

DATE OF MEETING: Special Meeting - October 21, 2020

PLACE OF MEETING: Village Hall, Pawling, New York

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Robert Liffland
Trustee Dan Peters
Trustee Earl Slocum
Trustee John Burweger

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting was held to discuss the water system and declaring a state of emergency due to the Libby Lane Well going down.

Mayor Liffland wanted to wait one more day to see what DEC has to say in the scheduled conference call on October 22, 2020. He did not want to go behind the DEC and rush into something for no reason. Mayor Liffland said Boyd had promised to have the well at Libby Lane in by the next day.

Mr. Dan Stone, an engineer from Chazen, said the Board was buying water even with Libby going down so it seemed to him that getting the Umscheid well online sooner rather than later was better for the village. He stated he did not think the Emergency Declaration was an affront to Kelly Turturro of the DEC.

Trustee Slocum said he did not agree with that. He said he could not see what harm it would do to wait another day. He worried about bending the DEC's nose out of shape. He said he thought the Board would be making a mistake and he would vote against it.

Mr. Stone stated he did not know what they thought they would get the next day from the DEC that would change the amount of water the sources are producing.

Mayor Liffland said he agreed with Trustee Slocum.

Trustee Burweger asked how much money the village could afford to truck water in – it was running into an enormous amount of money.

Mr. Stone said the Consent Order came in that day.

Trustee Peters said one more day wouldn't hurt. Mayor Liffland said the Board could meet again tomorrow after the conference call.

Mr. Stone said whatever happens the next day that the Board would not be getting permission to use the Umscheid well. He said it would take 3-4 months to get a permit to use the Umscheid well. Mayor Liffland said that was fine. Mr. Stone said the Consent Order makes the village exempt from the Endangered Threatened Species Act requirement as well as a wetland permit requirement.

Trustee Peters said the village has the Consent Order. Mr. Stone said it was not signed by the village – the village has to agree and acknowledge it. Trustee Peters said it would be done the next day.

The Clerk asked if she should schedule a Special Meeting for the next day at 4:30. The Board agreed.

MOTION by Trustee Burweger to close the meeting at 4:13 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Peters. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Village Clerk