

Village of Schoharie  
Regular Meeting  
January 12, 2016

**Presiding:** Mayor, John Borst

**Present:** Trustees Ed August, John Balliett, Lawrence Caza and Clerk/Treasurer Leslie J. Price.

**Attendees:** Terry Wilber, Floyd Guernsey, Ryan Lawton and Henderson Baribault

**Excused:** None

**Meeting brought to order by Mayor, John Borst @ 7:36 PM**

**Privilege of the Floor:**

**Floyd Guernsey** asked the Village Board for reimbursement for fuel for his truck and other expenses associated with the maintenance of the Fox Creek Park ice skating rink. Board agreed and Floyd will keep track of his expenses and periodically submit a voucher to the Village office for reimbursement.

**Ryan Lawton** asked if there will be a new water/sewer line going down Fort Road if the new jail was built on Route 30. Mayor Borst told him that is the current plan.

**Henderson Baribault**, a student from Middleburgh Central School, attended the village public meetings for School credit. He asked the Board about sharing police dept. service with Middleburgh and questioned potential use of the former Great American parking lot and building. Discussion followed.

**Minutes:**

**Motion:** made by Trustee Caza second by Trustee Balliett unanimously carried to accept December 8, 2015 Minutes.

**Bills:**

**Motion** made by Trustee August second by Trustee Caza unanimously carried to pay bills through January 12, 2016

**Incoming Correspondence:** Reviewed and Discussed

- A. SUNY Cobleskill – Save the date of April 8, 2016 for the inauguration and installation of Marion Terenzi as the 12<sup>th</sup> President of the College.
- B. Schoharie County Reap Property Services – Requesting that, before any new C.O.s are issued for new or renovated buildings or additional apartments, RPS 911 addressing unit be notified to verify the address and information.
- C. NYS Parks and Recreation SHPO – Notification that Schoharie Free Library was officially listed on the National Register of Historic Places.
- D. NYS Parks and Recreation SHPO – Notification that the Ballard home (former Johannes Lawyer house) was approved by SHPO for the NYS Register of Historic Places and will be forwarded to the Feds for National Register nomination.
- E. Schoharie Reformed Church – Playground Committee is requesting a letter of support for a grant application to Kaboom, a non-profit that helps communities build playgrounds, for equipment on church property for public use.
- F. Empire State Development Corp. – Notice of award of \$300k CFA grant.
- G. NYS Housing and Community Renewal (HCR) – Main Street grant application under CFA was not selected. Look for an exit conference in early 2016 to review deficiencies and provide guidance and recommendations for improvements to future applications.
- H. Laberge Engineering – Offering engineering services for water plant.

- I. NYS DOT – Issued permits for the “Welcome to Schoharie” signs location in State highway right-of-way.
- J. Levi Youngs – Purchased former Sherwood Guernsey home and now wants free water pursuant to a 1922 agreement between his ancestors and the Village affording free water in exchange for a right-of-way. Letter forwarded to Village Attorney Breen.

**Outgoing Correspondence:** Reviewed and Discussed

**Old Business:** Reviewed and Discussed

- A. Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) –
  - 1. Discussion on a reply to Jane K.’s CFA confirmation letter for \$300K award. Budget numbers correct? Job creation correct?
  - 2. Need to schedule meeting among Village Board and LDC regarding use and application of \$300 K CFA award.
  - 3. Need to schedule meeting to formulate approach for new CFA round in June 2016.
  - 4. Grant writer????
- B. LTCR –
  - 1. Mohawk River Watershed Grant submitted to cover CRS piece (\$30K) of the LTCR.
- C. Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP) –
  - 1. Review draft plan that was e-mailed by Nan.
  - 2. Review (**Internally**) Model campground zoning regulations that were circulated by Nan.
  - 3. Set up process and timeframe for adoption.
- D. South End Drainage Project – Public informational meeting was held mid-December.
- E. NY Rising CRP – Now that the South-end project is moving, we need to think about the next. At the South-end project meeting last month GOSR suggested doing the Drainage Study, but we really need to zero in on Central Business District funding.
- F. Discuss again the date for future Employee meetings. In November the Board decided to move Employees Meetings from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday as there no longer was a meeting conflict with trustees. It was then learned that CEO Stannard cannot make Tuesday meetings because of code duties elsewhere. Need to resolve this issue.
- G. Other

**New Business:** Reviewed and Discussed

- A. General Code Publishers – Information on updating and revising the Village’s Local Law Book.
- B. Village General Election on March 15, 2016
  - 1. Schoharie County Board of elections has provided an estimated cost of \$1,300 to run the Village Election in March and provide voting machines. Recommend we conduct election in Town Offices with paper ballots.
  - 2. Need Resolution to adopt the meeting room in the Town/Village Office at 300 Main Street as the polling place and to be open from 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Resolution #1 – 2016**

**Motion** made by Trustee Balliett second by Trustee Caza unanimously carried to conduct the Village Elections at 300 Main Street, at the Town/Village Hall and to use the paper ballots

3. Need motion to appoint two (2) election inspectors.

**Motion** made by Trustee Balliett second by Trustee Caza unanimously carried to appoint Nancy Ann Wolfe and Marybeth Cutting as election inspectors for the March 5, 2016 Village election.

4. Independent nominating petitions for two (2) trustee seats need to be filed in the village office no later than close of business on Tuesday February 9, 2016.
- C. Renew Direct Energy electric supply contract. John Hamor requested that the village approve to continue the Direct Energy electric contract through Schoharie County.

**Motion** made by Trustee Caza second by Trustee Balliett unanimously carried to continue the direct Energy electric contract through Schoharie County.

- D. Village of Middleburgh set a meeting date for 1:00 P.M. on January 28, 2016 to solicit any interest on nominating Routes 145 and 30 as scenic byways. Any request would have to go before NYSDOT, the Governor and then be enacted by the NYS Legislature.
- E. Need Resolution to renew the shared services agreement between the Village and NYS Dept. of Transportation that provides for cost savings through shared utilization of equipment, materials and manpower.

**Resolution #2 – 2016**

**Motion** made by Trustee Balliett second by Trustee Caza unanimously carried to renew the Shared Services Agreement with NYSDOT

- F. Other

Schoharie County Village Officers Association meets on Wednesday January 27, 2016.

The January Employees Meeting is January 20, 2016 at 7:00 PM.

Next regular Village Board meeting is Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at 7:30 PM.

Adjourn.