

VILLAGE OF SCHUYLERVILLE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MONTHLY MEETING JULY 12, 2017

The Village of Schuylerville Board of Trustees met at the Municipal Center on Wednesday, July 12, 2017 for the monthly meeting. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dan Carpenter.

Those present were Mayor Dan Carpenter, Deputy Mayor Dan Baker, Trustees Nicole Proctor, Bryan Drew and Deputy Clerk Rose Decker. Trustee Robert Petralia was absent. Attorney David Klingebiel was absent.

Announcements:

The next Schuylerville Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Monday August 7 at 7:00pm due to a personal commitment the Mayor has. The meeting will be held at the Municipal Building. The Schuylerville Board workshop will be held the previous Monday, July 31 at 6:30 pm here in the Municipal Building.

The S/V BOWM meeting will be held on Monday July 17, at the Village of Victory meeting hall.

The Schuylerville Planning Board will not have their meeting on July 17.

The Turning Point Festival and Parade is August 5 & 6.

The Hudson Crossing Cardboard Boat Race will be held August 12.

Approval of Minutes:

May 10, 2017 ~ Deputy Mayor Dan Baker had a correction under public comment should read JH Consulting not DH Consulting (page 2).

Deputy Mayor Dan Baker made a motion to approve the Minutes with that correction, Trustee Bryan Drew Seconded the Motion, ~ all ayes ~ Motion passed.

June 14, 2017 ~ Deputy Mayor Dan Baker had a correction on page 4: it should read Deputy Clerk/Treasurer there should be no name associated with that position.

Trustee Dan Baker made a motion to approve the Minutes with that correction, Trustee Bryan Drew seconded the motion. ~ all ayes ~ Motion passed.

June 14, 2017 ~ Mayor Dan Carpenter noted that on page 6 of the June 14, 2017 minutes on # 5 should be amended to read : she feels that grant applications and research for the sidewalks should not be the sole responsibility of the sidewalk committee, but also The Board of Trustees.

Trustee Dan Baker made a motion to approve the minutes for June 14, 2017 with the two amendments. Nicole Proctor Seconded the motion ~ all ayes~ Motion passed

REPORTS

Treasurer's report: Mayor Dan Carpenter read Treasurer's report (copy attached)

Code Enforcement: Copy attached

Department of Public Works: DPW Supervisor Rob Decker needed to leave due to a fire call, but was at the workshop and the following was discussed. Trustee Dan Baker reiterated the questions and statement that Supervisor Rob Decker stated at the workshop. The DPW received the new John Deere tractor, but questioned on what to do with the old Ford tractor,

and how to go about putting it up for sale, so we have tabled that question until the next meeting so we can present this question to the Village Attorney David Klingebiel. He also addressed the complaint from a motorist claiming her car was damaged by a rock from one of the Village mowers as she was driving by, stating it hit her passenger's side door and causing a scratch and dent in the door.

Regarding Green St. paving, Supervisor Rob Decker has gotten no response from Kubricky and DA Collins but he did hear back from Peckham, however they are not state approved but they are county approved so we need to follow up with the Attorney David Klingebiel. He also stated the new Visitors Center asked the DPW to pick up and haul away some of the extra material they have and Supervisor Rob Decker is working on a price for what it will cost for the hauling.

Mayor Dan Carpenter wanted the public to be aware that last Friday's storm there was some minor flooding from the canal into the parking lots and Fort Hardy Park.

Also NYCOM conference is in Lake George October 16 - 18, 2017.

Fire Department: Chief Brian Myers could not attend due to a fire call, Mayor Dan Carpenter read the report. ~ Report attached.

General Schuyler Emergency Squad ~ Report attached ~ Deputy Mayor asked Joe Hanna the representative from GSES if the name is going to change when they merge with the Wilton Emergency Squad in September and Joe stated that yes it will the logo will read Wilton Emergency with General Schuyler with the Monument in the middle of the logo.

