

Village of Ellenville
Board Meeting
Monday, March 24, 2014

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

ROLL CALL

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

ALSO PRESENT

Joseph P. Stoeckeler, Jr., Village Manager
Linda Polkoski, Village Treasurer
Brian Schug, Building Inspector
Peter Berger, Village Attorney
Philip Mattracion, Chief of Police
Noreen Dechon, Village Clerk

PRESENTATION

Members of the 4th of July Committee were present tonight to discuss with the Board and Chief of Police an alternate detour traffic route for the Parade. Since the Hickory Street Bridge project and the demolition of the bridge will be underway at that time, a new detour route will take place through Ulster Heights and Irish Cape Road. Chief Mattracion stated that there will be an increased need for manpower and resources. It was requested that Chief Mattracion contact the NY State Police and Sheriff's Department requesting their assistance.

**MOTION APPROVING
PARADE TRAFFIC DETOUR
ROUTE
#032414-1**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Lopez approving the detour route presented by the Chief of Police and the 4th of July Committee.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

POLICE

Chief Mattracion updated the board on the upcoming “Run Like the Wind” and Trustee Lopez thanked the Chief for taking the time to give a young man a tour of the Police Department.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Kaplan requested April 9, 2014 as a Day of Recognition for National Service.

**MOTION FOR NATIONAL
SERVICE RECOGNITION
DAY
#032414-2**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff proclaiming the following:

Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service

WHEREAS, service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and central to how we meet our challenges; and

WHEREAS, the nation’s mayors are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet city needs; and,

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps address the most pressing challenges facing our cities and nation, from educating students for the jobs of the 21st century and supporting veterans and military families to preserving the environment and helping communities recover from natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve; and

WHEREAS, national service participants serve in more than 70,000 locations across the country, bolstering the civic, neighborhood, and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our economic and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, national service participants increase the impact of the organizations they serve with, both through their direct service and by recruiting and managing millions of additional volunteers; and,

WHEREAS, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and,

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps volunteers demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service shares a priority with mayors nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities; and is joining with mayors across the country to support the Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service on April 9, 2014.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Jeffrey Kaplan, Mayor of the Village of Ellenville, do hereby proclaim April 9, 2014, as National Service Recognition Day, and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our city, to thank those who serve; and to find ways to give back to their communities.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION TO
OPEN PUBLIC HEARING
RE: MODIFYING VILLAGE
CODE-CHAPTER 217-37
#032414-3**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez to open the public hearing in reference to modifying the Village Code-Chapter 217-37 to reduce the speed limit on Ellenridge Parkway to 20 MPH.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Attorney Berger reviewed with board members the request that had been received from the Ellenridge Homeowners to reduce the speed on this road. The Mayor had spoken to the Chief of Police prior to tonight's meeting and they both agreed that 20 MPH would be a good thing.

**MOTION TO
CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING
RE: MODIFYING VILLAGE
CODE-CHAPTER 217-37
#032414-4**

Motion by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to close the Public Hearing at 7:19 p.m.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION TO
ADOPT LOCAL LAW #1
OF 2014 REDUCING THE
SPEED LIMIT ON ELLENRIDGE
PARKWAY
#032414-5**

Motion by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to adopt Local Law #1 of 2014 which will reduce the speed limit on Ellenridge Parkway from 30 MPH to 20 MPH.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Kaplan	Aye
Deputy Mayor Younger	Aye
Trustee Lopez	Aye
Trustee Steinhoff	Aye

Motion passed

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES
#032414-6**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Lopez to approve the minutes of March 10, 2014 as presented.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**PETITIONERS &
CORRESPONDENCE**

Time Warner Cable – Correspondence received in reference to cable channels additions and/or deletions.

Ellenville/Wawarsing Chamber of Commerce – Request receive requesting permission to hold the Blueberry Festival on August 9, 2014 in the Village of Ellenville.

**MOTION GRANTING
PERMISSION TO EWCO
TO HOST BLUEBERRY
FESTIVAL
#032414-7**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez granting permission to the Ellenville/Wawarsing Chamber of Commerce request to hold the Blueberry Festival on August 9, 2014 subject to the Chief of Police's approval.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Bonnie Hull – requesting an appointment to the Village of Ellenville's Historic Preservation Commission.

**MOTION APPOINTING
BONNIE HULL TO
HPC
#032414-8**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff appointing Bonnie Hull to the Village of Ellenville's Historic Preservation Commission effective immediately with term ending June, 2015.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

John Lopez – Men's Softball League – Use of Berme Road Field – There was discussion about a recent letter that Mr. Lopez sent to the board in reference to using the Berme Road Softball Field on Berme Road. It was requested that Mr. Lopez attend the Village Board meeting to discuss this matter.

Gary Storms – discussed with the board the Village's water and sewer rates. Mayor Kaplan spoke about the reasons behind the necessity of our rates and the hopes the Village has to lowering them again in the future.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Stoeckeler stated that the Tentative 2014/15 Village Budget was given to the Village Clerk with a net increase of 2%.

Personnel Manual – Mayor Kaplan questioned the reasoning behind the half days given on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. Treasurer Polkoski responded that when the holidays for President's Day (Lincoln & Washington) were merged into one, the staff elected to take two ½ days in lieu of one of those days. Mayor Kaplan questioned why the staff did not elect for the Friday after Thanksgiving off and Treasurer Polkoski said that that is a staff holiday and was omitted from the revised Personnel

Manual. Mayor Kaplan requested that resolution be given to the Village Manager so the manual can be corrected.

Extension of the Use of Accrued Vacation Time – Manager Stoeckeler recommended that any unused vacation time be extended to two months (July 31).

