

VILLAGE OF SAUGERTIES 43 PARTITION STREET SAUGERTIES, N.Y. 12477

Village Board Meeting Minutes February 3, 2020

Present: Mayor Murphy, Trustees Vince Buono, Jeff Helmuth, Terry Parisian, Don Hackett, Brian Martin **Others**: Alex Wade, Chris Wade, Chris Mason, Bill Kemble, Dave Gordon, Ed Quirk, Martin Dunkley, Patrick Wadden, Laura Kopczak, 2 SHS student

Mayor Murphy opened the meeting at 5:30pm.

Mayor Murphy requested Trustee Parisian to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

<u>Privilege of the Floor</u> – Martin Dunkley, resident business owner of Season Delicious Foods, Season Gives, Harambee of Kingston and Creator of the Caribbean Carnival requested to address the Board. The Caribbean Carnival has been held at Cantine Field for the past 3 years. The Caribbean Carnival is going to be held again this year at Cantine Field on August 15th. Mr. Dunkley is requesting approval to have a parade on Saturday August 15, 10am – 11am. The parade would follow the same route as the 4th of July parade – up Washington Avenue, across Main Street and down Market Street. The parade last year was only on Washington Avenue. The police have already been notified and have approved the route.

Mayor Murphy stated that the issue with the parade would be that the streets in the main business area. Closing the streets on a Saturday in the summer impacts the business owners.

Trustee Helmuth questions whether or not they could change the route to go on Lafayette Street instead of Main Street. Mr. Dunkley is open to any suggestions. **Trustee Hackett** suggested Mr. Dunkley meet with the Fire Dept. **Mayor Murphy** stated that the Board is not opposed to the parade and suggested Mr. Dunkley visit the business regarding closing the street for the parade and possibly speak to Dallas at the Dutch Ale House who is part of the Destination Saugerties. Dallas should be able to help with communicating with the other village business owners. Mr. Dunkley was thinking that the parade would bring business to the community. **Mayor Murphy** is confident this can be worked out. Mr. Dunkley will contact the Mayor and the Board with his results from speaking with the local businesses.

Patrick Wadden, Arm of the Sea Tide Water Center, addressed the Board. Mr. Wadden gave a video presentation of the proposed project for the Tide Water Center. The Arm of the Sea is in the process of obtaining ownership to the property adjacent to the Tina Chorvas Park and in the planning stages of The Tidewater Center project. Mr. Wadden gave a brief history of the property and the recent work that has been completed at Tina Chorvas Park through the NYS Community Rising (CRZ) funds. The site plan and special use application for the Tide Water Center project is before the Planning Board and a decision is expected sometime in the spring.

The Economic Development Council and Hudson River Estuary programs have provided grant funds to pursue the planning and Phase 1 of this project. The grant will fund the design and engineering of a new section of the bulkhead and walkway along the public access fishing. The RFP is being sent out this month for an engineering firm to determine the amount of rebuilding required.

The grants available for implementing waterfront shoreline revitalization is through the Department of State, Waterfront Revitalization Program. These grants are only open to municipalities. Non-profits are not eligible. Mr. Wadden is proposing, for the Board's consideration, a partnership with the Arm of the Sea and the Village to apply for the needed grants. There would not be any cost to the Village taxpayers.

The applications need to be submitted to the Regional Economic Development Council in July with a decision expected in December. The partnership would be modeled after other joint nonprofits and municipalities projects. One example is the City of Beacon who partnered with The Scenic Hudson for their large water font shoreline project in Beacon.

Mr. Wadden had met with Mayor Murphy and Mike Karashay, Special Projects, for a preliminary discussion and the details would result in a memorandum of understanding. The Arm of the Sea would provide most of

the input for the application and the Village would have to file the application. If successful, the Arm of the Sea would provide the required 25% match, administer the grant and oversee the construction.

Mayor Murphy stated that the concern is that the approval of this grant may weaken our case for pursuing and receiving other grants. We don't want to take away a grant opportunity for our future sewer project. **Alex Wade** stated that he didn't think a water front grant would be interfere with a separate with the sewer grant. The grant for the original Lighthouse project was a partnership. The Village applied for the grant and the Lighthouse monitored all the work.

Patrick Wadden thanked the Board for their consideration and invited them to contact him if they are interested in a walking tour of the site.

Mayor Murphy is waiting for feedback from Eyal Saad and Mike Karashay to be presented to the Board for a final decision.

