

**Sloatsburg Village Board**

**Regular Meeting – July 27, 2010**

The Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:30 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  
John Bonkoski

Trustees Absent - Brian Nugent  
Barbara Berntsen

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

Village Attorney – Joel Grossbarth – Absent

Interested Citizens Attending: Officer Robert Curtis

Pledge to Flag – J. Mark Reimer

Minutes

a. Regular meeting June 22, 2010

*On a motion by Trustee Reimer, seconded by Trustee Bonkoski to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of 6/22/10. All in favor, motion carried.*

Resolutions

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

Resolution #10-052 Colonial Ave. Bridge Land Transfer

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS in 2003 the Village of Sloatsburg undertook the replacement of the Colonial Avenue Bridge, and

WHEREAS, it was necessary to obtain properties and easements both temporary and permanent to facilitate the work to be undertaken, and

WHEREAS, certain takings and permanent easements were obtained but appear to have never been filed in the Rockland County Clerk's office showing the easements and conveyance to the Village of Sloatsburg, and

WHEREAS, the property at 15 Pothat Street is now being offered for sale which includes a "dog leg" fronting on Colonial Avenue, and

WHEREAS, this "dog leg" is now encumbered by a portion of the bridge headwall and a stone bank stabilization for the Nakoma Brook, and

WHEREAS, the current owner of 15 Pothat Street Jaroslaw Morko is willing to deed that "dog leg" parcel free of charge to the Village of Sloatsburg, and

WHEREAS, the Village has received from James D. Licata attorney representing Mr. Morko a schedule of the description of the land to be acquired from Mr. Morko.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees formally accepts this parcel as per the Schedule A submitted, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be given authorization to execute the necessary documents in connection with this transfer.

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

Resolution #10- 53 - Amend Resolution #03-93

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, on July 16, 2003, the Board adopted Resolution #03-93 transferring \$265.31 from the Trust & Agency Account T85 to the General Fund, and

WHEREAS, the funds were received from outside sources to cover the purchase of swim suits for the 2003 Sloatsburg Swim Team, and

WHEREAS, a recent audit has determined that there is an additional \$88.50 which has been earmarked for the Swim Team program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED amending Resolutions #03-93 to reflect a total amount of \$353.81 and that said funds go towards the cost of purchasing Team Shirts for the 2010 Swim Season, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Clerk & Treasurer transfer \$353.81 to the General Fund Account A7320.4 Miscellaneous.

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

Resolution #10- 54 - Reimbursement General Fund (FEMA) Brook Street Culvert Project

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2010 the Village requested a progress payment from FEMA in the amount of \$102,669.12 for work undertaken at the Brook Street Park, and

WHEREAS, the Village has utilized the CHIPS Reserve Fund (\$76,727.31) and advances from the General Fund of \$102,510.60 for a total of \$179,237.91, and

WHEREAS, on May 5, 2010 the Village received a check from the State Office of Emergency Management in the amount of \$77,001.84 which represented 75% of the progress payment requested, and

WHEREAS, the Village Clerk/Treasurer reimbursed the General Fund \$77,001.84 from the Capital Fund leaving a balance of \$25,508.76 to be transferred, and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2010 the Village received a 25% payment in the amount of \$25,667.28;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Clerk/Treasurer reimburse the General Fund \$25,508.76 from the Capital Fund.

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

Resolution #010-55 - Transfer General Fund Money Market to General Fund Checking \$40,000.

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk Treasurer transfer \$40,000 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 Said funds to cover General Fund expenses.

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

Resolution #010-056 - Acceptance of Building Inspector's Report June 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 June in the amount of \$1418.75

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

Resolution #010-57 - Transfer General Fund Money Market to General Fund Checking \$50,000.

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk Treasurer transfer \$50,000 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 Said funds to cover General Fund expenses.

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

Resolution #10- 058 - Transfer from General Fund to Trust & Agency Account

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVE that the Village Clerk & Treasurer transfer \$385.00 from the General Fund Account A250 Taxes Receivable current to the Trust & Agency Fund. This amount represents a relieved engineering fee which appeared on the 2007 tax bill and has been paid through the delinquent taxes by the County of Rockland.

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

Resolution #10- 059 Alternate Gas Supplier

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees confirm the authorization to the Village Clerk & Treasurer to enter into a contractual arrangement with the Hess Corporation to be the alternate supplier of natural gas for the following sites; Sloatsburg Municipal Building, Sloatsburg Public Works Building, Sloatsburg Senior Citizens Building, and the former Curves Building for a two year period beginning in January, 2011 ending December, 2012 at a rate of 0.7897 per therm.

