

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

SEPTEMBER 9, 2013

In attendance: Mayor Keegan, Trustees Pratico, Ryan, Martin, Carner and Attorney Crist.

Mayor Keegan opened the meeting at 7:08 with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Trustee Pratico made a motion to accept the minutes of the August 12, 2013 meeting. Trustee Martin seconded the motion and all voted to accept the motion.

Trustee Ryan made a motion to accept the minutes of the special meeting held on August 26, 2013, Trustee Martin seconded the motion and it was passed. Trustee Pratico abstained from voting since she was not present at the special meeting.

Public Comment: A resident commented on the fact that we no longer receive a calendar from ERCSWMA. Mayor Keegan noted that the Board is seeking a volunteer to represent the village at ERCSWMA meetings. Mayor Keegan motioned to close the public comment period, Trustee Ryan seconded and the motion was passed.

Mayor Keegan motioned to accept the DPW report, Trustee Pratico seconded it and it was passed.

Castleton Kids: After discussion, it was decided that the board will request a representative from Castleton Kids at the next meeting to report on schedule, enrollment, tuition, etc. Board members expressed concern about background checks used to screen prospective employees, and whether the clearances were in place before employees began working. The village clerk will request the presence of the representative at the October meeting. Mayor Keegan made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Trustee Ryan and passed.

Water and Wastewater report: After a discussion of funding sources, Mayor Keegan made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Trustee Martin and passed.

LDC: Mayor Keegan reported that the Office of Community Renewal has instructed the village to mark the June report final. Trustee Martin made a motion to accept the LDC report, seconded by Trustee Pratico and passed.

Justice Court report: Mayor Keegan made a motion to accept the Justice Court report, seconded by Trustee Ryan and passed.

Treasurer's report: Report prompted a brief discussion of unpaid out of village water charges. Mayor Keegan made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Trustee Ryan and carried.

Fire Department: Fire Chief Carner will finalize the fire protection contract with the Town of Schodack at the Fire Co. meeting on Tuesday, September 10. Mayor Keegan made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Trustee Martin and carried.

Business: The board voted to support a proclamation against bullying on a motion from Mayor Keegan that was seconded by Trustee Pratico and carried. October will be recognized as Bullying Awareness Month. Resolution attached.

American Power and Gas has proposed a plan to the village to supply with power with a 5% savings offered, no contract required. References will be solicited. This move is subject to competitive bidding.

Mayor Keegan made a motion to adopt Local Law 2 of 2013, providing alternate members for the Planning Board and also the Zoning Board of Appeals. Trustee Ryan seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Mayor Keegan, Trustees Ryan, Pratico, Martin and Carner. Local law attached.

Mayor Keegan motioned to adopt Local Law 3 of 2013, allowing the village to engage services of consultants and/or experts to assist the village in reviewing applications for land use approvals. Trustee Pratico seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Mayor Keegan, Trustees Ryan, Pratico, Martin and Carner. Local law attached.,

Trustee Pratico made a motion to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract with Delaware Engineering, subject to Attorney Crist's approval of any changes requested by Delaware Engineering. Trustee Ryan seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Pratico made a motion to authorize Mayor Keegan to notify Castleton Kids and also the Castleton Library that no employees shall begin work before background checks are completed. Trustee Ryan seconded the motion and it was carried.

Trustee Martin made a motion to pay abstract # 6 – vouchers #133-#144 in the amount of \$90,762.98 and abstract #7, vouchers #145-#192 in the amount of \$89,777.31. Trustee Ryan seconded.

Mayor Keegan made a motion to enter executive session at 8:44 p.m. to discuss attorney-client communications, Trustee Martin seconded and it was carried.

Trustee Martin made a motion to exit executive session at 9:23, seconded by Trustee Pratico and carried.

Trustee Ryan made a motion to adjourn at 9:25, seconded by Trustee Pratico and carried.