

Mayor Bucciferro called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Trustee Brown, Trustee Cook, Trustee Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Trustee Gray present at 7:10p.m.

PRVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mayor Bucciferro opened the privilege of the floor at 6:32p.m.

Amanda Barone of 6 No. Holmes St; As a Village resident and a member of the LGBTQ+ community has mixed feelings regarding tonight's Pride Month resolution; happy the Village is recognizing Pride Month and its message of inclusion for all but disappointed to see it on the agenda for the June 12th meeting when we are halfway through the month. Also, concerned with the visibility of the Pride Flag in Collins Park; it is often tucked beneath another flag. Asked the board to consider a more proactive and outspoken support for the LGBTQ+ community; including an annual resolution in May along with a review of the location of the Pride Flag to see if there are better locations for display.

Laura Brown of 37 Washington Ave; Asked the board to please pause any plans to kill beaver in the lake; concerned board has not heard all information, there are alternatives to lethal measures that do work. Beavers are a keystone species providing ecological benefits to the lake and other species in the lake; park and lake are also for the enjoyment of wildlife. Suggested an expert provide an assessment of installing a beaver deceiver in the culvert pipe as a long-term solution. Offered to assist village in any way; suggested reaching out to other communities who have used such non-lethal measures.

Matt Brown of 37 Washington Ave; Uses the lake often, has not seen signs of beavers or the damage they are doing. Suggested spending money on remediation efforts as a better solution.

Mayor Bucciferro closed the privilege of the floor at 6:35p.m.

OVERVIEW OF LEAD SERVICE LINE PROGRAM

Reuben Hull of LaBella provided the following update to the board:

- The Lead Service Line Inventory is a federal requirement that needs to be completed by mid-October of this year.
- The EPA established the Lead and Copper Rule in 1990 to reduce exposure to lead and copper in drinking water. In 2021, the rule was updated with new requirements, including the requirement to develop a publicly available Lead Service Line inventory for every public water supply in the nation. As a result, all public water systems are required to complete an inventory of lead service lines by October 16, 2024.
- The Village has been diligent about identifying and upgrading the public side of the system. The inventory under the new rule requires identification of lead service lines and potential lead service lines on the private and public sides of the system, also known as service lines. Service lines are the part of the water system that connects the public water main in the street to the customer's meter, inside of the home/business.
- In general, any building constructed after 1986 would not have a lead service line, as New York State implemented a ban that took effect in 1986. Properties that were built between 1910s - 1940s would be the most likely to have lead services, if they have not been replaced for maintenance reasons. Developments that were built before and between those times will have varying expectations of lead service lines. The purpose of the inventory is to identify, as best as can be determined, which properties definitively have lead service lines, which are likely, which are unlikely, and which definitively do not.
- As the Village's consultant, LaBella Associates is completing Phase 1 of the inventory, by creating a GIS-based map with every water customer identified. LaBella also developed an on-line self-survey for customers to input information regarding their individual service line, with instructions on how to determine the pipe material on their side of the meter.
- In May, the Village sent a paper version of the on-line self-survey to every customer that is served by the Scotia water supply. The flyer that was included with water quality report provides three options for submitting a response: (1) Mail the survey to the Village, (2) place the survey in a drop box located at the Village Hall, and (3) use a QR code to submit the information electronically.

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- As of the date of the meeting (June 12) LaBella had received 92 electronic submissions and 68 paper copies of the survey. The combined total of 160 responses represents 4% of the total customers, which is considered a good return for only one week in.
- LaBella will process the survey results over the next few weeks and enter the data as the basis of the inventory.
- As the inventory develops, LaBella will identify patterns and use predictive analysis to fill in gaps for properties that do not submit a response. LaBella will also prioritize customers that have more at-risk populations, which generally includes pre-schools, day care centers, and other properties with a higher percentage of children.
- It is important to note that the presence of a lead service line is not a cause for alarm, but rather an indicator of prioritization for later replacement.
- The data will be compiled over the summer and submitted to NYSDEC in October, to meet the prescribed deadline.
- What LaBella is requesting from the community leaders is assistance in public awareness of the importance of responding to the survey. LaBella anticipates that there will eventually be a requirement to implement a lead service line replacement program, and funding for such a program will be contingent upon the completeness of the inventory.

PUBLIC HEARING TO COMPLY WITH THE CITIZEN PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE CDBG PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS

Mayor Bucciferro opened the public hearing at 7:05p.m.

No one wished to speak.

