

Village of Schuylerville
Village Meeting

June 15, 2019

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT:

Mayor Daniel Carpenter
Deputy Mayor Jason Young
Trustee Whitney Colvin
Trustee Bryan Drew
Trustee Timothy Le Baron
Attorney Dave Kliengbiel

ABSENT:

None.

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Schuylerville/Victory Board of Water Management Meeting Monday, June 17th at 7:00 pm in the Victory Meeting Hall
- Schuylerville Tree Committee Meeting, Wednesday June 9th at the Schuylerville Library
- Schuylerville Village Board Workshop Meeting Monday July 1st at 6:30 pm at the Schuylerville Village Hall.
- Schuylerville Village Board Meeting Wednesday July 10th at 7:00pm at the Schuylerville Village Hall.
- Schuylerville Planning Board Meeting Monday June 17th at 6:30pm.

MINUTES:

- Trustee Drew made the motion to approve the minutes, Deputy Mayor Young seconded the motion, all in favor of the minutes from the last meeting

TREASURER'S REPORT:

General Fund	\$824,373.01
Sewer Now Account	\$191,280.54
Trust Agency Account	\$42,365.75
Housing Rehab	\$0.00
AHC home imp.	\$0.00
Septage receiving	\$69,237.15
Capital Sewer	\$90,610.47
Repair reserve	\$4,655.14
Sidewalk repair res.	\$25,057.08
Sewer Equipment	\$59,055.73
Harbor Project	\$5,080.22
Memorial Day	\$4,362.58
Capital Project	\$10,061.01
Morgan's Run	\$14,162.73
Ft. Hardy Park	\$11,794.27

DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

Mayor Carpenter read the buildings code report, listing the inspections and building permits completed, his attendance of a site review conference and Mr. Albert's approval of the Chazen report.

- **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

Mayor Carpenter gave an update on the DEC inspection of the drainage system at the DPW garage. DEC dye tested the floor drain and the storage tank. As of this time, there has been no follow up from the DEC on this matter, Mayor Carpenter stated that he would keep the public abreast of the situation. The building on Tow path Road which was determined to be a danger to the public has been taken down. There is currently snow fencing around the area as the DPW still

needs to fill in the hole. The boat at this location is still there, the owner has been notified and has agreed to remove the boat as soon as possible.

The Morgan's Run paving project has been completed. Trash week had to extend into the next week but is completed. The next project that the DPW will be completing is the removal of the sidewalk on the Bullard block. The project has been delayed, as we are waiting for National Grid to mark the utilities for digging. We have been experiencing issues with the southern lock of the canal, DPW suspect it is a result of beaver activity, but the canal corp. states that they do not think it is from a beaver. Mayor Carpenter asked the public to report any person or persons who may be dumping brush and debris at this location, as this is preventing the proper flow of the canal.

- FIRE DEPARTMENT

May 9th – Members took Tower 577 to the Saratoga County Fire Training Center to provide Firefighter Safety for NYS OFPC Firefighter II Class live fire training. May 27th – Members participated in the American Legion Post 278 Memorial Day parade in the village. June 6th – Members provided parking assistance at Hudson Crossing Park for the community concert. June 6th – Congratulation to FF Maria Saavedra for completion of her probationary period. FF Saavedra is now a full member and was presented her badge at the company meeting. June 9th – Members provided water rescue stand-by coverage at the Hudson Crossing Triathlon. ALARMS Department responded to 18 alarms in the month of May. As of May 31st a total of 59 alarms have been answered.

- WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Charles Sherman was present to give his report. He asked if there was any word on the Victory Plant housing project. Mayor Carpenter stated that there was not much more information on this , and that he would keep Sherman informed as it developed.

- HISTORIAN/VISITORS CENTER

Kristina Saddlemire was not present, but she had provided Mayor Carpenter with a report, which he read. The visitors center is open, Marianne Deheer has come back to work at the center again this year and we also have a volunteer, Shirley Renault. Saddlemire has requested two chairs for the employees and would like to have a light for the flag, which is flown at night. Mayor Carpenter stated that he would ask Kristina for quotes on those items.

- WILTON EMERGENCY SQUAD

None.

- PLANNING BOARD

Leona Colvin was at the meeting. She informed the board that the planning board had approved the brewery at 7 Horicon Avenue, "Bound By Fate." She also stated that the planning board would meet at the property on North Broad that is applying for a 6 unit conversion on Monday the 17th of June prior to the meeting to review the plans as the apartments will require a parking lot.

