

Village of Ellenville
Board Meeting
Monday, April 25, 2016

The regular 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
Philip Mattracion, Chief of Police
Linda Polkoski, Village Treasurer
Noreen Dechon, Village Clerk

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to table the minutes of March 28 & April 11 2016 with minor corrections. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**PETITIONERS &
CORRESPONDENCE**

Mrs. Patricia Shaw representing Mid-Hudson branch of the National Alliance of Mental Illness requesting the Village to proclaim May as "Mental Health Awareness Month".

**MOTION PROCLAIMING
MAY AS MENTAL HEALTH
AWARENESS MONTH**

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

**PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 2016 AS "MENTAL HEALTH
AWARENESS MONTH"**

WHEREAS, mental health is essential to the wellbeing and the vitality of our families, businesses and communities; and

WHEREAS, mental health conditions are real and prevalent in our nation with 1 out of 4 Americans and 1 out of 5 children affected by mental illness.

WHEREAS, more people die from suicide in the United States than from traffic accidents and an estimated 22 veterans die from suicide each day.

WHEREAS, stigma and fear of discrimination keep many who would benefit from mental health services from seeking help; and

WHEREAS, with effective treatment those individuals with mental health conditions can recover and lead full, productive lives; and

WHEREAS, education, compassion, and awareness about mental health can change negative attitudes and behaviors toward people with mental illness.

WHEREAS, each business, school government agency, law enforcement agency, healthcare provider, organization and citizen shares the responsibility to promote mental wellness and support prevention efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR KAPLAN, on behalf of the Village of Ellenville do hereby proclaim the month of May 2016 as **MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH**.

As the Mayor of the Village of Ellenville, I also call upon all Village of Ellenville citizens, government agencies, government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses, and schools to recommit our community to increasing awareness and understanding of mental illnesses, reducing stigma, and discrimination, and promoting appropriate and accessible services for all individuals.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

DISCUSSION

Mayor Kaplan informed the Board of an upcoming forum hosted by Ulster County Interagency Task Force on Substance Abuse Prevention in reference to The Fight Against the Opioid and Heroin Crisis. This forum will be held on April 28, 2016 at the UC BOCES Conference Center between the hours of 6:00 – 8:00 pm. There was a lengthy discussion

between board members, Chief Mattracion and Patricia Shaw. All are invited to attend.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Mattracion reported that he spoke to students in two high school classes about the opioid and heroin crisis. Positive feedback from the students was received and they will be producing a video as well as a poster contest on this subject.

PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Lopez to open the Public Hearing at 7:15 p.m. in reference the 2016-2017 Village Budget at 7:15 p.m.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Lopez to adjourn the Public Hearing at 7:16 p.m.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

POLICE DEPARTMENT (continued)

Chief Mattracion spoke about the training that took place for his department personnel last Saturday as well as the upcoming events taking place in the Village.

Deputy Mayor Younger questioned the number of Vehicle and Traffic tickets issued last week on Maple Avenue.

MOTION TO REOPEN PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Lopez to reopen the Public Hearing in reference to the 2016-2017 Village Budget at 7:35 p.m.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Mayor Kaplan stated that the Village Board has held two previous workshop meetings on the Budget. Items that were discussed tonight was the line items of snow removal and health insurance contributions. Deputy Mayor Younger stated that he believes every employee should contribute to the health insurance. Mayor Kaplan responded beginning next year that any future increases that are given to employees that do not pay towards health insurance should be tied into their salary increase.

**MOTION FOR
ALL EMPLOYEES
TO CONTRIBUTE
TOWARDS HEALTH
INSURANCE**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff that all future budgets beginning the 2017-2018 Village Budget that all employees will be required to contribute towards their health insurance, percentage to be determined, and this contribution will be tied into their salary increase.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION TO CLOSE
PUBLIC HEARING**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to close the Public Hearing at 7:55 p.m.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION TO ADOPT
2016-2017 VILLAGE
BUDGET**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to Adopt the 2016-2017 Village Budget as follows:

Appropriations	\$6,373,498
Estimated Revenues	\$2,484,946
Amount to be Raised by Taxes	\$3,455,452 or .12%

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

Motion passed

Mayor Kaplan and Board members thanked Manager Stoeckeler and Treasurer Polkoski for all their hard work to complete this task.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Stoeckeler reported that two bids have been received in reference to the Engineering Services for the Community Block Grant Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project.

