

**VILLAGE OF SCHOHARIE**  
**Employees Meeting/Workshop – March 20, 2019**

Meeting called to order @ 6:34 in the Village quarters at 300 Main Street.

**PRESENT:** Mayor John J. Borst, Trustees: Caza, Balliett, Wood and Palmer. Village Superintendent Bill Shroh, Trustees-elect Johnson and Medak. CEO Stannard, OIC Coons and Fire Chief Pierce not in attendance.

- A. Public Works Supt. Shroh's Report.
  - 1. Routine Report given orally
    - a) Easter Egg Museum banner erected in Fox Creek Park
    - b) Winter mix obtained from Cady Co. to fill potholes
    - c) Street light by the old village office is out and needs the power shut off for repair. National Grid is making a federal case out of it.
    - d) Sand and salt as needed.
  - 2. Bill will check with Peter Bruyn about installing electric service in the Lily Park.
  
- B. 7:00 p.m. - Public Hearing on Local Law 1-2019 – The Tax Cap Override.
  - 1. **MOTION** by Wood and second by Balliett and carried to open the public hearing.
  - 2. Mayor read the public notice and called for any discussion from the floor. No comments as the public was not in attendance
  - 3. **MOTION** by Caza and second by Palmer to close the hearing
  - 4. **MOTION** by Balliett and second by Wood and carried to adopt Local Law #1-2019.
  
- C. CEO Stannard: N/A
  
- D. OIC Coons: N/A
  
- E. Fire Department
  - 1. **MOTION** Caza and second by Balliett and carried (4:1) to approve the Fire Protection Contract among the Village of Schoharie, Town of Schoharie Fire Protection District #1 (FPD#1) and Niagara Engine Co. No, 6, Inc. for the fiscal years 2018-2019 (village) and 2019 (FPD#1).
  
- F. **Local Law #2-2019 – Re-adoption of the NYS Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code (UFPBC)**
  - 1. Mayor Borst introduced the proposed local law to re-adopt the UFPBC that was revised by NYS several years ago. A brief discussion ensued.
  - 2. **MOTION by Caza and second by Palmer and carried to set a public hearing date for 7:00 p.m. May 14, 2019 and to publish in the Times Journal on May 1 and May 8, 2019.**
  
- G. National Grid Street Light Conversion to LED's. Brief discussion where the concept of the village installing and owning its own decorative luminaires was aired, again. Apparently there was little interest in meeting with National Grid any time soon so there was no action taken.
  
- H. Birches status
  - 1. General discussion that the main building is fully occupied and the cottages should be by the end of March.

2. Easement for the Ballard's water line was completed and signed off by Bank of America and forwarded to Ballards for their review and concurrence.
  3. Mr. Motschmann is awaiting approval to begin installing a new water line.
- I. New e-mail addresses - Mayor Borst suggested each Trustee should have their own e-mail address for village business rather than using their personal e-mail. Discussion followed with some in favor and some thinking it was not necessary. It would cost an additional \$74 per year.
- J. **MOTION** by Wood and second by Palmer and carried to approve having Town Clerk Pamela Foland serve as the Village's Registrar of Vital Statistics following the retirement of long-time Registrar Susan Kennedy.
- K. 2019-2020 Budget Status
1. There was a brief discussion of some budget elements in the proposed 2019-2020 fiscal year budget under development.
  2. **MOTION** by Caza and second by Palmer and carried to set a budget hearing date for 7:00 p.m. on April 9, 2019 and to publish a notice in the Times Journal.
- L. **MOTION** by Caza and second by Wood and carried to hire soon-to-be former Mayor Borst for 1\$ per year for certain limited consulting services in the next year
- M. Trustee Palmer questioned the disposition of Clerk Leslie's "comp time" as noted by the state auditor. Mr. Caza suggested that he and the Board would develop a new benefits policy in the next month or two and address those concerns.
- N. Thank you Trustee Balliett
1. Deputy Mayor Caza read and presented a resolution to Trustee Balliett recognizing 24 years of dedicated service as Village Trustee for the Village of Schoharie.
- O. Thank you Mayor Borst
1. Deputy Mayor Caza read and presented a resolution to Mayor Borst recognizing 20 years as Mayor and 13 years as Trustee for the Village of Schoharie.
- P. **MOTION** by Palmer and second by Balliett and carried to adjourn at 8:26 p.m.

Minutes by Borst