

Village of Schoharie – Regular Meeting
June 14, 2022

Presiding: Mayor Caza

Present: Trustees Johnson, Medak, Palmer, Robinson-Bullock, Clerk/Treasurer Leslie Price, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Debby Byrne, Patsy Nicosia, Times Journal, Lara Newell, Mountain Eagle, Bob Tines, Terry Wilbur, Ben & Will Griffin and James McFee

Meeting brought to order: By Mayor Caza at 6:34 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Privilege of the Floor:

- a. James McFee, previous to our meeting had sent an email to Trustee Johnson with questions regarding the Multi-Use Trail project. Mr. McFee lives on Sunset Drive and may be impacted by the Trail depending on the final project plans. Mr. McFee is concerned with the Trail and the South end Drainage project. He claims he has experienced some close calls of water getting into his basement. Mayor Caza was glad he mentioned this to the Board and will have Ken Bernhardt and Mike Harrington look into the drainpipe to make sure everything is running as it should. Mayor Caza also invited Mr. McFee to the Trail project meetings so he can be more informed.
- b. Ben Griffin
 - i. Mr. Griffin wanted to thank our newest employee Evan Trombly for helping him when he had his bicycle accident. He was grateful for his support.
 - ii. Mr. Griffin would like to see all the No Parking signs removed from Grand St, Shannon and Johnson. He feels there are too many signs in the Village, and it ruins the aesthetics of the Village.
 - iii. Mr. Griffin would like to see the old VFW lot improved and made safe. Mayor Caza informed him that this project has already been addressed and is in the works.
 - iv. Mr. Griffin would like the speed limit on Fort Road reduced to 25 miles/hour. Trustee Medak suggested making all Village Roads 25 MPH. Mayor Caza said the Board will review this.

Motion made by Mayor Caza second by Trustee Medak unanimously carried to approve changing the speed limit on Fort Road to 25 MPH. Ken Bernhardt will remove the current speed limit sign and replace with new one. The historic sign will be moved and preserved.

2. Minutes: Review and Motion to approve

- a. May 10, 2022, Board Meeting Minutes
- b. May 18, 2022, Employee Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Trustee Johnson second by Trustee Robinson-Bullock unanimously carried to approve the May 10, 2022, Regular Monthly Minutes and the May 18, 2022, Employee Meeting Minutes as written.

3. Abstracts and Bank Statements:

- a. General \$ 12,524.89 (May 11, 2022 – June 14, 2022)
- b. Water \$ 13,771.98 (May 11, 2022 – June 14, 2022)
- c. Sewer \$ 5,062.65 (May 11, 2022 – June 14, 2022)
- d. Pool \$ 1,361.38 (May 11, 2022 – June 14, 2022)

Motion made by Trustee Palmer second by Trustee Medak unanimously carried to approve Abstract Amounts as written, The Board to sign Bank Statements and Mayor to sign Abstract Certification Form.

4. Incoming Correspondence:

- a. Mohawk Valley Economic Development sent a letter to the Board offering projects for economic development practices at no cost for technical assistance. Mayor Caza would like Clerk Price to contact them and get more information as to the assistance they can give to various projects. The Board mentioned charging stations being put in for electric vehicles as well as assistance with the Codes Update project.

5. Outgoing Correspondence: N/A

6. New Business: N/A

7. Old Business:

- a. **Motion for Resolution 3-2022** to approve the final Justice Audit for Fiscal Year ending 12/31/2021 for Judge Kennedy.

Motion made by Trustee Robinson-Bullock second by Trustee Medak unanimously carried to approve Resolution 3-2022 to approve the final Justice Audit for Fiscal Year ending 12/31/2021 for Judge Kennedy.

8. Other:

- a. Trustee Johnson received an email from John Wilkinson regarding paving Depot Lane. Mayor Caza explained that DPW is waiting for construction to be done before paving the road. Trustee Johnson asked if DPW could fill in any potholes in the meantime before their summer programs begin. Trustee Johnson will contact DPW Superintendent Ken Bernhardt.
- b. Clerk Price gave an update to the Board on the Fire Department loan. The current rate is 3.1% and the current balance is approximately \$561,000 to which the Village portion is approximately \$421,000.00.
- c. Trustee Johnson let the Board know that he has made phone calls to local Banks in regard to investments for the Village. He will continue to gather information and keep the Board updated. Trustee Johnson mentioned investing in Treasury Bonds and NYCLASS as the rates are a little high than government money markets.
- d. Next Regular Village Board Meeting is Tuesday July 12, 2022, at 6:30PM
- e. Next Employees Workshop Meeting is Wednesday June 15, 2022, at 6:30PM
- f. Next SCOVA Meeting is Wednesday June 22, 2022, and is hosted by the Village of Sharon Springs The speaker will be Wade Beltramo, NYCOM General Counsel, and will discuss the potential impact of the MRTA (Marijuana Regulation and Taxation Act) to our Village government.

9. MOTION to Adjourn.

Motion made by Trustee Palmer second by Trustee Robinson-Bullock unanimously carried to adjourn at 7:49 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Leslie J. Price
Clerk/Treasurer