

Village of Ellenville
Board Meeting
Monday, February 9, 2015

The Village Board met has 6:30p.m. for the purpose of auditing bills.

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Kaplan at 6:40 p.m. due to inclement weather, notice was posted to start meeting earlier.

ROLL CALL

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

ALSO PRESENT

Joseph P. Stoeckeler, Jr., Village Manager
Peter Berger, Village Attorney
Brian Schug, Code Enforcement Officer
Noreen Dechon, Village Clerk

DISCUSSION

Seth Wood – 3 Center Street – spoke about the wall that he has in front of his home and the problem he is having with the State plowing snow up against this wall. Mayor Kaplan responded that many people in the Village are having problems with how the State plows their roads and pushing snow on either their sidewalk or property after they have cleared. It was requested that the Village Manager contact the State and discuss several options to remedy these problems.

Several residents were also before the board tonight either in person or by mail to discuss violations they received from the Main Office in reference to snow removal. They were: Delores Howard, 20 Maple Avenue, Michael Guiney, 41 Canal Street, Linda Blauvelt, 201 Center, Erimar Properties, 39 Canal Street, Walter Dexter, 26 N. Main Street and Luz Machea, 241 Canal. These violations will be reviewed and adjusted accordingly.

John Gavaris – thanked Mayor Kaplan and the Board of Trustees for ending dissolution discussion for the Village. Mr. Gavaris also spoke about the emergency shelters that will be designated in the Village.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES**#020915-1**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to accept the minutes of January 26, 2015 as presented.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION TO OPEN
PUBLIC HEARING****#020915-2**

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to open the Public Hearing at 7:00 P.M. to consider the adoption of a Local Law of the Village of Ellenville for the Year 2015 which authorizes the Board of Trustees of the Village to withdraw a total sum of \$1,200,000.00 from a special reserve fund.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Mayor Kaplan explained to audience members the reasoning behind this Local Law and Manager Stoeckeler also gave the background and reasoning for this withdrawal. Manager Stoeckeler spoke about the water/sewer rates, the deficit in the water fund and the Tax Freeze and staying below the 2% cap for taxes.

Discussion ensued and questions were asked by the public and answered.

**MOTION TO CLOSE
PUBLIC HEARING****#020915-3**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to close the Public Hearing at 7:15 p.m.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION TO
ISSUE A NEGATIVE
DECLARATION****#020915-4**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to declare the Village of Ellenville Board of Trustees as lead agency and issued a Negative Declaration determining the proposed action would not have a significant effect upon the environment.

Roll Call Vote:	Mayor Kaplan	Aye
	Deputy Mayor Younger	Aye
	Trustee Oliveras	Aye
	Trustee Steinhoff	Aye

Motion passed.

**MOTION TO
ADOPT LOCAL LAW
#1 OF 2015
#020915-5**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to adopt Local Law #1 of 2015 to hold a mandatory referendum election on February 25, 2015 from noon to 9:00 p.m. to consider authorizing the Board of Trustees to withdraw a total sum of \$1,200,000 from a special reserve fund.

Roll Call Vote:	Mayor Kaplan	Aye
	Deputy Mayor Younger	Aye
	Trustee Oliveras	Aye
	Trustee Steinhoff	Aye

Motion passed

**MOTION TO OPEN
PUBLIC HEARING
#020915-6**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to consider the adoption of a Local Law of the Village of Ellenville for the Year 2015 modifying Chapter 222, Part 2, Article III §222-49-Grease, oil and sand inceptors at 7:20 p.m.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Mayor Kaplan requested that the below be incorporated into the new law:

Section C – “When adequate space is not available on the premises, a 100 pound grease trap or a grease trap of acceptable size for its intended use by the Superintendent; and

Section D - If tank size is not compatible with new construction or it’s intended use an alternate method of compliance may be approved by the Building Inspector and Superintendent. All installations shall comply with NYSDEC.

**MOTION TO
CLOSE PUBLIC
HEARING
#020915-7**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to close the public hearing at 7:32 p.m.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Stoeckeler spoke about the contract with NYCOMCO and this was tabled till next meeting.

**MOTION TO TABLE
NYCOMCO
#020915-8**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to table authorizing the Village Manager to sign a lease term contract with NYCOMCO at a price of \$554.00 monthly upon recommendation of the Village Manager.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Manager Stoeckeler reported that he had recently met with the representatives from NY Rising and the Village of Ellenville will be the lead agent for Phase I of the project and a Request for Qualifications for engineering services will be advertised in the near future.

POLICE

Chief Mattracion gave an update on his department, how the weather is affecting the Village and the upcoming resignation of one of his part time police officers.

Chief Mattracion also commented on the Ulster County Fireman's Parade that will be held in the Village on July 25, 2015.

BUILDING

Building Inspector Schug gave to board members correspondence he has received from other municipalities in reference to abandoned houses.

Mr. Schug also told board members that the Government Center Roof project is completely finished and is recommending final payment to S&L Roofing. Village Manager Stoeckeler thanked Mr. Schug for all his work done on this project.

RESOLUTIONS**MOTION TO
EXCESS 1990
FRONT END LOADER
#020915-9**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the Village Board to consider excessing a 1990 Front End Loader and put said loader out to bid and to advertise on Craig's List.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
EMERGENCY EXPENDITURE
TO ROBERT GREEN CHEVROLET
#020915-10**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras authorizing the emergency expenditure of \$3,495.00 to Robert Green Chevrolet for the replacement of the transmission in a 2005 Chevy upon recommendation of the Street Department Foreman. A verbal estimate was also given by Tony's Towing.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
FINAL PAYMENT TO
H. OSTERHOUDT
EXCAVATING
#020915-11**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the final payment to H. Osterhoudt Excavating in the amount of \$26,698.02 for the completion of the Water System Valve & Booster Station project upon recommendation of Village Engineers.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
PAYMENT TO GENERAL
CONTROL SYSTEMS
#020915-12**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded Trustee Steinhoff authorizing the final payment to General Control Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$203,184.90 for the completion of the Water System SCADA Improvements project upon recommendation of the Village Engineers. The Village of Ellenville will hold back \$25,000 of this payment until such time that we are assured all systems are working correctly.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
CHANGE ORDER-GENERAL
CONTROL SYSTEMS
#020915-13**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to authorize up to \$3,500 for change order for General Control Systems, Inc. in reference to the SCADA improvement projects upon recommendation of the Village Engineers.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
ADVERTISING DELINQUENT
TAXES
#020915-14**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras authorizing the Village Treasurer to certify the attached list 2014 unpaid Village taxes and to advertise this list in the official Village newspaper.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
FINAL PAYMENT TO
S&L ROOFING & SHEET
METAL
#020915-15**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff authorizing the fourth and final payment to S&L Roofing & Sheet metal in

the amount of \$5,000 for the completion of the Government Center Roof project upon recommendation of Village Engineers.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION SCHEDULING
BOARD OF ASSESSMENT
REVIEW
#020915-16**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to schedule the Board of Assessment Review on Tuesday, February 24, 2015 between the hours of 4:00 – 8:00 p.m.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION TO ENTER
INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION
#020915-17**

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters at 7:55 p.m. not to reconvene to public session.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen Dechon
Village Clerk