

Village of Schoharie – Regular Meeting
August 9, 2022

Presiding: Mayor Caza

Present: Trustees Johnson, Medak, Palmer, Robinson-Bullock, Clerk/Treasurer Leslie Price, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Debby Byrne, Patsy Nicosia, from the Times Journal, Lora Newell from The Mountain Eagle, Bob Tines, Casey McFee, and Terry Wilbur

Meeting brought to order: By Mayor Caza at 6:35 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Privilege of the Floor:

- a. Casey McFee wants to know about attending a Trail Meeting and asked how she could become more involved. Mayor Caza asked her to give her contact information to the Clerk's office and they will forward it to Dave Henry, Chairman of the Trail Project.

2. Minutes: Review and Motion to approve

- a. July 12, 2022, Board Meeting Minutes
- b. July 20th, 2022, Employee Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Trustee Johnson second by Trustee Robinson-Bullock unanimously carried to table the approval of the June 14th, 2022, Regular Monthly Minutes and the June 15th, 2022, Employee Meeting Minutes until the August 17th Employee Meeting.

3. Abstracts and Bank Statements:

- a. General \$ 69,184.56 (July 13, 2022, to August 09, 2022)
- b. Water \$ 5,745.30 (July 13, 2022 to August 09, 2022)
- c. Sewer \$ 9,555.37 (July 13, 2022 to August 09, 2022)
- d. Pool \$ 5,136.75 (July 13, 2022 to August 09, 2022)

Motion made by Trustee Medak second by Trustee Johnson unanimously carried to approve paying the invoices and table the approval of the Abstract Amounts until the August 17th Employee Meeting.

Mayor Caza would like the Abstract Reports to be sent to the Board the Friday before the Board Meeting so the Trustees can have time to look over before approving.

4. Incoming Correspondence:

- a. The Clerk's office received a phone call from a Fort Road resident inquiring about the speed limit change on Fort Road to 25mph. The resident was not complaining simply asked if residents could be notified or asked to be part of the conversation.

5. Outgoing Correspondence: N/A

6. New Business:

- a. The Village will need to update the New York State Sexual Harassment Policy to include the following – “New York State employees may now call 1-800-427-2773 to obtain free legal counseling for any complaint of sexual harassment in the workplace” The Village Board needs to set a date for sexual harassment, workplace violence, the right to know and Blood-borne pathogens. The Board has set the date of October 3rd, 2022, at 6:30PM. Clerk Price will see if Jason Temple is able to do this training as he is certified and experienced in this training.

7. Old Business:

- a. Mayor Caza suggested the Village purchase the aerial photo taken by Greg Cromer in the 16X20 framed size as well as the electronic format. Mayor would like Clerk Price to verify the ownership of the electronic format and if it can be shared for Village use.

Motion made by Mayor Caza second by Trustee Medak unanimously carried to approve the purchase of a 16X20 framed photo as well as the electronic format.

8. Other:

- a. Mayor Caza mentioned that the County Emergency Services received grant money for digital signs. Dan Crandell asked the Mayor if the Village would be interested in a sign, they have which was never used. This sign would be available to the County, Town, and Village as well as others such as the Historical Society and Old Stone Fort as well as emergency messages. The sign would be placed at the triangle by Fort Road. Mayor Caza was concerned that there is an historical connection with the existing sign at that location. Mayor would like Clerk Price to contact Dan Crandell as well as Belinda McTaggart and the Historical Society and set up a meeting with the County to discuss location, ownership of current sign, and what the design of the new sign would be. Trustee Palmer suggested another location for the sign may be the south end of the Village by the Rocks.
- b. Trustee Johnson talked about state revitalization money initiating an effort to focus on smaller communities. Trustee Johnson with the help of SEEK has written a letter of intention which needs to be sent out by 8/10/2022 discussing the Village Parking lot project, the Trail project, and downtown businesses as well as the Lighting project. The letter of intent will simply qualify the Village to apply to Mohawk Valley Regional Economic Development. Mayor Caza will sign the letter of intent in order to apply for this money.
- c. Trustee Robinson-Bullock mentioned that the Youth Bureau will be hosting an event on August 19th at the County Courtyard where they will be collecting donations of personal hygiene products as well as pet supplies which will be donated to DSS for the homeless community. Trustee Robinson-Bullock will be sending an email to the Clerk's office to be distributed.
- d. Trustee Medak has requested budget information from all department heads and has received feedback from DPW, the Police department and will be receiving the Clerk's input next week. Trustee Medak has asked for an Executive Session at the end of the Employee Meeting on August 17th to be put on the Agenda. Trustee Medak will also be meeting with the Fire Department to get their budget numbers on August 11th, 2022. Trustee Medak also announced that he will be away from August 29th through September 29th, 2022.
- e. The next Regular Village Board meeting is Tuesday September 13, 2022, at 6:30PM
- f. The next Employees Workshop meeting is Wednesday August 17th, 2022, at 6:30PM
- g. The next SCVOA meeting will be hosted by the Village of Middleburgh, Wednesday September 28th, 2022

9. MOTION to Adjourn.

Motion made by Trustee Robinson-Bullock second by Trustee Johnson unanimously carried to adjourn at 7:26 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Leslie Price
Village Clerk/Treasurer