

Village of Ellenville
Board Meeting
January 28, 2019

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Kaplan at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Jeffrey Kaplan	Present
Deputy Mayor Raymond Younger	Present (Arrived at 6:10 p.m.)
Trustee John Gavaris	Present
Trustee Francisco Oliveras	Present
Trustee Patricia Steinhoff	Present

ALSO PRESENT

Joseph P. Stoeckeler, Village Manager
Traci Jeter, Village Clerk
Abigail Osgood, Village Attorney
Chief Mattracion

MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to accept the minutes of January 14, 2019 with changes.
All in favor – Aye –motion carried

**PETITIONERS &
CORRESPONDENCE**

Climb the Gunks Cycling - Requesting allowing the Climb the Gunks Cycling Event for MS Gran Fondo throughout the Village on September 29, 2019.

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras allowing the Climb the Gunks Cycling Event for MS Gran Fondo throughout the Village of Ellenville on September 29, 2019 upon review and approval of the Chief of Police.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

POLICE REPORT

Chief Mattracion spoke about the recent events and upcoming trainings and informed the Board that he will be on vacation for the Broadhead Street and Tuthill Avenue parking public hearing. Mayor Kaplan stated that since the Chief previously expressed his' opinions on this matter it should not be an issue.

Chief Mattracion thanked Trustee Gavaris for assisting the Water Department on a recent water issue at the Old Bio Energy building.

Trustee Steinhoff commented on an article that she had read in the Shawangunk Journal and the Devil Advocate about the Graffiti and needles in the Village. Chief Mattracion said that he has no reports of needles being in the streets but will look into it.

Chief Mattracion expressed to the Board that there has been a lot of success stories and good things that have come out of Ellenville.

Mayor Kaplan stated that Ellenville needs to start marketing itself in a positive way and sell itself as a great place to live. There was an issue last Thursday night in the Village with icy roads and someone needed help and the Police Department and Michael Jeter from the Highway Department were there. These are the kind of things that being a small community are all about. Mayor Kaplan thanked Michael for his' assistance that night.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Osgood asked the Board if they would hire Judy Ahrens again to help with tax foreclosures.

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Gavaris to hire Judy Ahrens as a part-time clerk at the rate of \$25.00 (prior year's rate) to assist the Attorney with tax foreclosures.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

Attorney Osgood requested permission from the Board to begin tax foreclosure proceedings for years 2016 and 2017. She asked if they wanted her to begin with 2016 or wait until June and do both. The Board instructed her to start 2016.

RESOLUTIONS:**MOTION AUTHORIZING
THE EXPENDITURE TO
ACS**

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to authorize the expenditure of \$6,250.00 to ACS to repair the pump station wet wells for the drying beds upon recommendation of the Sewer Department Foreman.

All in favor - Aye – motion carried

**MOTION TO TABLE
THE DECISION FOR
A NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM**

Motion by Trustee Gavaris, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to table the decision on a new telephone system for Village Hall for the next meeting of February 11, 2019.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

**MOTION ACCEPTING
FEE PROPOSAL FROM
BARTON AND LOGUIDICE FOR
CLINTON AVENUE BRIDGE
PROJECT PIN #8759.27**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to accept the fee proposal from Barton and Loguidice for the Clinton Avenue Bridge Project (PIN #8759.27) subject to DOT approval.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
TREASURER/PAYROLL CLERK
TO PAY OUT 3RD AND 4TH QUARTER
NY RISING HOURS**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to authorize the Treasurer/Payroll Clerk to pay out the 3rd and 4th quarter NY Rising hours to employees working with NY Rising. These hours are reimbursed through NY Rising.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

**MOTION DECLARING
THE VILLAGE LEAD AGENCY**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff seconded by Trustee Gavaris declaring the Board lead agency on Local Law 1 of 2019 – Withdrawal from Special Reserve Funds.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Kaplan	Aye
Deputy Mayor Younger	Aye
Trustee Steinhoff	Aye
Trustee Oliveras	Aye
Trustee Gavaris	Aye
Motion passed	

**MOTION DECLARING PROJECT
AS AN UNLISTED ACTION WITH
NO POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT
IMPACT**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Gavaris declaring that the project is an “Unlisted Action” with no potentially significant impact on the environment (Local Law #1 of 2019).

