

**Sloatsburg Village Board**

**Special Meeting – January 14, 2011**

The Special Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order at 9:00 AM by the Honorable Carl S. Wright, Mayor in the Conference Room of the Sloatsburg Municipal Building, 96 Orange Turnpike, Sloatsburg, New York.

Trustees Present - Barbara Berntsen  
John Bonkoski – arrived at 9:10 AM  
Peter Akey

Trustee Absent - J. Mark Reimer

Village Clerk & Treasurer – Thomas F. Bollatto, Jr. – Present

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Note for the record: The Public Notice of the Special Meeting is attached herewith and made a part of these minutes.

Mayor Wright confirmed the Public Notice of Special Meeting was posted and indicated the purpose was to adopt resolutions relating to the 2011 Dog Contract with the Town of Ramapo, the 2011 Ramapo Fire Protection District No. 2 Agreement and the 2011 Johnsonstown Road Fire Protection District Agreement.

Resolution #11-001 2011 Dog Control Services between  
Town of Ramapo and Village of Sloatsburg

Trustee Akey offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Village is desirous of contracting with the Town of Ramapo for dog control services, and

WHEREAS, the Town has provided an agreement covering the services of the Dog Control Officer, and

WHEREAS, said Agreement is due to expire on December 31, 2011 with either side having the ability to extend the agreement beyond 2011 and should either party opt not to renew, notification must be made not later than October 14, 2011.

WHEREAS, the rate to be paid for dog control services will be at a rate of \$38.45 per hour plus actual cost of any overtime or call out.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor be authorized to execute the Dog Control Contract between the Town of Ramapo and the Village of Sloatsburg, effective January 1, 2011.

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Berntsen.

On a Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Berntsen	Aye
Trustee Akey	Aye
Mayor Wright	Aye

Resolution #11-002 Ramapo Fire Protection District No. 2 Agreement - 2011

Trustee Berntsen offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Village of Sloatsburg is desirous of renewing a contract the Ramapo Fire Protection District No. 2 with the Town of Ramapo for the calendar year 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Ramapo conducted a Public Hearing on December 8, 2010 with regard to the proposed agreement, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Ramapo agrees to enter into an agreement with the Village of Sloatsburg for fire protection services for the Ramapo Fire Protection District No. 2 for the year 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor is authorized to execute said agreement,

WHEREAS, the sum to be paid to the Village for said services for the calendar year 2011 is \$292,254.00 to be paid on or before February 28, 2011;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Sloatsburg enter into said agreement with the Town of Ramapo to provide fire protection services for the Ramapo Fire Protection District No. 2 for the year 2011, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be given authorization to execute said agreement on behalf of the Village of Sloatsburg, and

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Akey.

On a Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Berntsen	Aye
Trustee Akey	Aye
Mayor Wright	Aye

Resolution #11-003 Johnsonstown Road Fire Protection District Agreement - 2011

Trustee Akey offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Village of Sloatsburg is desirous of renewing a contract for the Johnsonstown Road Fire Protection District with the Town of Ramapo for the calendar year 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Ramapo conducted a Public Hearing on December 8, 2010 with regard to the proposed agreement, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Ramapo agrees to enter into an agreement with the Village of Sloatsburg for fire protection services for the Johnsonstown Road Fire Protection District for the year 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor is authorized to execute said agreement,

WHEREAS, the sum to be paid to the Village for said services for the calendar year 2011 is \$8,000.00 to be paid on or before February 28, 2011;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Sloatsburg enter into said agreement with the Town of Ramapo to provide fire protection services for the Johnsonstown Road Fire Protection District for the year 2011, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be given authorization to execute said agreement on behalf of the Village of Sloatsburg, and

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Berntsen.

On a Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Berntsen	Aye
Trustee Akey	Aye
Mayor Wright	Aye

Trustee Akey commented that Robert Stein has been elected as a member in the Sloatsburg Fire Department.

Resolution #11-004 Fire Department Membership – Robert J. Stein

Trustee Akey offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees accept Robert J. Stein of 3 Sunset Road, Sloatsburg, New York as a member in the Sloatsburg Fire Department.

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Berntsen and was duly adopted by unanimous vote.

Orange and Rockland Utilities Inspection Request

There was further discussion relative to correspondence between the Building Inspector and Orange and Rockland regarding a utilities inspection request.

Note for the record: A copy of correspondence from Orange and Rockland Utilities is attached herewith and made a part of these minutes.

The Mayor then called for a motion to adopt resolutions in mass.

*On a motion by Trustee Berntsen, seconded by Trustee Akey to adopt resolutions in mass. All in favor, motion carried.*

Resolution #11-005 Transfer General Fund Money Market to General Fund Checking Account

Trustee Berntsen offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk/Treasurer transfer \$70,000.00 from the General Fund Money Market Account held at the Greater Hudson Bank to the General Fund Checking Account held at M&T Bank. This transfer to cover General Fund expenses.

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Akey and was duly adopted by unanimous vote.

Resolution #11-006 Transfer General Fund Money Market to General Fund Checking Account

Trustee Berntsen offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk/Treasurer transfer \$25,000.00 from the General Fund Money Market Account held at the Greater Hudson Bank to the General Fund Checking Account held at M&T Bank. This transfer to cover General Fund expenses.

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Akey and was duly adopted by unanimous vote.

