

VILLAGE OF ELLENVILLE
BOARD MEETING
October 26, 2020
6:00 p.m.
PUBLIC MEETING

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

ROLL CALL	Mayor Jeffrey Kaplan	Present
	Deputy Mayor Younger	Present
	Trustee Francisco Oliveras	Present
	Trustee Patricia Steinhoff	Present
	Trustee Moschetta	Present

ALSO PRESENT

Michael Warren, Village Manager
Traci Jeter, Village Clerk
Daniel Tucker, Village Treasurer
Abigail Osgood, Village Attorney
Brian Schug, Code Enforcement Officer - Absent/w notice

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to approve the minutes of September 30th and October 14th, 2020.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

PETITIONERS & CORRESPONDENCES:

Barbara Hoff – Mrs. Hoff was not present tonight to accept her certificate of appreciation plaque for her contributions to the Ellenville business district during the Canal strEATS outdoor dining and always making it a pleasure for everyone in the community.

Brendan Burke Plaque Presentation – – Due to prior commitments, Mr. Burke was not present tonight to accept his' certificate of appreciation plaque. Mr. Burke's plaque presentation will be at the meeting of November 9, 2020.

Ken Beck – Since Mr. Beck could not also be present tonight to accept his' certificate of appreciation plaque for a lifetime of dedicated services to the Village of Ellenville Zoning Board of Appeals and commitment to the residents of the Village of Ellenville. Mr. Beck's plaque will be hand delivered by Mayor Kaplan, Brian Schug and Planning Board Chairman, Paul Tennenbaum at a later date.

Wassail – Board authorizes the Village Clerk to send a letter to the Wassail Committee stating that even though the Village welcomes the idea of an electric parade but due to COVID-19 and social distancing the Village will not want close any streets to encourage bystanders from watching the parade.

SEWER REPORT:

Nothing at this time

POLICE REPORT:

Chief Mattracion spoke to the Board on the following:

- 1) Presentation – Easton Avery – Was before the Board tonight to present the Village with a check in the amount of \$500.00 towards the Joseph Stoeckeler Golf Tournament.

Chief Mattracion stated that even though Easton wanted to use the money towards a PlayStation 5 instead he donated the money to a great cause and with that being said, because of his' generosity and thoughtfulness; the Ellenville Police Department will be purchasing Easton a PlayStation 5.

- 2) Presentation of a check for the Joseph Stoeckeler Memorial Park and Golf Course – Chief Mattracion presented the Village with a check from the proceeds of the Joseph Stoeckeler Golf Tournament in the amount of \$19,360.00.

- 3) Crisis training – Chief Mattracion spoke about crisis training in which his' Department will be participating in at great lengths and answer any questions that the Board had.
- 4) Resignation of full-time Police Officer Gary Wells – Resolution #1
- 5) Hiring Aaron Roberts as a full-time Police Officer effective Wednesday, October 28th, 2020.

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Moschetta to hire Aaron Roberts as a full-time Police Officer effective Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at a starting salary of \$43,171.00 contingent on results of the medical examination held by Civil Service.
All in favor – Aye – motion carried

- 6) Hiring part-time Police Officer Gary Wells – Resolution #2
- 7) Resignation of part-time Police Officer Nicholas Lent – Resolution #3
- 8) Resignation of part-time Police Officer Jonathan Lembo – Resolution #6
- 9) Resignation of part-time Police Officers, Aaron Roberts and Salim Agha effective Wednesday, October 28, 2020.

Motion by Trustee Moschetta, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to accept the resignations of part-time Police Officers, Aaron Roberts and Salim Agha effective Wednesday, October 28, 2020.

Trustee Moschetta wanted to know if Chief Mattracion was currently interviewing part-time officers and Chief Mattracion stated yes.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Manager Warren spoke about the following:

- 1) Village website discussion – Board will revisit this once the Village gets more information.

Trustee Moschetta wanted to know what the Village is doing about the Village's marketing plan. Mayor Kaplan

- 2) Cares Act Funding money request to purchase the CivicCMS content management system (CMS) from Civicplus – Resolution #5 – Manager Warren stated that he received a call early morning and that there are no funds available at this time. (Disregard resolution #4)
- 3) Fall Clean-up – Village Manager informed that Board that the Street Department is now in the process of picking up the leaves in the Village.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Treasurer Tucker went over the expense report, Stoeckeler Park report and the tax collected to date and answered any questions that the Board had.

