

## **Village Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting**

**August 8, 2022**

**The monthly meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was duly held on the 8<sup>th</sup> of August 2022, in the Auditorium of the Snow Memorial Building, 4917 North Jefferson Street, Pulaski, NY 13142.**

**Members Present:** Jan Tighe, Mayor; Alan Engelbrekt, Deputy Mayor; Robin Ford, Trustee; and Jack Jennings, Trustee.

**Absent:** Ryan McGrath, Trustee.

**Village Staff/Officials in Attendance:** Josh Smith, Code Enforcement Officer; Bill Noreault, DPW Supervisor; Michael Martin, Chief of Police; Cathy Spinney, Village Clerk/Treasurer; and Jennifer Gibbs, Deputy Clerk.

**Guest(s):** Amy and Mark Dobrzynski; Brian and Mary Lou Leary; John Parker; Jeffery Fowler; and Kristy LaManche.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM with Mayor Jan Tighe leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

### **Agenda Items #1: Public Comment**

Amy Dobrzynski had questions about trash pickup in the Village and the Board explained that a resident can contract with Butler for weekly trash pickup. Butler denied them service because they were Village residents. The Dobrzynkis were going to call Butler back to see if there was a misunderstanding. Other Village residents contract with Butler independent of the Village. Mayor Jan Tighe noted that residents can call the Village Office any time with questions.

### **Agenda Item #2: Public Hearing on Bond Resolution for Phase II of the Water Main Replacement Project**

Jack Jennings made the motion to open the public hearing at 7:25 PM and Robin Ford seconded it. The motion passed with all in favor.

Jack Jennings made the motion to adopt a Resolution that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Pulaski, Oswego County, New York (the "Village") on August 8, 2022 authorizes the issuance of bonds and other obligations to finance the cost of construction, improvement or reconstruction of water distribution facilities in and for the Village, including approximately 34,000 +/- linear feet of replacement watermain and related valves throughout the Village, site improvements, original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus incidental thereto and all legal and professional costs, all as required for the purpose for which such Project is to be used, at a maximum estimated cost of \$12,300,000, (the "Project"), and to expend a total maximum estimated sum of \$12,300,000 which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and to

pay for such Project by the levy of a tax for the foregoing object or purpose in an amount not to exceed \$12,300,000, which shall be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Trustees and that in anticipation of the collection of such tax, bonds and notes of the Village are authorized to be issued at one time, or from time to time, in the principal amount not to exceed \$12,300,000 and a tax is authorized to pay the interest on said obligations when due. Under the Local Finance Law, the Project has a period of probable usefulness of forty (40) years. Robin Ford seconded the motion and it passed with the yes votes of Jack Jennings, Robin Ford, Alan Engelbrekt and Jan Tighe. Ryan McGrath was absent.

Robin Ford made the motion to close the public hearing at 7:28 PM and Jack Jennings seconded it. The motion passed with all in favor.

### **Agenda Item #3: Approval of Minutes**

Alan Engelbrekt made the motion to accept the minutes from July 11, 2022, and July 20, 2022. The motion was seconded by Jack Jennings and passed 4-0.

### **Agenda Item #4: Approval of Staff Reports**

The motion to accept the DPW, Building and Coded Enforcement, and Police staff reports was made by Robin Ford and seconded by Jack Jennings and passed with all in favor.

### **Agenda Item #5: General Vouchers**

Robin Ford made the motion to approve payment of the final vouchers for August 2022. Jack Jennings seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

### **Agenda Item #6: Treasurer's Report**

The motion to approve the Treasure's report was made by Alan Engelbrekt and seconded by Jack Jennings. The motion passed with all in favor.

### **Agenda Item #7: Old Business**

- A. The Haldane report was reviewed.
- B. Mayor Jan Tighe updated the Board on Phase I of the Water Main project. Almost all of the mains have been laid. Once this is complete the contractor will begin hooking up residents to the new main. The Village/contractor is responsible up to the curb box. The contractor will be responsible for restoring the sidewalks, lawns, grass to as close as possible to where it was before the project.
- C. The grant applications to the EFC, Main Street Grant program, the Delano Street project, and the CDBG grant for the Sewer projects have been filed.
- D. A request for bids to pave Hinman and Broad Street have been sent out. The bids will be opened at the public meeting August 25, 2022.

