

**Sloatsburg Village Board
Annual Reorganizational and
Special Meeting – December 6, 2010**

The Annual Reorganizational Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 PM by the Honorable Carl S. Wright, Mayor in the Conference Room of the Sloatsburg Municipal Building, 96 Orange Turnpike, Sloatsburg, New York.

Trustees Present - J. Mark Reimer
Barbara Berntsen
John Bonkoski
Peter Akey

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

Village Attorney – Joel Grossbarth – Present

Judge Thomas J. Newman - Present

Interested Citizens Attending: Former Trustee Brian Nugent, Lynn DelDuca, Rylee DelDuca, Michael DeMartino, Michael Dolan, Frank Circelli, Kevin Bonkoski, Lisa Bonkoski, Thomas Bonkoski, Eric Bonkoski, Dan O’Leary, Marino Fontana, Brian Nugent, Kevin McCarren, Joyce Akey, Rob Akey, Kevin Hartnett, Mike McKenna, Joe Vega, Matt Swanson, Theresa Akey, Melissa Akey, Nicole Akey, Emily Akey, Joe Lofberg, Chris Morse, Matt Stritmater, William White, Robert Akey, Austin Akey, Tom McCarren

Pledge to Flag – J. Mark Reimer

Mayor Wright provided comments pertaining to the start of the new Legislative session with a new Trustee. He thanked Brian Nugent for his years on the Village Board and presented him with a Certificate of Honorable Service and Appreciation.

The Mayor asked Judge Thomas Newman and Trustee John Bonkoski to step forward. He commented on Trustee Bonkoski’s years of service and asked Judge Newman to administer the Oath of Office, which he did. Trustee Bonkoski then introduced his family.

Mayor Wright then proceeded to provide comments on Peter Akey’s behalf and asked him to introduce his family. Judge Newman proceeded to issued the Oath of Office to Trustee Peter Akey.

Mayor Wright noted for the record that Judge Thomas Newman has served thirty years as Judge in the Village of Sloatsburg. Also, Court Officer Frank Circelli has served the Village for over three decades. Mayor Wright also noted that the first Mayor, Dave Henion, served the Village for nineteen years and six months. Samuel J. Abate served the Village as Mayor for nineteen years and eight months. Mayor Wright is starting his twenty-first year and the Village Clerk-Treasurer, Thomas F. Bollatto, Jr., started in 1967.

The Reorganizational Meeting was recessed at 7:20 PM and reconvened at 7:35 PM. The following appointments and reappointments were made:

DEPUTY VILLAGE CLERK & TREASURER - Currently encumbered by Marianne Dolan - Term of Office - 12/06/2010 through 12/05/11

Mayor Carl S. Wright reappointed Marianne Dolan to the position of Deputy Village Clerk & Treasurer for a one year term of office.

On a motion by Trustee Bonkoski, seconded by Trustee Reimer to approve the reappointment of Marianne Dolan to the position of Deputy Village Clerk & Treasurer for a one year term of office from 12/06/2010 through 12/05/11. All in favor, motion carried.

REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS (4 yr. term) – Currently encumbered by Thomas F. Bollatto, Jr. – Term of Office – 12/06/2010 through 12/01/14.

Mayor Carl S. Wright reappointed Thomas F. Bollatto, Jr. to the position of Registrar of Vital Statistics for a 4 year term of office 12/06/2010 through 12/01/14.

On a motion by Trustee Reimer, seconded by Trustee Bonkoski to approve the reappointment of Thomas F. Bollatto, Jr. to the position of Registrar of Vital Statistics for a four year term of office, 12/06/2010 through 12/01/14. All in favor, motion carried.

DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS (4 yr. term) – Currently encumbered by Marianne Dolan – Term of Office – 12/06/2010 through 12/01/14.

Mayor Carl S. Wright reappointed Marianne Dolan to the position of Registrar of Vital Statistics for a 4 year term of office 12/06/2010 through 12/01/14.

On a motion by Trustee Reimer, seconded by Trustee Bonkoski to approve the reappointment of Marianne Dolan to the position of Registrar of Vital Statistics for a four year term of office, 12/06/2010 through 12/01/14. All in favor, motion carried.

ACTING VILLAGE JUSTICE - Currently encumbered by Jerome S. Jefferson – Term of Office *from* 12/06/2010 through 12/01/14

Mayor Carl S. Wright reappointed Jerome S. Jefferson to the position of Acting Village Justice for a one year term of office.

