

Village of Schoharie
Regular Meeting
February 9, 2016

Presiding: Mayor, John Borst

Present: Trustees Ed August, John Balliett, Lawrence Caza and Clerk/Treasurer Leslie J. Price.

Attendees: Terry Wilber

Excused: None

Meeting brought to order by Mayor, John Borst @ 7:44 PM

Privilege of the Floor: N/A

Minutes:

Motion: made by Trustee Caza second by Trustee Balliett unanimously carried to accept January 12, 2016 Minutes.

Employee Minutes: Motion made by Trustee Caza second by Trustee Balliett unanimously carried to accept January 20, 2016 Employee Minutes

Bills:

Trustee Balliett had concerns with mileage charge on Smith Control invoice #30915 and the charge from Palmers invoice #10698 for a repair on fire truck 1422. The board will address this with DPW Superintendent, William Shroh and Fire Chief, Ashley Dimick; also the board would like an itemized invoice from Jessie Ravage, preservation consultant

Motion made by Trustee Balliett second by Trustee Caza unanimously carried to pay bills through February 9, 2016

Incoming Correspondence: Reviewed and Discussed

- A. GEMS - Letter offering services for preparing CFA project development and applications.
- B. Laberge Group (Ben Syden) - Letter providing a grant needs survey and solicitation for project development and grant applications.
- C. D. Edward August – Letter confirming decision not to seek re-election as village trustee and a thank you for a good, cooperative working relationship over the years.
- D. Gene A. Hutchings, Jr. – Resume supporting wastewater treatment plant operator.
- E. Mohawk Valley Economic Development District (MVEDD) – Luncheon on Thursday February 11, 2016 from 12:00 to 1:00 at Mohawk office to discuss grant opportunities and funding programs for next CFA round.
- F. Pinsky Law Group – Seminar on Village Board responsibility for administration of village fire department. April 1, 2016 from 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM @ Turning Stone.

Outgoing Correspondence: N/A

Old Business: Reviewed and Discussed

- A. Consolidated Funding Application (CFA):
 1. Review next steps for implementation of 2015 \$300 K CFA award?
 2. Need to schedule meeting to formulate approach for new CFA round in June 2016. Discuss who/what people and organizations involved including grant writer. **Trustee Caza** will follow-up
- B. NY Rising CRP: Meeting held on January 28, 2016 among GOSR, Schoharie County Soil and Water and the Village regarding prioritizing next projects.
 1. GOSR stated project funds need to be obligated by September 2017 and spent by September 2019.
 2. The next proposed projects were generally prioritized but we did not utilize the full

\$1.9M remaining. We had several small projects that GOSR did not want to fund because the administrative cost both in dollars and time was too high. We agreed on some that were in the CRP Plan and GOSR thought the remaining balance might be used to implement some other drainage projects.

3. GOSR will summarize our proposed projects and determine the viability with HUD and others in the funding stream.

C. Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan (LWRP):

1. Discuss Architect interviews and select a firm for plan development.
2. Discussion on proposed zoning regulations and the revised version for waterfront areas and campground areas.

Motion made by Trustee Caza second by Trustee August unanimously carried to hire Place Alliance for the Waterfront Recreational Assets Plan project. Per Place Alliance cost estimate, not to exceed \$29,995.00

D. Long Term Community Recovery (LTCR):

1. Status of the Village's new website.
2. Whatever happened to the Historic Home Walking Tours and Fountain Projects and discussions fundraising?

E. Other: **Mayor** will request from Lamont Engineers what the capacity is for water and sewer with regards to future growth, e.g. Jail, senior citizen complex

New Business: Reviewed and Discussed

A. NYS Employees Retirement System (ERS) – Requiring an accounting of time spent on Village Board work For Mr. Caza and Mr. Balliett.

B. Village General Election on March 15, 2016

1. Three (3) Independent Nominating Petitions were submitted.

C. Propose Local Law #1-2016 and present to Trustees – Authority to exceed the Tax Cap:

Motion made by Trustee Balliett second by Trustee Caza unanimously carried to schedule the hearing for Local Law #1-2016 at 8:00 PM March 8, 2016. Also, publish it in the Times Journal on February 24 and March 2, 2016.

D. Adopt/Re-adopt the Procurement Policy for the Village of Schoharie.

Motion made by Trustee Caza second by Trustee August unanimously carried to re-adopt the Procurement Policy.

E. Birches Services Agreement approval – The Birches senior housing project requests to enter into a services agreement with the Village and Town of Schoharie. This would be an element of their application for tax exempt status under the Private Housing Finance Law (PHFL) and needs approval of the Village and Town Boards and the Town of Schoharie assessor.

Motion made by Trustee Balliett second by Trustee Caza unanimously carried to approve allocation ration of the revenue amount to be included in the services agreement between the Birchez Senior Housing, village of Schoharie and the Town of Schohar8ie. Agreed on amount (former PILOT) is \$23,400.00annually (with 2% escalator) and will be allocated 75% (\$17,550.00) to the Village and 25% (5,850) to the Town.

F. Fire Chief Dimick invited the Village Board to inspect and review a demonstrator fire pumper/rescue on Thursday February 11 at 6:00 PM at the fire station.

G. Other

Schoharie County Village Officers Association meets on Wednesday March 23, 2016.

The February Employees Meeting is February 17, 2016 at 7:00 PM.

Next regular Village Board meeting is Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 7:30 PM.

Adjourn.

Motion made by Trustee August second by Trustee Balliett unanimously carried to adjourn at 9:13PM,

Respectfully Submitted,

Leslie J. Price

ACCEPTED