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Kaplan	Aye
Deputy Mayor Younger	Aye
Trustee Steinhoff	Aye
Trustee Oliveras	Aye
Trustee Gavaris	Aye
Motion passed	

**MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVAL**

Village Clerk	Traci Jeter
Village Treasurer	Daniel Tucker
Deputy Treasurer	Lillian Lopez
Receiver of Taxes	Daniel Tucker
Deputy Receiver of Taxes	Michelle Booth
Registrar of Vital Statistics	Traci Jeter
Deputy Registrar	Michelle Booth
Clerk to the Justice	Laura Shank
Village Attorney	Abigail Osgood
Deputy Mayor	Trustee Younger

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to accept the Mayoral appointments.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MAYORAL LIASION
APPOINTMENTS**

Hunt Memorial Preservation	Trustee Steinhoff
Cable TV	Deputy Mayor Younger
Parks & Beautification	Trustee Gavaris
Youth & Recreation	Trustee Steinhoff
Police Department	Mayor Kaplan, Deputy Mayor Younger & Trustee Gavaris
Street Department	Trustee Gavaris
Water/Sewer Department	Trustee Oliveras
Municipal Buildings	Deputy Mayor Younger
Village Inter-Municipal Committee	Mayor Kaplan/Trustee Steinhoff
Code Enforcement Department	Mayor Kaplan/Deputy Mayor Younger
Arts	Mayor Kaplan
Farmer's Market	Mayor Kaplan

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to accept the Mayoral Liaison appointments.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION TO SCHEDULE
VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS
FOR THE YEAR 2019**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to schedule Village Board meetings for the year 2019 as follows:

The second and fourth Mondays of the month beginning at 6:00 p.m. If there is a holiday on either of these Mondays, the Village Board meeting will take place on that Wednesday, same time and place.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MAYORAL DESIGNATION
OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER**

Official Newspaper:

Shawangunk Journal

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to accept the Mayoral Official newspaper appointments.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MAYORAL DESIGNATION
OFFICIAL BANK DEPOSITORIES**

Official Bank Depositories:

Sterling National Bank

Catskill Hudson Bank

M & T Bank

Orange Trust

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to accept the Mayoral Official Bank Depositories appointments.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

BOARD REPORTS

Mayor Kaplan asked that before we advertise for a vacancy on the various boards the Village should contact each Chairperson and ask for their recommendation.

Trustee Steinhoff informed the Board that Trustee Gavaris and she will be meeting with the Youth Commission on Tuesday, January 30, 2019 to set up the summer program.

Deputy Mayor Younger noticed in the packet that the student council along with Jennifer Bonitz and Stephanie Craft did the gloves and hats again this year. He would like to send a letter of appreciation to all involved. Mayor Kaplan suggested that they be invited to the next board meeting of February 11, 2019 and present them with certificates of appreciation for their hard work. All were in agreement.

Deputy Mayor Younger informed the board that when he was looking over the building standards and codes report that the Building Inspector submits at the end of the year he was not aware that they had to file such reports to the State and that the Building Department seems to be on top of their game. Deputy Mayor Younger wished that Brian was in attendance to discuss the report.

Trustee Steinhoff wanted to know if the Village had a law for charging property owners for false alarms. Trustee Steinhoff feels that the fire departments are not reporting to the building department and we need to look into this.

Deputy Mayor Younger finds the report regarding the sewer plant from Barton and Loguidice very frustrating. In the report it suggests how the Village can save money and he wants to make sure we stay on top of it.

Trustee Gavaris asked if the Village could amend the code for graffiti on buildings and if we were allowed to paint over the graffiti. Manager Stoeckeler will look in this matter. Mayor Kaplan instructed Attorney Osgood to call the NY State Conference of Mayors to see if there are specific legislation that may be different than the property maintenance law for graffiti and removal.

ADJOURN

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Gavaris to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Traci Jeter
Village Clerk