

VILLAGE OF SCHOHARIE
Employees Meeting/Workshop – June 21, 2023

PRESENT: Mayor Caza, Trustees: Johnson and Robinson-Bullock, Clerk/Treasurer Leslie Price, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Debby Byrne, OIC Jason Temple, DPW Superintendent Ken Bernhardt, Codes Enforcement Officer, and Fire Chief Doug Stinson, and Ed Manchester

Excused: Trustee Medak and Trustee Palmer

- 1) Officer in Charge (OIC), Lieutenant, Jason Temple
 - a) See Attached Report
 - b) Jason Temple and Brian Rossi participated in BUNY (Buckle up New York). They parked at Mobil Mart and gave out seatbelt tickets. The Seatbelt compliance in Schoharie is 96%. This is paid for by a Grant from New York State.
 - c) Mayor Caza asked if OIC Temple feels we are stable with Police Staffing. Jason said he is in good shape and mentioned that Brian Rossi is back at work. Mayor informed Jason that the County will be contacting him regarding a survey.

- 2) DPW Superintendent, Ken Bernhardt
 - a) See attached Report.
 - b) DPW would like to replace the Line Locator. A new one is estimated to cost \$3,000.00.
Motion: made by Trustee Robinson-Bullock second by Trustee Johnson unanimously carried to approve the purchase of a new Line Locator for the estimated amount of \$3,000.00.
 - c) Ken received three quotes for the paving of Hilgert Parkway. The lowest bid was from Cobleskill Stone for \$119,321.22, next was Luizzi Bros for \$140,000.00 and next was R&D for \$200,000.00+. Ken said this would be scheduled to begin mid-summer.
Motion: made by Mayor Caza second by Trustee Johnson unanimously carried to approve awarding the Hilgert Parkway paving project to Luizzi Brothers for the amount of \$140,000.00
 - d) Mayor Caza asked about the signage at the Spring Street Crosswalk. He would like to see a sign for both directions. Mayor Caza also mentioned that the Crosswalk at the Pool ends in a grassy area rather than pavement. Mayor asked if the Crosswalk could be angled to go towards pavement. Ken will take a look.
 - e) Mayor Caza asked both Ken and Leslie for an update on the new Water/Sewer program. Leslie said there were some log-in issues, and the Village may need to get quotes for a new server or Cloud if this problem continues. Ken said another batch of meters have been ordered. Ken is trying to coordinate putting in new meters with the next scheduled meter reading.

- 3) Fire Chief, Doug Stinson
 - a) See Attached Report

- 4) Code Enforcement Officer, Doug Stinson
 - a) See Attached Report
 - b) There is another court date for 326 Main Street for July.
 - c) Trustee Johnson would like to proceed with the Village taking over the property where the old Fire Department was. Doug needs to review the restrictions on the land. As far as Doug knows, everyone has voted yes to hand over the property. Doug would like the Village Attorney to review before anything is signed and finalized.

- d) Doug mentioned that Schoharie Promotional Association never got a Permit for building the gazebo and never checked to see if it was being built in the flood path. Doug has reached out to the contractor but has not heard back.
- e) Doug would like to do a mass mailing explaining the new Permit System and new Fire Regulations. Leslie said we can mail them out with the next Water/Sewer Invoices or if Doug would like them sent sooner, we can do a postcard mailing. Doug will send Leslie the verbiage and proceed from there.
- f) The Parrott House had a meeting last week. They are seeking proposals and financing. They currently have an active Permit.
- g) The Abandoned/Nuisance Property Letter has been approved by the Village Attorney and is ready to be mailed out. Mayor Caza would like to skip the property at 326 Main Street since this is being addressed. Mayor Caza would like Leslie to scan and email to the Board a copy of all the letters that are mailed out.
- h) The Planning Board has been meeting in regard to the parking lot for the Dental Office. Doug has not been informed of any results.

5) Lamont Engineers:

- a) See attached Report.

6) Other:

- a) Mayor Caza would like the Village to join the Chamber of Commerce as a non-for-profit.
- b) Trustee Johnson asked about the black topping of Depot Lane. Ken and Mike will get some quotes after excavation of water lines. Peter would like DPW to fix potholes as a temporary fix for the summer events at Depot Lane.
- c) Trustee Johnson informed the Board that the Town of Schoharie has approved the Highbridge Project. The plans call for a warehouse, gas station and convenient store. Doug would like to meet with the Town Code Enforcer and the owners to make sure all the fire safety protocols are in place and to make sure the associated fire departments can handle any situation that may arise.

Motion made by Trustee Robinson-Bullock second by Trustee Johnson unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:17PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leslie Price
Village Clerk/Treasurer