Mayor Bucciferro closed the public hearing at 7:06p.m.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NYS OFFICE OF COMMUNITY RENEWAL (OCR) THROUGH THE 2024 CONSOLIDATED FUNDING APPLICATION (CFA) PROCESS

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Brown that

Whereas, the New York State Office of Community Renewal (OCR) is accepting applications from eligible communities to compete for funds available through the NYS administered Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program through the 2024 CFA application process; and

Whereas, CDBG is a federally-funded program that provides financial resources to assist in the development of viable communities by providing decent housing and suitable living environment by expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income; and

Whereas, the Village of Scotia has held a public hearing to consider its infrastructure, public facility and economic development/community development needs and has identified the CDBG program as a grant resource to support community development initiatives; and

Whereas, the Village of Scotia plans to submit a CDBG grant application recognizing the OCR application process requires that the governing body of the applicant authorize the submission of the application and related actions; and

Therefore, be it Resolved, that the Village Board of Trustees hereby authorizes and directs that the Mayor or Village designated representative submit the application to OCR and to act in connection with the submission of the application, including execution of all required certifications and forms and to provide such additional information as may be required.

The question of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, the Authority voting as follows:

Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

LOCAL LAW 2024-B RELATED TO WATER RATES

a) Public Hearing

Mayor Bucciferro opened the public hearing at 7:07p.m.

No one withed to speak.

Mayor Bucciferro closed the public hearing at 7:08p.m.

b) Action

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown that

Whereas, a public hearing was held, this night, June 12, 2024 on proposed Local Law 2024-B relating to water rates, now therefore

Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees adopts proposed Local Law 2024-B.

Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

LOCAL LAW 2024-C RELATED TO MORATORIUM ON GASOLINE SERVICE STATIONS

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Cook to introduce Proposed Local Law 2024-C regarding a moratorium on Gasoline Service Stations and to set the public hearing for the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, July 10, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

COMMUNITY RESOURCE OFFICER AGREEMENT

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Brown that

Whereas, the Scotia-Glenville School District and the Village of Scotia entered into an agreement for a Community Resource Officer Program at certain district schools for FY23-24, and

Whereas, the agreement allows for the renewal of the agreement, now therefore

Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to sign an Addendum to the Village of Scotia and Scotia-Glenville School District Resource Officer Agreement renewing the agreement for the 2024-2025 school year to June 30, 2025.

Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

COLLINS PARK UPGRADES GRANT-REJECTION OF BIDS

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Cook that

Whereas, sealed bids for Collins Park Improvements Project were received and opened on April 25, 2024, and

Whereas, all bids were in excess of available funding including grants, now therefore

Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees rejects all bids received for the Collins Park Improvements Project.

Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

AGREEMENT WITH LABELLA ASSOCIATES FOR COLLINS PARK BID PHASE SERVICES

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Solotruck that

Whereas, bids for the Collins Park Upgrades Project all exceeded funding limits and were rejected, and

Whereas, the Village seeks to rebid the project in a different format to allow all or part of the project to move forward, and

Whereas, LaBella Associates has submitted a proposal dated May 24, 2024 for services in regard to the rebid process, now therefore

Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to sign an agreement with LaBella Associates for Collins Park Bid Phase Services as laid out in a proposal dated May 24, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00.

Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

SCHONOWEE CONNECTOR TRAIL GRANT-REJECTION OF BIDS

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown that

Whereas, sealed bids for Schonowee Connector Trail Project were received and opened on April 25, 2024, and

Whereas, all bids were in excess of available funding including grants, now therefore

Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees rejects all bids received for the Schonowee Connector Trail Project.

Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

AGREEMENT WITH LABELLA ASSOCIATES FOR SCHONOWEE CONNECTOR TRAIL BID PHASE SERVICES

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Cook that

Whereas, bids for the Schonowee Connector Trail Project all exceeded funding limits and were rejected, and

Whereas, the Village seeks to rebid the project in a different format to allow all or part of the project to move forward, and

Whereas, LaBella Associates has submitted a proposal dated May 24, 2024 for services in regard to the rebid process, now therefore

Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to sign an agreement with LaBella Associates for Schonowee Connector Trail Bid Phase Services as laid out in a proposal dated May 24, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00.

Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Trustee Gray present at meeting.

