

Village of Ellenville
Board Meeting
Monday, January 13, 2014

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez to open the meeting at 6:30 p.m. to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss personnel and contractual matters.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez to enter into Public Session at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Kaplan requested a Moment of Silence for the recent passing of Lucy Parker, wife of Judge Matthew Parker.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Jeffrey Kaplan	Present
Deputy Mayor Raymond Younger	Present
Trustee Efrain Lopez	Present
Trustee Francisco Oliveras	Present
Trustee Patricia Steinhoff	Left the meeting at 7:00 pm

ALSO PRESENT

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

Mayor Kaplan requested that at the next board meeting, appointments of personnel, depositories, etc. are done.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES
#011314-1**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to approve the minutes of December 9, 2013 as presented.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**PETITIONERS &
CORRESPONDENCE**

1/13/14

Time Warner Cable – correspondence received in reference to channel additions and/or deletions.

NYS Office of Parks and Recreation – Correspondence received in reference to the recently submitted Certified Local Government (CLG) program’s audit for 2013. The Historic Preservation Commission received accolades for the work they have done and Mayor Kaplan thanked Mrs. Dumond for her and the Commission’s hard work.

Goldie Hadley – Correspondence received thanking the Village as well as the First Aid Squad and Ellenville Regional Hospital for their assistance during a recent rupture of a water main pipe at Glusker Garden Apartments.

John Lopez – was present tonight to follow up on previous discussions for the use of the Berme Road Softball field for a men’s league. Mr. Lopez told board members that he will be able to obtain insurance coverage and donate \$2,500 towards the purchase of a safety net in the outfield. Mayor Kaplan requested a written proposal for the use of the field, a copy of the insurance and it would be necessary for the league to maintain the field.

TJ Briggs – Ellenville First Aid & Rescue Squad – spoke about the negative media attention that the squad has recently received. Mr. Briggs wanted to reassure the Village Board the Squad will be as good if not better after the recent event. Mayor Kaplan, as well as Board members, stated that the Squad is an asset to our community and it is made up of volunteers and everyone appreciates their work.

PUBLIC HEARING

Dennis Warner – naming an area in the Village in his honor – Mayor Kaplan stated that at this time Mr. Warner’s family has requested that no action be taken as this time since they are still in mourning.

Mrs. Dumond gave a brief synopsis of the original naming of Liberty Square and urged board members to remember why it was named as such.

Mayor Kaplan feels that are living history now and we should recognize people that have played an integral part of the community.

Mr. Al Perry spoke about Dennis Warner’s legacy and should find somewhere to name after him.

Mr. Brian Schug stated that Dennis Warner affected the community in many ways.

AUDIT REPORT

Andrew Arias, Cooper Arias, LLP, was before the board tonight to present an overview of the Village's audit ending May 31, 2013.

Several parts of the audit were:

- Financials
- Compliance with laws and regulations
- Assessment of internal controls
- Single Audit
- Third Party Confirmations
- Audit opinion on financial statements

Mr. Arias reviewed the General, Water and Sewer Funds with board members and answered questions from the Mayor and Trustees.

DISCUSSION

Aroma Thyme Vintage Run – requesting permission to host a run throughout the Village on February 9th and it was requested that Chief Mattracion contact the parties involved to discuss this matter.

POLICE

Chief Mattracion reported on recent arrests that were made in the past weeks and spoke about his department's upcoming training.

The Chief also spoke about the sprinkler line break that recently took place at Glusker Gardens and has met with emergency personnel to discuss procedures. Trustee Lopez complimented the Chief and members of his department for their work that night.

Chief Mattracion also spoke about his department's computer system and the problems they have recently been experiencing.

MANAGER'S REPORTS

Mayor Kaplan complimented the new Village Manager, Joseph P. Stoeckeler, Jr. with his work on current projects. Mayor Kaplan stated that the most important issue is the water project. Manager Stoeckeler updated the board on several components on this project.

Manager Stoeckeler reviewed with board members the following:

- Appointment to the Youth Commission – John Gavaris

- Tax Lien Foreclosure Agreement – will meet with Village Manager and Attorney to discuss this agreement.
- Congressman Gibson’s Visit to Ellenville – will be meeting with constituents on Thursday, January 23, 2014 from 9:30 am – 3:00 pm at Village Hall
- Hunt Memorial Electrical Repair – engineering proposals – reviewed results
- Hickory Street Bridge Replacement – bids were opened and results were higher than expected due to an addition of sidewalks in the amount of \$50,000.00. The possibility of eliminating the sidewalks was discussed.
- Intermunicipal Agreement – BOCES – Albany-Schoharie-Schoharie-Schenectady-Saratoga Counties and the Village of Ellenville
- Helen Street Drainage Update-Completed
- Ellenridge Parkway – Speed Limit – waiting for Chief’s opinion - tabled till future meeting
- Wastewater Planning Engineering Study - \$24,000 grant received for this study – tabled till next meeting
- Wastewater Treatment Plant Update – George Popp will be in Village Hall tomorrow to discuss this matter
- Appointment of Deputy Treasurer – Margaret Schoonmaker
Treasurer Polkoski disagreed with the hiring of another employee at this time due to cash flow.

