VILLAGE OF ELLENVILLE

BOARD MEETING

JUNE 28, 2021

6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC MEETING

THIS MEETING WILL OPEN IN HONOR OF ARNEST STONE WHO IS RETIRING AFTER MANY YEARS OF SERVICE AS A CUSTODIAN AT THE VILLAGE GOVERNMENT CENTER AND WILL CLOSE IN HONOR OF NICOLE THOMPSON WHO IS RESIGNING AFTER 18 YEARS OF SERVICE AS A PART-TIME DISPATCHER IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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

ROLL CALL: Mayor Jeffrey Kaplan Present

Deputy Mayor Younger Present

Trustee Francisco Oliveras Absent w/notice

Trustee Patricia Steinhoff Present

Trustee Dhasan McComb Present

ALSO, PRESENT Michael Warren, Village Manager

Traci Jeter, Village Clerk

DISCUSSION:

Mayor Kaplan asked the Board to schedule the next neighborhood walk. Deputy Mayor Younger expressed to the Board that Dr. Craft invited them to Backman Avenue to look at sidewalk issues.

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee McComb to schedule the next neighborhood walk of July 12, 2021 to Backman Avenue.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee McComb to open the public hearing at 6:15 p.m. to discuss the 2021 CFA application for housing, economic development, public facilities, public infrastructure, and planning activities with the principal purpose of benefitting low/moderate income persons.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

Mark Blauer was before the Board tonight to discuss the 2021 CFA application for housing, economic development, public facilities, public infrastructure, and planning activities with the principal purpose of benefitting low/moderate income person.

Mr. Blauer informed the Board that they will be receiving their letter of denial for the 2020 funding and suggested the Village requests an exit interview to go over scoring, Mr. Blauer also stated that the Mayor must be on the call during the interview.

Mr. Blauer suggested to commit through the 2021 application a modest amount of money from another source for administration services and that it would give the Village a more competitive edge. Mr. Blauer suggested to make a motion at the next board meeting to commit at least $40,000.00 for administrative services from the budget and that it will be made available through another account and send a letter backing up the commitment.

The Village Board spoke about projects for this application and Mr. Blauer answered questions.

Donna Bilyeu, from the Ellenville Housing Authority, asked if the grant could be used towards a new elevator at the Ellenville Housing Authority. Mr. Blauer stated that unfortunately it was not a competitive project.

Mayor Kaplan asked Ms. Bilyeu to submit a letter to the Village explaining the need along with an approximate cost of the project and the Village will send a letter to our Assemblymen and Senator.

CLOSING OF PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to close the public hearing at 6:40 p.m.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

PETIONERS AND CORRESPNDENCES:

Canal stEATS – Mayor Kaplan spoke about how Barbara Hoff suggested reducing Friday and Saturday nights to ten events between now and the end of October. These events would include the weekend when Market on Market is scheduled.

Paul Westbrook - 16 Clifford Street - Was before the Board tonight to complain about the neighbor who is constantly burning.

Code Enforcement Officer Schug stated that unfortunately the Village follows the DEC burning regulations.

Code Enforcement Officer suggested to the Board that the Village creates a stronger law than what the state has now.

Mayor Kaplan would like Code Enforcement Officer Schug to look into what the DEC prohibits and present it at the next meeting.

Roger Buchwalter - Was before the Board tonight to complain about the noise from the Church event that took place at the Resnick Park.

Mayor Kaplan informed him that the next time an event like this happens the Village will have rules in place.

Trustee McComb said that he will stop by and speak to them.

Nate Shorter – 24 Clinton Avenue - Was before the Board tonight to complain about the neighbor who resides at 18 Clinton Avenue and the closed sidewalk on Clinton Avenue due to the ongoing bridge project.

Mayor Kaplan asked the Chief to contact the DOT to arrange a meeting with the Mayor and Manager at the bridge to go over the bridge/sidewalk issues...

Code Enforcement Officer Schug informed Mr. Shorter that Mr. Papp has managed to satisfy the Village in regard to all his’ code violations.

Mayor Kaplan would like Code Enforcement Officer Schug to put Mr. Papp’s property on the list to check.

Market on Market – Mayor Kaplan thanked Market on Market for all their efforts and is looking forward to the next event.

Chris Lutheran Church – Requested permission to hold a yard sale at 105 Center Street on September 16th – 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. – Resolution #3

NAACP – Requested permission to hold their annual back to school-stay in school event at the Berme Road Park Pavilion on August 21, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Resolution #4

Minnie Simmrons – 20 Mill Street – Was before the Board tonight asking for lights and benches in the Mill Street Park.

