

**Village of Schoharie
Regular Meeting
March 13, 2012**

Presiding: Mayor John Borst

Present:

Trustees: Jay Balliett, Larry Caza, Ed August, Dick Young and Clerk/Treasurer Leslie J. Price
Residents: James & Rhonda Sacket, Tim & Connie Schrom, Ben Griffin, Colleen Henry, mark Wood, Martin Shrederis, Richard B. Price, Wayne Schell, Brittany Schell, Ron Filmer, Ken Wright, Bill Seebold, (Parcels Plus, LLC.), Terry Wilber, Michael and Diana Jackson

Meeting brought to order by Mayor Borst @ 7:05 pm

Mayor read out loud the Legal Notice for the Public Hearing for Local Law 1-2012 which would allow the Village Board to adopt a budget for fiscal year 2012-2013 resulting in a tax increase greater than the 2% cap enacted by the NYS Legislature.

Public discussion followed during which there was no significant opposition to Local Law #1-2012.

Motion made by Trustee Caza seconded by Trustee Young and carried to close the hearing at 8:32 PM

Motion by Trustee Young seconded by Trustee Balliett and carried to adopt Local law 1-2012 as written. (See attached)

Fire Dept:

Mayor recommends that the Village pays the Robert & Nichols bills for repair to Fire Truck #1421 for Flood-related damages totaling about \$52,299.71. McNeil Insurance already paid \$29,926.45 to the village and will be issuing another check in the amount of \$15,636.26 for the additional repair work. Thus, insurance proceeds total \$45,562.71 leaving a balance of \$6,737 not covered because the insurance company said those repairs were for routine maintenance authorized by Chief Pierce. The Mayor will request Chief Pierce to verify that those repair costs were for routine maintenance and not for work related to new parts needed to mate-up with newer pump parts. The Village will also pay for radiator repairs totaling \$5,504.29.

Motion made by Trustee August seconded by Trustee Caza and carried to accept the February 07, 2012 minutes as written.

Bills:

Postponed until the end of the meeting

Motion made by Trustee Balliett seconded by Trustee Caza and carried to have Clerk contact NYCOM to ask for a waiver of the annual fee.

Motion made by Trustee Caza seconded by Trustee Young and carried to pay bills including Fire Department bills as written.

Incoming Correspondence: Reviewed and Discussed

1. NYCLASS- Announcing a change of program administrators from Cutwater Asset management to JP Morgan Asset Management and First Southwest Asset Management.

Resolution 1-2012

Motion made by Trustee Caza seconded by Trustee Young and carried to adopt Resolution of agreement to reflect the amendment to the Cooperative Agreement originally approved by the Village Board when joining NYCLASS.

2. Joe Bevins - Letter concerning water & sewer.
3. NYCOM - Legislative Program for 2012. Some interesting proposals.
4. Time Warner Cable - Brochure on high speed internet service and business phone service.
5. Schoharie County Emergency Management Office (EMO) - The EMO requested information on the Line of Succession for the village that will provide continuous authority in key positions. Clerk to fill out and return to EMO
6. New York City DEP, Bureau of Water Supply - DEP submitted a revised Emergency Action Plan (EAP) for Gilboa Dam and others.
7. Debby Byrne - Ms. Byrne advised that the street light at the rear of 293 Main Street is not working and could National Grid be notified. Mayor to get pole number and Clerk will report light outage to National Grid

Outgoing Correspondence: Reviewed and Discussed

1. Schoharie Kiwanis - letter granting approval of Adopt-a-Park program.
2. Letters to Jeremy Rosenthal, Erik Goodrich and Ed August acknowledging receipt of Independent nominating petition.

Old Business: Reviewed and Discussed

1. National Grid Emergency funding initiatives:
 - a. National Grid notified the village that the \$200,000 Economic Development Bridge Loan that will be administered by the Community Development Corp. could be available in 3 - 4 weeks. Apparently, the amount available to each applicant is \$25,000. Program provides up to 10 year loans at 0% interest to eligible applicants.
 - b. Several more Main Street Revitalization grants up to \$25,000 per business are being processed through Schoharie County Planning and Development.
 - c. Once the village's insurance status is known and any FEMA options are determined, we may apply for repairs to Village Office and other infrastructure not covered by insurance or FEMA.
2. DocStar Records Management - docStar is still on track to install a complete document management system soon.
3. Debris Removal - There were a couple of unannounced curb pickups to help clean up the yards in the village. We need board approval to issue Requests for a Quote for dumpster delivery to the village and transport of flood-related debris to MOSA. Coordination of roll-offs should be done through Schoharie Recovery.

