

Regular Meeting #6

A Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Sloan was held on November 18, 2014, 7:00 P.M. at the Village Municipal Building, 425 Reiman Street, Village of Sloan, County of Erie, and State of New York.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Trustee Tammy Bayes
Trustee Doreen Spence
Trustee Norbert Czosek
Trustee Barry Ping
Mayor James Niwinski- Absent

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of October 14, and Audit Meeting Minutes of October 29, 2014

Motion by Trustee Czosek, Second by Trustee Bayes
Ayes: Trustee Ping, Trustee Czosek, Trustee Bayes, Trustee Spence
Nays: None Absent: Mayor Niwinski

Approval of Abstract 12 of the 2014/2015 General Fund Budget, vouchers 303 through 330, for a total payment of \$166,194.86

Motion by Trustee Spence, Second by Trustee Ping
Ayes: Trustee Ping, Trustee Czosek, Trustee Bayes, Trustee Spence
Nays: None Absent: Mayor Niwinski

Department Reports- None

Fire Hall Rental Requests

Paul Zogaria 12/5/2014
Jennifer Kregg 12/13/2014
Ryan Szymanski 1/17/2015
Motion by Trustee Czosek, Second by Trustee Bayes
Ayes: Trustee Ping, Trustee Czosek, Trustee Bayes, Trustee Spence
Nays: None Absent: Mayor Niwinski

Reschedule Meeting

Motion by Trustee Ping, Second by Trustee Spence to reschedule the December 24, 2014 audit meeting and work session to Monday, December 22, 2014 at 5:00pm.
Ayes: Trustee Ping, Trustee Czosek, Trustee Bayes, Trustee Spence
Nays: None Absent: Mayor Niwinski

Medical Contract

Motion by Trustee Bayes, Second by Trustee Ping authorizing Mayor Niwinski to enter into a contract with BlueCross BlueShield of Western New York to provide Senior Blue HMO Plan 699 to all eligible retired employees, at a monthly premium cost of \$315.00 per person.
Ayes: Trustee Ping, Trustee Czosek, Trustee Bayes, Trustee Spence
Nays: None Absent: Mayor Niwinski

Erie County Nutrition Contract

Whereas, the Village of Sloan operates a nutrition program for the elderly at 140 Halstead Avenue and,
Whereas, the County of Erie provides financing for such nutrition programs; and an agreement between the Village of Sloan and the County of Erie has been drafted relative to the operation of such nutrition programs for the year 2015,
Now Therefore, Be It
Resolved, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the above referenced agreements on behalf of the Village.
Motion by Trustee Spence, Second by Trustee Bayes
Ayes: Trustee Ping, Trustee Czosek, Trustee Bayes, Trustee Spence
Nays: None Absent: Mayor Niwinski

Village Property Tax

Be It Resolved, the report of the Village Clerk/Treasurer, showing that in accordance with Article 14, Section 1436, paragraph 2 of the Real Property Tax Law, she is returning to the County of Erie, Department of Finance the 2014-2015 Unpaid Village Tax accounts pursuant to verification and certification of the Board of Trustees, and also that as of November 1, 2014, she has collected a sum \$1,056,376.53 which is 94.9% of the original amount (including petitions) of \$1,113,575.02 leaving a balance of \$57,198.49, and is hereby accepted.
Motion by Trustee Czosek, Second by Trustee Ping
Ayes: Trustee Ping, Trustee Czosek, Trustee Bayes, Trustee Spence
Nays: None Absent: Mayor Niwinski

Property Maintenance

Motion by Trustee Czosek, Second by Trustee Spence to approve the levy of all unpaid invoices for property maintenance performed by the Department of Public Works and by order of the Sloan Village Board, to the 2015/2016 Village property tax bills, for the following properties and amounts:

102.77-4-2	2307 Broadway	\$1,330.00
112.27-1-15	310 Wagner Avenue	745.00
112.27-1-23	278 Reiman Street	480.00
112.28-1-1	288 Lackawanna Ave.	1,050.00
113.21-2-35	235 Griffith Street	700.00
113.29-1-20	137 Griffith Street	540.00
113.53-2-2.1	76 Celina Street	120.00
113.53-3-6	36 Lehigh Street	460.00

For a total Village property tax levy for property maintenance of \$5,425.00.

