VILLAGE OF ELLENVILLE

BOARD MEETING

March 28, 2022

6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC MEETING

Meeting called to order with Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Kaplan at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Jeffrey Kaplan Present

Deputy Mayor Younger Present

Trustee Nibe Present

Trustee Briggs Present

Trustee Alexander Young Present

ALSO, PRESENT Michael Warren, Village Manager

Traci Jeter, Village Clerk

Kareen Donohue, Village Treasurer

Brian Schug, Code Enforcement Officer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younge, seconded by Trustee Nibe to approve minutes of February 14, 2022.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

PETIONERS AND CORRESPNDENCES:

Paul/Amy Villinski – Would like permission to use Village lot on Market Street on Saturday, May 21, 2022 for an art exhibition and art auction – Resolution #2

Richard/Debra Bradford - Hunt Memorial Preservation – Wanted to know status on letter dated March 16, 2022.

Manager Warren informed Board that he has a meeting with Jane Eck tomorrow to discuss and hopefully resolve this matter.

Thomas Dawson – 33 Market Street - Having problems with neighbors on Essex Street parking on his lawn and requests a no parking sign on corner of Market and Essex Street.

Mayor Kaplan asked if a no parking sign was there previously, and Michael Jeter informed him yes,

Street Department Foreman Jeter will have a no parking sign in place no later than Frida, April 1, 2022.

Coffey Group – Would like to set up a meeting to discuss Complete Streets and Way Finding Plan.

Mayor Kaplan would like Manager Warren to coordinate a meeting with OSI, Park and Recreation Commission and Coffey Group to discuss these matters.

POLICE REPORT:

Chief Mattracion spoke about the following:

1. Overnight parking warning – Issued about thirty warnings during storms and seemed to help with street Department plowing.
2. Ukraine rally – Rally went well with a lot of support from the community
3. Jose Negron – Celebrated a 93rd Birthday recently and a few officers delivered a cake that they purchased from Gabby’s and sang Happy Birthday to him.

SEWER REPORT:

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Nibe authorizing expenditure of $2,327.90 to Koester for repairs to the pista-grit upon recommendation of Sewer Department Foreman.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MANAGER REPORT:

Manager Warren spoke about the following:

1. Bob and Anita Goldfus – Manager Warren shown Board a tee shirt that Mrs. Goldfus had made to sell with profits donated to the Village for future tree planting.
2. Village generator – Resolution #4
3. Park and Recreation Commission vacancy – Application sent to Town of Wawarsing in error – Resolution #7
4. Budget – Discussion

Trustee Briggs was confused with budget presented tonight stating that it should show an increase or decrease in numbers from prior fiscal year and that was not the case. Also, during the time a captain was hired, Trustee Briggs was under the impression that there was money in the police budget and looking over figures it was also not the case.

Deputy Mayor Younger stated that if he would had known about police budget he would have waited until next Fiscal year which starts June, 2022.

Mayor Kaplan was also under the same impression and thought he was hired to replace an employee that was no longer able to work.

Mayor Kaplan would like Manager Warren to speak to Chief Mattracion regarding these issues.

Manager Warren would like to meet individually with Board members to go over budget before next Board meeting.

BUILDING REPORT:

Code Enforcement Officer Schug spoke to Board on Planning Board recommendations for a one-year moratorium on retail and onsite dispensaries in the Village regarding cannabis.

Mayor Kaplan would like Code Enforcement Officer Schug to have Village Planner Shuster prepare wording for local law so that Attorney Morse can review before Board sets a public hearing.

TREASURER REPORT:

Treasurer Donohue discussed the expense report with Board and answered any questions they had.

MOTION SCHEDULING

2022 SPRING CLEAN-UP

(Resolution #1)

Motion by Trustee Briggs, seconded by Trustee Nibe to schedule 2022 Spring Clean-up dates from April 18th – May 13th, 2022 upon recommendation of Street Department Foreman.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING

PAUL/AMY VILLINSKI

TO USE VILLAGE LOT

(Resolution #2)

Motion by Trustee Nibe, seconded by Quetcy Alexander Young to authorize Paul and Amy Villinski to use Village lot on Market Street on Saturday, May 21, 2022 to host an art exhibition and art auction of work done by students from High Meadow School in Stone Ridge.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MOTION HIRING

ALLYSON KNEE

(Resolution #3)

Motion by Trustee Nibe, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to hire Allyson Knee as a seasonal recreational aide in the Justice Court at a rate of $15.00 per hour for a maximum of 10 hours per week effective March 30, 2022.

All in favor – Aye- motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING

EXPENDITURE TO

KINSLEY GROUP

(Resolution #4)

Motion by Trustee Briggs, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing expenditure of $4,768.24 to Kinsley Group for an emergency repair on Government Center generator upon recommendation of Village Manager.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING

EXPENDITURE TO

DUTCHESS OVERHEAD DOORS

(Resolution #5)

Motion by Trustee Briggs, seconded by Trustee Nibe authorizing expenditure of $2,410.00 to Dutchess Overhead Doors for garage door repairs at Street Department upon recommendation of Street Department Foreman.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING

EXPENDITURE TO

ACE HARDWARD

(Resolution #6)

Motion by Trustee Briggs, seconded by Trustee Nibe authorizing expenditure of $2,260.10 to Ace Hardware for a 14” cut saw in water department upon recommendation of Water Department Foreman.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MOTION TO

RE-APPOINT ED

PESTONE III –

JOINT PARK AND

RECREATION COMMISSION

(Resolution #7)

Motion by Trustee Briggs, seconded by Trustee Nibe to table re-appointing Ed Pestone III as Joint Park and Recreation Commission.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

Mayor Kaplan would like a corrected Village commission list from Town of Wawarsing before Board makes any re-appointments.

BOARD REPORTS:

Mayor Kaplan – Village had requests for out of district water/sewer hook-up from residents on Country Club road and holding up work is the Nevele who continues to discuss interest in water/sewer services from the Village

Motion by Trustee Briggs, seconded by Trustee Nibe to have next neighborhood walk at Berme Road Park.

All in favor - Aye- motion carried

Mayor Kaplan would like Code Enforcement Officer to set up a meeting with him, Assessor, Mike, and Brian within next few days to get a better understanding on how the Assessor processes Village building permits.

Deputy Mayor Younger – Ask Manager Warren on status for funding for Lake Maratanza and right on red on Center and Canal Street.

Manager Warren informed Deputy Mayor Younger that he had spoken to Mark Blauer regarding grant funding and unfortunately a municipality’s grant contributions are 40%. and if there are no monies for Village contribution than it is a waste of time on both ends. In regard to no right on red on Canal and Center, Manager Warren reached out to DOT who sent information over to traffic control with no response as of yet.

Manager Warren also informed Deputy Mayor Younger that he had sent a letter to Congressman Delgado in regard to Lake Maratanza and will be sending same letter to Senator Schumer and Tim Wiedemann from the County. Once Manager Warren receives a response, Deputy Mayor Younger will be informed.

Trustee Nibe – Impressed with turnout on March 27th Ukraine rally.

Trustee Briggs – Nothing at this time

Trustee Alexander-Young – Nothing at this time

ADJOURN:

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Nibe to adjourn meeting at 7:12 p.m. and go into executive session to discuss personnel not to reconvene.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Traci Jeter

Village Clerk