

Village of Schuylerville
Workshop minutes
Monday March 2, 2020

Present;

Mayor Carpenter
Deputy Mayor Young
Trustee Drew
Trustee Colvin

Absent;

Trustee LeBaron

Mayor Carpenter announced that the bid opening was going to begin. The first bid for the logging on the Easton property was from Prentiss and Carlisle, their bid was for \$32,447.00. The second bid opened was from Meeme Kalme Logging in the amount of \$32,100.00. The third bid was from Gutches Lumber Company in the amount of \$21,529.00. The next was from Greene in the amount of \$50,680.13. The final bid opened was for \$18,509.00 from Allard Lumber Company. All of the bidders had included a \$1,000.00 deposit with their bids.

The bid award will be announced at the next regular meeting of the board on March 11. The representative from F and W Forestry recommended Greene. F&W Forestry has worked with this logging company in the past and have had good experiences.

Deputy Mayor Young made the motion to close the bid opening, Trustee Colvin seconded the motion, all in favor.

Mayor Carpenter opened the regular meeting.

Dave Meager presented on insurance for the fire company. He introduced his associate Ryan Hague. Meager had provided the trustees with copies of the policy. He went over all of the areas that he felt might need clarification. He began with the fact that the fire company has received dividends every year since the beginning of the relationship. He noted that the main part of the general liability was 3 million total coverage for malpractice. He noted that the only limit was on the trucks themselves, at 1.3 million in replacement value. The only engine that would not be covered for replacement was the antique fire truck. He went on to cover the personal coverage that is provided to the individuals when they are on

duty, including the new cancer coverage for firemen. He noted that the premium was slightly less than the previous year, even with the additional vehicle recently acquired. Deputy Mayor Young asked if the board would consider the cancer coverage for \$51 per year for interior firefighters.

Byron Peregrine and Jean Driscoll presented on the Turning point parade. He asked the board to consider enacting a sanction for the Turning Point celebration to be allowed to have alcohol at the celebration in the park. Mayor Carpenter stated that he would contact Attorney Klingebiel for a recommendation on this matter. Mayor Carpenter asked Byron to submit a written request for this.

The price increase for the garbage sticker was brought up for discussion. The price increase would take effect on June 1st. The conclusion was that the stickers should remain the same color, and just increase in price. The price for junk week was discussed and it was determined that it should go up to twenty dollars per unit as determined by the sewer billing. Any resident who wants to participate in trash week must register ahead for it.

The OSAA parade permit was brought up. They had expressed concern to Mayor Carpenter that they might not have adequate insurance to cover the event. The board would wait to hear if the OSAA could secure the insurance for the day.

AECOM was discussed. Deputy Mayor Young gave credit to Village Clerk Helene and waste water treatment plant operator Charles Sherman for compiling the information that he was presenting. He showed the board the map that he had been provided by Sherman, which indicates the areas that have been addressed and the work that was done there. He stated that he felt that this would give them a jumping off point to begin to identify the next steps that they would need to take to reduce the I and I that we are currently experiencing with the sewer system. Mayor Carpenter clarified that the map that was being currently studied was for 2007 and showed the scope of work at that time and that it would take more research to be able to determine what work had actually been completed.

The proposal for a fee schedule for applications to the planning board was reviewed. The planning board is looking for a revised fee schedule. Deputy Mayor Young agreed that there should be fees for applications. This will compensate the planning board for the time that they spend meeting to review these applications.

Rob Decker reported on the month of February.

There were several breakdowns of various pieces of equipment. Some of these have been taken care of in house. He mentioned that there is an oil filter sale that is offered annually. Last year the village saved a substantial amount by purchasing in advance for the whole year. Rob stated that there was a miscommunication between the DPW and amongst the board that he takes full responsibility for. He stated that he has since discussed with his staff the chain of command in his absence. Deputy Mayor Young stated that he and Mayor Carpenter had an excellent conversation on this same topic. Mayor Carpenter stated that he would be sure to keep Young informed and that in the event that he is out of town and unavailable, he will ask Young to take on his mayoral duties in his absence. Sidewalks on Broad Street were brought up. Rob Decker asked that the inexperience of his crew be considered. He expressed hopes that the crew could be allowed to gain some experience under their belts before they tackle such a large project. Mayor Carpenter said that there was another sidewalk grant coming up this year, and that he felt this would be an excellent opportunity to learn how to pour sidewalks in a less pressurized environment. Decker asked if the village could rent a chipper for a week to clean up the debris from the storm. Mayor Carpenter asked Rob if he had inquired with the town and the county to find out if we can borrow a chipper from them. Rob said that it was his impression that the other municipalities were currently using their chippers.

Decker stated that the DPW were having a lot of trouble keeping the rainwater out of the shop. He has reached out to Mr. Clements at DEC to discuss the steps that they can take to mitigate the situation that they are currently experiencing at the garage.

Mayor Carpenter updated the board on the activities of the Climate Smart Committee. He mentioned a couple of the highlights including the logo contest, greenhouse gas presentation and the capital district planning representative who will be attending our next meeting to advise us on our path forward. Deputy Mayor Young expressed hope that this representative would be able to give them insight into how the firehouse could finance the replacement of the fixtures with LED lights.

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