

VILLAGE OF ELLENVILLE
BOARD MEETING
October 15, 2014
7:00 p.m.

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

NEIGHBORHOOD
WALK RESCHEDULED

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to reschedule the neighborhood walk at 198 Canal Street until the October 27, 2014 meeting.

All in favor – Aye- motion carried

ROLL CALL

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

ALSO PRESENT

Joseph Stoeckeler, Village Manager
Peter Berger, Village Attorney
Noreen Dechon, Village Clerk
Linda Polkoski, Village Treasurer

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to approve the minutes of September 22, 2014.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

DISCUSSION

Manager Stoeckeler spoke about a letter he received from New York Rising in regards to the Village administering the funds for the stream banks and restoration project.

Mayor Kaplan discussed with the Board letters sent by the Town of Wawarsing Supervisor in regards to the Village's share of a town wide re-val and the Village's share in the expense with Emergency Management. Mayor Kaplan stated that neither one of these issues were discussed and he would like permission to send a letter to the Supervisor explaining the Village's position.

Mayor Kaplan also discussed another letter sent by the Town Supervisor in regards to the Village's share for a grant for the consolidation of services and or the dissolution of the Village. The Mayor agrees that this should be a joint project.

PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to open the public hearing at 7:10 p.m. To discuss a three way stop at the intersection of Ann and Warren Street
All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

Attorney Berger spoke about the concerns the Board had with the speed on Warren Street and Ann Street and modifying the code would allow for a three way stop at the intersection at Ann and Warren Street.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to close the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.
All in favor –Aye- motion carried.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez to pass Local Law #2 of 2014 to allow for a three way stop at the intersection of Ann and Warren Street.

Mayor Kaplan – AYE
Deputy Mayor Younger – AYE
Trustee Oliveras – AYE
Trustee Lopez – AYE

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to open the public hearing at 7:20 p.m. for no parking on the Southside of Roslyn Street (Roslyn Street extension) upon recommendation of the Sewer Department Foreman.
All in favor – Aye – motion carried

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to close the public hearing at 7:23 p.m.
All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to pass Local Law #3 allowing no parking on the Southside of the Roslyn Street Extension.

Mayor Kaplan – AYE
Deputy Mayor Younger – AYE
Trustee Oliveras – AYE
Trustee Lopez – AYE

All in favor – Aye- motion carried.

PETITIONERS AND CORRESPONDENCES

Kamari Doria - Sent a letter to the Board thanking Sergeant Morse for his assistance during a situation which she was involved in.

Ellenville Student Council – Requested permission for their annual Think Pink Cancer walk/Officer assistance on Saturday, October 25, 2014.

Motion by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to approve the Think Pink Cancer walk/Officer assistance on October 25, 2014.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

Ellenville Wawarsing Chamber of Commerce – Notified the Board that they have relocated back into the Hunt Memorial Building from the Nevele office’s across the street.

RUPCO - Notified the Board that they will be having a supportive housing solutions luncheon if anyone was interested in attending.

Steve Krulick - Spoke to the Board tonight about the following items:

- 1) Speed on Hickory Street - Mr. Krulick spoke about the excessive speed on the Hickory Street Bridge. Mr. Krulick suggested that the Village put up “Slow Children at Play” signs and reduce the speed limit from 30 mph to 20 mph. Mr. Krulick further requested that the three no parking signs that were taken down during construction be put back up.
The Chief informed the Board that he will do a traffic study and get back to them.
- 2) Smoking at the Village of Ellenville Government Center – Mr. Krulick stated the he would like to see “No Smoking” signs put up outside the building at the Government Center. Mayor Kaplan informed Mr. Krulick that the Board will look into it.
- 3) Village Website – Mr. Krulick Inquired as to why the minutes and agendas weren’t up to date on the website. The Village Clerk informed Mr. Krulick that all minutes/agendas are on the website and are up to date.
- 4) Microphone in the meeting room – Mr. Krulick inquired about having microphones put in the meeting room.

- 5) Dissolution study – Mr. Krulick suggested that the Board read the Ellenville government study on dissolution which is on line.

MANAGER'S REPORT

MOTION ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF THE CLERK TO THE JUSTICE

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to accept the resignation of Maria Mansfield, Clerk to the Justice effective October 7, 2014.

All in favor – Aye- motion carried.

Manager Stoeckeler informed the Board that Judge Parker will be interviewing for this position next week.

Mayor Kaplan instructed the Village Clerk to send a condolence card to Judge Parker on the loss of his mother on behalf of the Village Board.

MOTION TO ADVERTISE FOR THE MUNICIPAL WORKER I POSITION

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the Village Manager to post/advertise for the Municipal Worker I position in the Street Department subject to the resignation of a member of the Street Department.

All in favor – Aye- motion carried.

MOTION AUTHORIZING VILLAGE MANAGER TO OBTAIN SEALED BIDS FOR CLEANING THE SBR TANKS AT THE SEWER PLANT

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to obtain sealed bids for the cleaning of the SBR Tanks upon the recommendation of the Sewer Department Foreman.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

DISCUSSION ON THE FLOOD CONTROL MOWER

Manager Stoeckeler spoke about the mower for Flood Control. The Mayor instructed him to revisit this next spring but in the meantime have Mrs. Jeter research mowers on line.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

MOTION AUTHORIZING
ULSTER COUNTY OPERATION
CRACKDOWN GRANT

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez authorizing the acceptance of a grant of \$6,000 from Ulster County Operation Crackdown.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING
ULSTER COUNTY STOP
DWI GRANT

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Trustee Lopez authorizing the acceptance of a grant of \$2,500 from Ulster County Stop DWI.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

MOTION AUTHORIZING
NEW YORK STATE SEATBELT
GRANT

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Trustee Lopez authorizing the acceptance of a grant of \$2,700 from New York State for the enforcement of seatbelts.