- E. The dam is now in the process of being drained by the contractor with DEC supervision and the project is progressing.
- F. Bids for tree removal have been sent out. The trees to be removed are at the corner of Erie and Park, near the Arches along the river, the end of River Street, trees overhanging McNitts house on Lake Street, and one at the cemetery.
- G. The public hearing for the zoning language change will be on August 25, 2022.

### **Agenda Item #8: New Business**

- A. Kristy LaManche of KL Consulting Services briefed the Board, applicants, and residents of the Restore NY Grant that the Village is applying for. The letter of intent is due August 11, 2022, and the overall application is due September 23, 2022. The grant, if awarded, would reimburse the applicants 90% reimbursement for improvements or demolition.

Alan Engelbrekt made the motion to move forward the application process for the Restore NY grant with focus of a "River Revival," will exclude the properties 6-8 selected for demolition if necessary to compete for the grant, and an agreement for the property owners to share the \$500.00 state application fee and the grant writing costs. The applicants/property owners will also have to prove they are able to secure the initial funding for the project. Robin Ford seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

Jack Jennings made the motion to hire KL Consulting Services to write the grant for Restore NY with a second from Robin Ford. The motion passed with all in favor.

- B. Kristy LaManche of KL Consulting Services all reviewed the opportunities available and requirements necessary for those that apply to the second round of the NY Forward grant. The Board agreed that this grant if awarded would focus on Salina, Main Street, and Rome Road corridor. Robin Ford made the motion to move forward on gathering applications and the letter of intent to apply for the Forward NY Grant. Alan Engelbrekt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- C. The Board agreed that the Village should use the Snow Memorial Trust funds to update the fire alarm system for the Snow Memorial Building.
- D. ARPA Fund Allocation
  - a. Jack Jennings made the motion to approve the use of ARPA funds to match the 10% FEMA requires for Stormwater Mitigation Improvement grant reward, in progress, to the Village by Senator Gillibrand office. Robin Ford seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

- b. The motion to use approximately \$6,000 of the ARPA funds for two new speed radar signs was made by Robin Ford and seconded by Jack Jennings. The motion passed with all in favor.
  - c. Jack Jennings made the motion use allocate \$1500.00 of the ARPA funds for trees to plant in the Fall. Alan Engelbrekt seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.
- E. The Board was notified that the fingerprint company Identigo that rents the historical room in the Snow Memorial Building will be renting the space an additional two days (Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays) a week at \$150.00 per day through the end of August.
- F. Robin Ford made the motion to approve Margo Orton as an alternate member of the Village Planning Board. Jack Jennings seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- G. Thank you notes were sent to:
- a. Letters of Support for sidewalk infrastructure grant:
    - Senator Charles Schumer
    - Mr. Edward Gilson
    - Mr. L. Michael Treadwell – Operation Oswego County & County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency
    - Assembly Minority Leader William A. Barclay and Staff
    - Congresswoman Claudia Tenney
    - Senator Patty Richie
    - PROP
    - Connex Care President Tricia Peter Clark
    - Kyle Boeckman - Oswego County of Strategic Initiatives
  - b. Special Permits:
    - Nolan Estates, LLC.
    - Jemz Holdings, LLC.
    - Salmon River Properties of N.C.
  - c. For Property Improvements:
    - Lil Ceasar’s
    - NYS Dot
    - Oswego County Highway Department

### **Agenda Item #9: Executive Session**

Alan Engelbrekt made the motion to go into Executive Session to discuss proposed, pending, or current litigation at 8:24 PM. Jack Jennings seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

The motion to go out of Executive Session was made by Jack Jennings with a second by Alan Engelbrekt at 8:34. The motion passed unanimously.

The Village Board agreed to have John Holland to do all the Code and Zoning work for LD's.

**Agenda Item #10: Adjournment**

Jack Jennings made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 PM. Alan Engelbrekt seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

**The next meeting is the public hearing on August 25, 2022, at 6:30 PM.**

**Next Regular Village Board Meeting September 12, 2022, at 7:15 PM**

**Presented & Approved**

**Jennifer Gibbs**

**Deputy Clerk**