On a motion by Trustee Bonkoski, seconded by Trustee Akey, to approve the reappointment of Jerome S. Jefferson to the position of Acting Village Justice for a one year term of office to run from 12/06/2010 through 12/05/11. All in favor, motion carried.

VILLAGE AUDITOR - Currently encumbered by Jeffrey Frega, CPA of Fulton, Timmes, Frega & Straubinger, PA - Term of Office – *from* 12/06/2010 through 12/05/11

Mayor Carl S. Wright reappointed Jeffrey Frega to the position of Village Auditor for a one year term of office.

On a motion by Trustee Reimer, seconded by Trustee Akey, to approve the reappointment of Jeffrey Frega to the position of Village Auditor for a one year term of office to run from 12/06/2010 through 12/05/11, All in favor, motion carried.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY – Currently encumbered by Joel Grossbarth
Term of Office – *from* 12/06/2010 through 12/05/11

Mayor Carl S. Wright reappointed Joel Grossbarth to the position of Village Attorney for a one year term of office.

On a motion by Trustee Akey , seconded by Trustee Reimer, to approve the reappointment of Joel Grossbarth to the position of Village Attorney for a one year term of office to run from 12/06/2010 through 12/05/11, All in favor, motion carried.

VILLAGE ENGINEER – Currently encumbered by Richard Eichenlaub of RL Engineering Inc. - Term of Office - 12/06/2010 through 12/05/11

Mayor Carl S. Wright reappointed Richard Eichenlaub to the position of Village Engineer for a one year term of office.

On a motion by Trustee Berntsen , seconded by Trustee Reimer, to approve the reappointment of Richard Eichenlaub to the position of Village Engineer for a one year term of office to run from 12/06/2010 through 12/05/11, All in favor, motion carried.

FIRE INSPECTOR – Currently encumbered by Michael Yorke

Mayor Carl S. Wright reappointed Michael Yorke to the position of Fire Inspector for a one year term of office.

On a motion by Trustee Akey , seconded by Trustee Reimer to approve the reappointment of Michael Yorke to the position of Fire Inspector for a one year term of office to run from 12/06/2010 through 12/05/11, All in favor, motion carried.

SLOATSBURG PLANNING BOARD – Chairman Designee Glenn Thompson

Mayor Carl S. Wright appointed Glenn Thompson to the position of Chairman of the Sloatsburg Planning Board for a one year period.

On a motion by Trustee Berntsen , seconded by Trustee Reimer to approve the appointment of Glenn Thompson to the position of Chairman of the Sloatsburg Planning Board for a one year term of office to run from 12/06/2010 through 12/05/11, All in favor, motion carried.

SLOATSBURG PLANNING BOARD - Members

Member – Current Member – Richard Graesser (7 year term) 12/06/2010 through 12/04/2017

Mayor Carl S. Wright reappointed Richard Graesser to the position of member of the Planning Board for a seven year term of office

On a motion by Trustee Akey, seconded by Trustee Reimer to approve the reappointment of Richard Graesser as a member of the Sloatsburg Planning Board for a seven year term of office to run from 12/6/10 through 12/04/17. All in favor, motion carried.

Member – Bennetto Persichetti – Unexpired Term of Peter Akey 12/6/10 to 12/5/11.

Mayor Carl S. Wright appointed Bennetto Persichetti to the position of member of the Planning Board for the unexpired term of Peter Akey 12/6/10 to 12/5/11

On a motion by Trustee Reimer, seconded by Trustee Bonkoski to approve the appointment of Bennetto Persichetti as a member of the Sloatsburg Planning Board for the unexpired term of Peter Akey 12/6/10 to 12/5/11. All in favor, motion carried.

Alternate Member – Joseph Hardiman – Unexpired term of Bennetto Persichetti 12/6/10 to 12/2/13.

On a motion by Trustee Akey, seconded by Trustee Reimer to approve the appointment of Joseph Hardiman as an Alternate Member of the Sloatsburg Planning Board for the unexpired term of Bennetto Persichetti 12/6/10 to 12/2/13. All in favor, motion carried.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - Chairman - Currently encumbered by Michael J. Dolan - Term of Office - 12/06/2010 through 12/05/11.

Mayor Carl S. Wright reappointed Michael J. Dolan to the position of Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a one year period.

On a motion by Trustee Akey , seconded by Trustee Reimer to approve the reappointment of Michael J. Dolan to the position of Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a one year term of office to run from 12/06/2010 through 12/05/11, All in favor, motion carried.