- SCHUYLERVILLE/VICTORY BOARD OF WATER MANAGEMENT

The minutes were available at the meeting for the public.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Leona Colvin was concerned regarding the lack of representation from the department heads. She stated that although these department heads give reports at the workshops, if a resident did not attend the workshop, then they would not receive a full report. Wendy Lukas requested that the grass clippings be removed from her property. Mayor Carpenter stated that he would ask the DPW to pick up her clippings. Wendy asked what the status was regarding the Charter contract. Attorney Klingebiel stated that Charter was not agreeing to a stipulation that we require, which would dictate that Charter would need to get permission to place a pole within our village right of way. He informed Lukas that the current contract would continue until an agreement could be reached.

OLD BUSINESS:

Recognition, by the village board, of Bob Sullivan for community service. Mayor Carpenter asked Nancy Sullivan to come forward to accept the certificate recognizing Bob Sullivan for his years of dedication to the village. The board joined Mayor Carpenter in presenting the award. He spoke of the dedication and affection that Bob gave to the children when crossing them to school each morning, with a kind word, a smile and high five to start their day. Mayor Carpenter expressed that Bob Sullivan is sadly missed by all, and that we will never be able to replace him.

NEW BUSINESS:

Technical Assistance report from The Chazen Group. Drew Alberti presented on this matter. The board had reviewed this report, and the only significant change to the report was plans to replace an old barn door on the third floor of a building on one of the selected properties. A total of 16 properties were reviewed and ten were approved, one has dropped out. Trustee Drew made the motion to approve the Chazen report and submit the Technical assistance grant request, Trustee Colvin seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

Request for funds from the Turning Point parade committee, this has been done historically in the past, Trustee Colvin made the motion to approve the donation of \$2,500.00, Trustee LeBaron seconded the motion, all in favor.

Reappointment of Linda Lloyd to the planning board, Trustee Drew made the motion to reappoint Linda Lloyd to the planning board, Deputy Mayor Young seconded the motion, all in favor.

The fireman's equipment lease payment for \$32,848.88 was presented for approval, Trustee Colvin made the motion to approve the payment, Trustee Drew seconded the motion, all in favor.

There was a review of the resolution to adopt a cafeteria plan. This will allow employees to pay their health insurance, as well as vision and dental benefits before taxes. This will save the employees considerable amounts of money, as well as the village, as we match FICA and

Medicare costs. Trustee Colvin made the motion, Trustee Drew seconded the motion. Mayor Carpenter took a roll call vote, all were in favor, resolution adopted.

A resolution was presented to transfer funds within the general fund as follows;

From A.1325.100 Treasurer Personal, \$1,110.00 from A.1640.400 Central Garage Contractual, \$4,161.20, from A.1680.400 Central Data Processing \$2,549.93 from A.1660.400 Central Fuels Contractual, \$2,500.00, from A.8160.100 Refuse and Garbage Personal, \$2,851.40 and from A.8160.400 Refuse and Garbage Contractual, \$2,500.00.

To A.1620.400 Buildings Contractual, \$10,567.71 to A.1240.400 Law Contractual, \$933.12 to A.3120.100 Crossing Guards Personal, \$117.02, to A.5110.100 Street Maint. Personal \$2,128.65 and to A.7140.400 Playground Rec Contractual \$1,926.03.

Trustee Colvin made the motion to approve the resolution to transfer funds, Trustee Drew seconded the motion, Mayor Carpenter called roll call, all voted aye, motion passed.

A resolution was presented to transfer funds within the sewer fund as follows;

From G.8130.100 Waste Water Treatment Plant Personal, \$616.33 **To** G.8130.400 Waste Water Treatment Plant Contractual, \$616.33 Trustee Drew made the motion, Trustee Colvin seconded the motion, roll call all ayes, motion passed.

A resolution was presented to amend the budget to increase the water revenues and the water expenditures to reflect the reimbursement for DPW and clerical work on water as follows;

Increase the revenue account A.2378.000 Water services \$1,887.77 and **Increase** A.8350.100 Common Water Supply Personal Service by \$1,887.77 Trustee Drew made the motion to accept the resolution, Trustee Colvin seconded the motion, roll call all ayes, motion passed.

There was a review of the request by the Volkspport group to hold a gathering of approximately 550 people for a walking tour of the village and park. They have submitted proof of insurance. Trustee Colvin made the motion to accept the application, Trustee Drew seconded the motion, all in favor.

There was a review of the request by the Lion's Club to hold their annual beer and wine tasting on July 20th. They have arranged for traffic control and will provide proof of insurance. Trustee Colvin made the motion, Trustee Drew seconded the motion, all in favor.

