

VILLAGE OF SCHOHARIE
Employees Meeting/Workshop – December 20, 2023

PRESENT: Mayor Caza, Trustees: Johnson, Medak, Palmer, and Robinson-Bullock. Clerk/Treasurer Leslie Price, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Debby Byrne, Codes Officer, and Fire Chief Doug Stinson, OIC Jason Temple, DPW Superintendent Ken Bernhardt, Bill VanGorder from NBT Insurance, Thomas Hitter from Planning and Mayor Elect, Colleen Henry.

- 1) OIC Jason Temple
 - a) See attached Report.
- 2) Fire Chief, Doug Stinson
 - a) See Attached Report.
 - b) With the money from the Homeland Security Grant, Doug would like to ask Lamont Engineers to review the basement area, review the upper building in regard to adding area for the Police Department and research the need for an elevator. He would like Lamont to draw up plans for the Grant.
 - c) Doug mentioned that there is no physical Deed at the Fire House for the old Fire Department property. He talked to Attorney Mike West and asked that he follow up on this matter. Mike will assist in order to turn the property back over to the Village.
 - d) Doug needs a Resolution from the Board to add fire fighters on special teams to the insurance policy. This Resolution is done every year and Leslie will prepare the 2024 Resolution.

Motion made by Trustee Robinson-Bullock second by Trustee Palmer unanimously carried to approve Clerk Price to write a Resolution to extend the insurance policy to include special teams throughout Schoharie County.

- 3) Bill VanGorder, NBT Insurance for the Fire Department
 - a) Bill presented the ESIP Insurance renewal effective 01/01/2024. The premium is going up to \$45,851.00 due to the five-year claim list which included some high payouts. Bill is currently working on a new quote with a \$2500 deductible to try and lower the premium. Bill is also suggesting that the Village review the values of all of the vehicles for the policy. Bill will get new numbers to Clerk Price by tomorrow. Mayor Caza asked if this policy included Flood Insurance as well. Mr. VanGorder will verify and get back to Clerk Price.

Motion made by Trustee Johnson second by Trustee Robinson-Bullock unanimously carried to have Mayor Caza sign the Multi-Spots Property Casualty Renewal Survey.

- 4) Code Enforcer, Doug Stinson
 - a) See Attached Report.
 - b) In regard to the Dental Office project, Doug stated that Dr. Elbially wants to withdraw his application and get a new Permit for just an expansion for a waiting room. Doug would usually bring this to the attention of our Village Attorney before acting. However, the Village Attorney is also the Planning Board Attorney and Doug feels it may be a conflict of interest. Mayor Caza and the Board feel it is OK for Doug to talk to Attorney Brennan.
- 5) DPW Superintendent Ken Bernhardt
 - a) See attached Report.

b) Ken announced that he has now completed all requirements to obtain the required 2A-D Water Operator's License.

6) Other:

a) Trustee Johnson has spoken to Attorney Bill Hurst of Young Summers, regarding the Jeremy May case. Mr. Hurst needs to know if the Village is in favor of moving the venue to the New York State Supreme Court. Once the Board agrees, Trustee Johnson will contact Attorney Hurst

Motion made by Trustee Johnson second by Trustee Palmer unanimously carried to approve moving the venue to the New York State Supreme Court in the matter of Jeremy May.

b) Clerk Price asked for clarification regarding the Code Officer salary. His salary has been at \$22.00 since January 2021. The 2024 Budget indicates the Code Officer salary is \$21.84.

Motion made by Mayor Caza Second by Trustee Robinson-Bullock unanimously carried to approve the salary of Codes Officer to \$22.00 plus the 4% increase for Fiscal Year 2024

c) Mike Harrington from Lamont Engineering requested the Mayor sign a change order #1 for DN Tanks with an order change increase of \$5,058.18.

Motion made by Trustee Johnson Second by Trustee Medak unanimously carried to approve Contract #1, Change Order #1 for DN Tanks for an increase of \$5,058.18.

Motion made by Trustee Palmer second by Trustee Johnson unanimously carried to adjourn meeting at 8:58PM.

