

At the special meeting of the Village Board of Trustees
held December 18, 2023

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

PRESENT: Trustee Brown, Trustee Cook, Trustee Gray, Trustee Solotruck & Mayor Bucciferro

Mayor Bucciferro swore in Police Officer Timothy Hajec and Chief Harrigan presented him with his badge.

OFFICE OF CANNABIS MANAGEMENT(OCM) APPLICATION

The Village received an OCM Notification to Municipality regarding a Notification of Microbusiness at 110 Mohawk Avenue by applicant Jacob Koehler; the board has until December 26th to provide comment to OCM.

Attorney Marola provided an overview to the board and stated that the board can provide comments only; the Village did not opt-out with OCM so the approval of the application is with New York State Office of Cannabis Management. The Village can establish local law regarding the time, place and manner of such business.

The board held a lengthy discussion regarding concerns that residents have expressed regarding parking, vehicle and pedestrian traffic, odors, lines on public right of way, etc.; all such issues will be addressed by the Planning Board during the site plan approval. That approval will ensure that the community and neighboring businesses are not negatively impacted.

The board unanimously agreed on the following comment to be made to OCM regarding the proposed application:

Based on information the Village of Scotia has been provided, it is unclear how this proposed business is aligned with the Office of Cannabis Management's position on social and economic equity priorities.

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 20, 2023

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown that the minutes of the November 20, 2023 Village of Scotia, Board of Trustees meeting are hereby approved.

Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: Trustee Gray

MUNICIPAL FACILITIES UPDATE

Sean Foran of Heuber-Breuer provided the board with the following update:

MINUTES – Distributed construction meeting minutes to date; continue to meet with four prime contractors on a bi-weekly basis; meetings include Village representatives. Encouraged Trustees to email with any questions.

SCHEDULE – Provided updated schedule. Highlighted items that are not on schedule; the roof that should be completed tomorrow has not been started.

BUDGET – No change to budget.

CONSUMABLES – Updated listing which includes expenses paid for by the Village such as HB Support Staff and Jobsite Reimbursables.

CONTINGENCY – To date: One change order has been approved and four are under review.

FFE – Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment – Provided updated FFE budget which includes items that have been identified as FFE but are in current Bid Packages. The bids for the firehouse kitchen are due Thursday, December 28th at 3:00p.m.

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Board asked Mayor for a report from the grant writer for the Municipal Facilities Project.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Brown to enter into executive session regarding lease of real property.

Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck & Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Mayor Bucciferro reconvened the board at 8:12p.m.; no action taken

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Gray to adjourn the meeting at 8:12p.m.

Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck & Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Respectfully submitted,

Maria A. Schmitz

Clerk to the Village Board of Trustees