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to amend the neighborhood walk of July 12, 2021 to Mill Street Park and Backman Avenue will be rescheduled to July 26, 2021.

All in favor - Aye – motion carried

Film Crew Representative – (Came in at the end of meeting to speak) Was before the Board tonight asking permission to film a car scene in the Village.

Code Enforcement Officer would like a call tomorrow to go over this matter before filming this coming Saturday.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to authorize the use of Village Streets for filming subject to review by the Building, Police Department and Michael Jeter, Street Department Foreman.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

SEWER REPORT:

Sewer Foreman Ryman spoke to the Board about the tractor that was on the agenda tonight for discussion. Manager Warren also stated that the tractor will be shared between departments.

Mayor Kaplan would like for Michael Ryman to put a proposal together so that the Board may discuss this at the next meeting.

POLICE REPORT:

Chief Mattracion updated the Board of the current robberies

and would like the Board to make a motion to accept the resignation of Dispatcher, Nicole Thompson effective June 25, 2021.

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to accept the resignation of Dispatcher Nicole Thompson effective June 25, 2021 with regret.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MANAGERS REPORT:

Manager Warren discussed with the Board authorizing Michael Jeter to oversee the Water Department.

Mayor Kaplan and the Board will look into this matter.

RESOLUTIONS:

MOTION AUTHORIZING

EXPENDITURE TO

UNIQUEMONIC

(Resolution #1)

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to authorize the expenditure of $700.00 to UniqueMonic for restoration work to the Welcome to Ellenville signs.

All in favor – Aye- motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING

VILLAGE CLERK TO ADVERTISE

FOR TREASUER

(Resolution #2)

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee McComb to authorize Village Clerk to advertise for Village Treasurer in the Times Herald Record.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

TO HOLD YARD SALE

(Resolution #3)

Motion by Trustee McComb, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to authorize the Christ Lutheran Church to hold a yard sale at 105 Center Street on September 16th – September18th, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

All in favor- Aye- motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING

NAACP TO HOLD BACK TO

SCHOOL-STAY IN SCHOOL

EVENT

(Resolution #4)

Motion by Trustee McComb, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to authorize the NAACP to hold its annual back to school-stay in school event at the Berme Road Pavilion on August 21, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. subject to a certificate of insurance.

All in favor – Aye- motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING

DEPUTY MAYOR YOUNGER

AS SECOND SIGNATORY ON

VILLAGE ACCOUNTS

(Resolution #5)

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee McComb to authorize Deputy Mayor Younger as second signatory on all Village Accounts.

All in favor – Aye- motion carried

Deputy Mayor Younger recused himself from voting.

MOTION AUTHORIZING

EXPENDITURE TO

SANTI TREE SERVICE

(Resolution #6)

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by McComb to authorize the expenditures totaling $3,800.00 to Santi Tree Service upon recommendation of the Village Manager.

All in favor – Aye- motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING

EXPENDITURE TO

ELLENVILLE CENTRAL

SCHOOL DISTRICT

(Resolution #7)

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee McComb to authorize the expenditure of $3,418.33 to the Ellenville Central School District for the Village’s 1/3 contribution towards pool repairs, expenses, labor, FOB, and 1st months shoring rental.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

Mayor Kaplan would like Council Buchwalter to look into if the Town of Wawarsing share will be paid from the town outside of Village line.

MOTION AUTHORIZING

EXPENDITURE TO

O & W RAIL TRAIL

COALITION

(Resolution #8)

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Steinhoff to authorize the expenditure of $500.00 to O&W Rail Trail Coalition for membership dues.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MOTION TO ACCEPT

THE RESIGNATION

OF ARNEST STONE

(Resolution #9)

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee McComb to accept the resignation of Arnest Stone as Village Custodian with regret.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING

VILLAGE CLERK TO

ADVERTISE FOR VILLAGE

CUSTODIAN

(Resolution #10)

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee McComb to authorize the Village Clerk to advertise for a Village Custodian.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MOTION AUHORIZING

REIMBURSEMENT TO

CORE LOGIC

(Resolution #11)

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to authorize the reimbursement of $18,245.48 to Core Logic for overpayment/duplicate payment of Village Taxes.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

BOARD REPORTS:

Deputy Mayor Younger – Nothing at this time

Trustee McComb – Nothing at this time

Trustee Steinhoff – Nothing at this time

ADJOURN:

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee McComb to go into executive session at 7:13 p.m. to discuss personnel matters and possible litigation not to reconvene.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Traci Jeter

Village Clerk