

Meeting #11

A Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Sloan was held on April 14, 2020, 7:00pm at the Sloan Municipal Building, 425 Reiman Street, Village of Sloan, County of Erie, and State of New York. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm.

Due to Covid-19 pandemic, meeting was not open to the public but broadcast live via Facebook. Opening statement and remarks from Mayor Ferrucci.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Mayor Thomas Ferrucci
Trustee Eric Czubaj
Trustee Paula Bruscani
Trustee Linda Ostempowski
Trustee Jennifer Kregg



Re-Organization Meeting

Mayoral Appointments

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci to appoint Trustee Eric Czubaj as Deputy Mayor for a term of one-year, effective immediately.

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci, Second by Trustee Bruscani to appoint Trustee Eric Czubaj as the Director of Youth and Senior Recreation Department for a term of one year, effective immediately.

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci, Second by Trustee Kregg to appoint Trustee Paula Bruscani as the Internal Audit Chairperson and Liaison to the Clerk's Office for a term of one year, effective immediately.

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci, Second by Trustee Czubaj to appoint Trustee Linda Ostempowski as the Board Liaison to the Police Advisory Committee for a term of one year, effective immediately.

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci, Second by Trustee Ostempowski to appoint Trustee Kregg as the Board Liaison to the Fire Department for a term of one year, effective immediately.

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci, Second by Trustee Kregg to appoint Joseph Coffta, Raymond Bienik and Kevin Jajkowski as Fire Commissioners for a term of one year, effective immediately.

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci, Second by Trustee Ostempowski to appoint Craig Pawlowski as Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term of three (3) years, effective immediately.

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Official Depository

BE IT RESOLVED, that KeyCorp Bank, headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio is designated an official depository of this corporation; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that all drafts, checks and other instruments or orders for payment of monies drawn against the account or accounts of this corporation with said Depository shall be signed by any two of the following:

Thomas Ferrucci, Eric Czubaj, Paula Bruscani and Debra Smith; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that said depository is authorized to place to the credit of the accounts of this corporation, and that said depository is hereby directed to accept and/or pay and/or apply any draft, check, instrument or order for the payment of money, or any proceeds thereof, drawn on any account when signed as required by this resolution by manual, stamp, facsimile or other mechanical signature without limit to amount, without inquiry and without regard to the disposition of any such item or proceeds thereof.

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci, Second by Trustee Czubaj

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Official Newspaper

Motion by Trustee Ostempowski, Second by Trustee Kregg to approve the Cheektowaga Bee as the official newspaper of the Village of Sloan.

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Mileage Allowance

Motion by Trustee Ostempowski, Second by Trustee Czubaj to approve reimbursement of mileage at rate of \$.575/mile to Village officials and employees who use their personal vehicles while performing their official duties, effective for the 2020/2021 fiscal year.

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Procurement Policy

Motion by Trustee Bruscani, Second by Trustee Kregg to approve the Village of Sloan's Procurement Policy, as amended and attached herewith.

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Attendance at Schools, Conferences and Meetings

Motion by Trustee Ostempowski, Second by Trustee Bruscani to approve attendance at various NYCOM meetings, schools and conferences, County and Village Association meetings and training sessions by Village officers and designated employees whereby attendance benefits the municipality to participate in said schools, conferences and meetings.

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Village Hall Hours and Schedule of Board Meetings

Motion by Trustee Kregg, Second by Trustee Ostempowski to approve Village Hall office hours as follows: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00am to 4:00pm and Wednesdays 9:00am to 6:00pm; and the Board of Trustee meetings as follows: Second Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm and the fourth Wednesday of each month at 5:30pm, subject to amendments as approved by the Board of Trustees.

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Regular Meeting

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2020 and Audit Meeting and Work Session Minutes of March 25, 2020

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci, Second by Trustee Ostempowski

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Approval of Budget Modification # 5 of the 2019/2020 General Fund Budget, as follows

From:	Amount:	To:
1990.400 Contingency	1,166.84	5132.200 Garage- Equip & Capital Outlay
9060.800 Hospital Medical Ins	8,512.69	5132.200 Garage- Equip & Capital Outlay
5110.400 General Repairs- Cont	2,000.00	5130.421 Machinery- M&R

Motion by Trustee Bruscani, Second by Trustee Czubaj

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Approval of Abstract 022, vouchers 424 through 444, of the 2019/2020 General Fund Budget for a total payment of \$45,205.94; and Abstract 001, voucher 1 of the Capital Fund Budget, for a total payment of \$54,716.47.

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci, Second by Trustee Czubaj

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Appointments

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci, Second by Trustee Kregg to approve membership in the Sloan Active Hose Company No.1 for Evan Hilton, effective immediately.

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

Resolutions

2020-27 BlueCross/BlueShield

Motion by Trustee Bruscani, Second by Trustee Czubaj. authorizing Mayor Ferrucci to enter into a one-year contract with BlueCross/Blue Shield to provide the WNY Gold Complete Medical Plan, effective June 1, 2020 to all eligible employees and retirees.

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg
Nays: None

2020-28 Sloan Active Hose 501c3

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Sloan does hereby approve, as required by New York Not-for-Profit Corporation Law Section 404(f), the filing of a Certificate of Amendment of the Certificate of Incorporation for Sloan Active Hose, to include a revision of the Company's purpose clause. A copy of the Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation is attached hereto.

