

**Monthly Regular Meeting of the
Village of Fleischmanns Board of Trustees
Wednesday October 12, 2022 at 6:00 pm
Skene Library**

1. Call to order and Pledge of allegiance 6:04pm
2. Roll Call: Stewart Cohen, Sam Gil, Winifred Zubin, Present. Yesmin Sarabia, Aaron Goldring Absent. Public: Jon Frank, Abe Mendlovic, Justin Kolb, Barbara Kolb, Dan Halpren, Gloria Zola-Mulloy, Alan Sidrane, Michelle Sidrane, Mike Martin, Abe Mendlovic, Heidi Stonier, Roy Todd and Todd Pascarella Online: Larry Reilly.

3. Announcements

- a. It is with sadness that I report the passing of Roxanne Lowit, a longtime resident and property owner in Fleischmanns. She had a presence as part of the arts community in Fleischmanns and is the partner of John Granito who held numerous positions in the village government.
- b. The pedestrian bridge on bridge street is now formally open. There are some thank yous due on this major project. Thank you to Fleischmanns First who organized the opening ceremony and coordinated refreshments from the Village East, Aegean Flavor, Fleischmanns Supermarket and Sam's Country Store; and to the adjoining property owners for their patience for the disruption to their properties during the construction
- c. Lake Street is now paved from Main Street to the village line.
- d. Leland Johnson, Village crew did a great job in coordinating the three contractors on the project-Tweedie Construction for the storm water retrofit, Cobleskill Stone for street paving, Herb Finch for paving the village parking lot, and John Biruk for the assistance of the Middletown DPW in moving and staging the millings for village use and undertaking ditching work. When you see Corky- please give him a shout out.
- e. Thank you to John Biruk, Middletown DPW for deploying his crew to deliver millings to, grade, and rolling some ancillary roads

4. Motion to approve September 12, 2022 Trustee Meeting minutes made by Cohen, Tabled as Trustee Gil was not at that meeting.
5. Motion to approve September 28, 2022 Trustee Meeting minutes made by Cohen, Seconded by Gil, All in favor.
6. Motion to close the Public Hearing on RestoreNY Hearing from September 28th made by Stewart, tabled.

7. Motion to approve the following reports made by Cohen, seconded by Gil. All in favor.
 - a. WWTP/Water monthly reports Sept 2022
 - b. Code Enforcement Monthly Report
 - c. Financial report Sept 30, 2022
 - d. Regarding the Water fund, the Village has signed on to the New York Rural Water Assn, and National Rural Associations lawsuit which seeks to recover costs for testing for addition toxic materials. The additional testing requirements was prompted by major industrial and commercial polluters. The Village of Fleischmanns has not been affected by the polluters but are required to do the testing.

8. Old Business
 - a. Restore NY and other fundraising opportunities- Peg Ellsworth was absent, so there was no presentation-
 - b. Scenic Byway presentation – John Duda presented the updates to the Scenic Byway Corridor Management Plan that were presented to the Scenic Byway communities in September. He gave a brief history of the Byway which was started in 2008 and is comprised of 6 municipalities.: Towns: Olive, Shandaken, Middletown, Andes, Villages: Fleischmanns and Margaretville. Hurley is being added, and Roxbury is being considered. In 2015 the plan for the Byway was approved by New York State. It calls attention to the assets of the communities along the Byway roads and areas it passes through bringing commerce to the area. John Provided the website to access the Byway website: www.sceniccatskills.com
 - c. Fundraising
 - i. A proposal was submitted to DEC to fund \$7,100 for the EV charging station
 - ii. A vision statement was proposed by Mayor Zubin to be used in the fundraising initiatives for economic development of the village.
 1. Motion to approve --, seconded --- all were in favor

iii. Fundraising proposals are being discussed among members of the Theater Steering committee and other private individuals for large requests

9. New Business

- a. The Fire Department draft budget for the calendar year 2023 was presented. It is the basis for the contracts to be issued to the Town of Halcott, and Middletown Fire District #1 for fire and emergency services to be provided to those districts. Motion to approve the Fire Dept Budget Gil; seconded Cohen, all were in favor.
- b. A contract for demolition of the former Grossman property has been awarded, Property is owned by the City of New York. CWC is administering the contract on behalf of the City of New York.
- c. Trustee Cohen announced that the direction sign for Fleischmanns had been put up by New York State Transportation Dept, on the exit road of Belleayre Ski Center

Public comment

1. Gloria Zola Mulloy asked about the boards intent to support economic development and revisit the Parking Law proposal
2. Michelle Sidrane queried whether the entire lot at Main and Wagner would be paved. Response from Zubin was No what is now paved is complete.
3. Jon Frank recommended the village board revisit the policies around the parking lot at Main and Wagner
4. Michelle Sidrane requested access to the vision statement read during the meeting for publishing in the Fleischmanns Flyer
5. Gloria Zola Mulloy recommended Fleischmanns First bring back the walking tour of the village given the increased economic activity, visitors, the pedestrian bridge, and available architecturally distinct properties.
6. Todd Pascarella – reported on his efforts as Executive Director of DURR to develop the railroad freight depot in Fleischmanns. Before further development can be undertaken, the road access, the damaged culvert, needs to be addressed and the village of Fleischmanns plays a role relating to road maintenance over the culvert.

7. Michelle Sidrane suggested planning begin with regard to an opening ceremony for the village pool for next summer
8. Stewart Cohen reported on the installation of the sign at the base of the Belleayre exit road giving direction to Fleischmanns and Pine Hill. He has been communicating with NY State DOT since February 2022 on this issue, and it is now in place before the ski season begins.
9. Cohen also reported on his cleaning of Wagner Avenue sidewalks of overgrown vegetation, and the exposure of bluestone. Re requested volunteers to assist with further cleanups in improving the walkability of the village. He also reported on village owned property regarding maintenance- the pool pump house roof, gutters, and siding have been cleaned by the village crew.

Motion to audit vouchers Gil, seconded Cohen, all were in favor

Motion to adjourn the meeting Cohen, seconded all were in favor end time Gil.

Vouchers:

WHEREAS, The Department of Audit and Control requires Village Boards to sign and inspect all vouchers coming into the Village for payment, to number and total amounts from each fund. All trustees present ayed, motion carried, vouchers to be initialed individually by Trustees who shall come to village office singularly. Any vouchers not receiving three initials shall not be paid till questions of the Board answered to their satisfaction.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board authorizes the following October vouchers paid:

General Fund	Vouchers 128-159	\$16,541.35
Sewer Fund	Vouchers 60-70	\$58,565.88
Water Fund	Vouchers 32-38	\$6,373.09
Fire Truck Reserve Fund	Voucher 1	\$23,210.53
TOTALS		\$104,690.85

Dated: October 12, 2022
 Diane Rossman, Village Clerk, Village of Fleischmanns
 State of New York)) ss: County of Delaware)

I, Diane Rossman, Village Clerk of the Village of Fleischmanns, New York do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true & correct transcript of the Special Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees and the motions and resolutions adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fleischmanns, New York on this October 12, 2022 and the whole thereof.

Diane Rossman

, Village Clerk