

May 17, 2022 Regular Meeting 6:00PM

PRESENT: Mayor Eagan; Trustees LaChapelle, Watson and Norton; Sgt. David Buxton; Steven Brock; Scott Fitzgerald; Caton Deuso

Scott Fitzgerald from Solar On Earth gave a presentation on a community solar program that could save the Village money on the energy bills. There is no cost to the Village to sign up for this program and the Village will receive 10% credit on each National Grid bill for 20 years with no fee to cancel. Credits will be applied directly to the National Grid bill on accounts that use at least 1000 kwh per year. Motion made by Trustee LaChapelle, seconded by Trustee Norton to join the Solar On Earth program, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Mayor Eagan opened the public hearing to take comments from the public regarding the Village's community development needs and to discuss the possible submission of Community Development Block Grant applications for the 2022 program year. No comments were received. Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee Norton to close the public hearing, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee LaChapelle to approve the minutes of the April 4th, April 13th, April 27th and May 4th meetings, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Steven Brock presented information on a new 2022/2023 International Model CV515 4x4 19,500lb. GVW Dump Truck with attachments with the purchase price of \$94,374.00 on State Contract. Mr. Brock would also like to purchase a sander and plow for this vehicle for the purchase price of \$16,347.83 from Trius who gave the lowest quote of four vendors. The truck would not be available until the end of this year or beginning of next year. Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee Norton to purchase the 2022/2023 International Dump Truck on State contract and the sander and plow from Trius for a total of \$110,721.83 and the financing of this purchase through a loan for up to a six-year term based on the best interest rate given by the bank, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Steven Brock asked if the Village Board was giving its employees the day off for Juneteenth as this has been declared a Federal Holiday. Mayor Eagan will look into this.

LETTERS: Charter Communications submitted correspondence with a check for \$8,735.82 for the quarterly franchise fee payment. The Planning Board submitted minutes of their April 12th meeting. A Notice of Submission of EM&CP Segment 1 for the Champlain Hudson Power Express Line was received. NYS Unified Court System sent a letter regarding the follow-up review of the Village Court stating that the Village Court has implemented all of their recommendations cited in the audit report and that the audit is closed out. Charter Communications sent a notice of upcoming programming changes. Judy DeCicco submitted a letter requesting permission to install a bench in Riverside Park in memory of Jim Lafayette. Christopher Kyne submitted a letter of resignation from the Police Department. NYS Comptroller sent the Fiscal Stress Score which states that the Village has no designation for Fiscal stress and susceptible designation for Environmental stress. Motion made by Trustee Norton, seconded by Trustee LaChapelle to accept and file the correspondence, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Motion made by Trustee LaChapelle, seconded by Trustee Watson to allow Judy DeCicco to place a bench in Riverside Park in memory of Jim Lafayette, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Motion made by Trustee LaChapelle, seconded by Trustee Watson to accept Christopher Kyne's resignation from the Police Department, all voting in favor, CARRIED

BILLS: Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee LaChapelle to approve payment of the abstract covering claims #22-00634-22-00636, 22-00639-22-00642 and 22-00645-22-00695 totaling \$90,072.01, all voting in favor, CARRIED

REPORTS: Compliance and Zoning Officer submitted reports for March and April. Justice Putorti and Justice Nicholas submitted reports for March and April. Water and Wastewater reports for May were received. Motion made Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee Norton to accept the reports and to place them on file, all voting in favor, CARRIED

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Trustee Watson reported that the Dept. of Public Works have replaced sidewalk on Poultney Street, repaired five water leaks and completed the hydrant flushing. The street sweeping is 2/3 completed and will be finished soon as the sweeper needed repairs.

APPLICATIONS: Aprilanne Dietze and Robert Berthiaume submitted applications. Motion made by Trustee Norton, seconded by Trustee Watson to accept the applications and to place them on file, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee LaChapelle to authorize the Mayor to sign the Tax Warrant for fiscal year 06/01/22022 – 05/31/2023, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Motion made by Trustee LaChapelle, seconded by Trustee Watson to adopt the attached resolution authorizing Mayor Eagan to submit a Community Block Grant application with NYS Office of Community Renewal, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Motion made by Trustee Norton, seconded by Trustee LaChapelle to adopt the attached resolution authorizing Mayor Eagan to sign and submit an application to Northern Borders Regional Commission, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Motion made by Trustee Norton, seconded by Trustee Watson to approve the proposal from LaBella for professional services to prepare multiple grant/loan applications at a cost of \$17,000.00, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Motion made Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee LaChapelle to approve the proposal from LaBella for professional services to prepare the Northern Boarders Regional Commission and FEMA grant applications, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee Norton to approve the Change Order for the Route 22 Home Replacement Project to replace the water and sewer lines for a total of \$7,152.00 with the cost being paid for through the grant, all voting in favor, CARRIED

David Buxton reported that the Live Scan will be installed at the Police Department on June 1, 2022.

Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee Norton to convene into executive session to discuss specific personnel and union contract negotiations at 7:22PM, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Motion made by Trustee LaChapelle, seconded by Trustee Watson to adjourn executive session and to reconvene into regular session at 8:25PM, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee Norton to authorize Matt Fuller to offer a proposal to NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation outlining projects and timelines to come into compliance with the Consent Order, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Motion made by Trustee Watson, seconded by Trustee Norton to adjourn the meeting at 8:27PM, all voting in favor, CARRIED

Stephanie A. LaChapelle
Clerk-Treasurer