

Village of Tannersville

Date December 17, 2020
Time 6:00 PM
Location Tannersville Village
Hall/via Zoom/teleconference

Present: Lee McGunnigle, Mayor
Greg Landers, Trustee
(Via Zoom)
David Kashman, Trustee
(Via Zoom)
George Bain, Trustee (Via Zoom)
Leigh McGunnigle, Trustee (via
Zoom)

Robin Dumont, Village Clerk-
Treasurer

Type of meeting: Planning Session
Regular Board Meeting

Also Present: Rick Brooks (Via Zoom)
Carter Strickland, Trust for
Public Land (Via Zoom)

Minutes:

The Mayor opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Planning Business – 6:00

Presentation Hunter Foundation Site Plan Fromer Farm –

The Mayor opened the floor for Planning Business. All maps and applications were emailed to the board members attending zoom. The Mayor turned the floor over to Mr. Brooks who presented the board the new site plan in detail for the Fromer Farm with the farm stand and all buildings showing currently. There is a proposed chicken coop indicated on the map.

The Mayor stated that this property is located in the General Business district as well as the historic district and will require coordinated review. He opened the floor for discussion on the plan.

Trustee Bain asked about ingress and egress to the property. There is congestion when the farm stand is open and some patrons are parking in the library. Trustee Kashman asked about widening the opening. Another suggested a circular driveway.

Mr. Brooks stated he would speak with the Hunter Foundation regarding the boards concerns and come back next month.

The Mayor stated that no movement on the application will be made at this time.

Regular Board Meeting – 6:30 pm.

The Trust for Public Land. The Mayor turned the floor over to Carter Strickland regarding the Trust for Public Land and possible grant opportunities the Village may be interested in.

2 lots of land adjacent to the Village lake would be of interest to apply for funding, should the owner be interested in selling or donating the land. Program is a 50/50 match.

The Community forest model shows community ownership, participation in management, and will be permanently protected.

The steps in a community forest project include Property Prioritization - Secure Property - Funding - Community Planning – (Governance - Management Plan) - Acquire Land.

Mr. Strickland stated that these grants are very involved and it is wise to take the time with the application for funding which they assist with. Proposed completing an application for the 2022 round which gives us plenty of time to gather information and meet with property owner of lots of interest.

The Board was in accord with the program, and gave the green light to begin discussions for the possibility of grant funding.

Vouchers/Abstracts/Reports

Clerk's Report

Notes for Board:

Taxes: \$44,371.01 relieved to Greene County Treasurer. (\$24k of which is del water from village residents on taxes)

Notices were sent out to those delinquent water bills.

Water Billing Estimate: \$199,843*will be finalized once all manual reads received.

Collected to date: \$128,000. Outstanding Town Bills (24,614) was to County for collection on January Taxes.

Grants activity and admin been heavy. We received back payment for Evergreen Contract. Will be getting a drawdown for CDBG Grant in 2 weeks to pay for engineering invoices in abstract. Will be getting a Disbursement request tomorrow from EFC and submitting another for equipment purchased for water treatment plant. Draft RFP sent to DOS for C1001671 (1.3 Mil grant). Have not approved for publication. On Grant C1000972, have not had an update from Place Alliance regarding the DOT permits submitted and Patriot Groups status for MWBE. EFC/DEC Planning Grant waiting for second drawdown, they will release once engineering approved on sewer extension.

Trustee McGunnigle made a motion to approve the vouchers/abstracts/reports. Trustee Kashman seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Snow Plow Truck Bond

The Mayor stated that the closing on the truck bond will be December 30, 2020. Due to the delays of covid, we are now finally allowed to close on the truck, which is perfect timing with delivery. This bond will be for 10 years at an interest rate of 1.5%. Payments about \$22,000 per year.

Highway Department Report

Not submitted. Trustee Kashman stated he would touch base with Steve on the status of the punch list of items.

Water Report

Not submitted

Building report

Not submitted

The Mayor reminded the board that they are required to take 4 hours of planning training credits every year. Most of which is now online.

Flood Buyout/DEP Purchase

The Mayor gave a brief update as to the status of the flood buyout program. Due to Covid everything is delayed and they hope to have at least one of the closings by December. The Highway garage is still far out.

Resolution for Tannersville Water System Controls

The Mayor offered the following resolution for uniform control systems for the water treatment plants.

WHEREAS, the Village of Tannersville has undertaken a Water System Improvements Project to expand and provide treatment for its existing groundwater sources, rehabilitate its existing surface water treatment plant, and undertake distribution system improvements such as replacing water mains and installing water meters;

WHEREAS, the project includes the construction of a new groundwater treatment plant at Rip Van Winkle Lake to provide treatment for the removal of arsenic from the groundwater sources (completed in February of 2020) and the upgrade of the existing Surface Water Treatment Plant which includes upgrades to the control systems at this facility;

WHEREAS, the modifications to the control systems are necessary to provide integrated operation of the processes at the new groundwater treatment plant, existing surface water treatment plant, and storage tanks;

WHEREAS, the Village also intends to integrate the control of and monitoring of the respective water treatment plants with a Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system that would enable the Village to monitor and control the functions, processes, and operation of the two plants from the Village Office and other remote locations

WHEREAS, the existing control system at the groundwater treatment plant was provided by Aqualogics Systems, Inc. of Syracuse, New York,

WHEREAS, in the opinion of Lamont Engineers of Cobleskill, New York, the Village Engineer, that the Village should standardize its controls system provider to ensure control system programming compatibility and future maintenance economies.

WHEREAS, the justification of standardization is the need to have equipment and programming compatible with the equipment and programming currently in use by the Village of Tannersville; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 103(5), upon the adoption of a resolution by vote of at least three-fifths (3/5) of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tannersville stating that, for reasons of efficiency and economy, there is a need for standardization with equipment currently in use by the Village of Tannersville, all future controls equipment and programming supplied for the Water System Improvements project will be obtained from AquaLogics Systems, Inc.;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board of Trustees of the Village of Tannersville for the reasons stated in this resolution, hereby finds that there is a need for standardization of the control system equipment and programming, namely that this Village utilize AquaLogics Systems, Inc. of Syracuse, New York for all subsequent control systems purchases,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provisions of General Municipal Law Section 103(5) the Village is hereby authorized to place its contracts for the aforesaid controls equipment and programming specifying same.

Trustee Bain seconded the motion to adopt the aforementioned resolution. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjournment

Being there was no further business, the Mayor wished everyone a safe and happy holiday. Trustee Landers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The Trustee McGunnigle seconded. All in favor, motion carried.