

Mayor Gifford called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

PRESENT: Trustee Cook and Mayor Gifford

PRESENT REMOTELY: Trustee Solotruck

EXCUSED: Trustee Gray and Trustee Rizzo

Mayor Gifford called for a moment of silence in memory of Paul Grippo; former firefighter for the Village of Scotia.

PRVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mayor Gifford opened the privilege of the floor at 7:02pm

No one wished to speak.

Mayor Gifford closed the privilege of the floor at 7:03pm

MASS GATHERING PERMIT

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Solotruck that

Whereas, Jumpin' Jack's Drive-in, Inc. is sponsoring the annual Fourth of July Fireworks in Collins Park, and

Whereas, an application for a mass gathering permit for July 1, 2022 at Jumpin' Jack's Drive-in has been submitted, now therefore

Be it Resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the mass gathering permit for July 1, 2022 submitted by Mark Lansing, Jr. for Jumpin' Jack's Drive-in for fireworks display.

Ayes: Trustee Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

INTRODUCE LOCAL LAW 2022-C RELATING TO ENCUMBRANCES ON STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Solotruck to

Introduce Proposed Local Law 2022-C regarding encumbrances on streets and sidewalks as it relates to skateboards and to set the public hearing for the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, July 13, 2022 at 7:00p.m.

Ayes: Trustee Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH SCOTIA PBA REGARDING PART-TIME POLICE OFFICERS

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Solotruck that

Whereas, use of part-time officers has been reviewed and discussed, and

Whereas, the Scotia PBA is in favor of the MOU as described in the agreement, and

Whereas, the proposal has been reviewed by the Village Board of Trustees and Village Labor Attorney, and

Whereas, the Police Chief recommends adopting the Memorandum of Agreement for use of Part-Time Patrol Officers, now therefore

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Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees approves the Memorandum of Agreement with the Scotia Patrolman's Benevolent Association commencing immediately providing for Use of Part-Time Patrol Officers.

Ayes: Trustee Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

APPROVAL OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDS

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Cook that

Whereas, American Rescue Plan Act was signed into law by President Biden on March 11, 2021, guaranteeing direct relief to cities, towns and villages in the United States (Sec.

9901:Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds), and

Whereas, the Village of Scotia is the recipient of American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) funds as a Non-Entitlement Unit of Local Government, and

Whereas, a wide variety uses of APRA funds by local governments are allowed, now therefore,

Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees approves use of ARPA funds for the following:

\$13,050.00 for 2 one week Schoharie River Youth Programs (Freshwater Ecology and Filmmaking) and authorizes the Mayor to sign an agreement with Schoharie River Center, Inc. for the same.

Ayes: Trustee Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Mayor Gifford stated that he has a verbal agreement with the Town of Glenville Supervisor regarding sharing the cost of the program; working on written agreement.

STEWART'S SHOPS CORP LAND SWAP

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Cook that

Whereas, on December 1, 2020, the Village of Scotia entered into a Property Swap Option Agreement dated November 18, 2020 with Stewart's Shops Corp., and

Whereas, as the work required under the agreement should be completed within approximately a week, and

Whereas, the Village of Scotia will not need the parking lot located at 5 No. Ten Broeck Street because it will simultaneously receive a new substantial equivalent parking lot at 125 James Street under the agreement, now therefore

Be it Resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the exchange of 5 No. Ten Broeck Street for 125 James Street and authorizes the Mayor to sign required closing documents for the exchange of 5 No. Ten Broeck Street, Scotia for 125 James Street, Scotia upon completion of the work required under the agreement as approved by the Mayor and Village Attorney.

Ayes: Trustee Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

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PRECISION INDUSTRIAL MAINTENANCE PAYMENT

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Solotruck that
Whereas, the Village of Scotia has an agreement with Precision Industrial Maintenance for Wastewater Pump Station Project Contract #1-Waste Removal and Disposal, and
Whereas, a request for payment #8 has been received, and
Whereas, the Prime AE has reviewed the request and approved it, now therefore
Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees approves Payment #8 to Precision Industrial Maintenance in the amount of \$91,763.85 for Wastewater Pump Station Project Contract #1 – Waste Removal and Disposal.

Ayes: Trustee Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

SUMMER HOURS

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Solotruck that
Be it Resolved that summer hours, commencing July 5, 2022 and ending September 2, 2022 shall be as follows for the following positions or offices:

Department of Public Works Clerk – Monday through Friday 8:00a.m. to 3:00p.m.

