# Village of Ellenville Board Meeting Monday, September 22, 2014

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Kaplan at 7:00 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Mayor Jeffrey Kaplan Present
Deputy Mayor Raymond Younger Present

Trustee Efrain Lopez Absent w/notice

Trustee Francisco Oliveras Present

Trustee Patricia Steinhoff Absent w/notice

### **ALSO PRESENT**

Joseph P. Stoeckeler, Jr., Village Manager Philip Mattracion, Chief of Police Linda Polkoski, Village Treasurer Brian Schug, Code Enforcement Officer Peter Berger, Village Attorney Noreen Dechon, Village Clerk

Mayor Kaplan reported that earlier this evening the "Neighborhood Walk" took place on Maple Avenue.

Also Mayor Kaplan spoke about a joint meeting that took place recently in reference to the consolidation of services between the Village and the Town of Wawarsing. Representatives from the State were also present at that meeting to discuss the matter.

Mayor Kaplan addressed audience members in reference to the Osterhoudt Mining operation's application to amend their permit for blasting at this site. The Village of Ellenville has written a letter to the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation requesting that a thorough review of the engineering studies be done to ensure no collateral damage to our residents. The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation is required to do a full environmental impact statement before any amendments to the permit are made. The Osterhoudts will be holding a Community Informational Meeting to review with residents the scope of the project. This meeting will be held on Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at Village Hall.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES #092214-1

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to approve the minutes of September 8, 2014 as presented. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

#### DISCUSSION

Policy for Water Leaks – Recently the water commission had met on a situation where a toilet was running for an extended period of time when the residents were out of the state. The normal policy that has been used in the past is to adjust the sewer portion of the bill based on average usage.

After many discussions, the Water Commission is recommending a change in policy for extenuating circumstances for the Village Board's approval. The change would be to take the minimum water/sewer usage that the resident would have paid, then reduce the usage by one-half as a result of that leak.

MOTION TO ADOPT
PROCEDURE FOR WATER
SEWER RELIEF DUE TO
EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES
#092214-2

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras change in policy for extenuating circumstances for the Village Board's approval. The change would be to take the minimum water/sewer usage that the resident would have paid, then reduce the usage by one-half as a result of that leak.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

# PETITIONERS & CORRESPONDENCE

Ellenville Housing Authority – initially sent a letter protesting the proposal for the blasting by the Osterhoudt's, but after meeting with the Osterhoudts, they are withdrawing their protest.

Ellenville Fire District – Thank you letter to the Village for allowing them to store equipment.

American Legion – Cook-Taylor Post 111 – Thanking the Village for their past generosity and requested future contributions.

Patricia Schoonmaker – 19 Hickory Street – read a letter with her and her mother's concerns with the blasting at the Osterhoudt's mining operation.

# **POLICE**

Chief Mattracion reported on the upcoming training for his department as well as the curfew for Devils Night and Halloween.

Mayor Kaplan requested that Hickory Street be posted that there is "No Commercial Traffic" on that street. Chief Mattracion stated that this area will be monitored.

Dianne Krulick spoke about the Village code where only certain streets are allowed to have commercial traffic on them.

Margaret Schoonmaker – requested written answers to her letter and Manager Stoeckeler will respond.

#### MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Stoeckeler reviewed with board members several items. They were:

<u>Department of Transportation</u> – leasing Government Center third floor.

MOTION TO ENTER
INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT
WITH SULLIVAN COUNTY PAVING
3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR OFFICES
#092214-3

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras authorizing the Mayor sign a lease agreement with Sullivan County Paving for use by the NYS Department of Transportation for three offices on the third floor of the Government Center at \$750.00 per month. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

<u>OSHA Training</u> – Manager Stoeckeler requesting training for Department of Public Works personnel.

# MOTION AUTHORIZING TRAINING CLASS #092214-4

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras authorizing a training class for OSHA 10 class by Hudson Valley Safety Associates in the amount of \$1,500.00.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

<u>Flower Bed</u> – Market Street – repairs need to be made to ensure public safety.

# MOTION AUTHORIZING REPAIR OF FLOWER BED ON MARKET STREET #092214-5

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing the expenditure to repair the flower bed located on Market Street not to exceed \$2,700.00 by ELYWE Construction. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

<u>Safe Routes to School Project</u> – This project will begin in the Spring of 2015.

<u>Eminent Domain</u> – Siegel Drive – For many months the Village has been trying to obtain an easement for our water improvement project on 34 Siegel Drive but to no avail.

# MOTION AUTHORIZING EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEEDINGS FOR WATER EASEMENT #092214-6

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras authorizing the Village Attorney and Village Manager to execute any and all documents necessary to commence eminent domain proceedings for a water easement on 34 Siegel Drive.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

# TREASURER'S REPORT

Bond Anticipation Note Resolution – for purchase of two trucks for the Street Department.

RESOLUTION FOR \$330,000 BAN #042214-7

Resolution by Deputy Mayor Younger , seconded by Trustee Oliveras authorizing the purchase of heavy equipment in and for the Village of Ellenville, Ulster County, New York, at a maximum estimated cost of \$330,000 and authorizing, subject to permissive referendum, the issuance of \$330,000 serial bonds.

Roll Call Vote: Mayor Kaplan Aye

Deputy Mayor Younger Aye

Trustee Oliveras

Aye

# Motion passed

## ATTORNEY'S REPORT

MOTION TO APPROVE RENEWAL OF LEASE GENERAL SPORTWEAR #092214-8

Renewal of General Sportwear Lease – Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras authorizing the Mayor to sign a lease extension with General Sportwear for January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 with the annual rent of \$27,500.00.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

## **BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

MOTION TO TABLE EXPENDITURE TO BAS #092214-9

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to table authorizing the expenditure of \$1,980 to Integrated Property System from Business Automation Services, Inc. for an Android Tablet upon recommendation of the Building Inspector.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING ATTENDANCE AT TWO SEMINARS #092214-10

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing Brian Schug to attend two seminars called Clandestine Drug Lab Operations and Fire Inspection Program.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

#### RESOLUTIONS

# MOTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO H. OSTERHOUDT EXCAVATING #092214-11

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras authorizing payment #5 to H. Osterhoudt Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$137,459.54 in reference to the water system valve and booster station installation upon recommendation of the Village Engineers. All in favor - Aye - motion carried

MOTION AUTHORIZING
PAYMENT TO H. OSTERHOUDT
EXCAVATING
#092214-12

Motion by Trustee Oliveras, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger authorizing payment #7 to H. Osterhoudt Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$32,117.50 in reference to the Ida Lane/Roslyn Street Restoration Project upon recommendation of the Village Engineers.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

# **BOARD REPORTS**

Deputy Mayor Younger inquired the status of the installation of the new basketball hoops and poles.

# **ADJOURN**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Younger, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

All in favor - Aye - motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen Dechon Village Clerk