

Mayor Gifford called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

PRESENT: Trustee Cook, Trustee Solotruck & Mayor Gifford

PRESENT REMOTELY: Trustee Gray, Trustee Rizzo

BUSINESS LOANS

The Mayor stated that the Village received four applications for business loans to help businesses in the Village impacted by COVID. One of the applications is complete and Attorney Marola has prepared the necessary paperwork. Once the information for the other three applications is received the loan agreements will be prepared.

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Gray to approve COVID Business Loan #1 and Loan #2, #3 & #4 upon submission of additional paperwork and approval of Attorney Marola and Bob Murray of The Chazen Companies.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

FENCE HEIGHT ORDINANCE

The current fence ordinance only specifies the height of a fence in the front yard which is four feet. The Board of Trustees discussed amending the current legislation to include a six-foot restriction for the rest of the yard. The board will continue to review the current code and propose amended legislation if needed.

HUEBER BREUER CONTRACT

The Village received a final invoice from Heuber Breuer for work related to the Municipal Facilities Project. The Mayor will discuss the contract and payment with Sean Foran of Heuber Breuer and report back to the board.

VILLAGE DOCKS

The Board of Trustees discussed installation of the boat docks; since the canal opening was delayed due to COVID, the board decided not to incur the cost of the installation for a short season. The Fire Department will continue to use the launch at the Water's Edge Lighthouse for river access.

IMPOUND LOT

The Board discussed creating an impound lot at the pump station property on Vley Road. Chief Harrigan stated that he would like the area to include video surveillance. Chief Harrigan and Superintendent Kohout will continue to work with the Mayor on pricing and an accessible layout on the property.

FIRE STATION FLOORING

Mayor stated that the shoring was completed and the reserve engine has been moved back into the station. The Mayor thanked Schenectady Steel for the donation of the steel beams to complete the project.

RECREATIONAL FIRE TABLES

Trustee Cook stated that the current legislation regarding outdoors fires was created prior to propane fire tables. Trustee Cook met with Chief Almy and two Lieutenants regarding amending the current legislation to allow for propane fire tables within the Village; this would offer a safer way to provide residents the ability to have outdoor fires. Chief Almy supported the amendment as long as there are proper requirements and restrictions, such as the placement of the tables and the accumulation of propane tanks. Attorney Marola will draft legislation for the board to review.

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POLICE CHIEF DUTIES

The Mayor proposed the expansion of the Police Chief duties to include the oversight of the Building Inspector. Chief Almy stated that all of his firefighters are also code enforcement officers so his department should also be considered for the oversight. Chief Almy suggested a meeting with the Mayor and Superintendent Kohout to see how code enforcement is currently being managed in each department and review the best plan for oversight of the Building Inspector position. Chief Harrigan stated that he would like to see all work together to address quality of life issues in the Village.

SHORT-TERM RENTALS

Trustee Cook and Trustee Solotruck are continuing to work on distinguishing between owner occupied and non-owner occupied short-term rentals and a process for registration and regulations of such properties to ensure quality of life issues.

VILLAGE WEBSITE

Trustee Cook will be meeting with Jon Huther of Elite Venture Media regarding the Village Website tomorrow to understand how it currently operates and how improvements can be made.

The Mayor asked each Trustee to work with the department they are liaison to and provide any recommendations for updates to the website.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Cook to adjourn the meeting at 7:25p.m.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Respectfully submitted,

Maria A. Schmitz

Clerk to the Village Board of Trustees