

Village of Schoharie – Regular Meeting
September 13, 2022

Presiding: Mayor Caza

Present: Trustees Johnson, Palmer, Robinson-Bullock, Clerk/Treasurer Leslie Price, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Debby Byrne, Patsy Nicosia, from the Times Journal, Bob Tines, Ben Griffin, James McFee, Diana Bell, Darlene & Glen Patterson, and Joseph Bozicevich

Excused: Trustee Medak

Meeting brought to order: By Mayor Caza at 6:34 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Caza acknowledged the passing of Schoharie resident Ralph Buess (proprietor of the Tory Tavern) and passed along thoughts and prayers to his family.

1. Privilege of the Floor:

- a. Darlene Patterson and Diana Bell from Schoharie Promotional Association (SPA)
 - i. Nick Juried from Gilboa has donated \$35,000.00 to SPA for the construction of a pavilion at the Lily Park. SPA will get a few more quotes before choosing a contractor. Plans have been drawn and Code Enforcer Doug Stinson has been notified.
 - ii. The Annual Cornhole tournament is scheduled for September 24, 2022, at Fox Creek.
 - iii. The Fire Pit dedication ceremony was well received.
 - iv. A committee has been formed to work on a future project which would include working on a brochure for a walking tour through the historic district of Schoharie.
- b. Joe Bozicevich
 - i. Joe questioned the Board on having illegal businesses in the Village. He was referring to the property at 240 Main Street which currently has a boat on the front lawn for sale. Joe said he did speak to our Code Enforcer Doug Stinson about this issue. Mayor Caza replied that he will follow up with Doug Stinson to see if any violations are occurring.
- c. James McFee
 - i. James was following up on updates for the Trail Project. He was informed that the Village office has sent his contact information to Dave Henry who is head of the Trail Project and Mr. Henry will contact him when the committee meets again.
 - ii. James also mentioned that Mike Harrington did contact him regarding the South End Drainage Project however he has not heard anything since. Mayor Caza will follow up with Mike Harrington.

2. Minutes: Review and Motion to approve

- a. August 9, 2022, Board Meeting Minutes
- b. August 17, 2022, Employee Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Trustee Johnson second by Trustee Robinson-Bullock unanimously carried to approve the August 9th, 2022, Regular Monthly Minutes and the August 17th, 2022, Employee Meeting Minutes.

3. Abstracts and Bank Statements:

- a. General \$ 83,645.16 (August 10, 2022- September 13, 2022)
- b. Water \$ 12,571.19 (August 10, 2022- September 13, 2022)
- c. Sewer \$ 16,726.73 (August 10, 2022- September 13, 2022)
- d. Pool \$ 3,053.79 (August 10, 2022- September 13, 2022)

Motion made by Trustee Palmer second by Trustee Robinson-Bullock unanimously carried to approve paying the invoices and the approval of the Abstract Amounts as written.

4. Incoming Correspondence:

- a. SEEC is having a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on September 28th @ 11:30AM at 287 Main Street.
- b. An Invitation was received from Mohawk Valley Economic Development to attend an event with guest speaker Lt. Governor Delgado at SUNY Cobleskill on September 14, 2022.

5. Outgoing Correspondence: N/A

6. New Business:

Motion made by Trustee Johnson second by Trustee Palmer unanimously carried to approve payment of the first DN Tanks Voucher in the amount of \$57,403.75

Motion made by Trustee Robinson-Bullock second by Trustee Johnson unanimously carried to approve Proposed Local Law #1 & #2 -2022 for Clerk Price to publish in the Times Journal on September 29th and October 6th and present to Trustees authority to exceed the 2% Tax Cap and amending the speed limit on Fort Road from 30MPH to 25MPH.

Motion made by Trustee Palmer second by Trustee Robinson-Bullock unanimously carried to approve the press release for the NY Forward Grant Request to make Mayor Caza the contact for a 5 Million Dollar grant request.

7. Old Business:

- a. **Policy Training** – OIC Jason Temple is preparing to present the training classes for sexual harassment, workplace violence, the right to know and blood-borne pathogens. Dates TBA

8. Other:

- a. Trustee Johnson mentioned that the Village Wi-Fi and internet project should be completed by the end of September.
- b. Resident Ben Griffin was concerned about the sidewalks in front of 117 Bridge Street and was asking when they will be repaired as there are many walkers in the Village. Mayor Caza will have this issued looked into by DPW.

9. MOTION to Adjourn.

Motion made by Trustee Robinson-Bullock second by Trustee Johnson unanimously carried to adjourn at 7:24 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Leslie Price
Village Clerk/Treasurer