**MOTION TO HIRE
DEPUTY TREASURER
#011314-2**

Motion by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Trustee Oliveras appointing Margaret Schoonmaker as Deputy Treasurer at a rate of \$16.00 per hour up to twenty hours per week with the number of hours at the discretion of the Village Manager effective January 14, 2014.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Manager Stoeckeler complimented Chief Mattracion and Building Inspector Schug for their all their work during the past few weeks.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Building Inspector Schug recommended to the Board that a fire inspection be done throughout the Government Center by P.N. Alarm Company in the amount of \$5,280.00 and the board concurred.

Mr. Schug reviewed his department’s revenue for the past year (2013).

RESOLUTIONS**MOTION APPOINTING
JOHN GAVARIS TO
YOUTH COMMISSION
#011314-3**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras appointing John Gavaris to the Youth Commission to replace Dianne Krulick.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION SENDING
LETTER OF APPRECIATION
TO DIANNE KRULICK
#011314-4**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras that a letter of appreciation is sent to Dianne Krulick acknowledging her years of service to the Youth Commission.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
TAX LIEN FORECLOSURE
AGREEMENT
#011314-5**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras authorizing the Mayor to sign a Tax Lien Foreclosure Agreement with Ulster County subject to a discussion with the Village Attorney and Village Manager and discussion with the County.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION ACCEPTING
THREE PROPOSALS
FOR ENGINEERING
SERVICES
#011314-6**

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Trustee Lopez accepting three proposals in reference to engineering services for the electrical repair at the Hunt Memorial Building.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AWARDING
ENGINEERING SERVICES
FOR HUNT MEMORIAL
#011314-7**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez awarding the lowest engineering proposal for engineering services for the electrical repair at the Hunt Memorial Building to Barton & Loguidice in the amount of \$5,150.00.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
AGREEMENT WITH
BOCES FOR GASBV
45 SERVICES
#011314-8**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras authorizing the Village Manager to sign an amended Intermunicipal Agreement between the Board of Cooperative Education Services of Albany-Schoharie-Schenectady-Saratoga Counties and the Village of Ellenville to provide GASBV 45 Services.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
PAYMENT TO UW MARX
#011314-9**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez authorizing payment to U.W. Marx, Inc. in the amount of \$389,049.24 in reference to the Wastewater Treatment Plant upon recommendation of Barton & Loguidice.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
PAYMENT TO KINSELY
POWER
#011314-10**

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Trustee Lopez authorizing payment to Kinsley Power Systems in the amount of \$1,022.27 for repairs to the Harris Well upon recommendation of the Water Department Foreman.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
EXPENDITURE TO PEWAG**

#011314-11

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras authorizing the expenditure of \$2,004.35 to Pewag for heavy truck squares (chains) upon recommendation of the Village Manager and the Street Department Foreman.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
EXPENDITURE TO
AMTHOR WELDING**

#011314-12

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Trustee Lopez authorizing the expenditure of \$1,837.14 to Amthor Welding for the purchase of parts (plows) for Truck #5 upon recommendation of the Village Manager and the Street Department.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AUTHORIZING
PAYMENT TO FAMILY DANZ**

#011314-13

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras authorizing payment to Family Danz #12 in the amount of \$27,383.84 in reference to the Wastewater Treatment Plant upon recommendation of Barton & Loguidice.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION APPROVING
EXPENDITURE TO**

P.N. ALARM

#011314-14

Motion by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to approve the expenditure of \$5,280.00 to P.N. Fire & Alarm for an inspection of the Government Center upon recommendation of the Building Inspector.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

**MOTION AWARDING
REPLACEMENT OF
HICKORY STREET
BRIDGE PROJECT
#011314-15**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Lopez to award the bid for the replacement of the Hickory Street Bridge project to Sullivan County Paving in the amount of \$1,461,904.50 contingent on the elimination sidewalks amounting to \$54,000 being a total credit to the Village's share.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

BOARD REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Younger inquired about the job description for a building maintenance person. Manager Stoeckeler will forward it to the board.

Deputy Mayor Younger spoke about the property on Mill Street sidewalks that has not been shoveled forcing students and residents to walk in the road and also requested an update on the Ida Lane project.

ADJOURN

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Trustee Lopez to adjourn in memory of Lucy Parker at 8:55 p.m.
All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen Dechon
Village Clerk