

Mayor Bucciferro called the meeting to order at 6:05p.m.

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

Mayor Bucciferro thanked the Department of Public Works for their hard work during the weekend storm. Reminded residents to keep fire hydrants and sidewalks clear throughout the winter.

FIRE STATION ALERTING SYSTEM

Mayor Bucciferro read the following statement:

“In recent days there has been numerous articles and statements that have called into question the commitment of the Village to public safety. The Village of Scotia always has and will continue to take safety of its residents as a top priority. Our commitment to investing in our fire, police staffing and workplace environment is evident and rare in a village of our population. Unfortunately, some of the articles contained some statements that were misleading and inaccurate. In the upcoming week we will address these individual statements in a prepared statement.

The Village has engaged multiple outside vendors to provide a complete analysis of the current systems in place and determine if additional improvements are needed. We will share those findings with the public as well as take immediate action to alleviate any deficiencies that we are made aware of.

The Village is committed to continue the high level of service you have come to expect. Thank you.”

AMENDMENT TO MUNICIPAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BAPTIST HEALTH NURSING AND REHABILITATION CENTER

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Gray that

Whereas, the Village of Scotia, along with the Town of Glenville and Scotia-Glenville School District entered into a Municipal Services Agreement with Baptist Health Nursing and Rehabilitation Center dated May 6, 1996 for payment in lieu of taxes for municipal services, and

Whereas, tax-exempt status of the two involved parcels is limited in use to certain health care related services, and

Whereas, Baptist has requested that the agreement be amended in regard to 299 Ballston Avenue, Parcel ID #30.69-1-1, to expand the allowed use to other tax-exempt entities and uses including temporary use by the Village for the police department, now therefore,

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Trustees hereby appoints approves Amendment No.1 to Municipal Services Agreement in a form acceptable to the Mayor and Village Attorney and substantially in the form distributed to the Board of Trustees on February 14, 2025.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

LEASE AGREEMENT WITH BAPTIST HEALTH NURSING AND REHABILITATION CENTER, INC.

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Gray that

Whereas, during the Municipal Facilities Project, Phase 2 - Municipal Building reconstruction, the Police Department and Village Court Clerk Office will need a temporary location, and

Whereas, after investigation of available sites and negotiations the Village has found 299 Ballston Avenue as the best suitable site, now therefore,

Be It Resolved that contingent on the Village receiving acceptable bids for Phase 2- Municipal Building and moving forward with the project, the Mayor is authorized to sign a month to month lease agreement with Baptist Health Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Inc. for space at 299 Ballston Avenue commencing March 1, 2025 in a form acceptable to the Mayor and Village Attorney and substantially in the form distributed to the Board of Trustees on February 14, 2025.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

LEASE AGREEMENT WITH GLEN ESK APARTMENTS, LLC

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Gray that

Whereas, during the Municipal Facilities Project, Phase 2 - Municipal Building reconstruction, the Village Clerk-Treasurer's Office will need a temporary location, and

Whereas, after investigation of available sites and negotiations the Village has found 207 Sacandaga Road as the best suitable site, now therefore,

Be It Resolved that contingent on the Village receiving acceptable bids for Phase 2- Municipal Building and moving forward with the Project, the Mayor is authorized to sign a 1-year lease agreement with Glen Esk Apartments, LLC for space at 207 Sacandaga Road commencing March 1, 2025 in a form acceptable to the Mayor and Village Attorney and substantially in the form distributed to the Board of Trustees on February 14, 2025.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Mayor stated that approximately 11 people attended the final pre-bid walk thru today.

Bids for Phase 2 will be opened February 27th at 3:00p.m. in Village Hall.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Brown to enter into executive session to discuss contract negotiations.

Mayor Bucciferro reconvened the board at 7:20p.m. with no action.

February 18, 2025

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Trustee Gray, seconded by Trustee Solotruck to adjourn the meeting at 7:20p.m.

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

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Respectfully submitted,

Maria A. Schmitz

Clerk to the Village Board of Trustees