

Village Board Meeting
June 3rd, 2019, 7pm
Village Municipal Center

Attendance: Village Board: Mayor Paul Labas, Deputy Mayor Gordon Smith Jr., Trustees Dean Hyatt, Stephanie Munger, and Heather Pauquette

Village Key Staff: Superintendent of Public Works George Johnson, Ass't Superintendent Scott Mackey, Police Chief Ernie Bassett Jr., Sgt. Ryan Pedone, Village Attorney Michael Martin, Ass't Fire Chief Mike Zinn, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Denise Davies, Clerk-Treasurer Rick Roberts

Press: Matthew Saari, *The Granville Sentinel*

Others: Mr. John Norton, Mr. Brian and Mrs. Linda Roach, Mr. Eric Pekar--Town Historian, Mr. John & Mrs. Linda Freed, Mr. Phil Thomas, Mr. George Demas, Mr. Matthew Rollwagon, Mr. Tom Brunell, and Mrs. Diana Scarlotta

Mayor Labas called the Meeting to Order at 7:00pm. He led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ratify Meeting Minutes: Deputy Mayor Smith moved ratification of the Minutes of the Meetings of May 6th and May 29th as circulated. Trustee Munger seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Monthly Reports: The Mayor reviewed the following monthly reports with the Board: Local Ordinance Officer, Police Dept., Water Dept. (3 samples, all satisfactory), and Fire Dept. Trustee Pauquette moved acceptance of the reports as submitted. Deputy Mayor Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Appropriations: The following claims were submitted to the Board for review and in consideration of payment:

General Fund: \$35,297.95
Water Fund: \$9,299.42
Sewer Fund: \$45,330.93
Senior Shuttle: \$1,222.95

Total Claims: \$91,151.25

The Board audited the claims and Trustee Munger moved their approval for payment. Trustee Hyatt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Resolution—Justice Court Audit: Mayor Labas reviewed a draft Resolution pertaining to the Justice Court Audit conducted by Deputy Mayor Smith in November. The audit is required by the NYS Justice Court Fund. The findings associated with the audit were that the Court's records are detailed and generally well maintained. Deputy Mayor Smith sponsored a motion to ratify the Resolution as circulated. Trustee Pauquette seconded the motion and it carried unanimously via roll call vote.

Resolution—SEQRA—Effluent Dissolution: Mayor Labas reviewed a proposed Resolution pertaining to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) drafted by P.E. Jason Preisner from Lamont Engineers in conjunction with the Effluent Dissolution project at the WWTP. The Resolution names the Village as lead agent in terms of assessing environmental impacts, and asserts a negative declaration concerning any perceived concerns. Following a brief period of discussion, Trustee Hyatt sponsored a motion to adopt the Resolution as presented. Trustee Pauquette seconded the motion and it carried unanimously via roll call vote.

Mayor's Reports: Mayor Labas briefed the Board in the following matters of concern:

- A. Update—Property Maintenance Law: The Mayor reiterated to the Village Attorney that he would like to see language drafted to update the property maintenance in order to prohibit constituents from leaving their trash receptacles curbside in perpetuity. The Village Attorney advised that he would work to amend the language in the code as requested, so that a public Hearing could be scheduled to consider.

Requests for Village Park Use: The Board reviewed two written requests pertaining to the use of Veterans Park:

- A request from New Creation Church, to use the Park on July 9th from 6-8:30pm in conjunction with an Ecumenical "Evening of Prayer" service. Trustee Hyatt moved approval of the request as submitted. Deputy Mayor Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- A request from the Ecumenical Council pertaining to Vacation Bible School on August 2nd and 3rd. Trustee Hyatt moved approval of the request as submitted. Deputy Mayor Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mayor Labas opened the meeting to Public comment at 7:15pm.

Mr. Brian Roach expressed concerns relating to garbage, and loud noise from two apartment houses adjoining his property on Temple Place. The Mayor asked the Local Ordinance Officer to follow up on the trash concerns and encouraged Mr. Roach to contact the Police Dept. immediately if he experienced any further concerns relating to excess noise.

Mr. Eric Pekar asked if he could be consider him for the position of Village Historian if the Board decided to fill this vacancy. The Mayor advised that he would consult with the Board and follow up to Mr. Pekar.

Mr. John Norton commented that he felt that the Main Street looked much better after the trees were removed. He advised that he was a supporter of Mr. Eric Pekar as a candidate for Village Historian. Mr. Norton feels that the alleyway behind the north side of Main Street is overgrown with vegetation and a possible fire hazard. He advised that he is not an advocate for Municipally-provided trash removal. The Mayor and Board discussed these various matters with Mr. Norton.

Mayor Labas closed the public comment portion of the meeting at 7:40pm.

Deputy Mayor Smith moved that the Board convene an Executive Session at 7:40pm pertaining to the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. Trustee Pauquette seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The Village Attorney accompanied the Board into the Executive Session. The Police Chief was called into the Executive Session at approximately 8:00pm, and exited at 8:10pm.

Deputy Mayor Smith moved that the Board return to regular session at 8:15pm. Trustee Pauquette seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Trustee Pauquette moved the hiring of Diana Scarlotta to the position of Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, effective June 23rd at a rate of pay of \$16.00/Hour. Deputy Mayor Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no other business, Trustee Hyatt moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:15pm. Trustee Munger seconded the motion and it carried without objection.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard H. Roberts
Village Clerk-Treasurer