

Village of Schuylerville
June 1, 2020
Workshop Meeting Via Zoom

Present;

Mayor Carpenter
Deputy Mayor Young
Trustee Colvin
Trustee Drew
Trustee LeBaron
Supervisor Decker
WWTP Operator Sherman

Mayor Carpenter opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

Deputy Mayor Young dropped from video at 6:40 pm.

The first item for discussion was the progress of the office wall construction. The wall dividing the office from the public waiting area will serve to reduce the amount of exposure that the staff will have to the COVID-19 virus and to increase safety measures as per the recommendations made by PESH during an onsite inspection performed last year. DPW Supervisor Decker stated that he was disappointed at the lack of progress on the wall during his absence in the prior week while he was on vacation, He stated that work would resume on the following day after the crew completed the garbage cleanup.

Mayor Carpenter stated that he felt it would be best to wait until the wall was complete and the door installed before opening the office to the public. Supervisor Decker stated that he did not feel that he would be able to meet the June 8th deadline suggested by Mayor Carpenter, as the sheetrock still needed to be mudded and sanded at least two coats and the door was not yet installed. After much discussion it was determined that the earliest the office could be opened to the public would be June 15th.

The sewer line break under the route 29 bridge was discussed. Supervisor Decker stated that the situation on the route 29 bridge was only a temporary repair. He will address this before the end of the summer to avoid a recurrence in the winter.

The DPW crew will be back to full time as of June 8th.

There was some discussion regarding the increase of sticker prices. Mayor Carpenter stated that both Byron's and Saratoga Mercantile have notices posted which state the increased price of stickers and include some FAQ's drafted by Village Clerk Patterson.

Trustee Colvin asked if the next meeting could be held in the hall. The board agreed that they would like to hold the next meeting at the hall as opposed to the Zoom format. The board members were all amenable to this suggestion.

Mayor Carpenter stated that this would need to be announced to the public as the meeting was originally slated to be held in a Zoom format. Trustee Colvin stated that he would bring in a fogger to sanitize the room after the meeting.

The next item for discussion was the quote for the paving of Spring Street and Ranger Road. The quote from Kubricky Construction was discussed at length. The board requested that Decker continue to try to get more quotes. He confirmed that he would attempt to get responses from the other companies that he had requested quotes from for this project. There was some discussion as to the cost difference that the village would incur if the project could not be coordinated with other municipalities to share the use of the dump trucks.

Chief Myers e-mailed Treasurer Heyman to request a budget amendment to appropriate the funds earned by the sale of the firetruck and the refund from the insurance company for the towing of the fire truck to be posted to the fire contractual line. He would like to use a purchase order to encumber funds from 2020 to be used in fiscal year 2021. Mayor Carpenter asked if anyone had any questions or concerns with the amendment. There were none.

Waste water treatment plant operator Sherman stated in his report that all was running well at the plant and that his only concern was the issue of the disposal of the sludge. Decker had stated earlier that the CB radios that were ordered, as per the approval of the board at the previous meeting, had still not arrived. This has caused some backup of sludge materials, as the landfills are now requiring all vehicles coming into the station to have their own radios, whereas previously they had been allowed to borrow the radios from the personnel at the gate.

Village Clerk Patterson asked the board to clarify the office hours when we open on June 15th.

The hours will be as follows for phase 2;

Mon closed

Tuesday 7am to 10am

Wednesday closed

Thursday 1pm to 5pm

Friday closed

The progress of the parking lot at the visitor's center was discussed.

OSAA cancelled their little league season, however they will still host a 12 and under team that would like to practice at Fort Hardy. They have committed to the cleanup after games and practices. Mayor Carpenter stated that he has asked them to please use safe practices while cleaning up.

Mayor Carpenter mentioned that Byron has postponed making a decision regarding the Turning Point Parade for this coming August. Planning for this parade is difficult as at this point there is still a ban on large gatherings.

Trustee LeBaron made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Drew seconded the motion, all in favor, meeting adjourned.