Resolution #11-007 Transfer General Fund Money Market to  
General Fund Checking Account

Trustee Berntsen offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk/Treasurer transfer \$20,000.00 from the General Fund Money Market Account held at the Greater Hudson Bank to the General Fund Checking Account held at M&T Bank. This transfer to cover General Fund expenses.

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Akey and was duly adopted by unanimous vote.

Resolution #11-008 Acceptance of Building Inspector's Report December 2010

Trustee Berntsen offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees accept the Building Inspector's report for the month of December in the amount of \$2,925.00

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Akey and was duly adopted by unanimous vote.

Resolution # 11-009 Administrative Fee FEMA – 1899 DR. NY.  
Severe Storms Inland and Coastal Flooding

Trustee Berntsen offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, during the period 3/13/10 through 3/15/10, the Village of Sloatsburg experienced both major and minor damage to village-owned properties due to severe storms; and

WHEREAS, An Emergency Declaration was made for the County of Rockland, and the County became eligible for Disaster recovery funds under Federal Emergency Management Assistance Program, and

WHEREAS, the Village has received monies for the clean-up, restoration and reconstruction of village owned properties which funds included administrative fees covering attendance at FEMA meetings; completing forms necessary to request assistance, working with Federal and State teams to assess damage, collect cost data and develop cost estimates, etc., and

WHEREAS, Thomas F. Bollatto, Jr., Village Clerk & Treasurer, Marianne Dolan, Deputy Village Clerk & Treasurer and Michael DeMartino, Superintendent of Public Works attended such meetings, compiled information for submission to FEMA, etc., and

WHEREAS, funds received to date under this emergency declaration from Federal and State Government amounts to \$39,546.95 of which the Village's share was \$5,649.58 and administrative fees totaling \$1,277.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the administrative fees received as part of the disaster relief grants be divided equally between Thomas F. Bollatto, Jr., Village Clerk & Treasurer, Marianne Dolan, Deputy Village Clerk & Treasurer and Michael DeMartino, Superintendent of Public Works.

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Akey and was duly adopted by unanimous vote.

Resolution #11-010 GovDeals – Sale of Surplus Equipment

Trustee Berntsen offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees on October 2, 2010 entered into an agreement with GovDeals for the sale of surplus village equipment, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees declared the following items as surplus: 1979 International Backhoe; Hiniker 1-1/2 yard salt spreader (20 yrs old); Hewlett Packard Laser Jet Printer 4500; Gas powered 70KW generator; 1 - 11 ft Viking reversible snowplow; Onan generator; and

WHEREAS, the Village has received a sum total to date of \$4,958.82 on the items disposed of by GovDeals.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board accept the settlement of the sale of \$4,958.82

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Akey and was duly adopted by unanimous vote.

Trustee Akey then spoke on behalf of Judge Newman regarding his correspondence and the request for the Village Attorney to be assigned to conference traffic tickets issued by the Town of Ramapo.

Note for the record: A copy of the letter from Judge Newman to Mayor Wright and the Board of Trustees is attached herewith and made a part of these minutes.

Resolution #10 –011 Contract – Hudson Micro Imaging

Trustee Berntsen offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, on February 1, 2010 the Village applied for a SARA Grant through the New York State Education Department in the amount of \$9,792.00. and

WHEREAS, the Village has been notified that it had awarded a grant in the amount of \$9,190.00 to cover the cost of digitization and indexing of Village Minutes and Assessment Rolls during the funding period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011, and

WHEREAS, Hudson Micro Imaging of Port Ewen, New York provided the estimates used to support and undertake the work set forth in the grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village enter into an Agreement with Hudson Micro Imaging to carry out the work outlined in the SARA grant for the sum total of \$8767.00., and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor be given authorization to execute said Agreement with Hudson Micro Imaging on behalf of the Village of Sloatsburg. A copy of the Agreement is attached and made a part of this resolution.

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Akey.

On a Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Akey	Aye
Trustee Berntsen	Aye
Trustee Bonkoski	Aye
Mayor Wright	Aye

Mayor Wright thanked the Village Clerk for his efforts in obtaining the above agreement.

Other

There was further discussion regarding correspondence received by Daniel Meyer, Trustee –Association of Property Owners at Pine Grove, from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation relative to the Pine Grove Lake Dam

Note for the record: A copy of the requisite letter to Mr. Meyer from the DEC is attached herewith and made a part of these minutes.

Mayor Wright then commended Elizabeth Flaherty for being named Athlete of the Season in girl's Volleyball at Suffern High School. He also acknowledged the Sloatsburg Elementary School's program about honey bees and mentioned Victoria Scarlett's picture in the Legion's Christmas program.

Mayor Wright then read a letter from Susan Meyer regarding the food pantry and the valuable service that they provide to the local community. He thanked the Village staff and all those who volunteered and helped with the Needy Children's Program during the holidays. Mayor Wright acknowledged the participation of the Suffern PBA Toy Drive. He also commented on Harmony Hall's 2011 newsletter and their upcoming events.

Mayor Wright asked for any other comments. Trustee Berntsen inquired about a letter written by Trustee Akey regarding Village vehicles. Trustee Akey indicated that Village vehicles should be identified as Village of Sloatsburg vehicles and labeled with a Village seal sticker, discussion followed.

Adjourn

Mayor Wright asked for any other comments or questions, none received.

*On a motion by Trustee Berntsen, seconded by Trustee Akey to adjourn the special meeting. All in favor, motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas F. Bollatto, Jr.  
Village Clerk & Treasurer

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