Historian/Visitor's Center ~ No Report

Planning Board ~ No Report

Sewer ~ Trustee Dan Baker asked how the WWTP was doing with all the rain we have been receiving. WWTP Supervisor Charles Sherman stated he has bypassed quite a bit of water during the rainstorm (meaning bypassing the tank station) he got all that water treated and running through the plant finishing up yesterday Tuesday, July 11, 2017. Started chlorine in the digestive two which is like our backup digestive throughout the winter we use as a holding tank until he can get rid of that stuff throughout the season so basically what we are going to do now that we got rid of all of our sludge that we have accumulated from last winter, so we will be ready for the next winter so now we will be six months ahead. Supervisor Sherman states he has a representative from Crohme showing up on Friday July 15, the manufacture of the Flo Meter to bypass the new controller because of the issues of the \$6,000.00 bill, Mayor Dan Carpenter stated that he has called him twice and as of yet still has not received a call back from them. Trustee Baker stated he has got a contractor's number from DCK if we would like to use them and not Smith Controls, if the other contractor is not working out. Supervisor Charles Sherman stated that could be useful but the issue is they (Smith Controls) built the system, programmed it, they created it so when we have a problem he calls them, so it is difficult not to work with they because they know the system inside and out. Supervisor Charles Sherman stated he spoke to someone at Smith Controls about the bill and he agreed that they recently installed some new equipment in the WWTP and if they have to reinstall a new flow tube they would take it off the bill. If it is a computer issue he will reprogram it correctly and we will be all set. Mayor Dan Carpenter stated they put in 2 new units, the problem is still not resolved. WWTP Supervisor Charles Sherman suggested to have Crohme come out on Friday and he would know a lot more about the situation. WWTP Supervisor Charles Sherman stated he expects to start taking in septage in August, September and October of this year. WWTP

Supervisor Charles Sherman stated the new employee, Matt Varner at the WWTP is working out well, he will need to take a couple of courses online along with a deactivated sludge course and he has to work at the WWTP for 6 months before he can even take a test. Supervisor Charles Sherman also asked the Board about a little consideration for some sick time for the new employee Mat Varner as his immune system has not adjusted to the bacteria that flows through the WWTP and on occasions will need some time off .

Mayor Dan Carpenter stated he and the Board of Trustees saw no problem with this as long as he does not abuse the time.

Water ~ report attached Trustee Dan Baker stated that while Dollar General was digging for their conduit line they hit the water line going to Saratoga Apple orchard. Schuylerville DPW Supervisor Rob Decker was notified, Supervisor Rob Decker shut the curb stop valve off as far as they could turn it. The S/V BOWM does not own the line going past the curb stop so therefore the problem now lies between Dollar General and Saratoga Apple. They have come to a resolution temporarily and Chairman of the Water Board, Dan Baker instructed the owner of Saratoga Apple that he would be responsible to put in his own waterline. The Water Board is going to outsource the tapping because of the depth of the water line as we don't have a safety box for Rob and his crew to use, and as we are estimating the water main to be about 11 feet deep because of the rise in the hill, the Water Board will be putting a curb stop on the south side of route 29 and Saratoga Apple will be responsible to hook into it going across the road

Tree Committee ~ Trustee Nicole Proctor stated the next tree committee meeting will be on Friday, July 15, 2017 at 8:00 at Sweeney's Cafe. Anyone who is interested in joining please feel free to attend. Tom Denny from TreeToga will be the guest speaker, giving the methods they use and tips on type of trees that will work for the different locations of the Village.

Sidewalk Committee ~ Trustee Bryan Drew stated he's planning to meet the end of the month on the 24, 25, or 26 of July due to his work schedule and should know by the end of the week.

Public Comments:

Resident Wendy Lucas had a few comments and questions concerning the water at the apple orchard, the Water Board backup system, the minutes and salary list, sewer litigation, and where the Water Board meetings are held and recognition of a resident Robert Galusha. Supervisor Rob Decker stated he received a call at 5pm tonight stating there were trees blocking the view of the stop signs on Saratoga Street. He took a quick ride and saw they were blocking both signs. He feels there is going to be some major tree trimming on both sides of the road. He will investigate more Thursday 7/13/2017 and report back. This is on Saratoga and Church Streets, going down the hill.

Old Business:

Gateway Visitor's Center ~ asked DPW to do a pick up of junk and construction debris at their site. The DPW supervisor Rob will get an estimate for the service to haul away the debris making sure the Village is not absorbing the cost. Mayor Carpenter will table this until the August meeting to give them an answer and the Board may approve next meeting.

Rules to be followed for future coin drops ~ Mayor Dan Carpenter addressed the fact that during a recent coin drop residents were standing in the road with no safety vests on and were under 18, he addressed the situation and it was corrected. The rules are you must be 18 and

have a safety vest on at all times, if anyone sees someone not wearing a vest or under 18, please address the situation or if it is a Board member they can shut the coin drop down, or if they do not feel comfortable, please let him know and he will shut them down.