SLOATSBURG ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - Member

Current Member – Frederick Persichetti (5 year term) 12/06/2010 through 12/07/2015.

Mayor Carl S. Wright reappointed Frederick Persichetti to the position of member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a five year term of office.

On a motion by Trustee Reimer , seconded by Trustee Bonkoski to approve the reappointment of Frederick Persichetti as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals a five year term of office to run from 12/06/2010 through 12/07/2015. All in favor, motion carried.

VILLAGE HISTORIAN - Currently encumbered by Harrison Bush
Term of Office – 12/06/2010 through 12/05/11,

Mayor Carl S. Wright reappointed Harrison Bush to the position of Village Historian for a one year period.

On a motion by Trustee Bonkoski, seconded by Trustee Reimer to approve the reappointment of Harrison Bush to the position of Village Historian for a one year term of office to run from 12/06/2010 through 12/05/11

CURRENT VILLAGE DEPOSITORIES

M&T Bank, JP Morgan Chase, NA, HSBC Bank, Provident Bank Capital One Bank, PNC Bank and Greater Hudson Bank, NA, as Village Depositories for Village fund.

On a motion by Trustee Reimer , seconded by Trustee Bonkoski to approve the Village Depositories designated by Mayor Carl S. Wright for Village funds. All in favor, motion carried.

OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER

Current Official Newspaper - Journal News

On a motion by Trustee Akey, seconded by Trustee Reimer to approve the designation of the Journal News as the Official Newspaper for the Village of Sloatsburg. All in favor, motion carried.

DESIGNATION OF VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS

2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. for the Regular Village Board meetings with Special Meetings to be held as required in accordance with the provisions of Local Law #3 of 1982.

On a motion by Trustee Akey , seconded by Trustee Reimer to approve the designations for Regular Village Board Meetings and Special Meetings. All in favor, motion carried.

PROCEDURE FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS

Reference Local Law #3 of 1982 of the Village of Sloatsburg entitled A Local Law Regarding the Convening of Special Meetings of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Sloatsburg which Local Law sets for the procedure for the calling or holding of a Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Reference should be made to the fact that the Village of Sloatsburg's Local Law mirrors the Public Officers Law.

ADOPTION OF ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER

Roberts Rules of Order are adhered to during the conduct of and any all Village Board meetings.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Village Law Section 524(6) provides that the Board of Trustees may, by resolution, authorize payment in advance of audit of claims from public utilities services, postage, freight, and express charges. If the Board of Trustees does authorize payment of these claims before audit, it would be appropriate to do so at the Organizational Meeting, whereas the following resolution should be proposed.

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees has determined to authorize payment in advance of audit of claims for public utilities services, postage, freight and express charges, and

WHEREAS all such claims shall be presented at the next Regular Meeting for audit, and claimant and officer incurring or approving the same shall be jointly and severally liable for any amount disallowed by the Board of Trustees,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Board of Trustees authorizes payment in advance of audit of claims for public utilities services, postage, freight and express charges and all such claims shall be presented at the next Regular Meeting for audit and claimant and officer incurring or approving the same shall be jointly and severally liable for any amount disallowed by the Board of Trustees.
2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Trustee Berntsen offered the foregoing resolution. Trustee Reimer seconded the adoption of this resolution. All in favor, motion carried.

MILEAGE ALLOWANCE

Village law Section 5-524(7) provides that the actual and necessary expenses of all officers and employees incurred in the official duties shall be a Village charge. Trustees should be allowed, as determined by resolution, to pay a reasonable mileage allowance for use of personal automobiles in the performance of official duties. It is appropriate to adopt this policy at the Reorganizational Meeting the following resolution should be proposed:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined to pay a fixed rate for mileage as reimbursement to officers and employees of the Village who use their personal automobiles while performing their official duties on behalf of the Village;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Board of Trustees shall approve reimbursement to such officers and employees at the rate of .50 cents per mile as established as of 1/1/10.
2. That this resolution takes effect immediately.

Trustee Reimer offered the foregoing resolution. Trustee Berntsen seconded the adoption of this resolution. All in favor, motion carried.

PROCUREMENT POLICY

WHEREAS the General Municipal Law Section 104-b requires that all municipalities adopt procurement policies for goods and services which are not required by law to be publicly bid, the Board of Trustees should simply acknowledge that there exists a previously adopted resolution regarding Procurement Policy for the Village of Sloatsburg which said policy went into effect on January 12, 1994 and should be renewed and reviewed annually. At this point, the Board should simply renew the currently existing Procurement Policy for the Village of Sloatsburg and should adopt same.