**MOTION TO AMEND
PERSONNEL MANUAL
#032114-9**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to accept the recommended amendment to the personnel manual to allow for the modification of the use of vacation time for an additional two months extending to July 31.

All in favor – Aye – Motion passed

Liberty Square Street Lighting – Manager Stoeckeler updated the board of the progress of this project. Mayor Kaplan requested that the Village Attorney check the date of when the original agreement was signed with Hunt Memorial Preservation Committee and what, if any, would the Committee have any input on the placement of the lights.

Hickory Street Bridge Replacement – Manager Stoeckeler reviewed with the board the Supplemental Agreement with NYS Department of Transportation.

Water Improvement Project – Manager Stoeckeler updated the status of this project with board members.

Safe Routes to School – Preliminary Design – Manager Stoeckeler met with HVEA Engineers who will be doing the preliminary design for this project as well as the Kossar Place sidewalks.

TREASURER’S REPORT

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
CORRECTION OF AUDIT
REPORT
#032414-10**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the attached corrections of the Audit Record dated March 10, 2014.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION SCHEDULING
BUDGET WORKSHOP
#032414-11**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to schedule a Budget Workshop on April 1, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. on the third floor of the Government Center.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION SCHEDULING
BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING
#032414-12**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez to schedule a Public Hearing for the 2014/2015 Village Budget on April 16, 2014 at 7:15 p.m.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Building Inspector Schug spoke about the need to have Sheet Rock installed at the Street Department. He gave proposals to five contractors requesting a price and two responded.

Government Center Roof – It has come to the Village’s attention that the low bidder, Moisture Barrier, for the replacement of the Government Center Roof has gone out of business. Mr. Schug contacted the second lowest bidder, S & L Roofing, Albany, NY, and they will hold their price from November.

Mr. Schug reviewed with board members updates on the following projects: Lucky Petroleum, Flood Plan Worksheets and Auto Zone.

RESOLUTIONS

**MOTION TO
AUTHORIZE JOINT
WORKSHOP
#032414-13**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to meet at Town of Wawarsing Hall on April 28, 2014 at 3:30 p.m. for a joint workshop.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION TO RESCHEDULE
TIME FOR NEIGHBORHOOD
WALK-APRIL 28, 2014
#032414-14**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to move the Neighborhood Walk on April 28, 2014 to 5:30 p.m.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION APPROVING
AGREEMENT WITH HVEA
ENGINEERS
#032414-15**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez approving the Village Manager to sign an agreement to HVEA Engineers for the design of the Safe Routes to School sidewalk project in the amount of \$46,800.00 upon recommendation of NYS Department of Transportation.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION APPROVING
AGREEMENT WITH HVEA
ENGINEERS
#032414-16**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger approving the Village Manager to sign an agreement to HVEA Engineers for the design of the Multi Modal sidewalk project in the amount of \$11,000.00 upon recommendation of NYS Department of Transportation.

**MOTION APPOINTING
JOHN GAVARIS-CIVIL
DEFENSE DIRECTOR
#032414-17**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger designating John Gavaris as the Village of Ellenville's Civil Defense Deputy Director.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION REAFFIRMING
PURCHASE OF BRACKETS
FOR STREET LIGHTS
#032414-18**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Lopez authorizing the purchase of nine brackets for hanging baskets from Red Hook Electric Supply for the Street Lights in Liberty Square in the amount of \$1,817.00.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
MAYOR SIGN DOT
SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT
#032414-19**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the Mayor sign the attached Supplemental Agreement with NYSDOT – Hickory Street Bridge
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
FRED HART TO ATTEND
NYRW CONFERENCE
#032414-20**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing Fred Hart to attend the NYRW Conference Monday April 14, 2014 to Thursday April 17, 2014. Full registration is \$325.00 for the classes; \$30.00 for meal tickets for 3 nights and the cost of the Hotel is \$129.00 per night. Total cost for this conference is \$802.00. This authorization is recommended by the Water Department Foreman.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
BOND ANTICIPATION
NOTE
#032414-21**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the Village Treasurer to obtain a Bond Anticipation Note in the amount of \$520,000. No drawdowns on this Note will be done unless approved by the Village Board.

Roll Call Vote	Mayor Kaplan	Aye
	Deputy Mayor Younger	Aye
	Trustee Lopez	Aye
	Trustee Steinhoff	Aye

Motion carried

Treasurer Polkoski stated that the first borrowing will be approximately \$71,000 for Infiltration and Inflow work previously done on Cape Avenue.

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
M&B CONSTRUCTION
#032414-22**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff authorizing M & B Construction, the lowest responsible proposal, to install sheet rock at the Street Department in the amount of \$9,200 to be substantially completed by May 1st.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AWARDING
GOV'T CENTER ROOF
REPLACEMENT
#032414-23**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to award the second lowest bidder for the Government Center Roof to S&L Roofing and Sheet Metal for the replacement of our roof in the amount of \$144,950.00 upon recommendation from our Village Engineers and hold Moisture Barrier in default of our agreement.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION REAFFIRMING
PAYMENT TO ALFALLA'S
WELL DRILLING & PUMPS
#032114-24**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger reaffirming payment to Alfalla's Well Drilling and Pumps in the amount of \$7,060.00 for repairs to the Harris Well. (This is balance for work done on an emergency basis.)
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
PAYMENT TO ROBERT GREEN
TRUCK
#032414-25**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing payment to Robert Green Truck Division for an additional \$1,499.67 for the repair of the Sewer Department Truck.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

BOARD REPORTS

Trustee Steinhoff questioned the results of the walk through at the Slutsky Center and also reminded everyone about the interviews for the Summer Youth Program.

ADJOURN

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Lopez to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss personnel at 8:10 p.m. not to reconvene to public session.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen Dechon
Village Clerk