

VILLAGE OF CANASTOTA
Minutes
September 4, 2019

Mayor DeShaw called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Mayor DeShaw, Deputy Mayor Haddad, Trustees Warner, McDade, and Carpenter, Administrator Farwell and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Galavotti; Tony Palamara from Town of Lenox Board, Assistant Chief Chris Hannan, Doug Chandler, and Lyle Chafee from the Fire Department , and Bruce Burke from PAC 99. Trustee Warner arrived at 7:10.

Motion by Trustee Haddad and second by Trustee Carpenter to approve the June 3, 2019 Minutes. Passed 4 to 0

Motion by Trustee McDade and second by Trustee Haddad to approve the June 17, 2019 Minutes. Passed 4 to 0

Motion by Trustee Carpenter and second by Trustee McDade to approve the July 15, 2019 Minutes. Passed 4 to 0

Motion by Trustee Haddad and second by Trustee Carpenter to approve the August 19, 2019 Minutes. Passed 4 to 0

Motion by Trustee McDade and second by Trustee Haddad to approve the August 19, 2019 Joint meeting with Town of Lenox Minutes. Passed 4 to 0

Motion by Trustee Haddad and second by Trustee Carpenter to approve the August 19, 2019, General Fund Abstract in the amount of \$18,966.20. Passed 4 to 0

Motion by Trustee Haddad and Second by Trustee McDade to approve the August 19, 2019, Sewer Fund Abstract in the amount of \$9,821.48. Passed 4 to 0

Trustee Warner entered at 7:10 pm

Motion by Trustee Carpenter and second by Bill McDade to approve use of Fire Barn by Joann McGowan of North Country Rabbit/Cavy Breeders on September 20, 2019, from 6-9 pm and on September 21, 2019, from 6:30 am to 6 pm. (Note: proof of insurance has been received). Passed 5 to 0

Motion by Trustee McDade and second by Trustee Haddad to allow the Recreation Department to hold its Annual Harvest Craft Fair on Sunday, November 24, 2019, from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Canastota High School and to authorize the Recreation Department to charge the following fees associated with the Craft Fair: \$20 for a 6 x 6 space; \$30 for an 8 x 8 space; \$40 for a 10 x 10 space; \$12 to rent a 6 ft. table and 2 chairs; \$5 to rent 2 chairs. Passed 5 to 0

Motion by Trustee Haddad and second by Trustee Carpenter to approve the following budget modifications: Increase 51124.01 (CHIPS) by \$15,016.19; increase 3501.01 (CHIPS) by \$15,016.19; increase 51104.01.102 (Roads) by \$30,794.17. Passed 5 to 0

Motion by Trustee Haddad and second by Trustee McDade to accept the attached proposal from Dolomite Products Company, Inc., for road paving in the amount of \$169,576.50 and paving of the municipal building parking lot in the amount of \$34,000.00, for a total of \$203,576.50. (Note: The expense for paving of the parking lot will be shared with the Town of Lenox. The Village share is \$17,000.00.) Pass 5 to 0

Delegations

Doug Chandler, Assistant Chief Chris Hannan and Lyle Chafee were there to represent the Fire Company. Doug Chandler explained that the Fire Company has a few projects for the next year. One is finish work on the pole barn, roof and siding. They formed a committee to look into getting new pickup truck; committee agreed they needed to get new truck. Mayor DeShaw asked why the Fire Company bought the truck and without collaboration with the Village. Deputy Chief Hannan stated that they had already asked the Village to purchase other vehicles and they did not want to ask for another one. Trustee Haddad asked if the Fire Company had the proper insurance and was told yes. Mayor DeShaw stated she was disappointed that the Fire Company did not work with the Village; this is supposed to be a partnership.

Mr. Chandler also stated that the AFG Grant started the awards process on 8/29/19 and would be paying out for the month; we are still in line for the micro grant. Can possibly use an AFG grant for repair to Fire Station.

Discussion

Discussion regarding amendments to local laws. Trustee McDade wanted to know why the Special Use Permit law is getting moved from Zoning Board to Planning Board. Trustee Warner explained that several villages and towns have special use permits under Planning Board; also if there has to be an appeal it would then go to the Zoning Board of Appeals and not the County which would save the Village money. Trustee McDade would like text in the law stating more specifics on how the process goes for Appeals. Mayor DeShaw stated that Trustee McDade write up information to send to Codes Committee.

Motion by Trustee Warner and second by Trustee Haddad to move forward with public hearings for October 7th, 2019 for Local Law Chapter 230 (Zoning) Solar Energy Systems; to amend Chapter 105 regarding the Fire Marshal and Chapter 230-68 Site Plan review. Passed 5 to 0

Motion by Trustee Haddad and second by Trustee McDade to pass a resolution approving fees for Village clean-up of offending property conditions. Pass 5 to 0

Correspondence

Letter from Ms. Buzzard having issues with neighbors fires. Farwell spoke with her and explained the new law and advised her to call when the fire is happening.

Administrator

Working on street light project, currently waiting for the funds to come in from NYSERDA, the LED streetlights should be completed in October. The Solar Project was denied for the WWTP, but the Village can spend the money on energy efficient projects; we have approximately \$99,000 to use. Farwell is meeting with GreenTeam to talk about how to use the grant money. Trustee Haddad wanted to know if we can use it for heating/cooling for the building. Trustee Carpenter asked if it can be used for windows.

School Superintendent will reach out with dates for the joint meeting between Village, Town and School.

Codes Officer Adsit has a new vehicle that was purchased from the County for \$400. Trustee Haddad would like a seal put on the new vehicle.

Superintendent interviews for DPW are being done on 9/9/19. DPW is in the process of doing a time study.

Email migration is completed.

Mayor

Mayor met with Clerk/Treasurer Williams to go over Fund Balance and see what projects can be done this year. Looking at new windows for the Fire Station (per architect would be about \$35,000). Also looking into the peeling ceiling at the Fire Station and putting in proper material that is waterproof for the Fire House. Also, looking into putting in an LED sign up at Clark Park. Trustee Haddad also asked about putting in a smaller LED sign somewhere downtown to help bring people into the Village.

Dutchland has met the requirements for the CDBG project and are waiting for the disbursement of funds in total. The Mayor is working with Ben Syden at Labarge Group on the policies regarding receiving the funds all at once and not over time. Dutchland gets 75% of the funds and Village gets 25%. The Mayor stated that she would like to use the money to have a contest to help small business set up in the Village. The first step is to identify what type of businesses would do well in the Village.

The Main Street project is moving forward, Administrator Farwell stated that project is going to the County meeting and she is meeting with Sarah and Jamie next week.

Trustee Comments

Trustee Haddad no comments

Trustee Warner no comments

Trustee Carpenter no comments

Trustee McDade wanted to clarify the date of meeting in November which is on the 4th.

Motion by Trustee Haddad and second by Trustee Carpenter to adjourn at 8:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Catherina Galavotti
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer