

Village of Ellenville
Board Meeting
Monday, January 28, 2013

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

ROLL CALL

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

ALSO PRESENT

Mary Sheeley, Village Manager
Phillip Mattracion, Chief of Police
Brian Schug, Code Enforcement Officer
Noreen Dechon, Village Clerk

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES
#012813-1**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to accept the minutes of January 14, 2013 as presented.
All in favor – Aye – motion passed

DISCUSSION

**RESOLUTION CONCERNING FIREARM VIOLENCE
#012813-2**

Resolution by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kaplan Younger to adopt the following:

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Ellenville shared the public’s outrage following the recent violence in the City of Newtown, CT; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board determined it necessary to direct Officials of Ulster County, State of New York, the State of New York and the Federal Government to take appropriate action in order to minimize the likelihood of similar offenses; and

WHEREAS, the Ellenville Board held two public hearings in which the comments and concerns of the Board and the public were considered:

1. Mental Health Treatment – In an effort to reduce spending, public monies used for treatment of mental illness has been significantly impaired. Often times treatment is replaced by medication which may mask but not treat the underlying illness. It is imperative that a response to Newton include appropriate public funding for mental health treatment and counseling.
2. School Security – Each and every public school within the State of New York should have at least one armed resource officer who as part of their function should teach firearm safety in an appropriate setting.
3. Firearm Certification – Extensive and mandatory firearm training and education should be required as part of a permitting process for all firearms.
4. Penalties for illegal possession of a firearm – The crime of illegal possession of an unlicensed unloaded handgun or firearm should be a felony subject to limited plea bargaining.
5. Banning of certain weapons and high capacity magazines – The Village of Ellenville supports the recent NYS legislation banning certain assault weapons and limitations on high capacity magazines. These limitations should be expanded nationwide.
6. Firearm Storage – Reasonable rules and regulations must be required providing for safe firearm storage and penalties for a firearm owner who allows the weapon to be used by someone who is unlicensed.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Village Board of the Village of Ellenville urges immediate action on the above proposals.

PETITIONERS & CORRESPONDENCE

Time Warner Cable – Acknowledged receipt of a letter from Time Warner Cable in reference to channel additions/deletions and rate increases.

Chamber of Commerce – Acknowledged receipt of a letter from Chamber of Commerce advising their Board of Directors has voted to end their association with the Farmer's Market. Mayor Kaplan requested that a letter be sent to them thanking them for their work in the past and the Village would be willing to allow the use of the former site of the Market to be used for any other worthwhile endeavor.

Chief Mattracion spoke about training that will take place shortly for his department.

In addition, Chief Mattracion spoke about the three quotes he has received for the new engine that is needed for one of his police cars. Robert Green Chevrolet was the lowest responsible price received and requested authorization to purchase this engine.

**MOTION TO
PURCHASE AN
ENGINE FOR
POLICE CAR
#012813-2**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to authorize the purchase of a new engine for a police car from Robert Green Chevrolet in the amount of \$5,615 + \$1,200 for a three year warranty or 100,000 miles, whichever occurs first.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Sheeley spoke to board members about the following items:

1. Central Hudson Lightning issues – she has been in contact with the foreman from CHGE in our area and they have assured her that the Village's street poles that are not working will be fixed this week.
2. COR #34-EQ Platform – This is a platform that will be needed at the new Wastewater Treatment Plant in the Equalization Tank to operate the valves once a year versus standing on the wall with a harness and hoist and will cost approximately \$27,000. It was the consensus of the board since this item is for safety purposes and once the funding for this expenditure is in place, this item will be placed on a future agenda.
3. Sludge seed – Seeking authorization to purchase sludge seed for the new Wastewater Treatment Plant that is necessary for the new plant to plant.

**MOTION TO
AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURE
FOR SLUDGE SEED
#012813-3**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor to authorize the purchase of sludge seed for the new Wastewater Treatment Plant not to exceed \$4,000.00.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

4. Beckley Bridge Update - This item was tabled until a future meeting.
5. Engineering Specs for Government Center Roof – Board members requested that Manager Sheeley call several engineering firms for their quote to write specs for the Government Center Roof.
6. Records Management Grant –Manager Sheeley reported on a recent meeting with Linda Bull, SARA, Glenn Gildaly and Clerk Dechon in reference to applying for a State grant to scan, digitize and index Village Board minutes. Barton & Loguidice's fee to prepare this grant is \$3,300 and due to lack of Village funds, the grant will be done in-house by the Village Manager and Village Clerk.

7. Budget Discussion – This item was tabled until a future meeting.
8. Training Operator – The new Wastewater Treatment Plant will require a training operator for our staff. This operator will be required for 500 hours and Manager Sheeley is currently acquiring quotes and references from several sources. After Manager Sheeley receives the quotes and references, she will poll the board with the results since the new plant is expected to go online in two weeks.
9. 90 Center Street – parking lot – Manager Sheeley inquired if the board is ready to have this lot surveyed.

**MOTION TO
AUTHORIZE
SURVEY OF
90 CENTER ST
#012813-4**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the Village Manager to retain the services of Timothy McCabe for the purposes of conducting a survey on the parking lot at 90 Center Street for a three lot subdivision not to exceed \$1,500.00

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

10. Village Streets – Mayor Kaplan requested that Manager Sheeley discuss with our Street Superintendent the amount of salt that is on the streets. Manager Sheeley also will have the sidewalk closed on Chapel Street and have barricades placed in that area due to storm damage.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Treasurer Polkoski was absent this evening but in the board packets was the Expense Control Report as well as the requested Wastewater Treatment Plant Change Order Summary.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

1. Fume Hood – new Wastewater Treatment Plant – Don Schmalzle of Barton & Loguidice followed up on the board’s question in reference to this change order.
2. Software – Gas Pumps – Mr. Schug is obtaining quotes for new upgraded software for accuracy and accountability for the Village’s gas pumps.
3. Timber Harvesting Fee – Building Inspector Schug is recommending to the Village Board a fee of \$250 for the issuance of permit in reference to Timber Harvesting.

**MOTION TO
SET FEE FOR
TIMBER HARVESTING
PERMIT
#012813-5**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger upon recommendation of the Building Inspector to set the permit fee for Timber Harvesting at \$250.00.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

4. SCADI System - Brian Schug and Don Schmalzle discussed the need for phone and internet cables at the new Wastewater Treatment Plant. Mr. Schmalzle will research what is needed and prices will be obtained from Time Warner Cable, Verizon and T-Mobile.
5. Brian Schug has obtained three quotes for a new furnace at the Street Department building

Mayor Kaplan requested an update from Building Inspector Schug for on several projects. They were Walter Dexter property, Auto Zone, Lucky Petroleum, Assisted Living project and 2 Roslyn Street.

RESOLUTIONS

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
EXPENDITURE-GOLDSTAR
PRODUCTS
#012813-6**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the expenditure of \$1,274.25 to Goldstar Products, Inc. for the purchase of 18 gallons of Lift-off (pump station degreaser) upon recommendation of the Village Manager and Sewer Department Foreman.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION ADOPTING
REVISED WORKPLACE
VIOLENCE POLICY
#012813-7**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to adopt the attached revision of the Workplace Violence Policy Statement as recommended by the Village Manager.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
AUDIT CORRECTION
REPORT
#012813-8**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the attached audit correction record for 1/14/13 as recommended by the Village Treasurer.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
CHANGE ORDER
PHOTOVOLTAIC PROJECT
#012813-9**

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing Change Order #2 in the amount of \$22,500 in reference to the Photovoltaic Construction project for revisions to the design and location of the photovoltaic array system as recommended by Barton & Loguidice.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

ADJOURN

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, Trustee Steinhoff to enter into Executive Session at 8:25 p.m. to discuss personnel items and contracts not to reconvene to Public Session.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen Dechon
Village Clerk