All in favor – Aye- motion carried.

MOTION ACCEPTING
THE RESIGNATION OF
PT OFFICER DEMPSEY

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez to accept with regrets the resignation of PT Officer Tania K. Dempsey effective October 16, 2014.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

Chief Mattracion also informed the Board that there will be flu shots given on October 24th, 2014 at Village Hall in the Courtroom if anyone was interested.

TREASURER'S REPORT

MOTION AUTHORIZING
THE PURCHASE OF A HEAVY
EQUIPMENT

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez authorizing the purchase of heavy equipment at a maximum estimated cost of \$330,000 and authorizing, subject to permissive referendum, the issuance of \$330,000 serial bonds.

Mayor Kaplan – AYE
 Deputy Mayor Younger – AYE
 Trustee Oliveras – AYE
 Trustee Lopez – AYE

All in favor – motion carried

Treasurer Polkoski informed the Board that the financial report has been completed and filed with the State. The report is available for review at Village Hall.

RESOLUTIONS

MOTION AUTHORIZING A JOINT MEETING W/TOWN IN REGARDS TO COMPLETE STREETS

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing a joint meeting with the Town of Wawarsing on October 22, 2014 at the Government Center at 5:00 to discuss Complete Streets.
 All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

MOTION SUPPORTING CONDEMNATION OF AN EASEMENT

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to support the condemnation of an easement through a portion of property owned by the Estate of Howard G. Backman pursuant to the eminent domain procedure law per the Attorney Berger's recommendation.
 All in favor – Aye- motion carried.

MOTION ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC HEARING ON EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEDURE LAW

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to establish a public hearing on November 10, 2014 at 7:15 p.m. to determine the need and location of a public project to acquisition pursuant to sections 201 and 202 of the Eminent Domain Procedure Law.
 All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

MOTION REAFFIRMING LOUNSBERY ELECTRIC BILL

Motion by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to reaffirm the purchase of six additional street lamps and installation from Lounsbury Electric at Liberty Square in the amount of \$7,300.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

MOTION REAFFIRMING
OSTERHOUDT EXCAVATING
BILL

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez to reaffirm the emergency repair of a sewer line on Hill Street to H. Osterhoudt Excavating in the amount of \$3,608.52 upon recommendation of the Sewer Department Foreman. This bill will be billed to the property owner.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

MOTION REAFFIRMING
OSTERHOUDT EXCAVATING
BILL

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to reaffirm the emergency repair of a water line on Center Street to H. Osterhoudt Excavating in the amount \$3,879.23 upon recommendation of the Water Department Foreman subject to the Village Manager's review.

All in favor – Aye- motion carried.

MOTION AUTHORIZING
THE EXPENDITURE TO
KOESTER

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Trustee Lopez to authorize the expenditure of \$4,060.14 to Koester for parts for the Grit Votex and HFE Pump upon recommendation of the Sewer Department Foreman.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

MOTION AUTHORIZING
THE EXPENDITURE TO
ESC ENVIRONMENTAL

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to table the expenditure of \$3,357 to ESC Environmental for ten 30 gallon drum of zinc orthophosphate upon the recommendation of the Water Department Foremen.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT
REPORT

Building Inspector Schug spoke to the Board about Central Hudson and how people who are not paying their bills are not given the opportunity before Central Hudson shuts off their power. Mayor Kaplan instructed the Village Clerk to send a letter to Central Hudson asking for a

representative to come to a Village Board meeting to explain the procedure for shutting off power normally to people that are in hardship.

BOARD REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Younger inquired about the Building Inspector answering a letter from a resident pertaining to the Osterhoudt mining project.

The Mayor stated that he had met with the resident and the resident inquired about the Osterhoudt mining assessment. Mayor Kaplan informed the Board that the Osterhoudt mining property is still being assessed as vacant land and the Mayor requests that the Assessor reviews the Osterhoudt assessment and if appropriate, change the assessment prior to the next tax roll in May. Mayor Kaplan instructed the Village Clerk to send a letter to the Assessor for review.

Trustee Lopez inquired about the temporary one way street sign on Ida Lane.

Motion by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to change the temporary one way street sign on Ida Lane back to its original two way street.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

Deputy Mayor Younger also inquired as to why an Excavation permit fee is charged for work done on private property. Mayor Kaplan would like this on the next agenda for discussion

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez to adjourn to executive session for personnel reasons at 8:15 p.m.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez to reconvene at 8:50 p.m.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

Manager Stoeckeler stated that the Assistant Safety Officer, Nordeen Pickel, salary will be increased to \$20.00 from \$17.50. Mayor Kaplan stated that it will be effective immediately. Manager Stoeckeler also informed the Board that her title will change from part-time Assistance Safety Officer to part-time Assistant Municipal Code Officer.

Manager Stoeckeler also stated that Ken Bovo position is a Union position and he has been informed of this.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez to authorize the Village Manager to sign the side letter of agreement with the White Collar Union.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to create the position of a full-time Municipal Code Officer in accordance with Ulster County Civil Service.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to appoint Jennifer Cataldi as a Part-time Municipal Code Officer at a salary of \$12.00 an hour with no more than 25 hours per week.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

All the above motions have also been approved by Civil Service Personnel and the Village Labor Attorney, Judith Mayle.

ADJOURN

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Traci Jeter
Deputy Village Clerk