Court Clerk – 8:00a.m. to 3:00p.m – except on Court days; to the finish of Court

Police Department Clerk – 8:00a.m. to 3:00p.m.

Clerk Treasurer’s Office – 8:00a.m. to 3:00p.m.

Ayes: Trustee Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

MAYOR’S COMMENTS TO THE BOARD

Thanked all who helped with the referendum vote; including Clerk’s office staff. Thankful to be able to get the project started. Docks have been installed this week. Mayor read following report from Lynn Trudell-Moore who could not be in attendance:

The Village Garage Sale was a great success this year. Weather was absolutely perfect. Over 100 families participated; several of the churches opened their space to multiple families. Raised over \$1,050 for the Scotia Relief Fund. Thanked Scotia Police for helping with the traffic and putting up no parking signs, the Clerk’s Office for helping with registration and printing and DPW for dropping off the signs.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Solotruck to approve the Budget Adjustments for the month of May.

Ayes: Trustee Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

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DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Cook that the May Departmental reports be accepted as presented with thanks.

Ayes: Trustee Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

CORRESPONDENCE, LIAISON AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Cook – BID – Businesses are busy preparing for Father’s Day Car Show. Luna’s Pizzeria opened up at 5th and 50th; currently hiring positions. A bakery will be moving into the old Storied Coffee location in the fall of 2022. All in Aesthetics has found a new home next to Gage Realty; displaced due to Stewart’s project, thankful able to stay in Scotia. Would like to move forward with the ARPA Fund allocation to Small Business grants with any recommendations from Attorney Marola. Jumpin’ Jacks Firework display will be held July 1st; Jumpin’ Jacks covers all expenses including Village costs; encouraged community support. Thanked all volunteers of the Memorial Day Parade Committee. No Zoning Board meeting held. Police Department -Michael Pekham has been selected as the Community Resource Officer; will be attending training in July. Trustee Cook read a letter of thanks from a resident regarding the work of Officer Spaulding.

Trustee Solotruck – Thanked Village residents for supporting the Municipal Facilities project; look forward to moving forward. Great participation in Memorial Day Parade; thanked all that have served. Looking forward to Car Show, Fireworks and boat season at the docks.

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Cook that be it resolved that all claims against the Village dated June 8, 2022 be allowed and ordered paid in full in the amount of \$167,803.98 charged to the following funds:

A-General Fund	\$147,156.03
F-Water Fund	\$ 15,077.28
G-Sewer Fund	\$ 5,570.67

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 Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

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NEW BUSINESS

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Solotruck that

Whereas, our nation was founded on the principle of equal rights for all people, but the fulfillment of this promise continues to be a work in progress; and

Whereas, the Village of Scotia strives to be a community that embraces people of all races, creeds, colors, backgrounds, sexual orientations, and gender identities; and

Whereas, all residents of Scotia should be able to live without fear of prejudice, discrimination, and hatred based on race, ethnicity, religion, class, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, mental or physical disability and to be supported by their peers, educators and community leaders; and

Whereas, the Village of Scotia respects and supports the rights of the Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender, Questioning + people to live authentically, free from discrimination, harassment, and violence; and

Whereas, the Village of Scotia recognizes the unique and positive contributions LGBTQ+ neighbors make to our community; and

Whereas, June has become a nationally recognized moment to celebrate and honor the way LGBTQ+ Americans have overcome adversity and enriched our society; and

Whereas, Village residents and the broader Schenectady County community observe Pride Month with the flying of pride flags, parades, cultural events, and educational activities to mark major advancements in equal rights, freedom, and justice for the LGBTQ+ community; and

Whereas, the Village of Scotia celebrated PRIDE month by flying the flag on Village Hall and affirming its commitment to performing inclusive marriages and supporting LGBTQ+ families, Now, therefore, we, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Scotia hereby proclaim June 2022 as

LGBTQ+ Pride Month in the Village of Scotia

Given under our hand and the seal of the Village of Scotia at Village Hall in the Village of Scotia in the Town of Glenville this 8th day of June in the year two thousand twenty-two.

Ayes: Trustee Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Solotruck to adjourn the meeting at 7:26p.m.

Ayes: Trustee Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Gifford

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Respectfully submitted,

Maria A. Schmitz

Clerk to the Village Board of Trustees