

Welcome Public

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Village of South Glens Falls
46 Saratoga Avenue, South Glens Falls, NY12803

June 07,2023

7:00 PM

Regular Village Board Meeting

MAYOR NICHOLAS BODKIN PRESIDING

Minutes

Attendance:

Mayor Bodkin
Trustee Gutheil
Trustee Orlow
Trustee Girard
Trustee Carota

Samantha Berg
Kevin Ostrander
Alan Dubois
Chief Gifford
TJ Chagnon
John Hoey
Kenneth Scherl
Bob
Jim
User
Payus
Alex
Reed Antis
Representatives from 120 Water
Nathan Hall

The Mayor opens the meeting at 7:00PM and leads with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing 7:01 pm, Common Roots Easement: The Mayor opens the Public Hearing for Common Roots easement and asks if anyone from the public wished to address the Board. No one from the Public addressed the Board. Public Hearing closed

Public Forum:

A. Reed Antis had questions and concerns about the Museum.

1. Grant Projects Update

A. Carbon Filtration

i. WIIA Grant money has been fully expended.

1. ARPA Funds allocation: **Motion #060723-1** to appropriate \$222,316.83 to cover expenses associated with the remaining balance of the Carbon Filtration project, with an amount coming from fund balance. The Mayor motioned, Trustee Orlow seconded. All in favor, motion passed

Discussion: The Mayor stated \$372,716.83 has been received in ARPA funds and can be allocated to current infrastructure expenses associated with the carbon filtration system. There is discussion about investments and grant funds. Trustee Gutheil brought up PFOAs and additional funding.

B. Motion #060723-2 to approve Pay App #9 with Jersen Construction Group for \$66,538.95. Trustee Carota motioned, Trustee Orlow seconded. All in favor, except for Trustee Gutheil who abstained. Motion passed.

Discussion: Trustee Gutheil said he received the documents too late.

- b. GIGP: The Mayor said there has been a preconstruction meeting and hopefully proceeding soon. He recommended that the Residents be sure to identify any leaks and be mindful of water conservation. The minimum rate and fees are still unknown. Trustee Gutheil believes the public should have more information.
- c. Sewer I&I Closeout: The Mayor provided the project is approved to be closed out with some final repairs.

2. Transfers: **Motion #060723-3** to approve the transfers as presented and waive the reading. Coopers Cave Brochures transfer is coming from A7989.400, not A7110.406: Trustee Carota motioned, Trustee Orlow seconded. All in favor except for Trustee Gutheil who voted no. Motion passed.

Note: Coopers Cave Brochures transfer is coming from A7989.400, not A7110.406

A 1990.400	A 1210.100	\$11.32	MAYOR PERSONAL SERVICES
A 1990.400	A 1325.100	\$2,150.00	C/T PERSONAL SERVICES
A 1325.202	A 1320.400	\$2,400.00	CONTRACTUAL EXPENSE BOOKKEEPING FEB/MARCH
A 1325.413	A 1325.410	\$44.64	C/T OUTSIDE SERVICES
A 1990.400	A 1420.401	\$5,700.00	ATTORNEY CONTRACT APRIL AND ESTIMATE MAY SERVICES
A 1440.401	A 1440.402	\$191.95	BLDG INSP MISC
A 1325.414	A 1440.403	\$250.34	BLDG INSP MILEAGE
A 3410.403	A 3410.409	\$1,095.73	FD BLDG REPAIRS
A 7110.406	A 7110.402	\$352.64	COOPERS CAVE BROCHURES
G 8130.101	G 8130.100	\$93.90	SEWAGE DISP PER SVC
G 8130.101	G 8130.800	\$0.24	SEWER DISP FICA

Discussion: Trustee Gutheil does not support the \$5,700 transfer for the attorney expenses getting too high.

3. **Motion #060723-4** to approve the bills as audited. Trustee Carota motioned, Trustee Orlow seconded. All in favor except for Trustee Gutheil who voted no.
 - a. General Fund - \$37,849.47
 - b. Water Fund - \$4,500.36
 - c. Sewer Fund - \$1,683.72

Discussion: Trustee Gutheil has questions and concerns on a few vouchers that will lead him to vote no.

4. Representatives from 120 water conducted their presentation. This is in regards to the mandate from DOH, requiring the Village to identify the material of all service lines from the main to resident's houses.
5. Resident to address the Board per request. Anthony Girard, 10 Charles Street: Counsel, Nathan Hall, for Anthony Girard addressed the Board regarding a notice of violation he received for placing sod on his sidewalk. Nathan explained the timeline of events and his thoughts. Nathan said Anthony Girard is requesting a variance from the Board. TJ Chagnon provided other instances that occurred in the Village. Nathan provided some documents he prepared. Anthony Girard explained to the Board his thoughts and reasoning for placing the sod. Trustee Gutheil asked if this is the purview of the Board or Zoning Board and counsel said there are options.

