

Mayor Gifford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Trustee Gray, Rizzo, Solotruck, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

APPOINTMENT OF KEVIN ARCHIBALD AS FIREFIGHTER

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Tiberio that

Whereas, the Village has an open position for the position of Firefighter due to the award of the Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant, and

Whereas, interviews have been duly conducted, and

Whereas, it is recommended that Kevin Archibald be appointed to the position of Firefighter by the Fire Chief, now therefore

Be it Resolved, that Kevin Archibald be appointed to the position of Firefighter effective January 13, 2019.

Ayes: Trustee Gray, Rizzo, Solotruck, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

APPOINTMENT OF ALEXANDER LUSHPINSKY AS FIREFIGHTER

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Gray that

Whereas, the Village has an open position for the position of Firefighter due to the award of the SAFER Grant, and

Whereas, interviews have been duly conducted, and

Whereas, it is recommended that Alexander Lushpinsky be appointed to the position of Firefighter by the Fire Chief, now therefore

Be it Resolved, that Alexander Lushpinsky be appointed to the position of Firefighter effective January 13, 2019.

Ayes: Trustee Gray, Rizzo, Solotruck, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

APPOINTMENT OF JARET FALKOWITZ AS POLICE OFFICER

MOVED by Trustee Tiberio, seconded by Trustee Rizzo that

Whereas, the Village has an open position for the position of police officer due to the resignation of an officer, and

Whereas, interviews have been duly conducted, and

Whereas, it is recommended that Jaret Falkowitz be appointed to the position of Police Officer by the Police Chief, now therefore

Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees hereby appoints Jaret Falkowitz to the position of Police Officer effective January 13, 2019.

Ayes: Trustee Gray, Rizzo, Solotruck, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

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PRVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mayor Gifford opened the privilege of the floor at 7:08p.m.

Sharon Trumpler of 218 Glen Avenue stated the following concerns:

- Lack of signage for CVS at the Glen Avenue; signage was approved by Planning Board
- Fence along adjacent properties at CVS not secure enough if a car were to hit it; suggested a guard rail be installed
- Stones around the trees on Mohawk Avenue may be a hazard to bicyclists
- Condition of 209 Glen Avenue

Mayor Gifford closed the privilege of the floor at 7:17p.m.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT AGREEMENT

MOVED by Trustee Tiberio, seconded by Trustee Rizzo to authorize the Mayor to sign the Merchant Service Agreement with Bankcard Associates for acceptance of credit card payments for water and sewer billing.

Ayes: Trustee Gray, Rizzo, Solotruck, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

COLLINS LAKE WATER QUALITY STABILIZATION GRANT

MOVED by Trustee Tiberio, seconded by Trustee Gray to authorize the Mayor to sign Grant Disbursement Agreement with Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY) for Collins Lake Water Quality Stabilization Grant.

Ayes: Trustee Gray, Rizzo, Solotruck, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

COLLINS LAKE WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENTS SEQRA LEAD AGENCY STATUS

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Gifford that

Whereas, the Village of Scotia has determined that a need exists and it is necessary to replace the check valve on the concrete headwall at the Collins Lake outlet to Collins Creek; and,

Whereas, the Village of Scotia is in the planning stages for said stormwater system improvement project; and,

Whereas, the Village of Scotia has received a SAM Grant which is administered through the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY) for said stormwater system improvement project; and

Whereas, part of the funding requirements, the Village of Scotia Village Board must comply with regulations required under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); now therefore;

Be it Resolved, that the Village Board of the Village of Scotia hereby accepts Lead Agency Status pursuant to SEQRA Regulations 6NYCRR Part 617 and authorizes Prime AE Group of NY to complete the coordinated review of the project, and other matters related to SEQRA.

