

**Board of Trustees
VILLAGE OF MILLERTON
Workshop Meeting
May 2, 2022**

A workshop meeting of the Village of Millerton Board of Trustees was held Monday, May 2nd, 2022. It was called to order at 6:00 PM with Mayor Jenn Najdek presiding. Deputy Mayor Alicia Sartori, Trustees Matthew Hartzog, Laurie Kerr and David Sherman, and Clerk/Treasurer Kelly Kilmer were present as were Highway and Water Supervisor Coleman Lawrence, Millerton Police Officer Eric Breen, Village Attorney Christine Chale, and members of the public.

Vouchers

Motion to pay **Vouchers # 2020382-2020407**, allocated as follows: **General Fund – \$14,746.28; Water Fund - \$11,209.31; Capital Fund -- \$41,900.00; Totaling \$67,855.59**, was made by Deputy Mayor Sartori, seconded by Trustee Sherman, and approved by all five (5) present members.

Presentation – ECMP Party in the Park

Lisa Erdner of the Eddie Collins Memorial Park Revitalization Committee detailed the kickoff event plan for the park in July. Discussion ensued regarding organization of parking, volunteers, and regulating traffic flow. Police coverage will be revisited.

Departmental Reports

Police

Officer Breen reviewed police department activity and statistics for the past month and fielded questions from the Board.

Highway/Water

Motion to allow Cole to roll over up to 40 hours of his employee time by June 10th was made by Trustee Hartzog, seconded by Trustee Kerr, and approved by all five (5) present members. Supervisor Lawrence addressed concern about stability of a tree in front of 49 Barton Street, prioritizing trees in general, and following town paving projects with Village's own where appropriate and cost effective. Maria Hopkins of 62 North Center Street was present to discuss her request for a water bill reprieve due to hardship and no tenant in her second unit. Supervisor Lawrence will check into what is shut off at that address if anything, and the Building Inspector will evaluate whether there is anything in the Code that would pertain to allowing a reprieve in this case. Then, the Mayor will follow up with Mrs. Hopkins. Delora Brooks asked whose jurisdiction the Dutchess Avenue Extension falls under and there was some discussion also of a PFOS extraction device.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report

Clerk/Treasurer Kilmer announced the Village would enlist the help of Legal Shred, with whom it had contracted most recently, to shred documents no longer required to be retained as of the turn of the fiscal year. She encouraged trustees to review draft minutes for consideration at the next meeting and reminded them of Land Use training sessions with Pace University beginning on May 12th for members of the Board as well as those of the Planning and Zoning Boards. She also reminded everyone that party caucuses would both take place May 3, 2022.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Najdek asked all members to kindly submit their comments on distributed mock-ups of the proposed ECMP park sign by the following day. She reminded them that the northern side of the sidewalk project along Main Street would launch that Friday, May 9th with a preconstruction meeting just prior to the start. A discussion of low carbon concrete ensued.

Approved:

Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Sartori, seconded by Trustee Hartzog, and approved by all five (5) present members to approve East National Water's Change Order #2 given all administrative signoffs are obtained.

The deadline for submission of the joint Town/Village MIG County Grant application pertaining to wastewater improvements will be in 2 days from this meeting. A brief discussion was had regarding the grant.

Motion from Deputy Mayor Sartori to allow the application to be signed and submitted to Dutchess County was made and seconded by Trustee Sherman, all five (5) present members approved and motion was passed. Some indication of award should be obtained in July. The mayor then turned attention to what the Board took with it from comments shared at the public hearing on the proposed local law to abolish the police department. Among subjects revisited were projected cost of changing police services, how to handle not having a joint contract for policing with the Town of North East, substation utilization, fairness of cost of contract for services agreed to, liability, car assignments, shifts, response policies, community policing potential, management, and more.

Motion for a special workshop meeting to be held Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at 6:00 PM to discuss the public hearing was made by Trustee Kerr, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sartori, and approved by all five (5) members present. The mayor reminded the Board that the next regular business meeting is slated for Monday, May 16th, 2022 at Village Hall. She also announced that the Village was denied the 2022 WIIA grant for wastewater but that the EFC mentioned financing would be possible if desired.

Public Comment

Delora Brooks stated the Village would get what it pays for and that also taxpayers take two hits where the police are concerned if the Sheriff's department is hired as they would pay through Village and County taxes alike. Lisa Erdner then commented that patrols' distance from the Village could become the Village's liability.

Attorney Client Privilege Session

Motion to enter an Attorney Client Privilege Session was made at 8:11 PM by Deputy Mayor Sartori, seconded by Trustee Hartzog, and all five (5) present members approved. Motion was made at 8:38 PM to exit the session by Trustee Sherman, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sartori, and approved by all five (5) present members.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:45 PM by Deputy Mayor Sartori, seconded by Trustee Sherman, and all five (5) present members approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Prepared By:

Kelly Kilmer
Village Treasurer/Clerk

Suzanne Bressler (5/16/22)
Deputy Clerk

Approved: