

Village of Schoharie – Employees Work Session – April 22, 2020
Minutes

Due to Covid-19 Pandemic this meeting was held by Conference Call

Present: (By Phone) Mayor Caza, Trustees Wood, Palmer, Johnson, Medak, Clerk /Treasurer Leslie Price, DPW Supt Ken Bernhardt, Code Enforcer Lloyd Stannard and Part Time Typist Debby Byrne.

A. DPW – Ken Bernhardt

1. Regular daily Routine items plus
2. Picked-up bags of brush at Lily Park
3. Spent approximately ten days working on Clarifier. Should be up, running and in compliance within the next two weeks.
4. There was Sewer Stoppage at 145 Grand Street due to a clay tile failure. Pipe has been replaced and repaired.

Motion made by Trustee Medak seconded by Trustee Johnson unanimously carried to approve Invoice # 2609 from Louie's Plumbing and Heating in Cobleskill, NY in the amount of \$550.00 for video inspection to locate and mark broken clay tile in the sewer line.

5. Training on-going with Bill Shroh, mostly on Water so far.
6. Superintendent Bernhardt requested a list of streets that the Board would want repaved this fiscal year so he can get some prices. Trustee Palmer suggested we obtain quotes to see how much it might cost to add sections of Sidewalk on Bridge street near Guernsey's Nurseries where there is currently no sidewalk. Superintendent Bernhardt also suggested paving on Grand Street and the southside of Depot Lane which is used frequently by DPW. Mayor Caza would like to keep an eye on CHIPS reimbursement money and to make sure New York State still has money in that fund.
7. Trustee Palmer also had concerns regarding the trash receptacles on Main Street, there are some that are in need of repair/cleaning.
8. Lasalle Park has a need for several trees to be removed before repairs can be made to the pavilion. Superintendent Bernhardt feels there are some trees too large for DPW to remove and would like to get quotes. Mayor Caza agrees on getting quotes for the tree removal.
9. Trustee Johnson gave an update regarding the repairs to the pavilion at Lasalle Park. Kiwanis would like to rename the pavilion in honor of Gene Amedio, they will pay all expenses associated with a new plaque. Trustee Johnson is still waiting for a list of repairs and supplies needed to repair the pavilion from BOCES. Trustee Johnson has also kept the Insurance company updated and informed with the progress. Because of Covid-19 and school closings, Trustee Johnson feels we should get quotes from other sources for repairs. Superintendent Bernhardt has agreed to put a list of supplies and repairs needed for the Board.
10. Mayor Caza requested an update on any classes being held for Water/Sewer Licensing. There are a few classes online however many classes are hands on and cannot be done online. Ken is looking to Rural Water Association as well as DEC for classes.
11. Superintendent Bernhardt also inquired about the Employee Handbook. Mayor Caza expects to have a draft by the May Board Meeting. In regard to probation period, Mayor Caza said the probation period is for one year.

B. OIC - Robert Coons - Excused

1. Monthly Report – Nothing to report (NTR)

C. Code Enforcement – Lloyd Stannard

1. Lloyd mentioned that there is a complaint filed against him with the State of New York. Lloyd is working on this, there is a lot of paperwork required with this action.

2. Lloyd tendered his resignation effective the end of May 2020. The Board thanked him for his time at the Village
3. Work is being done to remove the old barn behind 305 Main Street.
4. Lloyd also mentioned that he has been receiving numerous complaints regarding Social Distancing which falls under his jurisdiction. He has had complaints regarding walkers with no masks on and the number of people entering the gym on Main Street. Lloyd does investigate and reports back to Emergency Services.
5. Lloyd is watching repairs being done on the Parrott House and has spoken to the owners and contractor several times.
6. Schoharie Dental is currently on hold with their plans to expand until the Planning Board begins meeting again and construction is allowed.
7. Mayor Caza requested that Code Enforcer Stannard get a list of open Permits for the Board as well as a summary of open activity before his retirement.

D. Fire Department – Marty Pierce - Excused

1. Monthly Report – Nothing to report (NTR)

Motion made by Trustee Medak seconded by Trustee Johnson unanimously carried to have Mayor Caza sign the papers for accepting the Krajewski property located at 133 Knower Avenue from the County Treasurer's Office. When the papers are signed the Village will pay the County Treasurer for the re-levied taxes in the amount of \$3,203.70.

Motion made by Trustee Palmer seconded by Trustee Medak unanimously carried to add Mayor Caza and Deputy Mayor Johnson as authorized signers on the NYCLASS investment accounts. NYCLASS is a Municipal Bond Insurance Association (MBIA) investment management program.

E. Other

1. Mayor Caza has asked Superintendent Bernhardt to get some prices for new street signs in regard to two-hour parking. Mayor Caza and Trustee Palmer will review a letter to go out to all residents.
2. Mayor Caza is asking about getting additional masks for Village Employees. Clerk/Treasurer Leslie Price does have calls in for costs and availability including Uline Company.

Adjourn:

Motion made by Trustee Palmer second by Trustee Johnson unanimously carried to adjourn at 8:00PM

Respectfully submitted
Leslie J. Price Clerk/Treasurer