Approval to select a new website ~ Trustee Dan Baker made a motion to approve E Vision Solution at \$6,875.00 seconded by Trustee Bryan Drew ~ all ayes ~ motion passed

Approval for Mayor to sign Community Leasing agreement to purchase 20 Scott 3x SCBA's , and 40 cylinders for the SHC - pending attorney approval. **Trustee Dan Baker made a motion to approve the Community Leasing Agreement. Trustee Nicole Baker Seconded ~ all ayes~ motion passed.**

Trustee Dan Baker made a motion to deposit a \$25,000.00 check from Dollar General into the General Fund and creating a separate appropriation for the monies. Trustee Bryan Drew seconded. ` all ayes ~ motion passed

New Business

Trustee Dan Baker made a motion for SHC to have a Human Foosball Tournament at Fort Hardy Park on August 5, 2017, Trustee Nicole Proctor seconded. ~ all ayes ~ motion passed

Mayor Dan Carpenter requested to table the approval of disposing of the DPW old tractor until speaking with Attorney David Klingebiel The DPW Supervisor wants to make sure it does not have to be declared as surplus. Tabled until next month's meeting.

Trustee Nicole Proctor made a motion to move \$6,912.00 from A.2770 Misc. income to A1278 Water Services for the fiscal year 2016/2017 . Trustee Bryan Drew seconded. ~ all ayes ~ motion passed

Trustee Bryan Drew made a motion to submit a claim to the Village insurance for the incident with the DPW mower and a motor vehicle possibly causing a scratch and dent in passenger side door of the motor vehicle. Trustee Dan Baker seconded ~ all ayes ~ motion passed

Trustee Dan Baker made a motion to use General Code to update our code book, price quoted to be between \$1280.00 and 1375.00. Trustee Bryan Drew Seconded, ~ all ayes ~ motion passed

EPA is holding a meeting on July 19 at the Holiday Inn in Saratoga Springs at 6pm to discuss Dredging on the Hudson River. It is the 5 yr review of the project and Mayor Dan Carpenter encouraged the residents of Schuylerville to attend. The argument the Mayor plans to make is that the court decision is holding General Electric accountable for the PCBs, and it was decided they must repair the river to protect human life, the argument the Mayor is making that they did not do their job, as the Canal System is part of their job. The Canal system has overflowed from the rain we recently had and flooded our park (Fort Hardy) where our children play ball and it is next to our drinking water reservoir. He would like some testing done on the Canal. Additionally, there are fallen trees in the Canal and we can not clean them out because of the possibility of PCBs.

Trustee Dan Baker made a motion to approve the Harbor Fund for \$5,079.29 to go toward the buoy project on the Canal and Hour Electric to hook up electricity to the

**Fountain pending the approval from DEC and EPA stating it is safe to do this project.
Trustee Bryan Drew Seconded the motion ~ all ayes ~ motion passed.**

Public Comment:

Resident Wendy Lucas asked what laws the Village needed to modify?

What will be going on the new website. Will it be easy to maneuver?

Resident Wendy Lucas also stated in previous years the Village had some soil removed from the beach and placed at the Boat Launch, which was found to have some PCBs in it and the Village was ordered to have it disposed of in Buffalo, costing the residents over \$25,000.00

Resident Wendy Lucas also asked about the future of zoning, solar screening for the windows in the meeting room and an illegal fence in Morgan's Run.

Resident Margaret Chiperno complained about a bush in her alley, making the view to turn onto the street very dangerous.

Mayor Carpenter asked for volunteers for the Dunking Booth at the Turning Point Festival and

Trustee Baker was delighted to donate his time for this worthy cause on August 5th at Fort Hardy Park.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

Trustee Baker made a motion to approve the vouchers presented for payment :

General Fund

\$30,740.92 with additional \$38.25 for the 13th month. Sewer Fund \$2,096.15

(excluding Smith Control for \$6,700). With additional \$27.91 for the 13th month. Trustee Proctor seconded the motion ~ all ayes ~ motion passed.

Trustee Drew made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Trustee Proctor seconded the motion. ~ all ayes ~ motion passed

Respectfully Submitted,

Rose Decker

Deputy Clerk