Mayor Murphy made a motion to support the process for the possibility of a grant partnership with Arm of the Sea. Trustee Helmuth seconded the motion to support the process for the possibility of a grant partnership with Arm of the Sea. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Murphy presented the Village Board Minutes from January 21, 2020.

Trustee Hackett made a motion to approve the Village Board Minutes from January 21, 2020. The motion to approve the minutes from January 21, 2020 was seconded by Trustee Parisian. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstract for February 3, 2020:

General \$ 138,919.50
Water \$ 21,453.20
Wastewater \$ 23,656.47

Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the Abstract for February 3, 2020. The motion to approve the Abstract of February 3, 2020 was seconded by Trustee Hackett. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Reports

Trustee Parisian – Nothing new to report.

Trustee Helmuth – Nothing new to report.

Trustee Buono – Paula Kerbert, Treasurer, has submitted proposed department budgets for Trustees to review.

Trustee Martin – The Seamon Park Rental fee was discussed. An increase for Village Residents from \$0 to \$50 and non-village residents to remain at \$100 and eliminating the deposit fee for both was proposed. **Trustee Hackett** stated he thought that the request must come from the Seamon Park Board and that it supposed to be free to taxpayers. **Trustee Parisian** stated that the park is free but a charge for a private event i.e. wedding or party is not unreasonable to charge for the use of the park.

Trustee Martin will check with the Seamon Park Board at their next meeting.

Trustee Hackett – Nothing new to report.

Alex Wade – reported for Special Projects. See attached report. **Alex Wade** mentioned that he had designed the original bulk head and got the grant for Tina Chorvas Park.

Chief Chris Wade explained the request to replace the Fire Departments current 30 year old ladder truck. The technology and safety are outdated. There are more safety features, emission standards, technology and functionality on the new truck. The response time and positioning would be better. **Chief Wade** introduced Blake from Garrison Fire and Rescue Corp. to highlight the benefits of the ladder truck. Blake explained that there have been 5 -6 safety standard revisions as well as EPA emission

standards introduced since the older truck was manufactured. Currently there are no parts available for the old truck. Safety standards for the new truck include governed speed at 60 miles per hour, center of gravity, aerial device controls and jack spread to prevent tipping.

Procurement for the new truck can be done through a cooperative bidding process. The company most commonly used is Source Well. The Town, Malden-West Camp, Cedar Grove and Saxton has recently used Source Well. There is no formal bid opening and saves time. Source Well is available to make presentation to explain how the process works. HGAC is also another procurement company. Both require a \$2000 fee. Garrison Fire and Rescue is separate from the procurement process.

Trustee Helmuth inquired if there is a salvage value to the current ladder truck. Blake stated that there is not a lot of money for these trucks since they are so old, possibly \$25,000 through an auction. Blake stated that he is available to answer any questions through Chief Wade.

The Water and Sewer rate increase will be addressed at the next Board meeting when Supervisor Hopf is present.

Mayor Murphy presented the information regarding the Local Emergency Action Notification System. The emergency information will be televised on local programming through Lighthouse TV23. Procedures and a notification structure will be in place in case of an emergency.

Trustee Helmuth made a motion to state that the Village Board does not object to the Local Emergency Action Notification System on Lighthouse TV23. Trustee Buono seconded the motion to state that the Village Board does not object to the Local Emergency Action Notification System on Lighthouse TV23. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

The limit of the Purchase Order for amounts over \$25 was discussed. There currently is no policy on the dollar limit. The procedure is for Trustees to review and sign the Purchase Order over \$25. The procurement policy is to go out for bids is for larger purchases over \$30,000. The increase in the dollar limit would eliminate some of the paper work and time. After much discussion, the Mayor suggested to have the Treasurer research what other municipalities policies may be and present to the Board.

Mayor Murphy presented the proposal for the change in dental coverages. The dental coverage would be increased from \$1000 to \$2000 for \$4500 per year less premium through Delta Dental. The CWA Union representative, Mike Luftring, approved of the change to the dental insurance.

Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the change in dental coverage to Delta Dental. Trustee Parisian seconded the motion to approve the change in dental coverage to Delta Dental. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Helmuth made a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting, seconded by Trustee Hackett. The motion carried unanimously. The Village Board Meeting adjourned at 6:38 pm.

Next Village Board meeting is <u>Tuesday, February 18, 2019</u> at 5:30 pm. Lisa Mayone Village Clerk Filed 2/8/2020