Ayes: Trustee Gray, Rizzo, Solotruck, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

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**COMMITMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)
PROGRAM INCOME FUNDS TO AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES (ADA)
ACTIVITIES**

MOVED by Trustee Tiberio, seconded by Trustee Rizzo that

Whereas, the Village has certified to the Office of Community Renewal, Homes and Community Renewal (HCR) that the Village has a balance of \$139,816.12 in uncommitted NYS Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Income, and

Whereas, all NYS CDBG Program Income must be committed prior to the upcoming deadline of March 31, 2019 or the funds must be returned, and

Whereas, the Village understands that handicap accessibility improvements, namely Handicap Accessible Sidewalk Ramps pursuant to ADA Regulations, including engineering fees and grant application fees for community development objectives, are a proper expenditure of the Program Income, now therefore

Be it Resolved that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Scotia hereby commits the balance of its NYS CDBG Program Income in the amount of \$139,816.12, to a Handicap Accessible Sidewalk Ramps Project pursuant to ADA Regulation in compliance with Office of Community Renewal HCR policy.

Ayes: Trustee Gray, Rizzo, Solotruck, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

SOLICIT BIDS FOR THE HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE SIDEWALK RAMPS PROJECT

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Gray to table the motion until completion of environmental review.

Ayes: Trustee Gray, Rizzo, Solotruck, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

MAYOR'S COMMENTS TO THE BOARD

The Mayor stated that Cumberland Farms opened last week; they have been issued a temporary certificate of occupancy. There may be an issue with the outside lighting; final certificate will not be issued until resolved. Meeting with Ray Gillen of Metroplex tomorrow. Met with CDTA yesterday regarding bike racks being placed in the village at the docks and the village parking lot. Attended Fire Department meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE, LIAISON AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Tiberio – BID meeting reschedule for next week.

Trustee Rizzo – No report.

Trustee Solotruck – Continuing to work on the consolidation of communications project.

Trustee Gray – No report.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Tiberio that the Departmental reports be accepted as presented with thanks.

Ayes: Trustee Gray, Rizzo, Solotruck, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

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Abstentions: None

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Gray that be it resolved that all claims against the Village dated January 9, 2019 be allowed and ordered paid in full in the amount of \$102,268.49 charged to the following funds:

A-General Fund	\$ 58,782.10
CM-Fund	\$ 22,475.00
F-Water Fund	\$ 13,435.04
G-Sewer Fund	\$ 7,576.35

Further the Clerk/Treasurer is hereby authorized to draw checks in the claimants' favor and in the full amount listed and charge the same to the funds listed therein.

Ayes: Trustee Gray, Rizzo, Solotruck, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 14, 2018

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Tiberio that the minutes of the November 14, 2018 Village of Scotia, Board of Trustees meeting are hereby approved.

Ayes: Trustee Rizzo, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: Trustee Gray & Trustee Solotruck

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD DECEMBER 12, 2018

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Tiberio that the minutes of the December 12, 2018 Village of Scotia, Board of Trustees meeting are hereby approved.

Ayes: Trustee Gray, Rizzo, Solotruck, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD DECEMBER 17, 2018

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Tiberio that the minutes of the December 17, 2018 Village of Scotia, Board of Trustees meeting are hereby approved.

Ayes: Trustee Gray, Rizzo, Solotruck, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

NEW BUSINESS

ENGINEERING PLANNING GRANT WITH PRIME ENGINEERING

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Gray that
Whereas, the Village has been awarded a \$30,000 Engineering Planning Grant from the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation/NYS Department of Environmental Conservation for a study of the Village's main sewage pump station foremain, and
Whereas, Prime Engineering completed the funding application for this study, and

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Whereas, the funding program requires a \$6,000 match from the Village for a \$36,000 total study fee, now therefore

Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Prime Engineering as set forth in a letter dated January 8, 2019 in the amount of \$36,000 for engineering services for the Pump Station Forcemain Engineering Planning Grant Study and authorizes the \$6,000 match to be paid from the G (Sewer) Fund.

Ayes: Trustee Gray, Rizzo, Solotruck, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Tibrtio to adjourn the meeting at 7:35p.m.

Ayes: Trustee Gray, Rizzo, Solotruck, Tiberio and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Respectfully submitted,

Maria A. Schmitz

Clerk to the Village Board of Trustees