

Mayor Gifford called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Gifford, Trustee Cook, Trustee Rizzo & Trustee Solotruck

PRESENT REMOTELY: Trustee Gray

SALE OF VILLAGE PROPERTY

The Village owns 4 small parcels of vacant land that have been recently appraised.

Parcel 29.84-2-1 – Vley Road; Mayor has sent letters to properties on Pershing Drive that border this property to see if they would be interested in purchasing.

Parcel 38.52-1-4 – Sanders Avenue

Parcel 38.52-1-21 – Sanders Avenue

Parcel 38.44-3-69 – Riverside Avenue

Mayor Gifford suggested auctioning the three parcels above to highest bidder. Trustee Cook suggested the board clarify land use for waterfront properties to be sure there are not commercial operations run out of a zoned residential area.

SKATEBOARD RULES

Trustee Cook stated that he met with Oliver Talbot and Shiela Marino along with their parents to discuss possible amendments to the Village Code that would include specific rules and regulations for skateboarding. Trustee Cook will continue to investigate other municipalities codes and state regulations as well. Trustee Solotruck asked that the petitions that were presented to the board at the June 9th meeting be distributed to all Trustees.

Superintendent Kohout asked to address the board; submitted letter of resignation effective July 23rd.

MARIHUANA REGULATION

Mayor stated that a public forum will be held Wednesday, June 23rd at 7:00p.m. The Village needs to decide by December 31, 2021 if they would like to opt-out of commercial sales and production in the Village; after that date the Village could always opt back in but can no longer opt out. Trustee Solotruck stated that the dispensaries are strictly regulated by the State; current regulations do not allow a dispensary to be within 500 feet of a school or 200 feet from a church. Trustee Solotruck stated that there is a 4% collection on all sales; 1% goes to the County and without an agreement in place with the Town of Glenville, 3% is split between the Town and Village 50/50. Mayor Gifford stated that an attorney from New York State Conference of Mayors will be attending forum. Trustee Solotruck stated that a representative from Truth Pharm will be attending to provide education on this topic.

SHORT-TERM RENTAL

Trustee Cook is working with Trustee Solotruck on making amendments to proposed legislation; Zoning Board of Appeals will then review since a Special Use Permit would need to be issued for such rentals.

REVENUE ENHANCEMENT IDEAS

Trustee Cook suggested enforcing the park rule that a gathering of 20 or more in park requires a permit.

Trustee Cook stated that the Village needs a strategic plan in place; will contact Rockefeller School of Public Policy at SUNY Albany to assist with this.

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URBAN AGRICULTURE

Mayor provided the board with updated legislation for review. Trustee Cook suggested reaching out to Schenectady County SCPA as an enforcement entity.

DOOR-TO-DOOR VENDING

Board discussed limiting hours for door-to-door vending in the Village. The board agreed the hours of vending should be 9:00am to 7:00pm; Attorney Marola will draft legislation to be introduced at next meeting.

DEVELOPMENT OF SCOTIA FLAG

The board discussed developing a Scotia Flag; possibly engage public in helping to create. Trustee Gray will continue to look into this.

RECOGNITION OF JUNETEENTH AS VILLAGE HOLIDAY

Trustee Cook proposed that the Village incorporate Juneteenth as a holiday for Village employees; Mayor Gifford will discuss with labor unions.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Gray to adjourn the meeting at 7:47p.m.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Respectfully submitted,

Maria A. Schmitz

Clerk to the Village Board of Trustees