

Village of Schoharie
Regular Meeting

February 20, 2019 (Rescheduled from 2/12/19 due to weather)

Presiding: Deputy Mayor Caza

Present: Trustees Jay Balliett, Mark Wood, Trustee Palmer and Clerk/Treasurer Leslie J. Price. Mayor Borst excused.

Attendees: Peter Johnson, CDC Member

Meeting brought to order by Deputy Mayor Caza @ 6:39PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Privilege of the Floor: (POF):

Minutes:

January 8, 2019 Regular Monthly Meeting

December 19, 2018 & January 16, 2019 Employee Meeting:

Motion made by Trustee Wood second by Trustee Balliett unanimously carried to approve the January 8, 2019 Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes and the December 19, 2018 and January 16, 2019 Employee Meeting Minutes as written.

Bills:

Motion made by Trustee Palmer second by Trustee Woods unanimously carried to approve the invoices on the February Abstract. The Abstract reads as follows:

General	\$13,710.84
Water	\$ 5,435.80
Sewer	\$15,083.31
Pool	\$ 86.13

Incoming Correspondence: Reviewed and Discussed

- A. Sybil Linstead sent a letter to the Village office voicing concerns regarding a newly established and clearly marked snowmobile trail on private property that passes close to their house. Let Sybil know when the Board Meetings per her email dated January 30, 2019.
- B. Glass Bar sent required notice of renewal of liquor license.

Outgoing Correspondence:

- A. Board signed Thank you notes to Little Posy Place, Country Café, Schoharie Valley Wine and Liquor and El Taco Shack for donations to SCVOA Christmas Party.

Old Business -

- A. National Historic District Application – New York State has approved our application and we now have a State Historic District in the Village of Schoharie. The State received only one negative form letter back. The application now goes to the Federal Government for Nation District approval. This is more of a procedural and administrative process but with the Federal shutdown, Federal approval will be delayed.
- B. Senior Housing Update – Receiver is working on drawing up an Easement for the Ballard's water line. Mike Breen is helping with this but mentioned that they need a survey done. The Housing project is filling up.
- C. Local Law #1-2019 Tax Cap Override Set public hearing and publish in Times Journal 5 days prior

Motion made by Trustee Balliet, second by Trustee Palmer unanimously carried to approve the publication in the Times Journal for the Tax Cap Override Public Hearing to be held on Tuesday March 12, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the Village Hall, 300 Main St.

D. 2018 CFA Award – In June 2018 the Village re-submitted a CFA Grant Application for the Multi-Use Trail Project. In December a project totaling \$675,343 was approved with a 75% State to 25% Village split.

1. \$506,500 is 74% State Cost
2. \$168,834 is the Village's 25% cost comprised of cash, in-kind service and donations.
3. ARC Grant at \$150,000 still appears to be available for design.

Motion made by Trustee Wood, second by Trustee Palmer unanimously carried to approve the Draft Plan as amended by Nan Stolenzenburg. Peter Johnson, Board Member of the Local CDC informed the Board that the CDC is interested in working cooperatively with the Village and provide in-kind and Administrative services.

New Business: Reviewed and Discussed

- A. Village elections March 19, 2019 – 3 Board seats are up plus Village Justice. February 13, 2019 is deadline to file independent nominating petitions. There is one candidate for Mayor, three candidates for Trustee and one candidate for Justice.
- B. National Grid proposal for converting streetlights to LED's was reviewed and discussed. Board will decide at the March 12, 2019 Meeting on this proposal. Trustee Balliett request and image of what the new LED Fixture will look like and he also asked the Clerk to find out if we can get ones that fit the period of the Village Main Street lights instead of the proposed LED lights.
- C. Village Park User Fees – The Village office staff has suggested the Village charge any business or company a user fee for public park use, irrespective if any officer, employee or guest may be a resident of the Village. Suggested fee may be between \$75 and \$100 per occasion. No decision was made, Village Clerk will check with other Villages on their policies regarding fees.

D. Schoharie County Chamber lease expires this month. The Chamber is requesting a renewal.

Motion made by Trustee Palmer, second by Trustee Balliett unanimously carried to approve the renewal Chamber lease agreement for a one year period Starting February 1, 2019.

E. Banner for Schoharie Library – Mary Beatrice Cushing Library is holding a fundraiser by opening the Easter Egg Museum this April on weekend and weekdays by appointments. They have asked if the Village might sponsor a banner to hang at fox Creek Park. We did do this several years ago for the same thing. Village Clerk will look into getting quotes for banner.

Motion made by Trustee Caza, second by Trustee Palmer unanimously carried to approve the most reasonable quote to purchase banner.

F. Other –

Motion made by Trustee Caza, second by Trustee Wood unanimously carried to approve averaging out Amelia Liddle's Water/Sewer Invoices by using the past four Invoices. As in past practice, this is a unique situation relative to hydrant flushing and Amelia losing water pressure.

Other:

- **Schoharie County Village Officers Association meeting is on March 27, 2019.**
- **The next Employees Meeting is scheduled for 6:30PM Wednesday March 20, 2019.**
- **Next Village Board Meeting is Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 6:30PM**

Motion made to Adjourn by Trustee Balliett second by Trustee Wood at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leslie J. Price