

**Regular Meeting of the Village board
of the Village of Ellicottville and Public hearing
held on May 17th 2022 at the Town and Village Hall
and Via Zoom**

Attended:	John Burrell	Mayor
	Doug Bush	Trustee
	Sean Lowes	Trustee
	Caitlin Croft	Trustee
	Ed Imhoff	Trustee
	Richard Stanton	Attorney
	Greg Keyser	Planner
	Ben Slotman	Engineer
	Mary Klahn	Clerk

**Also attended: Chris & Brenda Perks, Lynn Lazzaro and Kathy Elser Via Zoom
Kathy Kellogg and Samuel Battaglia in person.**

Call meeting to order at 6:00pm

Pledge to the flag

Good News

Introduce Greg Keyser – Assistant Planner
Sales Tax Received from County \$125,335.01
Aim Funding \$5,658

Public Hearing

Local Law No. 2 of 2022; A local law authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law S3-c for Fiscal Year 2023

Approve the minutes

Motion: to accept the minutes by Mr. Bush

Second: by Mr. Imhoff All ayes. Carried

April 30, 2022 Financial reports and Audit of Claims

Motion: to accept the April 30th financial reports by Ms. Croft

Second: by Mr. Bush All ayes. Carried

Audit of Claims

Motion: to make the attached budget modifications by Mr. Imhoff

Second: by Mr. Lowes All ayes. Carried

General Fund \$22,981.49
Sewer Fund \$27,993.43

Motion: to pay the bills by Mr. Bush
Second: by Ms. Croft All ayes. Carried

Mayor's Report
4/25/22 Skate Park Scoping Meeting
4/26/22 Well Head Protection Meeting
4/28/22 Met with Sen. Borrello
4/29/22 Arbor Day Celebration
5/4/22 -6/22 NYCOM Annual Conference-Bolton Landing
5/12/22 Worked with Accountant on Budget Modifications
5/17/22 Skate park Steering Committee Meeting
5/18/22 WNY Regional Training Conference Holiday Valley

Department and Committee Reports for Approval
Planning – Nancy Rogan/Doug Bush-Caitlin Croft/Richard Stanton

Planning Report

Motion: by Ms. Croft to accept the planning report.
Second: by Mr. Bush All ayes. Carried

Legal

Return date of June 16th for motion that has been pending.

The Mill Street Parking Plaza closing is scheduled for June 3rd.

Engineering Report

Motion: to approve the Engineering report by Mr. Imhoff
Second: by Mr. Lowes All ayes. Carried

Mr. Slotman stated he had computer issues and the town board has given me an ok to get new ones. Village would pay for half approximately \$2500. Our old prosecutor has not yet handed in her new laptop and we will take that cost from the \$2500 owed and give to him.

DPW Report

Motion: by Mr. Lowes to accept the DPW report.
Second: by Mr. Bush All ayes. Carried

Code Enforcement Report

Motion: by Mr. Bush to accept the report.

Second: by Mr. Imhoff All ayes. Carried

Water Project Update – Nothing new

Skate Park Update

The Board members agreed to move all but \$10,000 from the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation's Skate park account after learning that the nonprofit fundraising organization had experienced some losses in its investments during recent stock market fluctuations. Funds will be immediately transferred to a new Capital Fund account set up by the Village to hold the money for construction costs as design work nears completion. Kathy Elser, SK8EVL's financial adviser, stated she agreed the funds should be moved. She also said she is seeking another \$300,000 grant to help pay for a "Phase 2" of the project. Ms. Elser, along with SK8EVL Committee members Brenda and Chris Perks, and Parks Commissioner Sean Lowes, reported on two successful community meetings and outlined what tasks are ahead as the project picks up steam. Mr. Lowes reported the park is still in the preliminary design phase, with Grindline expected to present some design revisions to the Steering Committee later this month.

The skate park committee is also working on scheduling a groundbreaking ceremony and making lighting and signage decisions.

Motion: to keep a minimum of \$10,000 in the account by Mr. Lowes

Second: by Ms. Croft All ayes. Carried

Mayor Burrell is suggesting that he meet with Ben Slotman and Mark Chudy, Jesse Klahn and Job Lowry on projects and go over the budgets with all. Especially with the DPW, we have gone over budget on several items.

Refuse – Caitlin spoke about the letter that the Mayor and Board received. She stated that the new painted truck that she thought was separating the recyclables, as of yet it is not. She apologized for rescheduling a meeting.

Parking

Closing on the Mill Street Parking Plaza will be held on June 3rd.

Motion: by Mr. Bush to open a Capital Projects account for the Mill St. Parking Plaza

Second: by Ms. Croft All Ayes. Carried

Motion: to close the public hearing for Local Law #2 of 2022 by Mr. Lowes

Second: by Mr. Imhoff

Motion: to accept the New Local Law #2 of 2022 by Mr. Bush

Second: by Ms. Croft

Mr. Lowes – yes, Mr. Imhoff – yes, Mr. Bush – yes, Ms. Croft- yes and Mayor Burrell - yes

Motion: to adopt the budget for 2022-2023 by Mr. Bush

Second: by Ms. Croft All ayes. Carried

Beautification

Motion: to hire Dave Dixon who will be reporting directly to Debbie Yantomasi and the Alley Katz by Mr. Lowes.

Second: by Mr. Bush All ayes. Carried

Dog Park Gate needs to be fixed.

Pickleball court could be set up at the park on the cement slab.

Sidewalks

Mr. Lowes will talk with Mr. Chudy where they need to be redone.

Streets – Doug Bush

Mr. Bush asked about the potholes on Mill Street and the underpass.

Correspondence

Bob Kaines email – asking about repair on the pavers in front of the Arlington Building.

MJ Brown, Sheila Gallagher letter – Discussed above

Ellicottville Championship Rodeo letter – asking permission once again to put up signs.

Motion: by Mr. Bush to approve.

Second: by Mr. Imhoff All ayes. Carried

Motion: to go into executive session by Mr. Bush

Second: by Mr. Imhoff All ayes. Carried

Motion: to go out of executive session Ms. Croft

Second: by Mr. Bush All ayes. Carried

Motion: to adjourn by Mr. Lowes

Second: by Mr. Bush All ayes. Carried