

MAYOR TRAVER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM AND LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Roll Call	Trustee Boucher, Trustee Carpenter, Trustee Cutler, Trustee Williams, Mayor Traver
Highway	
Police	
Code	
Attorney	Matt Fuller
Public	Peter C. Amorosi, Janelle Rose, Tom Roche, Lester Losaw

THESE ARE NOT OFFICIALLY ADOPTED MINUTES AND ARE SUBJECT TO BOARD AND STAFF REVISIONS. ANY REVISIONS WILL APPEAR ON THE FOLLOWING MONTHS MINUTES AND WILL STATE SUCH APPROVAL OF SAID MINUTES.

MINUTES

A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING MONTHLY MINUTES WAS MADE BY:
 Trustee **Carpenter**, SECONDED BY Trustee **Cutler**.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Approval of Minutes VB Monthly Meeting- November 4, 2019

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

REPORTS

A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING MONTHLY REPORTS WAS MADE BY:
 Trustee **Boucher**, SECONDED BY Trustee **Cutler**.

Clerk/Treasurer, Village Justice, Police Chief, Street and Water Department, Groundskeeper, Code Enforcement.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

AUDIT OF BILLS

Accept the Audit of Monthly Bills
 MOTION BY Trustee **Carpenter**, SECONDED BY Trustee **Williams**.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

AUDIT OF BILLS	PAY BEFORE AUDIT #7	AUDIT #7	NYSLRS ANNUAL PMT
General Fund	\$ <u>7,774.37</u>	General Fund	\$ <u>160,649.07</u> \$118,661.95 of the \$160,649.07
Water Fund	\$ <u>2,507.53</u>	Water Fund	\$ <u>24,237.65</u> \$17,122.05 of the \$24,237.65
	\$ _____		\$ _____

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

Resolution 23 of 2019-2020

APPOINTMENT OF ONE (1) PART-TIME CROSSING GUARD

Motion By Trustee Williams
 Seconded By Trustee Cutler
 Dated December 2, 2019

WHEREAS, Michael Girard has made application to the Fort Edward Police Department for the position of Part-Time Crossing Guard; and

WHEREAS, after a review of proper documentation, an interview and the appropriate background and reference checks were conducted, Chief Derway has recommended the hiring of Mr. Michael Girard as a Part-Time Crossing Guard on a as needed basis and;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees does hereby approve the hiring of Mr. Michael Girard as Part-Time Crossing Guard at a rate of \$12.00/hour and said hiring is effective immediately.

ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED

Resolution 24 of 2019-2020

BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE RENEWAL FOR THE HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT PURCHASE

Motion By Trustee Carpenter
Seconded By Trustee Cutler
Dated December 2, 2019

WHEREAS, the Fort Edward Village Board does hereby authorize the issuance of a Bond Anticipation Renewal Note # 1530923 in the amount of **\$16,253.88** for the **HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT PURCHASE PROJECT** within the Village of Fort Edward. The note was due and payable on November 23, 2019 with a renewal interest rate of 2.96 percent.

ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 25 of 2019-2020

BOND RENEWAL FOR THE RAVO SWEEPER 5I PURCHASE

Motion By Trustee Williams
Seconded By Trustee Boucher
Dated December 2, 2019

WHEREAS, the Fort Edward Village Board does hereby authorize the issuance of a Bond # 6697801 in the amount of **\$12,237.67** for the purchase of Ravo Sweeper 5I. The bond was due and payable on November 23, 2019 with a renewal interest rate of 2.80 percent.

ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 26 of 2019-2020

State Snow & Ice Control Program

Motion By Trustee Cutler
Seconded By Trustee Williams
Dated December 2, 2019

WHEREAS, the Fort Edward Village Board does hereby enter into an agreement with Washington County for participation in the State Snow and Ice Control Program for the 2019-2020 winter season and authorizes the Superintendent of Public Works to execute documents pertaining to same.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Resolution 27 of 2019-2020

UNPAID VILLAGE TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2019-2020

Motion By Trustee Williams
Seconded By Trustee Cutler
Dated December 2, 2019

WHEREAS, §1442 of the New York State Real Property Tax Law allows for unpaid Village Taxes to be turned over to the Washington County Treasurer by November 15, 2019, and

WHEREAS, the County Treasurer’s office accepted payment of unpaid Village Taxes until November 30, 2019, and any further unpaid Village Taxes will be relieved upon the 2019 Town/County tax bills; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Clerk-Treasurer has sent to the Washington County Treasurer the 2019-2020 unpaid Village Taxes to be relieved on the 2020 Town/County tax bills in the amount of **\$233,850.43** and the County will make the Village whole on April 1, 2020.

ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 29 of 2019-2020

APPROVING PILOT FOR W. L. PLASTICS

Motion By Trustee Williams
Seconded By Trustee Cutler
Dated December 2, 2019

WHEREAS, WL Plastics Corporation is seeking financial assistance from the Counties of Warren and Washington Industrial Development Agency in the form of a payment in lieu of taxes (“PILOT”) and sales tax abatements regarding a project (the “Project”) to consist of: (i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold interest in certain real property located at 446 Lock 8 Way in the Town and Village of Fort Edward, County of Washington, New York (the “Land”); (ii) the planning, design, expansion, renovation, operation and maintenance by the Company of an approximately 95,500+/- square foot facility of which approximately 75,500+/- square feet will be used by the Company for the manufacture of various high-density polyethylene pipe products, approximately 20,000+/- square feet will be used by the Company for warehousing and office space (collectively, the “Improvements”); (iii) the acquisition of and installation in and around the Land and Improvements by the Company of machinery, equipment, fixtures and other items of tangible personal property (the “Equipment” and, collectively with, the Land and the Improvements, the “Facility”); and (iv) entering into a straight lease transaction (within the meaning of subdivision (15) of Section 854 of the Act), pursuant to which the Agency will retain a leasehold interest in the Facility for a period of time and sublease such interest in the Facility back to the Company (the “Straight Lease Transaction”), and

WHEREAS, the PILOT Agreement shall be for a term of ten (10) years. The PILOT payment schedule shall be as follows:

(A) Village Parcel: Years 1-5: Base Value plus 0% of increased assessed valuation attributable to improvements made to the Project Facility.

Years 6-10: Based Value plus 50% of the increased valuation attributable to improvements made to the Project Facility.

The Base Value for the Village parcel shall be \$1,550,000.00

(B) Town Parcel: Years 1-5: Base Value plus 0% of increased assessed valuation attributable to improvements made to the Project Facility.

Years 6-10: Based Value plus 50% of the increased valuation attributable to improvements made to the Project Facility.

The Base Value for the Town parcel shall be \$3,500,000.00

At all times, including during the term of the PILOT Agreement, the Company shall be responsible for the full payment of water and sewer assessments, as may be applicable and any other special district assessments.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Village Board of the Village of Ft. Edward resolves as follows:

1. The Village Board supports the proposed PILOT Agreement and authorizes the mayor to approve the final form of the agreement; and
2. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

Passed and adopted by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Ft. Edward on the 2nd day of December

Roll Call Vote:

AYES Trustee Williams

Trustee Cutler

Trustee Carpenter

Trustee Boucher

NAYS ____

ABSENT ____

OTHER BUSINESS

- There was a discussion on when the Village would make the payment to Washington County. We have until April of 2020, but Mayor Traver felt that we should make the payment by the end of the year. There is enough bad publicity concerning Fort Edward and the quicker we make the payment, the better it will be for everyone involved. We have \$65,000.00 available in a Certificate of Deposit which we will put towards this payment. Motion to allow the Clerk-Treasurer to withdraw the money from the CD and deposit it in the General Fund at Glens Falls National Bank by Trustee **Carpenter**. **SECONDED BY Trustee Cutler. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.**
- There was a discussion on the proposed Resolution 28 pertaining to the Standard Medical Testing Annual Contract. Mayor Traver reported that the Village currently does not have a drug testing policy in place. Village Attorney Matt Fuller will draw up a new policy and this will be implemented in the Street Department contract. This resolution will be tabled until further notice.
- Waste Management is fabricating a new recycling container which will have individual slots for cardboard, plastics, and glass. Hopefully, this will stop people from putting whole bags and or garbage in the container. The back of the dumpster will be modified so that the Village employees can put the recyclables they pick up in the back. This will be locked so residents will not have access to it. We will monitor it to see how it works and if it does not improve, we will consider limiting the hours of operation and possibly have it manned.
- The Village received a request from Dale & Cathy Farrand of 78 McCreia Street for reimbursement for repairs made to their sidewalk.

This sidewalk was part of the Safe Routes to School project from two years ago. Mayor Traver said that they will have to supply invoices for the concrete that they purchased for the Valley Street portion and the Village will reimburse them for 50% of their expense.

- Salt Shed Update- The concrete base has been installed and the walls and the roof should be delivered shortly. We have an agreement with Real Bark Mulch to store the salt until the salt shed is finished.
- The Village has sent letters to James Stackhouse, the owner of 138-140 Broadway concerning the back taxes he owes on this building and the continuing deterioration of his buildings. As of now, we have not heard anything from him. Something needs to be done before next year or else the property will be turned over to Washington County for back taxes.
- There was a discussion on the PILOT program for W. L. Plastics Corporation. The PILOT payment schedule will be as follows. The Village Parcel- Years 1-5: Base Value plus 0% of increased valuation attributable to improvements made to the Project Facility. Years 6-10: Base Value plus 50% of the increased valuation attributable to improvements made to the Project Facility. The Base Value for the Village parcel shall be \$1,550,000.00. Trustee Boucher was concerned about the possibility of another WCC fiasco, especially after they become responsible for 50% of the increased valuation. The Town Assessor needs to be vigilant about this so another problem does not occur.
- Mike Dickinson inquired whether Clean Earth (ESMI) is allowed to operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Village Attorney Matt Fuller said that since they are in an industrial zone, there may be no limits. Mike mentioned that the doors are always open and he thought they should be shut. The noise is very loud, especially at night. We will check old planning board minutes to see what, if any, restrictions there were in place when the business opened in the mid 90's.
- Tom Roche reported that the Promote Fort Edward group is having a holiday social on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at the Canal Street Marketplace. The Village Board and all area businesses are invited.
- Trustee Carpenter reported that the family of William Pomeroy will be erecting a large granite monument in his honor on Rogers Island. This should be in place by the spring of 2020.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 PM by Trustee **Carpenter**. SECONDED BY Trustee **Cutler**. *ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter C. Amorosi, Clerk-Treasurer