Manager Stoeckeler requested authorization to advertise for a Temporary Mechanic position due to an illness of our present mechanic.

**MOTION TO
ADVERTISE FOR
TEMPORARY MECHANIC**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff authorizing the Village Manager to advertise for a temporary mechanic for our Street Department.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Manager Stoeckeler spoke about the fees that are charged for parents and children at the "school pool." The Board would like to know how much has been collected at the gate.

**MOTION TO URGE
TOWN NOT TO CHARGE
FEE AT POOL**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to strongly urge the Town of Wawarsing not to charge a fee to swim at the pool.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION FOR
SETTLEMENT WITH
SIXTO SOTO**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to authorize an agreement with Sixto Soto in the amount of \$300.00 for damage to his snow cone cart.

Aye – 3; Absention - 1; Trustee Lopez

Motion passed

**MOTION ACCEPTING
TWO RESPONSIBLE BIDS**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Lopez accepting responsible two proposals received in reference to the Sanitary System Improvement Project for engineering and administrative services.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION REAFFIRMING
EXPENDITURE FOR
REMOVAL OF TREES**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger reaffirming emergency expenditure for the removal of trees and brush at the Fallsview Well Site for the emergency generator installation to Keith McCombs not to exceed \$7,500 upon recommendation of the Village Manger.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION TO TABLE
AGREEMENT WITH
B&L**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez to table Supplemental Agreement for Engineering Services to Barton & Loguidice for the Water System Improvement Project in the amount of \$39,400.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
CHANGE ORDER-GENERAL
CONTROL**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez authorizing Change Order No. 3 for the Water System Improvement Project (SCADA) to General Control Systems in the amount of \$3,337.60 upon recommendation of the Village Engineers.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION TO TABLE
MOA-WHITE COLLAR**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Lopez to table authorizing the Village Manage to sign a Memorandum of Agreement with Municipal Employees, Council 66, Local 750-7 AFL-CIO, White Collar Unit of the Collective Bargaining Agreement that expires on May 31, 2016 and shall be extended for a period of three (3) years. The new agreement shall be effective June 1, 2016 through May 31, 2019.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION APPROVING
PAYMENT TO H.T. LYONS**

Motion by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff approving payment #1 to H.T. Lyons in the amount of \$28,262.50 for the Fallsview Well Site Improvements – Contract 4B – Mechanical Construction upon recommendation of the Village Engineers.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION APPROVING
PAYMENT TO WITTCO**

Motion by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger approving payment #5 to Wittco, Inc. in the amount of \$12,825.00 –General Construction and \$41,844.83 – Electrical Construction for the Fallsview Well Site Improvements – Contract 4A & C – upon recommendation of the Village Engineers.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION APPROVING
EXPENDITURE FOR
MANHOLE COVERS**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez approving the expenditure of \$6,785.00 to Spinnenweber for Manhole Covers and Risers after June 1, 2016 upon recommendation of the Sewer Department Foreman.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
ESTABLISHMENT OF
CODE ENFORCEMENT
OFFICER**

Motion by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the advertisement of Code Enforcement Officer.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

MOTION TO TABLE**TITLE SERVICE COMPANY**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger tabling the Title Service Company in Kingston to perform the requisite title searches for delinquent tax parcels subject to foreclosure proceedings upon recommendation of the Village Attorney.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION APPROVING
EXPENDITURE TO ESC
ENVIRONMENTAL**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger approving the expenditure of \$2,332.50 to ESC Environmental for the purchase of Sodium Hydroxide upon recommendation of the Water Department Foreman.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried – Aye – motion carried

BOARD REPORTS

Mayor Kaplan requested the Village Manager to research funding for the Ellenville Housing Authority. Manager Stoeckeler responded that he has been in contact with Congressman Gibson's office and is awaiting an answer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to enter into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter at 8:20 p.m.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**RECONVENE PUBLIC
SESSION**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to reconvene into Public Session at 8:40 p.m.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION TO ADJUST
SALARY-J. CATALDI**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Lopez to increase Jennifer Cataldi's salary by a hourly rate of \$1.00 retroactive to June 1, 2015.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION TO TABLE
RESIGNATION**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Lopez to table the resignation of Jennifer Cataldi, Part-time Code Enforcement Officer effective April 28, 2016.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

ADJOURN

Motion by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen Dechon
Village Clerk