

February 4, 2003 Planning Meeting

Mayor Getchonis called a planning session of the Village Board of Trustees to order at 6:30 pm in the Community Hall.

Present

Mayor Getchonis, Trustees McVaugh, Basher, Olivieri, and Reilly. Clerk-Treasurer Winn, Director of Public Works Graham and Bob Kuiper.

New Business

1. Letter from PCD. A letter was handed out showing a budget breakdown for the Bump-out. There was a question of how much the Village is going to pay of the construction of the Bump-out. It was decided that Clerk-Treasurer Winn would discuss the PLS engineering payment and the Bump-Out being called the Liberty Pole plaza with Eve Ann Schwartz.

2. Farmers Market Letter. A letter was distributed to the Trustees for their review regarding changes to the rules and regulations for this year's Farmers Market.

Trustee Basher stated that there was no place on the application that indicated whether you would need electricity or not.

Trustee Olivieri stated that the Village residents should receive a 10% discount and that if you are a Village resident and a senior citizen you can get both of the discounts.

Trustee Olivieri also stated that there is no spot on the application to indicate whether you are handicapped and if you need special spot that is accessible.

Trustee McVaugh stated that all of the applications need to be mailed in and not brought into the office.

3. Permit fees and Parking. Trustee Basher stated that the permit fees should be raised since they have not been raised in several years.

4. MUC contribution to the Village. Clerk-Treasurer Winn stated that it is certain that the Village needs to apply for a rate increase for the Electric and that process will take at least a year and a half.

Clerk-Treasurer Winn also stated that the Water Department rates need to be increased 22% just to meet operating costs.

Clerk-Treasurer Winn stated that the Sewer Department rates need to be increased 8% just to meet operating costs.

5. Water and Sewer Tax Deduction. Clerk-Treasurer Winn stated that Burt Marshall who is a tax preparer has requested information regarding Village residents being able to deduct a portion of their water, sewer and electric bill from their taxes. Clerk Treasurer Winn stated that she has researched this deduction and following discussion with Attorney Peter Banes of NYCOM has proposed the following resolution:

WHEREAS interest and maintenance cost of Capital Construction paid by special assessment **may** be tax deductible and

WHEREAS in the calendar year 2002 it is resolved for the purpose of providing information regarding a **possible** income tax deduction it is resolved that 75 percent of the sewer benefit levies and 70 percent of water benefit levies and 22 percent of the Electric levies have been so allocated for interest and maintenance costs

WHEREAS this information **may** be beneficial to some residents of the Village of Hamilton, the following motion was made by Trustee McVaugh at the February 4, 2003 meeting of the Village Board – The Village Board of Trustees hereby authorize Clerk Treasurer Winn to publish the above information in the Official village newspaper. Trustee Basher seconded this motion.

6. Airpark. Trustee McVaugh stated that the PCD has indicated that they would like to take over the marketing of the Airpark.

7. Library Roof. Director Graham stated that the Library roof will cost around \$22,000 dollars to replace.

Motion was made to put a bid together for the Library roof by Trustee Basher, seconded by Trustee McVaugh and carried.

Adjournment

There being no additional business to come before the Board of Trustees the meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DiAnn Brown
Secretary