

Sloatsburg Village Board

Regular Meeting – July 8, 2008

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

Trustee Absent - Brian Nugent

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

Village Attorney – Joel Grossbarth – Present

Interested Citizens Attending: Mr. & Mrs. A. Padovani, Kendall Padovani, John Kwasnicki, Ron Harmon, Michael DeMartino, Nicole Scanlon, Ramapo Police Officer Robert Curtis

Pledge to Flag – J. Mark Reimer

Chamber of Commerce Essay, “What Sloatsburg Means to Me”
Recipient – Kendall Padovani

Mayor Wright provided his comments and Kendall Padovani read her essay.

Note for the Record: A copy of the Chamber of Commerce Essay “What Sloatsburg Means to Me” is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Resolutions

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

Resolution # 08 – 068 Acceptance of Building Inspector’s Report
June 2008

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 \$755.00.

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

Resolution #08- 069 Budget Transfer

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees adopted a bond resolution on June 12, 2007 in the amount of \$306,500.00. The proceeds to cover the acquisition and related costs associated with the acquisition of the commuter parking lot from J. Neumann, Inc. located at 88 Orange Turnpike.

AND WHEREAS, the Board opted to utilize the CHIPS capital cumulative rollover balance of \$276,475.32 to reduce the bond.

AND WHEREAS, the current fiscal budget reflects an interfund transfer of \$276,475.32 together with anticipated interest on earnings in the amount of \$7,455.00 and appropriated surplus CHIPS reserve \$3,960.00.

AND WHEREAS, the Village will utilize \$30,024.68 of its 2008/09 CHIPS capital apportionment to retire the bond in total.

AND WHEREAS, the Village will be able to access the said \$30,024.68 on September 15, 2008.

WHEREAS, the Village will utilize revenue currently in the commuter parking checking account to cover the balance due to be reimbursed upon receipt of the \$30,024.68 CHIPS capital apportionment.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clerk Treasurer make the following transfers. \$276,475.32 from the various fund money market account, earmarked "CHIPS Commuter Parking Lot" held at the North Fork bank to the general fund. Transfer \$276,475.32 from the general fund to the debt service fund. Transfer \$6,736.84 from the various funds money market account "CHIPS Commuter Parking Lot" to the general fund. Transfer \$6,736.84 from the general fund to the debt service fund. Transfer \$5,576.97 from the general fund to the debt service fund. Transfer \$30,024.68 from the commuter parking checking account to the debt service fund account.

The foregoing transfers will liquidate the bond in its totality and cover the interest due.

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

Resolution #08-070 Refund – Village Taxes – Overpayment

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Village is in receipt of a check submitted by Countrywide Tax Services Corporation on village taxes on various properties, and

WHEREAS, the check submitted included a duplicate payment on property located at 16 Cedar Terrace and 14, Cedar Terrace, Sloatsburg, NY; and

WHEREAS, Countrywide Tax Services also paid \$10.00 in memo bill fees for these payments;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk & Treasurer refund to Countrywide Tax Services Corporation the sum of \$715.18 (Refund of property tax payments and memo bill fees).

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

Resolution #08- 071 Munistat Services, Inc. Municipal Finance Services

Trustee Reimer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk Treasurer be authorized to commence preliminary discussions with Munistat Services, Inc. to review for the purposes of consolidation the Village's outstanding debt. The cost for this undertaking to be determined based on the projected bond consolidation.

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

Past Events

- a. Sloatsburg Elementary School Graduation, Wednesday, June 25th
Award Winners:
 - Riley Hall, Hannah Consiglio – Physical Education Award
 - Brian Nugent, Daniel McQuillan – Trooper R.V. Conklin Award
 - Kendall Padovani – Chamber of Commerce Award
 - Lisa Flaherty – Tony Campoli Award
 - Rahmire Logan – Mary Santy-Cherubini Award
 - James Dowd, Cassandra Pinto – NYS Triple “C” Award
 - Samantha Seymour, Riley Hall – Frederick W. Gannon Memorial
 - Lindsey Vasilik – Thomas Bollatto, Sr. Award
 - Rahmire Logan, Max McQuillan, Diego Santory, Dustin Siegmund, Emily Starr – American Legion Awards
 - Samantha Uline – NYS Comptroller Award
- b. Suffern Middle School Graduation, June 25th
- c. Suffern High School Graduation, June 26th
- d. Pool Dance, Friday, June 27th

Upcoming Events

- a. Family Day, Sunday, July 13th
- b. Twinning Celebration, Saturday, July 19th

Open Period

Mayor Wright asked for any comments. John Kwasnicki commented on the Town of Tuxedo’s Planning Board Meeting and their Master Plan as it relates to the impact on the Village of Sloatsburg, Route 17 and the Ramapo River. He indicated that the Town of Tuxedo should provide the Village Clerk’s office and the Sloatsburg Library with copies. Mr. Kwasnicki then commented on the Town of Ramapo’s subdivision application for Ramapo Hills and Public Hearing notification. He also commented on Liberty Rock and land to be donated to the Village.

Public Hearings 7:45 PM

On a motion by Trustee Reimer, seconded by Trustee Bonkoski to recess the regular meeting and open the Public Hearing for Partial Real Property Tax Exemption for Elderly at 7:45 PM. All in favor, motion carried.

Partial Real Property Tax Exemption for Elderly

Note for the record: A copy of the Notice of Public Hearing and the Affidavit of Publication is attached hereto and made apart of these minutes.

Mayor Wright provided relative information and asked for any comments, none received.

On a motion by Trustee Bonkoski, seconded by Trustee Reimer to close the Public Hearing at 7:47 PM. All in favor, motion carried.

On a motion by Trustee Reimer, seconded by Trustee Bonkoski to open the Public Hearing for Partial Exemption from Taxation to Persons with Disabilities with Limited Income at 7:47 PM. All in favor, motion carried.

Partial Exemption from Taxation to Persons with Disabilities with Limited Income

Note for the record: A copy of the Notice of Public Hearing and the Affidavit of Publication is attached hereto and made apart of these minutes.

Mayor Wright indicated this is mandated by State Law; he asked for any comments, none received.

On a motion by Trustee Bonkoski, seconded by Trustee Reimer to close the Public Hearing at 7:49 PM. All in favor, motion carried.

Disposition Local Laws

Partial Real Property Tax Exemption for Elderly

Mayor Wright asked for any further discussion and the following action took place:

On a motion by Trustee Bonkoski, seconded by Trustee Reimer to adopt Local Law Partial Real Property Tax Exemption for Elderly. All in favor, motion carried.

<i>On a Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Trustee Berntsen</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Trustee Reimer</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Trustee Bonkoski</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Mayor Wright</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Disposition Local Law Partial Exemption from Taxation to Persons with Disabilities with Limited Income

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<i>On a Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Trustee Bernsten</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Trustee Reimer</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Trustee Bonkoski</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Mayor Wright</i>	<i>Aye</i>

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

Executive Session Litigation and Personnel

On a motion by Trustee Reimer, seconded by Trustee Bonkoski to adjourn to executive session at 7:55 PM. All in favor, motion carried.

On a motion by Trustee Reimer, seconded by Trustee Bonkoski to come out of executive session at 8:40 PM. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjourn

On a motion by Trustee Reimer, seconded by Trustee Bonkoski to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:40 PM, in memory of Jason Hruscik. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas F. Bollatto, Jr.
Village Clerk & Treasurer

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