VILLAGE BOARD ASSIGNMENTS

DEPUTY MAYOR J. Mark Reimer

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS J. Mark Reimer

FIRE COMMISSIONER John Bonkoski

LIAISON LIBRARY & COMMUNITY DEVELOPEMENT

LIAISON TO PLANNING/ZONING Peter Akey

SCHOLARSHIP/YOUTH ACTIVITIES Peter Akey / Barbara Berntsen

Meeting schedule is as follows:

C.D.R.C. 3rd Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.

Village Board 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

Planning Board 3rd Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals 3rd Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

On a motion by Trustee Bonkoski, seconded by Trustee Reimer to adjourn the Annual Reorganizational Meeting and open the Special Meeting at 7:45 PM. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes

a. Regular Meeting 11/9/10

On a motion by Trustee Reimer, seconded by Trustee Bonkoski to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of 11/9/10. All in favor, motion carried.

Waiver State Aid Eligibility for Youth 2009, 2010 and 2011

Resolution #10-091 Waiver - State Aid Eligibility Division for Youth

Trustee Reimer offered the following, and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees waive the following Division for Youth State Aid Eligibility

2009 in the amount of \$1,423.33

2010 in the amount of \$1,243.73

Funds to be allocated to the Town of Ramapo for programs supported by the Town in the Village of Sloatsburg.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2011 funding in the amount of \$1,280.00 be allocated to the Town of Ramapo for programs supported by the Town in the Village of Sloatsburg.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be given authorization to execute said waiver.

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

Resolutions

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

Resolution #010-092 Transfer General Fund Money Market to General Fund Checking

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk & Treasurer transfer \$83,000.00 from the General Fund Money Market Account held at the Greater Hudson Bank to the General Fund Checking Account held at the M&T Bank. The breakdown of said transfer is as follows: \$18,906.25 to cover interest payment on the Village Serial Bond and \$64,093.75 to cover general fund expenses.

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

Resolution #010 – 093 Transfer from General Fund Checking to Debt Service Fund

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk Treasurer transfer \$18,906.25 from General Checking Account held at the M&T Bank to the Debt Service Fund held at the M&T Bank. Said funds to cover the final interest payment due on the Public Improvement Serial Bond 1998.

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

Resolution #10-094 Acceptance of Building Inspector's Report November 2010

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees accept the Building Inspector's report for the month of November in the amount of \$3,340.00.

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

Resolution #10-095 Fire Inspector's Report November 2010

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees accept the Fire Inspector's Report for the month of November in the amount of \$100.

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

Resolution #10-096 Tax Collection 2011
Authorization for Clerk to Advertise/Authorize Mayor to Execute Tax Warrant

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, that the Mayor be given authorization to execute the tax warrant for 2011, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk Treasurer is authorized to advertise for the collection of taxes for the fiscal year 2011. Said notice is to appear in the Journal News Newspaper on December 11 and December 18 , 2010.

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

Sloatsburg Fire Department and recent house fires

Mayor Wright provided information regarding the recent house fires in the Village and commended the Fire Department.

Application Junior Membership Sloatsburg Fire Department – Anthony Lindemann

On a motion by Trustee Bonkoski, seconded by Trustee Akey to appoint Anthony Lindemann as a Junior member in the Sloatsburg Fire Department. All in favor, motion carried.

Past Events

- a. Annual Veterans Recognition Night – 65th Anniversary ending of World War II, 60th Anniversary beginning of the Korean War – Tuesday, November 30
Local Veteran's return to Vietnam by Bob Baird, Tuesday, 11/30/10
Sloatsburg resident Jay Fink
- b. Breakfast with Santa, Sunday, December 5th
- c. Victorian Christmas at Harmony Hall, Sunday, December 5th
- d. Suffern's Veterans Program
- e. Tree and Menorah Lighting & Christmas Caroling, Sunday, December 5th

Upcoming Events

- a. American Legion Annual Christmas Train
- b. Tuesday, December 21st, 2nd Graders Caroling at Municipal Building

Other

Mayor Wright extended thanks to Peter Akey for his service to the Village as Chairman of the Planning Board and as Court Constable. He asked for any comments or questions, none received.

Adjourn

On a motion by Trustee Akey, seconded by Trustee Reimer to adjourn the special meeting at 7:55 PM. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas F. Bollatto, Jr.
Village Clerk-Treasurer

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