

VILLAGE OF SCHOHARIE
Employees Meeting/Workshop – October 18, 2023

PRESENT: Mayor Caza, Trustees: Johnson, Palmer, and Robinson-Bullock. Clerk/Treasurer Leslie Price, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Debby Byrne, DPW Superintendent Ken Bernhardt, Codes Officer, and Fire Chief Doug Stinson, OIC Jason Temple, Mike Harrington from Lamont Engineers and Colleen Henry.

Excused: Trustee Medak

- 1) Mike Harrington, Lamont Engineers
 - a) See Attached Report.
 - b) The Brookside project is all set to go, should be starting work next week. Should be three to four weeks of work.
 - c) Interest invoice from EFC on short term loan was paid at the last Board Meeting. 2024 Interest payments will increase to \$3200.00/month on the 1.1-million-dollar loan. There will be 12 months of interest coming before going long term.
 - d) Colonial Heritage has agreed to an 18-foot wide Right of Way.
 - e) Mike and Ken hope to go out to bid in early 2024 for Hilgert paving project.
 - f) Mike asked if the Village Office could scan and email Fox Creek SPDES report over to Mike. Mike will work with Ken to discuss it. Mayor is not prepared to sign documents tonight.

- 2) Codes Officer Doug Stinson
 - a) See Attached Report
 - b) Mayor asked if there is power to the Parrott House. Doug did not believe there was, but he will look into it.
 - c) Schoharie Dental Office needs to re-apply for a Permit for waiting room.
 - d) Mayor asked about current Fire Inspections, Doug said we are up to date for 2023, beginning January 2024 he will begin inspections for apartment buildings and businesses.

- 3) Fire Chief Doug Stinson
 - a) See Attached Report

- 4) DPW Superintendent, Ken Bernhardt
 - a) See Attached Report.
 - b) Ken will email tonnage numbers to Sal for the 2024 budget. Total tonnage in 2023 was 8.560. At an increase of \$2.00/ton that would be an increase of \$17.12. These numbers will be sent to Sal and the Board will need to approve the new rates for 2024.
 - c) Crosswalk signs added to Spring Street. Mayor would like reflective materials to put on posts for crosswalks. .
 - d) Equipment auction resulted in \$7945.00 in sales. The Village should be receiving a check within two weeks.
 - e) Ken received a request for DPW to maintain the trees on the sidewalk in the downtown business district. The Mayor and Board agreed to this.
 - f) Trustee Robinson-Bullock was contacted by resident Jen Barnett concerning sidewalks. She sent pictures of troubled spots and Trustee Robinson-Bullock would like to share them with Ken and the Village Office.

g) Mayor Caza declared the letter from the Department of Health is considered reviewed.

h) Mayor Caza would like the Village Clerk to generate an Invoice to pay William Shroh.

Motion made by Mayor Caza second by Trustee Robinson Bullock unanimously carried to approve extending the contract for Bill Shroh through 2023.

5) OIC Jason Temple

a) See attached Report.

b) Mayor would like handicap parking spots to be repainted and signed. Mayor would like Jason and Ken to think about how we can clearly mark parking spaces and no parking spaces on Main Steet.

6) Other:

a) Trustee Palmer was concerned about the person living in the woods behind Hilgert. OIC Temple informed him that DSS is giving out tents and sleeping bags to people with nowhere to go. Once Code Blue comes into effect, this situation will be resolved.

b) Trustee Palmer also discussed the National Grid and NYPA lighting project. The proposed price is \$18,000.00. Trustee Palmer needs a letter of intent sent to National Grid.

Motion made by Trustee Johnson second by Trustee Robinson-Bullock unanimously carried to approve the Mayor signing a Letter of Intent to purchase the LED lights.

c) Trustee Johnson let the Board know that his meeting with Colonial Heritage went very well.

Motion made by Trustee Robinson-Bullock second by Trustee Palmer unanimously carried to adjourn meeting at 8:31PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leslie Price
Village Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED