mayor feels that they should meet at least one time without the Chief present. It might be easier for people to express how they feel without a member of the police being present. The Mayor is asking the Village Manager to set up a meeting without the Police being present.

Golf Course-The Manager stated that the golf course is doing extremely well. He went over the numbers.

The Village's water meter reading software is not compatible and outdated with the new water meter heads, we have to manually read the new meters that we are installing we would need new software to use the new heads. That software cost around \$38,000. New computers are needed in the office. The Manager would like to bundle all of the costs and take out a BAN.

The Unions are open to looking into different health insurance options. Making different options available with a higher buyout might save the Village some money. The Mayor would like to see some numbers at the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer asked if they were any more questions regarding the golf course. He announced the birth of his second son Miles Joseph.

Attorney's Report:

Real estate matters to be discussed in executive session.

Building Report:

Parking of commercial vehicles in residential districts-Planner Shuster was available via Zoom to discuss the proposed changes in the Zoning Law. Mayor Kaplan mentioned that we have ample space available at our Street Department for parking commercial vehicles for a fee. Some of the changes made were length not exceeding 20 feet, issuance of a special permit every three years but expires if there is a transfer of title

and screened from view. Trustee Mochetta asked about landscapers, they would have to screen their trailers. The Board feels this is ready for a public hearing.

Religious uses in certain Zoning districts- Mayor Kaplan had the opportunity to speak to someone at NYCOM who was able to give him some examples of cases that he shared with the Board regarding religious uses in certain zoning districts. The Mayor would like Planner Shuster to look into including larger homes with more than 10 people staying and between 3,000-3,500 square feet. The planning board would have to issue a special use permit. Planner Shuster recommends placing this in a separate category and require different standards. The Mayor feels that we are doing this to protect the community. Planner Schuster and Building Inspector Schug will work together to rewrite for unique situations and present a proposal at the next meeting.

Building Report

Building Inspector Schug went over his monthly report with the Board. They had a few questions regarding some of the line items. The Mayor would like to see a comparison from the year before on each report.

The Mayor discussed the issue with Churches in the downtown area. It becomes a problem when restaurants want to open and there is an issue with obtaining a liquor license when you are 200ft from a Church. The Mayor would like a resolution sent to the State Senator and State Assemblyman requesting an exception to the law when you are in a downtown area. With the discussion that the Mayor had with NYCOM, it would be a good time to review our Master Plan of the downtown area.

On the walk tonight on Tuthill Avenue and Church Street, the Board noticed the house owned by Ulster County and the Mayor would like the Village Manager to send a letter to the County encouraging them to sell the building for a dollar to someone who is willing to renovate it and also check with RUPCO to see if they are interested in it.

Resolutions:

**MOTION ALLOWING ELLENVILLE
REGIONAL HOSPITAL TO USE
LIBERTY SQUARE FOR FOUR
FRIDAYS THROUGH OCTOBER 30, 2020
TO HAND OUT FREE PPE AND NARCAN TRAINING**

Motion was made by Trustee Steinhoff and seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger allowing Ellenville Regional Hospital to use Liberty Square for four Fridays through October 30, 2020 to hand out free PPE and provide Narcam Training to the Community. All in favor-aye motion carried.

MOTION TO SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING ON OCTOBER 14, 2020 AT 6:15PM FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE PARKING OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES IN A RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Younger and seconded by Trustee Mochetta to schedule a public hearing on October 14, 2020 at 6:15pm for the proposed amendment to the parking of commercial vehicles in a residential district. All in favor-aye-motion carried.

MOTION TO SEND A LETTER TO THE STATE SENATOR AND ASSEMBLYMAN TO CONSIDER REMOVING THE REQUIREMENT OF A RESTAURANT OR BAR CAN OPEN UP WITHIN 200 FT OF A CHURCH

Motion was made by Trustee Steinhoff and seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to send a letter to the State Senator and Assemblyman to consider removing the requirement of a restaurant or bar can open up within 200 ft of a church. All in Favor-aye-motion carried.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE MARLA KAPLAN TO BE PLACED ON THE LIST OF WORKERS FOR THE STOECKELER MEMORIAL PARK

Motion was made Deputy Mayor Younger and seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to authorize Marla Kaplan to be placed on the list of workers for the Stoeckeler Memorial Park golf course.