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

Resolution #10- 060 Budgetary Transfers

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk Treasurer make the following budget transfers as they relate to the 2010 fiscal year.

Transfer \$2,000.00 from Transportation-Uniform Allowance A5110.4R to Transportation-Heat and Light A5110.4H.

Transfer \$1,000.00 from Transportation-Uniform Allowance A5110.4R to Transportation-Hourly A5110.1G.

Transfer \$2,500.00 from Service Benefit Award Program A9089.4B to Unallocated Insurance A1910.4.

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

Water Main Break Friday, July 16<sup>th</sup>

Mayor Wright thanked Mike DeMartino, Superintendent of Public Works, for his dedication and expertise during the water main break.

Trustee Bonkoski commented on the lack of maintenance by United Water and the inconvenience to the residents. Mayor Wright indicated that United Water was notified about a problem with a fire hydrant at the end of Richard Street.

Mayor Wright then commended the Fire Department and the Dive Team and commented on the Journal News article featuring the dive team.

Congratulations to Sloatsburg Athletes

- a. Journal News Awards
  - 1. Kevin McKenna – All County Track and All County Sections
  - 2. Frank Colon – All County Track
  - 3. Bryan Bergstol – Named best Lacrosse Player for 2010 Season
- b. Empire State Games – Elizabeth Flaherty – Volleyball

Congratulations to Ellen DiVietro being featured in the July issue of Rivertown for her involvement in the Rockland Business Women's Network

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Chamber of Commerce Recipient – Essay "Why Sloatsburg is a Nice Place to Live" Mary Mulligan

Past Events

- a. Graduation, Thursday, June 24 Sloatsburg Elementary, Middle and High School

Recipients of 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotional Awards:

Physical Education Awards – Caleigh Cahoon, Nicolas Sorice

Trooper Robert V. Conklin Awards – Guadalupe Bravo Sanchez & Christopher Armstrong

Chamber of Commerce Award – Mary Mulligan

Tony Campoli Award – Amanda Wanamaker

Mary Santy-Cherubini Award – Robert Melnyk

Frederick W. Gannon Memorial Award – Kaylee Pilger, Auris Trani

Thomas Bollatto, Sr. Award – Jack Brining

American Legion Awards – Brice Artrip, Izabella Diaz, Jayne Goldman,

Hannah Nugent, Briana Osborne, Nicolas Sorice

NYS Comptroller Award – Caleigh Cahoon

- b. Seasonal opening of Sloatsburg Pool, Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>
- c. 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Jason Hruscik Softball Tournament Saturday, July 10<sup>th</sup>
- d. Family Day, Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup>

Upcoming Events

- a. Pool Party, Friday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
- b. August 13<sup>th</sup>, New York Mets vs. Phillies, tickets \$42.00
- c. 9/11 Ceremony, 9/11/10 at 11:00 am Community Fields
- d. September 19<sup>th</sup>, Highland Bluegrass and Craft Fair at Harmony Hall, 1:30 pm – 7:30 pm
- e. Golf Outing, Monday, 9/12/10

Other

Mayor Wright asked for any comments or questions, none received. He briefly commented on the NYS retirement incentive.

Remembering

Mayor Wright paid tribute and provided comments.

Rhoda Naderman

Senator Thomas Morahan

Joseph Vega

*On a motion by Trustee Bonkoski, seconded by Trustee Reimer to recess the regular meeting and move to executive session at 7:40 pm. All in favor, motion carried.*

*On a motion by Trustee Reimer, seconded by Trustee Bonkoski to reconvene the regular meeting at 7:55 pm. All in favor, motion carried.*

Mayor Wright noted that Officer Curtis arrived at the meeting and asked if he would like to address the Board as a resident; he did not.

*On a motion by Trustee Bonkoski, seconded by Trustee Reimer to allow the Fire Department to renovate the Curves building for storage of vehicles and equipment, at their expense, and to further discuss the matter. All in favor, motion carried.*

*On a motion by Trustee Bonkoski, seconded by Trustee Reimer to offer the New York State law regarding health insurance benefits to Fire Department members, at their cost, through the Village. All in favor, motion carried.*

Adjourn

*On a motion by Trustee Reimer, seconded by Trustee Bonkoski to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:55 pm. All in favor, motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas F. Bollatto, Jr.  
Village Clerk Treasurer

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