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci, Second by Trustee Kregg

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg

Nays: None

2020-29 Senior Property Tax Exemption

WHEREAS, Real Property Tax Law Section 497(3) permits a municipality corporation to adopt an income limitation on the partial exemption from taxation for certain owners of property who are sixty-five years of age or older; and

WHEREAS, the Code of the Village of Sloan, Chapter 407, Article II, Section 16 (A) currently prohibits the exemption to those otherwise qualified property owners whose income for the income tax year immediately preceding the date of application exceeds twelve-thousand, five-hundred dollars (\$12,500); and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to increase the income limitation on such exemption to nineteen-thousand, eight-hundred dollars (\$19,800); Now, Therefore Be It

RESOLVED, that the Code of the Village of Sloan, Chapter 407, Article II, Section 16 (A) shall be and is hereby amended by deleting the words "twelve-thousand, five-hundred dollars (\$12,500)" and inserting the words "nineteen-thousand, eight-hundred dollars (\$19,800)" in their stead.

Motion by Trustee Ostempowski, Second by Trustee Czubaj

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg

Nays: None

2020-30 Public Works Equipment and Operators

WHEREAS, as a result of advertisement by the Town of Cheektowaga, bids were received on March 6, 2020 for the furnishing of Equipment and Operators for Public Works Projects in the Town of Cheektowaga and the Village of Sloan; and

WHEREAS, three (3) perspective bidders picked up the bid package and one (1) bid was referred to the Town of Cheektowaga Engineering Department for analysis and tabulation; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Cheektowaga hereby awarded the contract for the furnishing of Equipment and Operators for Public Works Projects in the Town of Cheektowaga for the period of March 30, 2020 to March 28, 2021 to C.M.H. Company Inc. 12704 North Road, Alden NY 14004; and

WHEREAS, General Municipal Law (GML) §103, subsection 16, allows for any political subdivision or of any district therein authorized to make purchases of apparatus, materials, equipment or supplies, or to contract for services related to the installation, maintenance or repair of apparatus, materials, equipment, and supplies, to make such purchases, or may contract for such services related to the installation, maintenance or repair of apparatus, materials, equipment, and supplies, as required by such political subdivision or district therein through the use of a contract let by the United States of America or any agency thereof, any state or any other political subdivision or district therein if such contract was let to the lowest responsible bidder or on the basis of best value; Now, Therefore Be It

RESOLVED, that the Board of the Village of Sloan hereby authorizes Mayor Ferrucci to enter into a contract with C.M.H. Company Inc. 12704 North Road, Alden NY 14004 for the furnishing of Equipment and Operators for Public Works Projects in the Village of Sloan, at the specifications per unit price as bid by the Town of Cheektowaga, and awarded at their March 10, 2020 meeting, and hereby attached and made part of this resolution.

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci, Second by Trustee Czubaj

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg

Nays: None

2020-31 Public Works Concrete Installation

WHEREAS, as a result of advertisement by the Town of Cheektowaga, bids were received on March 6, 2020 for the Concrete Installation in the Town of Cheektowaga; and

WHEREAS, four (4) bids were received and referred to the Town of Cheektowaga Engineering Department for analysis and tabulation; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Cheektowaga hereby awarded the contract for Concrete Installation in the Town of Cheektowaga to 4th Generation Construction, Inc. 5650 Simmons Avenue, Niagara Falls, NY 14304; and

WHEREAS, General Municipal Law (GML) §103, subsection 16, allows for any political subdivision or of any district therein authorized to make purchases of apparatus, materials, equipment or supplies, or to contract for services related to the installation, maintenance or repair of apparatus, materials, equipment, and supplies, to make such purchases, or may contract for such services related to the installation, maintenance or repair of apparatus, materials, equipment, and supplies, as required by such political subdivision or district therein through the use of a contract let by the United States of America or any agency thereof, any state or any other political

subdivision or district therein if such contract was let to the lowest responsible bidder or on the basis of best value; Now, Therefore Be It

RESOLVED, that the Board of the Village of Sloan hereby authorizes Mayor Ferrucci to enter into a contract with 4th Generation Construction, Inc. 5650 Simmons Avenue, Niagara Falls, NY 14304 for Concrete Replacement in the Village of Sloan, at the specifications as bid by the Town of Cheektowaga, and awarded at their March 10, 2020 meeting, and hereby attached and made part of this resolution.

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci, Second by Trustee Czubaj

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg

Nays: None

Budget Public Hearing

Reading of Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Village Law §5-508, a Public Hearing will be held by the Board of Trustees for the Village of Sloan at the Municipal Building, 425 Reiman Street on the 14th day of April, 2020 commencing at 7:00pm for the purpose of review and possible adoption of the 2020/2021 Preliminary Budget. Further, take note that the proposed salary for the Mayor is \$9,000/year and each of the four (4) Trustees is \$5,000/year. A copy of the Preliminary Budget is available for inspection beginning March 26, 2020 on the Village of Sloan website, ns.villageofsloan.org. Due to Executive Order, the Hearing will be closed to the public.

Review of Preliminary Budget

Including 2% Property tax cap, Multi-Year Financial and a Long-Term Capital Equipment Plan, Revenue, Appropriations, Sewer Infrastructure Project and payment, Total tax levy, Tax rate and Senior Exemption changes.

Public Comment- None received via email

Budget Adoption

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci, Second by Trustee Czubaj to adopt the 2020/2021 Preliminary Budget as presented, for a total General Fund appropriation of \$1,945,790, a property tax levy of \$1,198,827 and a corresponding tax rate of \$10.95608 per \$1000 of assessed valuation.

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg

Nays: None

Adjournment

Motion by Mayor Ferrucci, Second by Trustee Czubaj to adjourn meeting at 7:24pm.

Ayes: Mayor Ferrucci, Trustee Czubaj, Trustee Bruscani, Trustee Ostempowski, Trustee Kregg

Nays: None

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra M. Smith
Village Clerk/Treasurer