There was a complaint lodged regarding a pot hole on Pine Lane by Mike Hughes, Rob Decker stated that he would address this matter.

Presentation of a proposal for professional services by the LA Group for site plans and additional documents for the parking lot at the visitor's center for \$3,000.00. This includes layout and materials plans, grading plan, pavement section details and an estimate of material requirements. Trustee Colvin made the motion to approve the proposal, Trustee Drew seconded the motion, all in favor.

Acceptance of the sidewalk construction bid. We received only one bid from AJ Catalfamo. This company recently installed the sidewalks for the library and were highly recommended by them. The bid came in at \$26,150.00. This is well below the amount that remained from the contract with, "The Chimney Men." Flatly Read did reach out to 38 women and minority owned

companies but received only the bid from Catalfamo. Trustee Drew made a motion to approve the bid from Catalfamo, Trustee LeBaron seconded the motion, all in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Leona Colvin asked about the buildings and contractual line and why there was such a large amount that was needed to be transferred to the buildings contractual. Mayor Carpenter stated that the account was underbudgeted. Leona commented that the account was always historically overbudgeted. Mayor Carpenter stated that the current budget was the result of an overcorrection. Leona also commented on the heat situation on the meeting room. Mayor Carpenter stated that this has been an ongoing situation over the years and that a previous board had obtained quotes but that the board did not move on the quotes. Deputy Mayor Young asked what the previous bids had come in at and Mayor Carpenter stated that it was over \$9,000.00. He was hopeful that the units may have dropped in price. She stated that maybe the firehouse could help with this cost.

Rob Decker asked if the board could approve Justin Decker for full time status. He noted that Justin had completed all his training and obtained his CDL as promised and even ahead of schedule. Mayor Carpenter stated that Pat Grogan, the next most senior DPW member, had only great things to say about Justin. Mayor Carpenter stated that he was going to address the concerns regarding the father and son relationship of Rob and Justin Decker with some documents that he had been provided with. He stated that there would be a different chain of command for the lodging of any complaints. Trustee Colvin made the motion to approve the move to full time status for Justin Decker as of July 1st, at \$17 per hour, Trustee LeBaron seconded the motion, all in favor.

The next subject was the remaining vacation time that Rob Decker was unable to use due to the shortage of DPW staff over the last several months. He was requesting a payout for 33 of the hours and a rollover of one week into the next year. Trustee Colvin made the motion to approve the vacation payout and rollover and Trustee Drew seconded the motion, all in favor.

Wendy Lukas asked for clarification regarding the Bullard block sidewalk replacement issue. Mayor Carpenter stated that the discussion regarding this project was that Rob Decker had stated that he did not recommend that the DPW remove the current curb if it was an, "L" curb, as this could cause damage to the infrastructure below. She also asked if there was an update regarding the Climate Smart Committee. Trustee Drew stated that he had approximately 6 or 7 persons committed to the cause and was hoping for more.

Rob Decker stated that he felt that there were people bringing in trash from other areas for junk week. He stated that this year there were 63.13 tons brought to the landfill, which far exceeded any amounts in previous years. Mayor Carpenter asked the public to please report any persons doing this, as this is a service that is paid for by taxpayers.

Deputy Mayor Young spoke regarding the issues with the traffic at the intersection of Spring and Broad by Stewarts/ KO Motor Sports and Schuylerville Family Health Center (owned by Saratoga Hospital.) Deputy Mayor Young stated that he felt that the village should put jersey barriers in front of the medical center across from Stewarts to prevent people from cutting through the lot and creating a danger. Extensive discussion followed as to the legality of installing these. Attorney Klingebiel expressed concern that it could become a safety issue if someone were to hit the barrier and possibly create a liability issue on the villages part. He felt that he should look into the matter before we install a barrier.

Linda Lloyd stated that there was glass in the alley after the garbage was picked up. Rob Decker stated that there was a hole in the bottom of the garbage truck, and that it would be repaired as soon as possible.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS;

General Fund 2019 \$17,778.29 and 2020 \$4,311.98, Trustee Colvin made a motion to approve the motion to approve the vouchers, Trustee Drew seconded the motion, all in favor.

Sewer Fund 2019 \$1,477.50 and 2020 \$739.08 Trustee Drew made the motion to approve the sewer vouchers, Trustee Colvin seconded the motion, all infavor

ADJOURNMENT;

Deputy Mayor Young made the motion to adjourn, Trustee Colvin seconded the motion all in favor, meeting adjourned.

Recording Secretary,

Cory Heyman