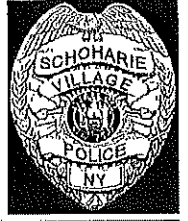
Respectfully Submitted,

Leslie Price
Village Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED



SCHOHARIE POLICE DEPARTMENT



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December 20th, 2023 Employees Work Session

January 1st, 2023-December 20th, 2023 Stats

97 Traffic Tickets
296 Calls for Service
6 Arrests
9 Auto Accidents (8 Property Damage, 0 Person Injury, 1 Fatal)
0 Domestic Incidents

November 15th, 2023-December 20th, 2023:

No Major Incidents

Patrol:

(1) MHL 941 & PL Arrest. Endangering Welfare of Child/Disorderly Conduct. Resident from Prospect House had allegedly overdosed on THC gummies, prescribed medications including EDP issues had psychotic break. Entered a parked vehicle along Main St. with a 10-year-old child in the back seat refusing to exit. Subject was brought to Ellis ER and Ellis Crisis for treatment.

No further reports of homeless tenting on Village property.

Citizen Advisory Board:

Next meeting scheduled for January 10th, 2024 @ 0930 Christ the Shepard Lutheran Church.

DCJS Law Enforcement Technology (LETech) Funding:

Awaiting funding approval.

NYPA Settlement Fund:

Awaiting funding approval.

Walmart Grant:

Awaiting funding approval.

Community Events:

Christmas in Schoharie 12/02/23 hosted by SFD. Successful event and parade with no issues.

Transition/Cloudpermit:

- Leslie is working on electronic payment capability with Cloudpermit.
- Please remember to accept your invites to CloudPermit in your email inbox. If you have any technical issues or questions, please call me.
- Until all are comfortable (including myself) generating reports on Cloudpermit, there will be a running hardcopy binder in the Village Office, updated Monthly with audit information.

Complaints and Enforcement:

1. Jeremy May is being referred to the Supreme Court. Village court date postponed until further notice, per Judge Kennedy.

Permits:

Parrot House: No new progress to report. Requested and site visit but have not spoken to property owner.

Schoharie Dental 229 Main St.: Inspection complete. Final CO issued.

353 Main Street: Awaiting final inspection to issue CO.

110 Sunset: Progressing nicely. Some inspection complete. Next inspection will be this weekend.

164 Grand Street: Working with property owner for failure to obtain permit.

117 Shannon Ave: Working with property owner for failure to obtain permit.

161 Prospect Street: Working with property owner for failure to obtain permit.

146 Prospect Street: New permit in process for Roof top Solar.



Village of Schoharie

Schoharie Fire Department

Situational Report Nov 23- Dec 23

1.) Calls

- 22 EMS
- 7 Fire

2.) Drills & Training

- Held 4 NFPA best practice drills. Hosted 2nd floor bailout training with Cobleskill Fire Department.

3.) Education

- 1 Firefighter graduated Firefighter Survival.

4.) Fundraisers/Events

- Christmas in Schoharie was a big success! Pancake Breakfast raised approx. \$1400.00 for SFD and the Soup Stroll(local restaurants) raised nearly the same for the food pantry. Many more spectators for the parade this year, even with two other communities hosting parades and events.

5.) Near Misses/Major Incidents- Hunter with gunshot wound on Rickard Hill Rd. Subject doing well.

6.) Apparatus/Equipment

- 1423 is being scheduled to go in for manufacturer recall work.
- 1441 is due for an oil change.
- 1422 still needs to be scheduled for a tire change. In for final repairs.

7.) Building and Grounds

- AC Compressor Unit #4 malfunctioned and blew apart. Repairs are underway. Cost to be between \$5000-\$6000. 2nd compressor found to be bad as well and will cost an additional \$3800 in repairs.
- AC work almost complete, Overhead door repaired and faucet and toilet valve replacement. Commercial stove serviced.

8.) Grants

- Airpack grant amendment approved by AFG Admin at FEMA. \$103,000 awarded for \$108,000 purchase. 15 new airpacks with voice amplifiers ordered from 3M Scott. Expected arrival 1-2 months.
- New training stipend grant authorized by Homeland Security
- New Homeland Security Infrastructure/Equipment Grant announced \$500,000.00 - \$1,000,000.00 per award.

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Department of Public Works
December 20, 2023

- Worked on changing water meter registers, will have them all done by the end of 2024.
- Work with Ferguson Water Works to get the cost of the new water meter register back down to the quoted price.
- Got the old 1991 International dump truck back in service. Saved \$1200.00
- I have spent a lot of time with the contractors that have been working around the village, Furman Dr. Brookside Place, Fair Street, Fort Road, Tank site
- Drained the water out of the new tank until we are ready to put it in service.
- Worked in Lily Park running electric to the new pavilion and the old covered bridge.
- Completed all requirements to obtain the required 2A -D water operator's license.