

VILLAGE OF FLEISCHMANN'S

BOARD MEETING

February 11th, 2019

The Village of Fleischmann's Board of Trustees held their regular Village Board meeting on Monday, February 11th, 2019 at the Skene Memorial Library at 6:00 p.m. Present were: Mayor Donald Kearney, Trustee Fred Woller, Trustee Daniel Halpren, and Trustee Larry Reilly. Absent Trustee John Granito Also present were Village Treasurer Winifred Zubin, Village Clerk Max Mann.

Board Meeting opened at 6:01 PM.

Minutes Review

Minutes from the previous Board Meeting taking place on January 14th, 2018 were read. Motion made by Trustee Daniel Halpren motioned to accept minutes, Trustee Fred Woller seconded, all aye, motion carried.

Cedarwood Engineering Report- Jim Buchan

Jim Buchan gave his monthly report on the WWTP. Jim noted that a leak was found and after excavation by Hubble has been repaired. Jim also noted that flows are down due to lack of residents in the winter season. Jim also noted that there is a high amount of clean water being flushed into the WWTP, and he suspects it is homes that have sump pumps connected to the wastewater system.

M-ARK Project - Peg Ellsworth

Peg Ellsworth held a discussion regarding the progress of M-ARK Project funding; A Grant was approved to assist in home repairs for residents with many applications submitted, and each case will be reviewed, M-ARK is proceeding with a engineering study on the Maxbuilt Theatre as a whole. The Village Board also expressed interest in obtaining funds for a replacement Plow as the current one has been damaged. Temporary repairs have been made, so the village can wait another season for an answer. The Village Board also expressed interest in the installation of four pedestrian crosswalks, three on Main Street and one on Wagner Ave, with paint rather than Thermoplastic, Trustee Fred Woller was appointed Sidewalk Liaison. The Village Board also expressed interest in the purchase of a speed camera.

RESOLUTION: Smart Growth Kiosk Designs

Designs for the Kiosk at the entrance of the village were presented to the Village Board.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fleischmanns has been presented two options for a new kiosk at the entrance of the Village, one labeled “Option 4”, and the other labeled “Option 5”

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees must pass by resolution a preferred choice of designs, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the village of Fleischmanns choose “Option 4” as their choice.

Dated: February 11th, 2018 -----

Max Mann, Village Clerk Village of Fleischmanns

State of New York)

)ss: County of Delaware)

I, Max Mann, Village Clerk of the Village of Fleischmanns, New York do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true & correct transcript of a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fleischmanns, New York on February 11th, 2018 and the whole thereof.

----- Max Mann, Village Clerk

Payroll Service Recommendation

Treasurer Winifred Zubin presented her choice for new payroll services that would implement Direct Deposits and W2’s. An advantage of using this service would be a cut in man hours and employees would get Direct deposits rather than checks, and the service could be implemented by early March. Motion made by Trustee Fred Woller, seconded by Trustee Daniel Halpren, all aye, motion carried.

Energy Supplier Recommendation

A discussion regarding energy suppliers to the Village of Fleischmanns, which municipal buildings, street lighting and park has energy currently supplied from NYSEG. *Delaware River Solar* would provide electricity through NYSEG at a lower cost, approximately by 10%, with \$2,000 projected in savings. Motion made by Trustee Fred Woller to accept switching energy providers, seconded by Trustee Daniel Halpren, all aye, motion carried.

Baseball Park Scoreboard - Collin Miller

A draft for the Baseball park was presented to the village board by Collin Miller. The scoreboard would be made so it rests on posts and is removable for storage in the off season, and the scoreboard itself would be painted on three 4'x 8' pressure treated sheets of plywood with a wood frame. Funds for the project were requested to the village board at around \$200-\$300. The exact location is yet to be determined. Projected date of completion for the project is Memorial day 2019. The painting will be painted by a volunteer artist downstate. Mayor Don Kearney authorized any requested funds to be paid for by the use of a voucher. Collin Miller would submit a voucher as a recreational expense for the village. Collin also noted that they would be doing an adopt a highway program for Route 28 to the Fire department, as well as getting the Fleischmanns Park on the National Register of Historic Places.

TPAS Contract

The Town Planning Advisory Contract for 2019 was presented to the Village Board for approval. Motion made by Trustee Larry Reilly, seconded by Trustee Fred Woller, all ayed, motion carried. Mayor Don Kearney signed TPAS Contract.