CHA CONSULTING, INC. PAYMENT #14

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown that

Whereas, the Village has received a grant for the Sunnyside Road Rehabilitation or Replacement, and

Whereas, the Village entered into an agreement on July 13, 2022 with CHA Consulting for Project/Architectural/Engineering Services, now therefore,

Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees approves payment #14 to CHA Consulting, Inc. for professional services related to the Sunnyside Road Rehabilitation or Replacement in the amount of \$25,384.83.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

CHA CONSULTING, INC. PAYMENT #15

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown that

Whereas, the Village has received a grant for the Sunnyside Road Rehabilitation or Replacement, and

Whereas, the Village entered into an agreement on July 13, 2022 with CHA Consulting for Project/Architectural/Engineering Services, now therefore,

Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees approves payment #15 to CHA Consulting, Inc. for professional services related to the Sunnyside Road Rehabilitation or Replacement in the amount of \$3,378.60.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

SURPLUS OF DPW EQUIPMENT

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Solotruck that

Whereas, the Department of Public works has identified certain vehicles and pieces of equipment as not longer needed and surplus, now therefore

Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees declares Department of Public Works vehicles and equipment as listed on a memo from Superintendent Kedzior dated June 5, 2024, as no longer needed and surplus and further authorizes the Superintendent or his designee to sell or dispose of the items in a manner permitted by law.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

NYS DEC AMENDMENT TO LICENSE ISSUING AGENT AGREEMENT

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Cook that

Whereas, NYS DEC has updated its licensing agreement to reflect changes in process and procedure, now therefore

Be it Resolved, that the Village Clerk-Treasurer is authorized to sign the NYS DEC Amendment to License Issuing Agent Agreement.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

PARK USE FEE WAIVER

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Gray to waive the Park Use fees for 15 Love Tennis Summer Instruction Camp for the summer of 2024.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

CLOSURE OF IRVING ROAD

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Cook to authorize the closure of Irving Road between Ballston Ave and Knickerbocker Road on August 3, 2024 from 12pm until 5pm for a Block Party.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

ALTERNATE PLANNING BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENT

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Solotruck that

Whereas, the position of Planning Board Alternate was not filled, now therefore

Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees appoints Joe Mulone as Alternate Member of the Planning Board for the term expiring December 2025.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JUNE 2024 AS LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH IN THE VILLAGE OF SCOTIA

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Gray that

WHEREAS, the Village of Scotia recognizes and celebrates the inherent worth and dignity of every person and affirms that every individual deserves to live without fear of discrimination, prejudice, hatred, or violence based on sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Scotia values the dignity, respect, and rights of all its residents, including those who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and others; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Scotia recognizes that the fight for LGBTQ+ rights and the liberty to live openly and authentically is a work in progress; and

WHEREAS, June is internationally recognized as LGBTQ+ Pride month, commemorating the Stonewall Riots on June 1969, which were a pivotal event in the fight for LGBTQ+ rights and equality; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ Pride Month serves as an opportunity to honor the history, achievements, and contributions of the LGBTQ+ community while raising awareness of the ongoing struggles for equal rights and acceptance; and

WHEREAS, Village residents and the broader community observe Pride Month with the flying of Pride Flags, parades, cultural celebrations, and education activities to mark major advancements in equal rights and justice for the LGBTQ+ community; and

WHEREAS, Celebrating LGBTQ+ Pride Month aligns with the Village of Scotia's Board of Trustees' commitment to fostering a supportive, inclusive, and welcoming environment for everyone;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Scotia Board of Trustees hereby proclaims June 2024 as LGBTQ+ Pride Month in the Village of Scotia; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village of Scotia Board of Trustees encourages all residents to reflect on the importance of diversity and inclusion, to participate in Pride Month activities and events, and to continue striving for equality and justice for all members of our community.

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Gray to amend the motion to proclaim June of each year going forward as LGBTQ+ Pride Month in the Village of Scotia.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

SUMMER HOURS

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Gray that

Be it Resolved, that summer hours commencing July 2, 2024 and ending September 3, 2024 shall be as follows for the following positions or offices:

Department of Public Works Clerk – Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Court Clerk – 8:00 am to 3:00 pm except on Court days; to the finish of Court

Police Department Clerk – 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Clerk-Treasurer's Office – 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

CONTRACT WITH REPEAT BUSINESS SYSTEMS FOR MUNICIPAL FACILITIES PROJECT PHASE 1 – FIRE HOUSE

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Gray that

Whereas, the Municipal Facilities Project includes certain owner expenses including new computer equipment and installation, now therefore

Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to sign a Purchase Order Agreement with Repeat Business Systems, for fire station computer equipment and installation in an amount not to exceed \$26,214.14.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

CONTRACT WITH AFSCO FENCE SUPPLY CO, INC.

