

Meeting minutes from Special Village Board Meeting

Thursday, September 30, 2010
Wheatland Municipal Building
22 Main Street, Scottsville NY 14546

Present: Mayor Paul Gee, Deputy Mayor Leslie Wagar, Trustees Jim Clark, Rick Clark, and Elizabeth Murray.

Also present: Attorney Peter Skivington, Fire Chief Bob Emerson, Treasurer Beverly Martin, DPW Superintendent Steve Farrell, Councilwoman Tammy Spear (Town of Wheatland), Superintendent Chuck Hazelton (Town of Wheatland), Jim Luke (Scottsville DPW), Tim Magill (Village P&Z Board), Chuck Weir (Village P&Z), Tim Ozminkowski (Village P&Z), Rick VenVertloh, Jim Peet (MRB), Dave Willard (MRB), and Mary Chappell (Municipal Solution).

The Mayor called the meeting to order at **6:02 PM** with the Pledge of Allegiance and conducted roll.

NOTE: Mayor Gee rearranged the agenda for SFD Chief Bob Emerson to accommodate a previous commitment.

Public Before the Board: none

I. Fire Dept. Bid decision

SFD Chief Bob Emerson reviewed the bids received for the refurbishment of the 1990 Pumper Tanker.

Chief Emerson estimates that the total project for refurbishment (including an amount for unexpected expenses) to be approximately \$225,000. Chief Emerson expects that the refurbished vehicle will last another 20 years. To purchase a new vehicle with the same features would cost approximately \$550,000.

Mayor Gee will schedule a meeting with Chief Emerson prior to the October 12, 2010 Village Board meeting to review all bid details and figures. Mary Chappell offered to run a bond schedule for review.

II. Wastewater Treatment Plant Project

Dave Willard and Jim Peet (MRB engineers) gave a PowerPoint presentation with handout copies of the slides (on file).

The following questions and comments were made by attendees:

Tim Magill, 13 Sanhurst Drive: Mr. Magill asked several questions about a

project that MRB managed three years ago in Spencerport. Jim Peet responded to all the questions.

Chuck Weir, 49 Chili Avenue: Mr. Weir asked for clarification about the cost estimates for “Financing Alternative 1” cited in the “Project Financing Alternatives” section of the presentation. The MRB engineers explained that the **estimated yearly cost project cost (Village or NESS EDU)** in Alternative 1 is \$202.15 plus an estimated \$115 for village maintenance of collection system. This would result in an estimated cost of \$317 per year (current bill is \$260 per year).

Tim Magill, 13 Sanhurst Drive: Mr. Magill asked about the cost of rehabbing the current treatment plant instead of decommissioning and building a pump station.

Jim Luke, 1 E. Genesee St.: Mr. Luke suggests looking at ordinary maintenance and replacement costs over the past 20 years to project repairs and replacements anticipated over the next 20 years. Mr. Luke also remarked that his contact at the DEC did not anticipate new mandates.

NOTE: there were conflicting opinions on anticipated DEC mandates.

Mary Chappell, Municipal Solution: Ms. Chappell explained that costs will continue to increase over the years. Though an official decision about this project has not been made, it was noted that (regardless of the decision) work being done now is “reusable” for numerous projects that may go to bond.

Tim Magill, 13 Sanhurst Drive: Mr. Magill stated that he thinks the village should rehab the existing plant.

Superintendent Steve Farrell: Supt. Farrell explained that the report detailing rehab costs was prepared by one engineer during a brief meeting. He suggests that these costs be reevaluated during a more extensive meeting. Supt. Farrell also cautioned about spending too much out of the reserves on this preliminary work.

Mayor Gee stated that any money being spent on this preliminary work is being taken from the reserve that was established for this purpose.

Treasurer Beverly Martin: Ms. Martin referenced a \$2.2 million WWTP project in the Village of Gorton that had a loan rate of 2.2%.

Rick VenVertloh, 4 Beckwith Avenue: Mr. VenVertloh stated that there were studies that examined the option of rehabbing the plant. Mr. VenVertloh also expressed faith that MRB’s cost calculations are “worst case” and that the numbers may actually go down. Mr. VenVertloh, as an engineer with LaBella Associates, does not see anything “unusual” with MRB’s engineering projections.

Jim Luke, 1 E. Genesee St.: Mr. Luke asked if this project would go to a public vote.

Mayor Gee responded that, according to NYS Law, the project does not have to go to permissive referendum unless there is just pressure from residents. That said, a decision has not been made about which course will be taken.

Superintendent Steve Farrell: Supt. Farrell wished to express his concerns about claims that there is inadequate capacity at the plant. Currently, the plant is running at 85% capacity. The DEC does not become concerned until the plant is at 95% capacity.

Mayor Gee thanked everyone for attending, closed discussion on the topic, and explained that the Village Board would be discussing the project again at the October 12, 2010 board meeting.

III. Advertise Planning/Zoning Board member

MOTION:

Deputy Mayor Leslie Wagar made a motion to advertise for a Scottsville Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals member to fill the position left by Tim Sands. Trustee Rick Clark seconded the motion.

VOTE: 5-0. Carried unanimously.

IV. Monroe County Agreement for Installation of Pavement Markings & Signs

MOTION:

Trustee Jim Clark made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Inter-municipal Agreement between Monroe County and the Village of Scottsville for Installation of Pavement Markings and Signs. Trustee Elizabeth Murray seconded the motion.

VOTE: 5-0. Carried unanimously.

V. Monroe County Agreement for Fleet Services, Machinery, Tools, Equipment and Services Sharing access and Sale of Alternative Fuels

MOTION:

Trustee Elizabeth Murray made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Inter-municipal agreement between Monroe County and the Village of Scottsville for Fleet Services Machinery, Tools, Equipment and Services Sharing Access and Sale of Alternative Fuels. Trustee Jim Clark seconded the motion.

VOTE: 5-0. Carried unanimously.

VI. Executive Session

MOTION:

Trustee Jim Clark made a motion to enter executive session at 7:40 P.M. to discuss a personnel issue. Deputy Mayor Leslie Wagar seconded the motion.

VOTE: 5-0. Carried unanimously.

MOTION:

Trustee Rick Clark made a motion to adjourn executive session at 7:55 P.M. and return to

regular session. Trustee Jim Clark seconded the motion.
VOTE: 5-0. Carried unanimously.

VII. Adjournment

MOTION:

Deputy Mayor Leslie Wagar made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 P.M.

Trustee Jim Clark seconded the motion.

VOTE: 5-0. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by,
Elizabeth Murray
Trustee