

VILLAGE OF ELLENVILLE  
BOARD MEETING  
January 25, 2021  
5:30 p.m.  
PUBLIC MEETING/ZOOM MEETING

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Meeting called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Kaplan at 5:30 p.m.

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 p.m. to go into executive session to discuss legal matters and to reconvene to public session.  
All in favor – Aye – motion carried

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to reconvene to public session at 6:05 p.m.  
All in favor - Aye – motion carried

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Jeffrey Kaplan	Present
Deputy Mayor Younger	Present
Trustee Francisco Oliveras	Present
Trustee Patricia Steinhoff	Present
Trustee Dhasan McComb	Present

ALSO, PRESENT

Michael Warren, Village Manager  
Traci Jeter, Village Clerk  
Abigail Osgood, Village Attorney - Zoom  
Daniel Tucker, Village Treasurer  
Brian Schug, Code Enforcement Officer - Zoom

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to approve the minutes of December 4, 2020, January 11 and January 19, 2021.  
All in favor – Aye – motion carried

## PETITIONERS & CORRESPONDENCES:

Vacant properties with no property number – 911 discussions –  
Mayor Kaplan would like a notice to go on the next water/sewer bills that all property owners with vacant properties must post a property number on their property for 911 purposes. Each owner will have a reasonable time to comply after that the Board will assess a fine.

## SEWER REPORT:

Manager Warren updated the Board on the current sewer grants and sewer issues and answered any questions that the Board had.

## POLICE REPORT:

Chief Mattracione updated the Board on the COVID-19 situation, vaccination program and the crisis intervention training and answered any questions that the Board had.

Discussing at great length the need for vaccination testing sites, Mayor Kaplan would like the Board to make a motion urging the County to set up a testing site in the Village of Ellenville.

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to urge the County to set up a test site in the Village of Ellenville.  
All in favor – Aye – motion carried

## MANAGER REPORT:

Manager Warren informed the Board that Department budget meetings will begin next week.

## TREASURERS REPORT:

Treasurer Tucker discussed the Bond resolution that was on the agenda (Resolution #2) and answered any questions that the Board had.

## ATTORNEY REPORT:

Attorney Osgood discussed with the Board the Public Employer Health Emergency Plan for the Village which is on the agenda for approval and Local Law #1 of 2021 – Outdoor displays.

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to adopt the Public Employer Health Emergency Plan for the Village of Ellenville.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

Mayor Kaplan was not so much concerned with sidewalk Cafés but with outdoor displays. Code Enforcement Officer Schug wanted to know where the Village draws the line when it comes to sidewalk Café. He stated that the Board needs to address whether or not these sidewalk Café are on Village property and do they comply with handicap accessibility.

Mayor Kaplan would like Attorney Osgood to look into broadening the scope of outdoor displays so it does not just cover sidewalks.

## BUILDING REPORT:

Code Enforcement Officer Schug spoke about Chapter 85 – Dogs and other animal code and stated that the law currently only allows cats and dogs.

Mayor Kaplan would like to limit this chapter to certain districts and require a special use permit.

## RESOLUTIONS:

MOTION TO TABLE AUTHORIZING THE  
MAYOR TO SIGN 2018  
TAX LIEN  
(RESOLUTION #1)

Motion by Trustee McComb, seconded by Deputy Mayor Younger to table authorizing the Mayor to sign the 2018 Tax Lien Foreclosure Agreement until Attorney Osgood reviews the agreement.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

Mayor Kaplan was concerned that the agreement will only allow the Village to receive the base tax and the County will get the rest and did not seem fair.

Mayor Kaplan would also like Attorney Osgood to confirm that the Arginsky property has been paid and if so, have it removed from the County list.

MOTION AUTHORIZING  
TREASURER TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT/  
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF  
A SERIAL BOND  
(RESOLUTION #2)

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee McComb to authorize the Village Treasurer to purchase equipment estimated at \$137,000.00 and to authorize the issuance of \$137,000.00 serial bonds for said purchase.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Kaplan	AYE
Deputy Mayor Younger	AYE
Trustee Steinhoff	AYE
Trustee Oliveras	AYE
Trustee McComb	AYE
All in favor – motion carried	

MOTION AUTHORIZING  
EXPENDITURE TO TOWN  
OF WAWARSING TAX COLLECTOR  
(RESOLUTION #3)

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee McComb to authorize the expenditure of \$150.53 to the Town of Wawarsing Tax Collector for taxes on a parking lot used by the Village from Ronald/Doris Matthews upon recommendations of the Village Treasurer.

All in favor – Aye – motion carried

MOTION RE-APPOINTING  
JEFF RUBIN/PAUL ROSS  
TO JOINT HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
COMMISSION  
(RESOLUTION #4)

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee McComb to re-appoint Jeff Rubin and Paul Ross to the Joint Historic Preservation Commission for a new three-year term.  
All in favor – Aye – motion carried

BOARD REPORTS:

Deputy Mayor Younger – Wanted updates on the sidewalk on the Clinton Street Bridge, the hydrant in front of Pioneer Fire Company and wanted to know what can be done when people attend zoom meeting and cannot hear.

Manager Warren will speak to Michael Jeter on the Clinton Avenue Bridge sidewalk, speak to Mike Avery about the hydrant and will look into purchasing an internal microphone for the laptop.

Trustee Steinhoff – Wanted to know the status on the Emergency Shelter Project and Code Enforcement Schug updated her on the project.

Once the Emergency Shelter is finished, the Village Board will take a walk over to the project.

Trustee McComb – Nothing at this time

Trustee Oliveras – Nothing at this time

ADJOURN:

Motion by Trustee Steinhoff, seconded by Trustee Oliveras to adjourn meeting at 7:26 p.m. to go into executive session to discuss real estate matters and not to reconvene.  
All in favor – Aye – motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Traci Jeter  
Village Clerk

