

Minutes – Village Board Meeting July 22, 2019

Mayor Bowman opened the meeting at 7:30PM

- 1) A moment of silence for Pat Bujarski
- 2) **Pledge to the Flag**
- 3) **Approval of Vouchers-** Lisa Mechaley – Dave Moroney – all in favor
- 4) **Approval of minutes –** Dove Pedlosky – Lisa Mechaley – all in favor.
- 5) **Reports – Mindy – signage –** Dan Morales – Fishkill Road – kids crossing to get the school bus..... Dove Pedlosky makes motion - Dave Moroney brings up the positioning of the sign – will address with the County as well but we will order the signs and mark our side. All in favor.
- 6) Putnam County Pathways local law - INTRODUCTION of Local Law Adopting Putnam County Pathways: A Greenway Planning Program..... resolution to schedule a public hearing to adopt this law. Clerk explains the addition of this local law is necessary to apply for any Grant moneys going forward. Public hearing is scheduled for Wednesday September 4, 2019. @ 7pm.... Lisa Mechaley makes motion – Dove seconded – all in favor.....

- 7) – AUD balanced to the dollar- May 31, 2018-June 1, 2019 – balanced to the dollar.
- 8) **David M.** –Trying to get hold of Marc about the overgrown grass and bushes....also getting price to repair the pavers in the Park. Mayor Bowman mentions the flags that have been loosened during the storm – they are being taken down and folded for the winter.
- 9) Dove Pedlosky – gives an overview of the Secor St. appraisal from 3 separate appraisers. All of them are familiar with what we need and what we want. Village was given very different options with different levels of detail. Discussion ensued about the different options...We will get an evaluation of the value of the property – raw data is what we are looking for – Dove Pedlosky makes motion to proceed with the verbal appraisal – Andrew Ward – Lisa Mechaley – seconded - All in favor ...motion passes.
- 10) Mayor Bowman has been talking with Brian Morgan attorney about this – he will lay out the steps and the public hearing and then a referendum if that’s what the public wants. Also - OSI has approved to pay for the actual survey. Brian Morgan waiting to hear back from OSI.
- 11) ... – DOT – EWR restored-FUNDING WAS restored in the NYS Budget for the Villages and road repair. Our CHIPS and PAVE accounts are reviewed. hubbard support document-Complete Streets forum- Lisa attending on behalf...letter from Bill O’Neill about the trees on Villellas property – Village cannot take those down... it is up to the homeowner letter from Alan Potts – requested to be re-appointed to the Board of Trustees. Letter was read.

12) Justice Court – opened the books- the court books are open to review by the Board of the Village.

13) **Appointment** of Deputy Mayor by the Mayor- Dove Pedlosky appointed as the Deputy Mayor.

Resolution / Appointment of New

Trustee – Chris Winward was chosen by Mayor Bowman and appointed. Mayor Bowman makes motion to appoint Chris – Dove Pedlosky seconds - all in favor – Dave Moroney abstained from the vote.

Chris Winward introduces herself – Gloria VanTassel asks questions of Chris about her qualifications. Chris gives a brief overview of her qualifications.

14) Open to the floor - Peggy Clements first thanks Alan Potts for his service – Peggy is asking about the Secor property – she is concerned because there is no more free space near Haldane to add any new building on the property that they have. Peggy is on the Haldane Board of Trustees - she is very adamant about keeping that available in case the school district should need it to build on....if the Board designates it as Park land another Board in the future could over rule that. Peggy remains open to hearing all of the facts going forward. Discussion ensues about Haldanes lack of building space within the district.

15) Dove gives brief overview of the Cell Tower suits. Talks about the Philipstown settlement that is in work. They have gotten quite a lot of concessions from Homeland. Alternative sights included the Philipstown Hwy Garage. Discussion ensues about the two separate lawsuits – AT&T and Verizon. Tom Robertson questioned the AT&T suit – Dove explains they are being handled together...

16) Gloria VanTassel expresses her disappointment with the fact that Alan Potts wasn't put back on the board. Also points out a possible conflict of interest with the Secor property, because Michael and Lisa and Dove all live pretty much adjacent to the property. Requests a public calendar about the Secor Street parcel. Very competent attorneys advising us every step of the way.

17) MaryLou Caccetta - AIR BNB – what can we do about it ? Explains about the house next door to them. Discussion ensues about AIR BNB. We are in the

process of trying to permit it and regulate it for safety. We are looking into it and will keep everyone posted.

- 18) Tom Robertson – reports that CS has an auditor that is doing it for a fee of \$5000 – Mindy will reach out to CS – Jeff and find out.
- 19) Joe Plummer – loud event at house next to him – James Pond area - rented out for a huge event – Trustee Pedlosky heard it also. It was very noisy – at 10PM they should stop making so much noise. We should look at whole property rentals for special events.
- 20) Tom Robertson concerning Secor parcel - another piece of property went to the American Legion – if they went out of business – the building reverts back to Nelsonville. Not to the international Board of the American Legion. Joe Plummer brought up the American Legion bldg. being a great spot for the Youth of Philipstown for after school youth center. Long term we should look into what the County has interest in that property.
- 21) Gary – asks about sewer update – Mayor Bowman will be meeting with the new sewer and water person – Matt Kroog in the near future.
- 22) Andy Revkin - brings up Mike Turtons article about the local trolley.
- 23) Frank Caccetta – piece of property on Secor needs to be mowed- a new property owner there complained that the grass is needed for the wildlife. Grass needs to be cut to keep the ticks at bay.
- 24) Alan Potts – 2 Peekskill Rd – mattress and couch out in yard – Code Enforcement sent a letter to the property owner.
- 25) Tom Robertson - Firehouse rental - needs to be re-addresses when lease expires in two more years.
- 26) Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm