

DATE OF MEETING: July 6, 2021

PLACE OF MEETING: Village Hall, Pawling, New York

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Lauri Taylor
Trustee Dan Peters
Trustee Earl Slocum
Trustee John Burweiger
Trustee Gerald Locascio

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Taylor stated she wanted to start the discussion regarding the marijuana law the Governor passed in March. She said the village has until December 31st to decide to opt out. She reported she attended the DCSMA meeting where the topic was discussed and most of the municipalities are looking at opting out for the time being. She explained municipalities have until then to opt out but if they do not, they lose the option of opting out. She said once you opt out you can always opt back in at any time. She stated opting out would give the Board the time to review the local laws and make decisions as to what they might or might not want to do - she said it was basically buying time – it was not saying the Board was not going to entertain it. Mayor Taylor said right now even though the State passed the law they still have not set up the Cannabis Control Board or the Office of Cannabis Management so there were still a lot of unknowns. She stated there were no decisions being made that evening she just wanted to start the conversation and start everyone looking at the law and anything else that comes. She said she wants the Board to keep an eye on it in order to make a decision in December. She said she also wanted to start talking about it to give the public a chance to come forward and let the Board know their thoughts on the issue before a final decision is made on whether to opt out or not.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to approve the repaving of West Main Street from the railroad tracks to the bridge in approximately the amount of \$131,595.25 (dependent on the amount and timing of the milling because it might be a little less). **SECONDED** by Trustee Slocum. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to send a letter of concurrence for the removal of the house located on Metro North property. **SECONDED** by Trustee Slocum. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Mayor Taylor to approve and send a letter of support for the Town of Pawling's Emergency Cooling/ Heating/ Charging Project application for NYSDEC Climate Smart Communities Grant. **SECONDED** by Trustee Peters. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Mayor Taylor to approve the permit waiver for outdoor dining until the end of the year as well as sending a letter to the restaurants asking them to apply for the proper permits as soon as possible for the year end. **SECONDED** by Trustee Slocum. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mr. Dan Stone, a representative of Chazen Engineering, gave an update on the water system. He said the Baxter Lower wells look promising and talks were continuing with NYSDEC regarding the Umscheid well.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to approve payment of the May bills in the amount of \$124,014.54.
SECONDED by Trustee Burweger. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to approve payment of the June bills in the amount of \$41,749.73.
SECONDED by Trustee Burweger. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Peters to adjourn the meeting and go into Public Comment at 7:13 P.M.
SECONDED by Trustee Burweger. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Village Clerk