

Sloatsburg Village Board

Regular Meeting – June 23, 2009

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
Barbara Berntsen
John Bonkoski
Brian Nugent

Deputy Village Clerk & Treasurer – Marianne Dolan – Present

Village Attorney – Joel Grossbarth – Present

Interested Citizens Attending: John Kwasnicki, John Layne, Matthew Stritmater, Kevin Hartnett, Brian Sokoloff

Pledge to Flag – J. Mark Reimer

Minutes

a. Regular meeting 6/09/09

On a motion by Trustee Bonkoski, seconded by Trustee Reimer to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of 6/09/09. All in favor, motion carried.

Resolutions

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

Resolution #09-064 Sloatsburg Fire Department Inc.

Trustee Bonkoski offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Village of Sloatsburg supports the grant application of the Sloatsburg Fire Department. If the grant is received, the Village will commit to dedicate a sufficient amount of land to build or construct the requested facility as set forth in the grant application.

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Reimer.

On a roll call vote:

<i>Trustee Bonkoski</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Nugent</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Reimer</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Berntsen</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mayor Wright</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Resolution #09-065 Sloatsburg Public Library

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Sloatsburg Public Library Board of Trustees is preparing to file an application for a grant through NYS Public Library Grant Program and

WHEREAS, a of the requirement of the application is a letter from the Municipality certifying that the Village will allow the Library to inhabit the current building for at least 10 years from the date of the proposed project completion, and

WHEREAS, the funds will be utilized to further cover costs associated with the front arched window restoration and replication of hand railings to original entrance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Sloatsburg affirm that the Sloatsburg Public Library may inhabit the current Library building located at 1 Liberty Rock Road for a 10 year period from the proposed project completion date.

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Nugent.

On a roll call vote:

<i>Trustee Bonkoski</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Nugent</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Berntsen</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Reimer</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mayor Wright</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Resolution #09-066 Transfer General Fund Money Market to General Fund Checking Account

Trustee Bonkoski offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk/Treasurer transfer \$227,062.50 from the General Fund Money Market Account held at the Capital One Bank to the General Fund Checking Account held at M&T Bank. This transfer to cover the principal and interest payment due on the Public Improvement Serial Bond for 2009 due June 15th.

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

Resolution #09-067 Transfer from Gen. Fund to T&A

Trustee Bonkoski offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk & Treasurer transfer \$14.90 from the General Fund to the Trust & Agency Account. This transfer represents an error in deposit to the General Fund of the 3% contribution reimbursement for Melvyn Bates for overtime pay, pay period 12/16/08.

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

Resolution #09-068 Surplus Equipment

Trustee Bonkoski offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees declare the 1979 International Backhoe surplus and authorize the Village Clerk & Treasurer to advertise for bid, minimum bid of \$2,500. The unit to be sold in an "as is" condition.

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

Sloatsburg Entrepreneur – Janis Kowalski

Mayor Wright commented on the Journal News article regarding Sloatsburg resident Janis Kowalski and her organization business.

Congratulations to Sloatsburg residents Tom McTaggart and Phil Tisi on their retirement from Suffern High School

Mayor Wright recognized the achievements of Tom McTaggart and Phil Tisi and congratulated them both on their retirement.

Congratulations to John Layne on his election as President of NYMIR

Mayor Wright extended congratulations to John Layne on his achievement as President of NYMIR.

**Community Development Committee 2009-2010 Appointment of Members
Tentative First Meeting, Tuesday, September 22, 7:00 PM
Five Year Plan – Director Joseph Abate to attend
Proposals due by Friday, January 29, 2010**

Mayor Wright recommended the following people for the committee:

On a motion by Trustee Nugent, seconded by Trustee Reimer to appoint the members of the 2009-2010 Community Development Committee as follows: Jayne Barber, Barbara Berntsen, Sandy Cisco-Genatone, Michael DeMartino, Monique DeRuggiero, Joyce Donohue, Kathy Goldman, Kim Kafka, Rhoda Naderman, Brian Nugent, Bruce Palmer, Pastor Agnes Saffoury, Veronica Schwartz, Evelyn Spina, David Veraja and Adrienne Fuchs, Chairperson. All in favor, motion carried.

Letter from Gorden Wren, Director of Fire and Emergency Services relating to New County Radio

Mayor Wright indicated that Pablo Ramos from the Office of Emergency Services spoke to the Board a few months ago about New County Radio. They support it but the problem is that the Village would have to waive a certain amount of money. With the financial situation being what it is, the Village has to make a decision and advise the Office of Fire and Emergency Services what their position is. The Mayor then asked for comments.

Trustee Bonkoski indicated that the Village should establish credit for County expenses. Trustee Nugent commented on sewer rents, among other things, that are paid to the County. He indicated they should compile the total monies that are paid out to the County during the year, such as sewer and storm drains, and see if it is more than the license fee and maybe they can offset some of the cost using that money.

Past Events

- a. Flag Day 6/12/09
Congratulations to Essay Winners on “What the Flag Means to Me”: Leslie Goldman, Alyssa Jed, Kevin Jefferson, Alyssa Conklin, Mackenzie Gray, Caiden Martinez, Theresa Osborne, Jason Springer
- b. Congratulations to Olympic Day Winners: Jack Scanlon, Eric Bonkoski, Nicole Davis, Nicole Akey, Kevin Jefferson, Mary Mulligan, Daniel Mironiuk, Meghan McCarren

- c. Mr. Anagnostis Retirement Dinner 6/12/09

Upcoming Events

- a. Sloatsburg Elementary School Promotion, Wednesday 6/24/09
- b. Suffern Middle School Promotion, Wednesday 6/24/09
- c. Suffern High School Graduation, Thursday 6/25/09
- d. Mr. Anagnostis Day, Thursday 6/25/09
- e. 7/11/09 Jason Hruscik Memorial Softball Tournament
- f. 7/12/09 Family Day
- g. Rockland County Volunteer Fireman's Association Parade, Saturday, September 6, 2014

Mayor Wright commented on the newspaper article regarding Provident Bank underwriting a fireworks display for Nyack and briefly commented on Labor Day.

Other

Mayor Wright asked for any comments or questions. Trustee Bonkoski commented that the Fire Department contacted the DOT regarding the traffic light and they sent an engineer; a brief discussion followed.

John Kwasnicki commented on the Town of Tuxedo's June 22nd Town Board Meeting.

Executive Session Personnel

On a motion by Trustee Bonkoski, seconded by Trustee Reimer to move to executive session to discuss personnel. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjourn

On a motion by Trustee Nugent, seconded by Trustee Bonkoski to come out of executive session and adjourn the regular meeting at 9:26 PM. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne Dolan
Deputy Village Clerk & Treasurer

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