Ayes: Trustee Ping, Trustee Czosek, Trustee Bayes, Trustee Spence

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Niwinski

Motion by Trustee Spence, Second by Trustee Bayes to approve the levy of all costs to the 2015/2016 Village property tax bills, associated with the remediation of 2180 William Street, S.B.L. 113.53-1-19; including title search, asbestos survey, air monitoring and demolition, in a total amount of \$19,707.20.

Ayes: Trustee Ping, Trustee Czosek, Trustee Bayes, Trustee Spence

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Niwinski

Land Bank Resolution

WHEREAS, in July 2011 in recognition of the growing problem of distressed, vacant, abandoned, and tax-delinquent properties, New York State passed the Land Bank Act, as Article 16 of the New York State Not-for-Profit Corporation Law, which authorizes any Foreclosing Governmental Unit (FGU) to create a land bank to strategically acquire, improve, assemble, and sell these properties; and

WHEREAS, under this law, the Buffalo Erie Niagara Land Improvement Corporation (BENLIC) was formed in May 2012 via an intermunicipal agreement among the county’s four FGUs: Erie County and the Cities of Buffalo, Lackawanna, and Tonawanda; and

WHEREAS, county-wide land banks have proven highly successful in Michigan, Ohio, and other regions experiencing growing numbers of problem properties by supporting municipal and regional revitalization efforts by strategically acquiring, improving, assembling, and selling these properties; and

WHEREAS, BENLIC (the land bank) seeks to work collaboratively with the cities, towns, and villages within Erie County to address the growing problem of distressed, vacant, abandoned, and tax-delinquent properties; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Sloan, Erie County, has recognized the need to address the growing issues of distressed, vacant, abandoned, and tax-delinquent properties and is desirous of partnering with BENLIC to address this problem.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that Village of Sloan hereby officially requests that BENLIC acquire the following properties:

<i>1st Priority Property</i>	<i>310 Wagner Avenue</i>	<i>SBL# 112.27-1-15</i>
<i>2nd Priority Property</i>	<i>278 Reiman Street</i>	<i>SBL# 112.27-1-23</i>
<i>3rd Priority Property</i>	<i>Harlem Road</i>	<i>SBL#113.22-4-9</i>

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village of Sloan has completed the required Standardized Inspector’s Reports and Maintenance, Disposition and Reuse Plans (SIR/MDR plans) for each property listed above and has attached the SIR/MDR plans to this resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village of Sloan agrees to reimburse Erie County for the costs associated with foreclosure of this property; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village of Sloan agrees to maintain each property selected by BENLIC during the time in which BENLIC holds title to the property; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Village of Sloan hereby agrees to the terms and conditions of the BENLIC Pay it Forward Policy, adopted September 19, 2014 and that pursuant to section 1610 of the New York Not-for-Profit Corporation Law will remit to BENLIC 50% of the real property taxes collected for a period of five years on all of the parcels identified herein for which, upon disposition of the parcel, net proceeds are negative

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and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution will be sent to the Executive Director of the Buffalo Erie Niagara Land Improvement Corporation; the Commissioner of the Erie County Department of Environment and Planning; the Director of the City of Buffalo’s Office of Strategic Planning; and the Mayors of the cities of Lackawanna and Tonawanda.

Motion by Trustee Spence, Second by Trustee Bayes

Ayes: Trustee Ping, Trustee Czosek, Trustee Bayes, Trustee Spence

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Niwinski

Public Comment- None

Adjournment

Motion by Trustee Spence, Second by Trustee Bayes to adjourn meeting at 7:15pm.

Ayes: Trustee Ping, Trustee Czosek, Trustee Bayes, Trustee Spence

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Niwinski

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra M. Smith
Village Clerk/Treasurer