

Village of Ellenville  
Village Board Meeting  
Monday, June 28, 2010

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

**ROLL CALL**

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

**ALSO PRESENT**

Mary Sheeley, Village Manager  
Peter Berger, Village Attorney  
Philip Mattracion, Police Chief  
Noreen Dechon, Village Clerk  
Linda Polkoski, Village Treasurer  
Brian Schug, Code Enforcement Officer

Mayor Kaplan stated that earlier this evening the Board of Trustees met with members of the Hunt Memorial Preservation Commission members to discuss a matter involving the use of the building by a business and their vision for the building.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**#062810-1**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to approve the minutes of June 14, 2010 as presented.  
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**PETITIONERS &  
CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence from Supervisor Distel, Town of Wawarsing, requesting a breakdown of expenses incurred by the Village of Ellenville for the Shawangunk Mountain Wild Blueberry Festival. The Village Board requested Manager Sheeley to ask the Town for financial or in-kind service for this festival and Manager Sheeley will provide those figures to the Town of Wawarsing.

Ellenville/Wawarsing Youth Commission – The Village Board acknowledged receipt of June 2010 minutes.

Patricio Solar – 16 Backman Avenue – was before the board tonight to discuss a water drainage problem that has been occurring on his street and causing damage to his home. Manager Sheeley stated that the Village of Ellenville does have easements from property owners to install storm drains but the cost estimate for this project is approximately \$250,000. Mayor Kaplan questioned if a drywell could solve this problem and requested Manager Sheeley contact Barton & Loguidice to review this problem and to give us some other options to remedy this problem.

Kaitlin Osterhoudt – requested use of the Berme Road softball field and Village Clerk Dechon will give her a Use of Grounds Form for approval.

Joel Schreiberman – commented on the recent meeting with Brenda Parks from Time Warner Cable and it was a useful and informative. Also discussed was the franchise agreement and the need to have it finalized.

Ellenridge Homeowners Association – Natalie Levendous representing the Ellenridge HOA was before the board tonight to discuss a recent letter that was sent to the Attorney General Cuomo. Mayor Kaplan excused himself from this discussion. Mrs. Levendous stated that Code Enforcer Schug has been very helpful and thanked him for all his work. Mrs. Levendous spoke about her association's frustration with the owner of the property and the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation.

#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Chief Mattracion spoke about the upcoming "4<sup>th</sup> of July" parade and since this will take place on a Sunday he has contacted the churches and synagogues advising them of the closing of Village streets.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

Ellenville Public Library & Museum – sent a letter requesting permission to use the Farmer's Market site for a presentation of "Arm of the Sea" and to block traffic on Market Street from Center to Canal Streets on July 14, 2010 between the hours of 4:00pm-10:00pm.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING  
REQUEST FROM ELLENVILLE  
PUBLIC LIBRARY & MUSEUM  
#062810-2**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras granting permission to the Ellenville Public Library and Museum to use the “Farmer’s Market” site on July 14 from 4:00 pm – 10:00 am and authorizing the closing of Market Street between Center and Canal Streets.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**PETITIONERS &  
CORRESPONDENCE  
(continued)**

Ron Kreigmer on behalf of Lillian Ling was before the board tonight to discuss the possibility of developing sixteen townhouses located on her property at 1 Terrace Hill Heights. This property is located in the B-3 Highway district and discussion ensued about a zoning change for that area in general. Mr. Kreigmer was told that the process for any zoning change would first be reviewed by the Planning Board for their review and recommendations and then the Village Board would either approve or deny this change.

Planning Board Appointments – The Village had received two applications for the vacancy on the Planning Board. Mr. Eric Cafaro and Mr. Alan Eisman applied for this position. Mayor Kaplan had a concern about Mr. Eisman because we are not sure if he is a permanent resident of Ulster County.

**MOTION TO APPOINT  
ERIC CAFARO TO THE  
PLANNING BOARD  
#062810-3**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to appoint Eric Cafaro to the Planning Board effective immediately till July 15, 2013.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING  
EXPENDITURE TO  
MERRILL OFFICE  
#062810-4**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Lopez authorizing the expenditure of \$1,259.55 to Merrill Office for 45 cases of copy paper.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION APPOINTING  
MICHAEL COOMBS  
#062810-5**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Lopez to appoint Michael Coombs as full time Municipal I Worker effective July 7, 2010 at an hourly salary of \$10.51 in accordance with collective bargaining agreement between the Village of Ellenville and Local #750.  
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION EXTENDING  
RETURN DATE FOR  
INSURANCE  
#062810-6**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to extend the return date for Request for Proposals for Municipal Insurance to July 9, 2010.  
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING  
EXPENDITURE TO  
SCHMIDTS WHOLESALE  
#062810-7**

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Trustee Lopez to authorize the expenditure of \$1,150.00 to Schmidt's Wholesale for the purchase of a Badger FHSS mobile Receiver for the Water Department.  
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING  
EXPENDITURE TO  
JTJ TAPPING  
#062810-8**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Lopez authorizing the expenditure of \$6,000 to JTJ Tapping for three valve replacement for water tanks upon recommendation of the Water Superintendent.  
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING  
EXPENDITURE TO  
CALLANAN FOR  
BLACKTOP  
#062810-9**

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Trustee Lopez to authorize the purchase of 50 tons of blacktop from Callanan Industries for the month of July upon recommendation of the Street Superintendent. The price will be on State bid.  
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**ATTORNEY’S REPORT**

Tax Exempt Properties – Attorney Berger reviewed with board members a letter reviewing section §420-a of the NYS Real Property Tax law and its application to lands owned by various tax exempt properties. Other discussion took place about “stockpiling” or allowing apparently exempt property to lie vacant, fallow or unused. Also discussed was the School District’s Church Street property being used for storage.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

Treasurer Polkoski presented to board members the estimated operating results in the Water and Sewer. The Sewer Department is projected to have a small surplus and the Water Department is projected is to have a small deficit. Additional revenues accruals and expenditures are still pending. Also discussed was an outside user contract with Honors Haven; Treasurer does not believe one exists. Treasurer Polkoski requested that the franchise agreement with Time Warner Cable does not allow them to deduct the cost of property tax from their franchise money. Operating results from the General Fund will be presented at the July 26, 2010 meeting.

**MANAGER’S REPORT**

Manager Sheeley spoke about the selling of excess bluestone and announced that paving on Circle Avenue will take place in the near future. Mrs. Sheeley also told board members that the opening of the “school pool” is on target for July 1<sup>st</sup>.

A four year schedule for paving has been instituted and will keep the board informed of this.

**TRUSTEE REPORTS**

Mayor Kaplan requested that the Kossar Place sidewalks be placed on the next board agenda and requested that residents in that area be invited to give their inputs.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING  
ENGINEERING FEES FOR  
KOSSAR PLACE SIDEWALKS  
#062810-10**

Resolution by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras authorizing engineering fees for the Kossar Place Sidewalk Improvement Project Design & Construction Observation to Barton & Loguidice in the amount of \$10,900.  
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Trustee Steinhoff gave an update about the Summer Recreation Program.

**MOTION URGING  
YMCA TO HIRE  
LOCAL RESIDENTS  
#062810-11**

Motion by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Trustee Oliveras urging the YMCA Program to hire local (Village and Town) residents unless they do not have qualified applicants.  
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**ADJOURN**

Motion to by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.  
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen Dechon  
Village Clerk