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Gray that

Whereas, the Municipal Facilities Project includes certain owner expenses including fencing, now therefore

Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to sign a Purchase Order Agreement with AFSCO Fence Supply Co., Inc. for fire station fencing and installation in the amount of \$12,200.00.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

REPORTS

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown to accept the Departmental Reports.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

MAYOR'S COMMENTS TO THE BOARD

Asked Superintendent Kedzior to invite an environmental conservation wildlife group to speak to the village regarding options for the beavers at a work session. Invited everyone to the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Friday, June 21st at 12:30p.m. in front of the Fire House; final touches being put on the building, parking lot paved next week and electric vehicle charges will be installed.

CORRESPONDENCE, LIAISON AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Solotruck – Thanked Joe Malone for participating as a Planning Board member.

Looking forward to the Fire House ribbon cutting ceremony. Asked board to consider \$800 assessment of Flint House under new business.

Trustee Brown – Thanked Chief Wood for coordinating the complex move to the new building.

Trustee Gray – Thanked Department Heads and all employees; congratulated Fire Department on their new building; will be great asset to our community and surrounding communities. Met with Chief Harrigan regarding dates for Traffic Safety and Police Reform Committee meetings, **Trustee Cook** – Police Department received LE Tech Grant; Law Enforcement Technology Grant; will be used to implement investigative camera program. Recruit Donald MacIntosh will graduate from the academy June 28th. Police Department active planning public safety for upcoming Car Show and Independence Day Fireworks event on June 28th. Transfinder Patrol Finder; technology software being implemented that will provide real time analysis regarding patrol and patrol efficiency. Planning and implementation of pole cameras in process with Schenectady County; thanked Assemblyman Santabarbara for the grant funding. Officer Tim Hajec has been assigned part-time investigator and is also assisting with grants. BID meeting; would like to have conversation related to snow removal. Met with Town of Glenville Deputy Supervisor Bob Kirkham. Fireworks planning continuing; thanked all Village departments for their support. Kid Zone; thanked community organizations for providing activities. Facebook page has been created in order to communicate events and thank sponsors.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

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

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

MUNICIPAL FACILITIES AUDIT OF CLAIMS

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Solotruck that be it resolved that all claims against the Village dated June 12, 2024 be allowed and ordered paid in full in the amount of \$600,321.92 charged to the H04-Capital Project Fund

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 Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Solotruck that be it resolved that all claims against the Village dated June 12, 2024 be allowed and ordered paid in full, in the amount of \$76,016.78 charged to the following funds.

A-General Fund \$ 38,612.71

F-Water Fund \$ 36,067.70

G-Sewer Fund \$ 1,336.37

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 Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION MEETING HELD APRIL 25, 2024

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Cook that the minutes of the April 25, 2024 Village of Scotia, Board of Trustees meeting are hereby approved.

Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: Trustee Gray

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION MEETING HELD MAY 7, 2024

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Solotruck that the minutes of the May 7, 2024 Village of Scotia, Board of Trustees meeting are hereby approved.

Ayes: Trustee Brown, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: Trustee Cook

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD MAY 8, 2024

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Cook that the minutes of the May 8, 2024 Village of Scotia, Board of Trustees meeting are hereby approved.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION MEETING HELD MAY 20, 2024

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Cook that the minutes of the May 20, 2024 Village of Scotia, Board of Trustees meeting are hereby approved.

Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: Trustee Gray

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION MEETING HELD MAY 30, 2024

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Solotruck that the minutes of the May 30, 2024 Village of Scotia, Board of Trustees meeting are hereby approved.

Ayes: Trustee Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

Noes: None

Abstentions: Trustee Brown and Trustee Gray

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor suggested amending Village Code to add second alternate for Planning Board.

MOVED by Trustee Gray, seconded by Trustee Solotruck to approve proposal from Whalter Wheeler to perform a site evaluation at the Flint House in an amount not to exceed \$800.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Mayor stated that he has developed a draft document regarding the strategic plan for the board's review.

Mayor stated that the Car Show will be held Sunday, June 16th.

Trustee Cook would like discuss the creation of a Wildlife Advisory Board for Collins Park; engage residents and staff.

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ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Cook to adjourn the meeting at 7:41p.m.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Respectfully submitted,

Maria A. Schmitz

Clerk to the Village Board of Trustees

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