

Village of Ellenville  
Board Meeting  
Monday, February 25, 2013

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Kaplan at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

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| Mayor Jeffrey Kaplan         | Present         |
| Deputy Mayor Raymond Younger | Present         |
| Trustee Efrain Lopez         | Present         |
| Trustee Francisco Oliveras   | Present         |
| Trustee Patricia Steinhoff   | Absent w/notice |

**ALSO PRESENT**

Mary Sheeley, Village Manager  
Phillip Mattracion, Chief of Police  
Brian Schug, Code Enforcement Officer  
Noreen Dechon, Village Clerk

Mayor Kaplan reported the outcome of the joint workshop meeting held earlier this evening with the Town of Wawarsing board. Different items discussed was the update of the property inventory project, Code Red (emergency calling for residents), a request for a dog park, shared services grant, new senior housing that will be built, taxi medallions, as well as forming an emergency committee between both the Town and Village with Mayor Kaplan and Deputy Mayor Younger serving on the committee. In addition both boards agreed to invite the Lieutenant Governor to our area.

After the joint workshop meeting, several board members as well as Supervisor Carlsen and Councilman Johnson visited "Philly Bs" to welcome them to our community.

Mayor Kaplan stated that the Building Inspector, the Village Manager and himself met with the Village funders and engineers to discuss the status of the Wastewater Treatment Plant project.

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES  
#022513-1**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to accept the minutes of February 11, 2013 as presented.  
All in favor – Aye - Motion passed

**DISCUSSION**

Snow Fines – Mayor Kaplan requested Chief Mattracion, Building Inspector Schug and Attorney Berger to participate in the discussion as to effectiveness of the Village Code as it pertains to removal of snow/ice after a storm. Mayor Kaplan requested that Building Inspector Schug and Attorney Berger review the Village code and make recommendations for changes at the next board meeting.

Chief Mattracion spoke about recent burglaries that have taken place in the business district; graffiti on buildings and the parking situation on Hermance Street.

#### **PETITIONERS & CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence received from Time Warner Cable in reference to channel changes and/or additions and deletions.

Correspondence received from Stanley & Andrea Noval, Carnation Avenue, about the quality of their water. It was requested that Manager Sheeley tell the Novals about the upcoming water improvement project and how it will alleviate their water problems.

#### **MANAGER’S REPORT**

Manager Sheeley reviewed with board members the following items:

1. USDA RBEG monies – Manager Sheeley has spoken to George Popp, USDA, in reference to applying unused funds that the Village had received towards a new heating system.
2. Shared Service Agreement with Ulster County concerning automatic vehicle locators (AVL) for the Village of Ellenville – Ulster County had received a grant for AVLs and as part of that grant they can be offered to other municipalities in the County and they will cover 90% of the cost for the first year.
3. Xerox Lease – Our current lease for the Village’s copy machine will be expiring in July and Manager Sheeley contacted Xerox and they have offered a faster, more efficient machine at a less expense monthly rate.

#### **MOTION TO AUTHORIZE MANAGER SHEELEY TO SIGN AGREEMENT WITH XEROX #022513-2**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez to authorize the Village Manager Sheeley to enter into a lease agreement for a new copy machine with Xerox.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Polkoski presented to board members an updated agreement with USDA for the Sewer Rebuild Project to new amount of \$11,500,000.00.

**MOTION AUTHORIZING  
MAYOR TO SIGN AN  
UPDATED AGREEMENT  
WITH USDA  
#022513-3**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez authorizing the Mayor to sign an updated agreement with United States Department of Agriculture in the amount of \$11,500,000 in reference to the Sewer Rebuild Project.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Treasurer Polkoski presented the Treasurer's Report and Mayor Kaplan discussed the spreadsheet she had prepared and he would like to see comparisons from the year before on the next one. Also discussed was the percentage of the 2012 Village taxes that had been collected.

**BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

Building Inspector Schug presented to the board a list of the snow and ice removal fines that property owners will receive.

Mr. Schug also reported that his department's 2012 report had been filed with New York State.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**MOTION APPROVING  
USE OF RBEG FUNDS  
FOR A BOILER  
#022513-4**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez approving the use of RBEG funds towards the cost of a new boiler, insulation and possibly the replacement of windows and insulation in the Government Center.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING  
VILLAGE MANGER TO  
SIGN GRANT AGREEMENT  
WITH ULSTER COUNTY  
#022513-5**

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the Village Manager to sign a grant agreement with the County of Ulster to promote the usage of Automatic Vehicle Locators (AVLs) for the Village owned trucks.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING  
CORRECTION OF AUDIT  
REPORT  
#022513-6**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to authorize the correction of Audit Report dated 2/11/13 as recommended by the Village Treasurer.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION ACCEPTING  
SNOW/ICE REMOVAL  
#022513-7**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras accepting the snow/ice removal listed from 2/8 – 2/9/13 and to schedule March 11, 2013 for property owner responses.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION ACCEPTING  
RESIGNATION OF  
KEVIN GILLIS  
#022513-8**

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to accept resignation of Kevin Gillis, part time police officer effective February 15, 2013.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**BOARD REPORTS**

Deputy Mayor Younger requested an update on the Central Hudson Lighting project, the lights on Hoar Street as well as the Ida Lane Project.

Mayor Kaplan questioned the status of municipal garbage, drinking water specifications from our engineers and the lighting grant program. Mayor Kaplan further spoke about an issue that our taxi companies are having with the Westchester taxi law that prohibits any out of county taxis to drop off patients in that area. Mayor Kaplan stated that is a detriment to our residents as well as our taxi companies will look into this matter further.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez to enter into executive session at 7:50 p.m. to discuss contracts and negotiations not to reconvene into public session.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen Dechon  
Village Clerk