Treasurer Tucker also discussed the Joseph Stoeckeler Memorial Park and Golf Course C.D. – Resolution #7

ATTORNEY REPORT:

Attorney Osgood discussed with the Board the property that Richard and Judith Arginsky donated to the Village. Attorney Osgood stated that the deed was recorded property but the glitch is with the County.

Mayor Kaplan would like this issue resolved as soon as possible. Mayor Kaplan stated that this is a tax exempt property but taxes are due and is in the process of foreclosure.

Trustee Steinhoff wanted to know if the Village has a law in regards to how many cats a person can have. Attorney Osgood informed her that according to Village law, ten (10) cats is the maximum.

Attorney Osgood also spoke about the dawn to dusk law and informed the Board that there is no local law and can be done by resolution.

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Moschetta that all parks are closed after dusk except parks that have lighting (Berme Road Park, basketball and tennis courts).
All in favor – Aye – motion carried

RESOLUTIONS:

MOTION TO ACCEPT
RESIGNATION OF FULL-TIME
POLICE OFFICER, GARY WELLS
(RESOLUTION #1)

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Moschetta to accept the resignation of full-time Police Officer, Gary Wells effective Wednesday, October 28, 2020.
All in favor – Aye- motion carried

MOTION TO RE-APPOINT
POLICE OFFICER GARY WELLS
AS A PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER
(RESOLUTION #2)

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to re-appoint Police Officer Gary Wells as a part-time police officer effective Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at a rate of per hour.
All in favor – Aye- motion carried

MOTION TO ACCEPT
RESIGNATION OF PARK-TIME
POLICE OFFICER, NICHOLAS LENT
(RESOLUTION #3)

Motion by Trustee Moschetta, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to accept the resignation of part-time Police Officer, Nicholas Lent effective Wednesday, October 28, 2020.
All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING
MAYOR TO SIGN
AMENDED AND RESTATED TAX
ABATEMENT AND RENTAL AGREEMENT
(RESOLUTION #4)

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the Mayor to sign the amended and restated tax abatement and rental agreement with the Ellenville Housing Associates, LTD
All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MOTION TO MOTION TO ACCEPT
RESIGNATION OF PART-TIME
POLICE OFFICER, JONATHAN LEMBO
(RESOLUTION #5)

Motion by Trustee Moschetta, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to accept the resignation of part-time Police Officer, Jonathan Lembo effective Wednesday, October 28, 2020...
All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MOTION APPROVING THE
VILLAGE TREASURER TO OPEN
CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT
(RESOLUTION #6)

Motion by Trustee Moschetta, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to authorize the Village Treasurer to open a three (3) month certificate of deposit in the amount of \$50,000.00 with the Joseph Stoeckeler Memorial Park and Golf Course funds.
All in favor – Aye- motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING
EXPENDITURE TO BARTON
AND LOGUIDICE
(RESOLUTION #7)

Motion by Trustee Moschetta, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the expenditure(s) of \$14,202.00 to Barton and Loguidice for the hydrant, valve and main improvement project. This project is paid through CDBG.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING
EXPENDITURE TO AMITY
CONSTRUCTION
(RESOLUTION #8)

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Moschetta authorizing the expenditure of \$24,985.00 to Amity Construction for the hydrant, valve and main improvement project. This project is also paid through CDBG.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

BOARD REPORTS:

Trustee Moschetta – Nothing at this time

Trustee Steinhoff – Handed out a location map of all houses participating in the Halloween house decorating contest.

Trustee Steinhoff also wanted to know if the Village has a COVID-19 plan. Village Manager Warren stated that since the Town of Wawarsing is in the process of creating a plan, the Village could use theirs. Councilman Buchwalter stated that he wasn't sure about that. Mayor Kaplan stated that the Village is within the Town and does not see why it would be a problem.

Trustee Oliveras – Nothing at this time

Deputy Mayor Younger – Nothing at this time

Mayor Kaplan would like to give a certificate of appreciation plaque to Chief Mattracion and Paul Craft for all their hard work organizing the Joseph Stoeckeler tournament.

Mayor Kaplan also wanted to let the Street Department and Callahan Paving know that they did a great job with the paving project.

ADJOURN:

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Moschetta to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.
All in favor – Aye – motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Traci Jeter
Village Clerk