

Village of Ellenville
Board Meeting
Monday
May 30, 2018

The regular meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Kaplan at 6:00 p.m. and requested a Moment of Silence in memory of Maxine Chapin a lifelong community member who recently passed.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Jeffrey Kaplan	Present
Deputy Mayor Raymond Younger	Present @ 6:10 pm
Trustee John Gavaris	Present
Trustee Francisco Oliveras	Present
Trustee Patricia Steinhoff	Present

ALSO PRESENT

Joseph P. Stoeckeler, Jr., Village Manager
Brian Schug, Code Enforcement Officer
Philip Mattracion, Chief of Police
Noreen Dechon, Village Clerk

Mayor Kaplan reported that earlier this evening the board's Neighborhood Walk was to the Berme Road Park. In the near future it is hoped to place a visitor's center as well as bathrooms in this area. Repairs are needed on the basketball courts as well as the tennis courts. It was requested that Manager Stoeckeler send a letter to our Senator and Assemblyman requesting grant funds to help improve the park.

Mayor Kaplan also reported on a joint meeting that included a number of Village, Town and School Board members as well as members of the community. Some goals from that meeting are to inquire about hiring a public relations person to advertise the positive aspects of our area.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to approve the minutes of May 22, 2018 as presented.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mayor Kaplan thanked Chief Mattracion for chairing the joint meeting and the next meeting will take place in the near future.

Chief Mattracion reported that the weekend was extremely busy and he is very proud of his officers' handling of a very tense situation.

Firearms training will take place on June 16 as well as other training for his personnel.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Stoeckeler reported that beginning June 3rd the paving of Route 209 will take place. Other items discussed were the sewer plant, water and sewer rate charges but will meet with the Water Commission before presenting any changes to the Board of Trustees.

Grants – Manager Stoeckeler has been in contact with Matt Blauer, grant writer, to discuss applying for Community Development Block Grant.

MOTION TO HIRE MARK BLAUER-GRANT WRITER

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Gavaris to hire Mark Blauer in the amount of \$3,750 to apply for grant funds under the Community Development Block Grant Program.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Sewer Department – At a recent conference that Michael Ryman, Sewer Department Foreman, was attending he spoke with the administrator of the Community Development Block Grant for Inflow/Infiltration and was advised that a recent request was denied (hotbox) and to request something that would benefit our sewer lines system wide.

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the Village Manager to send a letter to the administrator of the CDBG program requesting approval to line our clay sewer line pipes on Canal and Center Streets.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Manager Stoeckeler reviewed other projects that will be applied for using grant funds. Deputy Mayor Younger requested that we consider a community center for our youth to be included in any grant applications.

**AUTHORIZING THE
CONVEYANCE OF
VILLAGE-OWNED
PROPERTIES**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras:

WHEREAS, this resolution has been submitted by the Mayor of the Village of Ellenville on behalf of the Village Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, the Village Treasurer has requested permission to accept payment of the full amount of back taxes on a certain parcels of real property acquired by the Village by reason of non-payment of taxes; and

WHEREAS, based upon the examination of the Village of Ellenville Board of Trustees, it has been determined that the following transaction does not pose a significant environmental impact and constitutes a Type II action in accordance with 6NYCRR, Part 617, of SEQRA, and does not require any determination or procedure under SEQRA; and now, therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of the Village of Ellenville is authorized to accept payment as above set forth with respect to the following parcels:

DESCRIPTION	DEED TO	AMOUNT
	Zajac, Joanna K.	\$2,248.12
SBL#: 82.76-1-4	28 Cape Avenue Ellenville, NY 12428	

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that upon receipt of such payment (within ten days) with respect to each parcel, the Mayor of the Village of Ellenville is hereby authorized to make, execute and deliver to the owner making payment, a quitclaim deed conveying the interest of the Village in the parcel, which quitclaim deed shall contain the covenant that the Village of Ellenville shall in no event be or become liable for any defects in title conveyed for any cause whatsoever, or that no claim or demand of any nature shall ever be made against the Village of Ellenville arising from such sales, conveyances, or any proceedings leading thereto,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 5 NOES: 0

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Code Enforcer Schug reported that he had been contacted by NYS Emergency Management Office thanking him to remain on standby during the recent storms.

Progress on Stewart's new building project is taking shape quickly and Taco Bell should be opened in a few weeks.

Trustee Steinhoff questioned the status of the D&M Building and Mayor Kaplan requested the Building Inspector start the process of condemning the building.

RESOLUTIONS

MOTION CREATING DEPUTY TREASURER POSITION

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger Be it hereby resolved, by the Village Board of the Village of Ellenville creating one Deputy Village Treasurer position and that the Village Board hereby amend the appropriate Village of Ellenville employment schedules to create one exempt class Deputy Village Treasurer position to work in the Village of Ellenville, as designated by the Ulster County Personnel Department, Civil Service Division, and subject to compliance with all applicable local, county and state laws rules and regulations relating to the establishment of said position. The person hired to fill said position, whether full or part time, may act for and in place of the Village Treasurer.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENTS #1 & #2 TO BAST HATFIELD CONSTRUCTION

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras authorizing payment No. 1 in the amount of \$107,231 to Bast Hatfield Construction LLC upon recommendation of the Village Engineer in reference to Phase I Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras authorizing payment No. 2 in the amount of \$128,178 to Bast Hatfield Construction LLC upon recommendation of the Village Engineer in reference to Phase I Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

BOARD REPORTS

Mayor Kaplan spoke about employees using their personal vehicles when attending seminars out of the Village.

MOTION TO LIMIT USE PERSONAL VEHICLES WHILE ATTENDING OUT OF VILLAGE SEMINARS

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras that the policy for employees using their own vehicles while attending seminars must get prior approval from the Village Manager and if not, they are to use a Village vehicle.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Trustee Gavaris requested the Village Manager to look into the high price hauling sludge.

MOTION TO PREPARE A PLAQUE TO EPLM

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to have the Village Clerk prepare a plaque for the Ellenville Public Library & Museum 125th anniversary.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Trustee Gavaris gave kudos to the police officers recently involved during a fight that took place in the Village. Trustee Gavaris also spoke about empty properties owned by the Village to consider contacting Ulster BOCES to work on their rehabilitation and then placing the renovated properties on the market.

Trustee Steinhoff stated that at a recent meeting there was a concern about recent released persons from the correctional facility waiting for the bus on Canal Street. Discussion ensued.

Trustee Gavaris spoke about before the Village sign any lease agreement with Spectrum Services that it be reviewed very carefully.

Trustee Steinhoff spoke about the empty storefront windows on Canal and Center Streets. The board will make this next this areas their next Neighborhood Walk .

Deputy Mayor Younger questioned if we invited Tom Moza to our next board presenting him with a Pride of Ellenville certificate.

ADJOURN

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to enter into Executive Session at 7:15 p.m. to discuss specific personnel and not reconvene to public session.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Meeting was adjourned in memory of Maxine Chapin.

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen Dechon
Village Clerk