Motion made by Trustee Caza seconded by Trustee Young and carried to issue a request for quote (RFQ) for roll-off delivery of dumpsters to the Village and transport of flood-related debris to MOSA.

4. Document Reprocessors - Need to take action.
The proposed process may include:
 - a. Freeze dry and sanitize the rest of the records.
 - b. General inventory of contents of each box so that we may make an initial cut of what might be destroyed.
 - c. Determine from NYS Archives what flood-damaged records we absolutely must keep and/or restore and what can be destroyed.
 - d. Then decide what records are critical and need to be digitally reproduced for

our current files.

- e. We can bring the remaining "dirty" boxes home for future use.
- f. The issue of eligibility for reimbursement still remains. Clerk will contact NYS Archives to find out what files can be thrown away

- 5. Midtel Franchise Agreement renewal - Current franchise expired on 10/21/2011 and the company proposes to renew for 15 years under the same terms. Board will ask for Internet at no charge to the Village for this franchise agreement
 - 6. Debris Transfer Station Remediation - Mayor, Village Attorney Breen, CEO Nelson and Mike Harrington of Lamont Engineers met today (3/13/2012) to discuss proposed options to remediate the site. Mr. Breen needs more information and will review options for the Board's consideration.
 - 7. FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) - The Board, through Schoharie County Planning, submitted applications for FEMA Buy-Outs of 6 properties in the village, one on Bridge Street and 5 in Sunset Drive. 1 application for elevation was submitted.
 - 8. Assessment Reduction Refund - Legislation was co-sponsored by Assemblyman Lopez to extend the timeframe for participation by local government and to have NYS make local municipalities whole for refunds of taxes recalculated on lower assessments.
8. Other

New Business: Reviewed and Discussed

- 1. Chief Orelup applied for a service retirement with an effective date of March 30, 2012. Although Chief Orelup still participates, patrols are being coordinated by other officers, primarily Officer Hoy.
 - 2. Question from Sheriff Desmond if County Corrections Officers might assist the village with patrol duties after March 20, 2012.
 - 3. Cabot Oil and Gas Corp. submitted a plan to extend a high pressure natural gas pipeline from Pennsylvania through the Town of Schoharie to Iroquois Gas' compressor station in the Town of Wright. The route is adjacent to the southern end of the village.
 - 4. Other
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- 9. The March Employees Meeting will be held on Tuesday March 20, 2012 at 7:00 PM.
 - 10. Next regular Village Board meeting is Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at 7:30 PM.
 - 11. Schoharie County Village Officers Assn. Meeting is Thursday March 29, 2012 hosted by Schoharie. The program is a presentation by Schoharie Recovery and SALT.
 - 12. Adjourn.

Motion made by Trustee Caza seconded by Trustee August and carried to adjourn at 9:56 pm

Respectfully submitted

Leslie J. Price
Clerk/Treasurer

Please Print

Print Sign in
James + Rhonda Sordet

Jim + Connie Schrom

Ben Griffin.

Colleen Henry

Mack Figg

Marta Shuler

Carol + Arnie

Wally Schell

Brian Schell

James Schultz

Ron Filmer

Ken Wright

Bill Seebolt -

Parcels plus, U.L.

Terry Wilber

Mike Jacobs -

Diana Bell Jackson -

Local Law No. 1 of the Year 2012

Village of Schoharie, County of Schoharie

A local law authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c

Section 1. Legislative Intent

It is the intent of this local law to allow the Village of Schoharie to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2012 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law § 3-c.

Section 2. Authority

This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-c, which expressly authorizes a local government's governing body to override the property tax cap for the coming fiscal year by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) of said governing body.

Section 3. Tax Levy Limit Override

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Schoharie, County of Schoharie, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2012 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 4. Severability

If a court determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court's order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this local law, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5. Effective date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.