RESOLUTION: AIM FUNDING

A RESOLUTION ASKING THAT AIM FUNDING BE RESTORED IN THE NEW YORK STATE'S 2020 BUDGET

WHEREAS, "Aid and Incentives for Municipal Funding" ("AIM") is essential to the Towns and Villages that receive funding; and

WHEREAS, AIM is key state funding that Local Governments have relied on for years; and

WHEREAS, AIM affects not just Local Governments but the communities that they are located in; and

WHEREAS, Governor Cuomo's proposed 2020 budget plan eliminates AIM funding for Local Governments that rely upon AIM funding for less than two (2) percent of their budgets; and

WHEREAS, it is believed that such a cut will save New York State \$60,000,000 in its budget dramatically impact 1,328 of New York State's 1,465 town and Villages; and

WHEREAS, many Local Governments are already struggling financially, especially those upstate; and

WHEREAS, Local Governments must create and pass budgets that navigate a number of difficult financial stressors that include: the New York's Tax Cap, increasing health insurance costs, high contribution rates for the New York Retirement System, prevailing wage, competitive

bidding and procurement obligations, the Wicks Law, the Taylor Law, Workers Compensation, and a dedicated but an often unionized and civil service protected work force; and

WHEREAS, in addressing its budget and its Local levy, Local Governments must face limited avenues for revenue generation, limited economic development in its boundaries, Payments in Lieu of Taxes, and aging population often on limited incomes, a diminishing population, potential business opportunities that are fleeing high taxes and thus leaving New York State and often unpredictable sales tax distribution and/or generation; and

WHEREAS, the loss of AIM is magnified for those Local Governments which already have all or part of their budgets set; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Fleischmanns and its Village Board on behalf of its residents recognizes the important role of AIM funding in Local Governments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Fleischmanns and its Village Board enthusiastically encourages the New York State Governor, the New York State Assembly and the New York State Senate to consider the consequences of the proposed reduction of AIM for Local Governments and demands that such funding be replaced in the Budget, and

BE IT RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to Governor Cuomo, Senator Fred Akshar, Senator Jen Metzger, Senator James Seward, Assemblyman Clifford Crouch, Assemblyman Brian Miller, Assemblyman Chris Taque, the Upstate New York Towns Association, the Upstate Association of Town, The New York Conference of Mayors and the Local News Media.

Dated: February 11th, 2018 -----

Max Mann, Village Clerk Village of Fleischmanns

State of New York)

)ss: County of Delaware)

I, Max Mann, Village Clerk of the Village of Fleischmanns, New York do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true & correct transcript of a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fleischmanns, New York on February 11th, 2018 and the whole thereof.

----- Max Mann, Village Clerk

COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY RECOMMENDATION

A discussion was held regarding Communication Strategies for the Village, this would include updating the website and social media accounts for the Village with a recommended allocation of \$2,000. Trustee Daniel Halpren was appointed as a member for the committee.

FORECLOSURE UPDATE

A discussion was held regarding of the foreclosures within the Village. Attorney Carey Wagner noted that the Title Company paperwork has been submitted, and a notice will go up in the Village Office, with Public notices being published in the CMN.

Executive Session

Motion made by mayor Don Kearney to enter executive session to discuss foreclosures, seconded by Trustee Fred Woller, all ayed, motion carried village Board Meeting into executive session at 7:30 PM.

Motion made at 7:41 PM to exit Executive Session by Mayor Don Kearney, seconded by Trustee Dan Halpren, all ayed, motion carried.

Treasurer's report

The Treasurer's report was submitted for review to the village board by Treasurer Winifred Zubin, who presented rates for new CD's through Community Bank.

Village Pool

A discussion was held regarding the bid for the Village Pool. Verbiage has to be changed on the bid by Jeff Francisco, who will send it to the Village Clerk Max Mann once he completes it. A question was previously arose about the rebar in salt water pools corroding, however this was countered by the use of a sacrificial anode, which would take the brunt of corrosion, as well as the rebar being made of stainless steel. Trustees Fred Woller and Daniel Halpren were in complete favor for a saltwater pool. Once the Bid is complete and submitted to the Village, it will be submitted to many papers, not just the CMN.

Parking Enforcement Officer

A discussion was held regarding the implementation of a Parking Enforcement Officer, with the implementation of parking signage being lawful, however enforcement is still an issue. The State would still enforce Village parking laws.

Vouchers

Motion made by Mayor Don Kearney to pay vouchers, seconded by Trustee Fred Woller, all aye, motion carried, vouchers signed.

Adjourn

Motion made by Mayor Don Kearney to adjourn Seconded by Trustee Fred Woller, all aye; motion carried, meeting adjourned at 8:10PM.

Dated: February 11th, 2018 -----

Max Mann, Village Clerk Village of Fleischmanns

State of New York)

)ss: County of Delaware)

I, Max Mann, Village Clerk of the Village of Fleischmanns, New York do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true & correct transcript of a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fleischmanns, New York on February 11th, 2018 and the whole thereof.

----- Max Mann, Village Clerk