Mayor Kaplan-Abstain
Deputy Mayor Younger-Aye
Trustee Steinhoff-Aye
Trustee Mochetta-Aye
Trustee Oliveras-Aye

Motion carried

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE

**VILLAGE MANAGER TO SIGN
A ONE YEAR MAINTENANCE
AGREEMENT FOR PEAK POWER
SYSTEMS IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$629.75 TO SERVICE THE GENERAT
OR AT VILLAGE HALL**

Motion was made by Trustee Mochetta and seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to authorize the Village Manager to sign a one year maintenance agreement for Peak Power Systems in the amount of \$629.75 to service the generator at Village Hall. All in favor-aye-motion carried

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE
VILLAGE MANAGER TO SIGN A
SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH
LUZON ENVIRONMENTAL
SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT
OF \$1,795.00 TO PERFORM
AN OIL TANK TEST ON A 6,000
GALLON TANK LOCATED AT
2 ELTING COURT TO MAINTAIN
THE VILLAGE'S POLLUTION
LIABILITY INSURANCE**

Motion was made by Trustee Mochetta and seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to authorize the Village Manager to sign a service agreement with Luzon Environmental Services in the amount of \$1,795.00 to perform an oil tank test on a 6,000 gallon tank located at 2 Elting Court to maintain the Village's pollution liability insurance. All in favor-aye-motion carried.

**MOTION TO SCHEDULE A VILLAGE
WALK TO THE WWTP ON
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2020
AT 5:00PM**

Motion was made by Trustee Steinhoff and seconded by Trustee Mochetta to schedule a Village walk to the WWTP on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 5:00pm. All in favor-aye-motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE

**OF CAMERAS FOR THE GOVERNMENT
CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,983.00
FROM CMI TECH AS DISCUSSED AT THE
LAST VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Younger and seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to approve purchase of cameras for the Government Center in the amount of \$14,983.00 from CMI Tech as discussed at the last Village Board meeting. All in favor-aye-motion carried.

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT
TO BLAUER ASSOCIATES FOR INVOICE
NUMBER 12 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,650.00
FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ON THE
WATER MAIN AND HYDRANT PROJECT
UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE
VILLAGE TREASURER**

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Younger and seconded by Trustee Mochettato authorize payment to Blauer Associates for invoice number 12 in the amount of \$1,650.00 for administrative services on the Water Main and Hydrant Project upon recommendation of the Village Treasurer. All in favor-aye-motion carried.

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE
PAYMENT TO BLAUER
ASSOCIATES FOR INVOICE
NUMBER 14 IN THE AMOUNT
OF \$1,500.00 FOR ADMINISTRATIVE
SERVICES ON THE WATER MAIN
AND HYDRANT PROJECT UPON
RECOMMENDATION OF THE
VILLAGE TREASURER**

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Younger and seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to authorize payment to Blauer Associates for invoice number 14 in the amount of \$1,500.00 for administrative services on the Water Main and Hydrant Project upon recommendation of the Village Treasurer. All in favor-aye-motion carried

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE TO PURCHASE PARTS

**IN THE AMOUNT \$1,946.54 FROM SCHMIDT'S
WHOLESALE, INC. TO REPAIR THE LEAK ON THE
NINTH HOLE AT STOECKELER MEMORIAL PARK
GOLF COURSE UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE
GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT**

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Younger and seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to authorize to purchase parts in the amount \$1,946.54 from Schmidt's Wholesale, Inc. to repair the leak on the ninth hole at Stoeckeler Memorial Park golf course upon recommendation of the Golf Course Superintendent. All in favor-aye-motion Carried

Board Reports

Trustee Mochetta asked about a dog park. The Parks and Recreation Committee is currently working on a dog park.

Trustee asked if anyone was checking to see if anyone was checking to see if the motel was following the 30 day stay rule.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 7:30 PM
TO EXECUTIVE SESSION NOT TO RECONVENE**

Motion was made by Trustee Steinhoff and seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to adjourn at 7:30 pm to executive session not to reconvene. All in favor-aye-motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Michelle Booth
Deputy Cler