The Board enters into attorney client privilege session at 8:00PM. Trustee Girard recused himself from the attorney client privilege. The Board returns from the attorney client privilege at 8:29PM. The Mayor stated the Board has no comment at this time. Nathan asked if the Board is willing to do anything or comment further, Counsel provided there is a process being played out and the Board will allow that process to play out. Trustee Girard has left for the remainder of the meeting.

6. **Motion #060723-5** to allow the Mayor to sign NYMIR insurance renewal documents/application. Trustee Orlow motioned, Trustee Carota seconded. All in favor, motion passed.
Discussion: Trustee Gutheil had questions and concerns about cyber security insurance and policy

Motion #060723-6 to approve purchase of duo, for monthly subscription of \$9 for the Deputy Clerk Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, and Clerk Treasurer. \$1,200 implementation fee and annual inspection for \$30 in addition to monthly subscription. Also, quarterly backups for \$30 each. Trustee Carota motioned, Trustee Orlow second. All in favor motion passed.

Discussion: Trustee Gutheil had some questions.

Motion #060723-7 to create a policy requiring all municipal email accounts to have two factor authentication. Trustee Orlow motioned, Trustee Carota seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Trustee Orlow and Gutheil had some questions, the Mayor provided some more information.

7. **Motion #060723-8** to authorize the water easement for Weber Family Enterprises, LLC. Authorizing the Mayor to sign all documents to achieve the intent of this resolution. Trustee Orlow motioned, Trustee Carota seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

8. Recognize the retirement of DPW staff member after 28 years of service : The Mayor thanked Michael Dorrer, effective date is July 27th, 2023.
9. **Motion #060723-9** to receive and file DPW, PD, Building Inspector/Code Enforcement and Animal Control Reports for the month of May. Trustee Carota motioned, Trustee Orlow seconded. All in favor, motion passed.
Discussion: Trustee Gutheil had questions on the Building Inspector report, Kevin Ostrander provided more information. Trustee Orlow and Gutheil asked about the China Buffet building and Kevin provided an update. TJ Chagnon provided some information on the Building as well.
10. The Board recognizes the new Fire Company volunteer Nathaniel Warrington and thanks him for his service.
11. Trail Grant/ Memorial Benches: The Mayor provided we received a \$10,000 grant for improvements to our trails. **Motion #060723-10** to approve the purchase and ordering of 10 memorial benches not to exceed \$5,500. Trustee Orlow motioned, Trustee Carota seconded. All in favor, motion passed.
Discussion: TJ Chagnon provides information on the benches. The Board discussed porta potties for the trails.
12. **Motion #060723-11** to approve lease of new copier/fax for PD for \$96.50 a month for 60 months. Trustee Carota motioned, Trustee Orlow seconded. All in favor, motion passed.
13. Fireworks permit fee, former Cool Beans building: A firework vendor is looking to have their fee be discounted to allow for a two week period of sales. The Board does not want to provide any discount or reduction to the fee. Kevin Ostrander provided some information about transient merchants in the Village and the code that applies.
14. Old Business
 - A. Bridge lights: TJ Chagnon provided an update and there has been some progress.
 - B. Gazebo: The Mayor said they have budgeted for some repairs for the Gazebo. TJ Chagnon said he will start working on new quotes. Trustee Gutheil would like it to be painted.
15. New Business:
 - A. Trustee Gutheil would like to have the attorney client privilege after the meeting and not before. Kevin Ostrander had concerns for having a Village social media account, the Mayor is working on a policy.
 - B. **Motion #060723-12** to purchase flowers for planters, not to exceed \$2,000. Trustee Orlow motioned, Trustee Carota seconded. All in favor except for Trustee Gutheil who abstained, motion passed.
Discussion: Trustee abstained for not knowing what he is getting for this purchase and provided other concerns.

16. Trustee Reports:

- A. Trustee Gutheil reported the Parade Committee had a post event meeting. There is discussion about the speaker system. The Mayor thanked all those who attended and volunteered.

17. Mayor's Report:

- A. The Mayor provided there will be a South Glens Falls LDC meeting at the Office next wednesday, 5:30PM.

18. **Motion #060723-13** to enter Executive Session to discuss performance of unnamed person or persons at 9:15PM. Trustee Gutheil motioned, Trustee Carota seconded. The Mayor voted no, Trustee Orlow abstained. Rest in favor, motion failed.

19. **Motion #060723-14** to adjourn tonight's meeting at 9:15PM. Trustee Carota motioned, Trustee Orlow seconded. All in favor, motion passed.