

**VILLAGE OF CHATHAM, NEW YORK, BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
TRACY MEMORIAL BUILDING
77 MAIN STREET, CHATHAM, NY 12037
August 9, 2021 7:00 PM EST**

MINUTES

Call to Order: 7:00PM by Mayor J. Howe.

Present: Mayor J. Howe; Trustees M. Spock, J. Boehme, J. Russell, P. Minahan; Village Clerk D. Kelleher; Building Inspector/Codes Enforcement Officer E. Reis; Deputy Police Chief J. Alessi; Fire Chief E. Barnes; CPD Officers J. Falkner, J. Myers, M. McDowell, J. Favorito; Town of Chatham liaison V. Pitkin; News Reporter E. Teasdale; New CPD Officers/Recruits J. Ortiz, R. Ogden, B. Chapple; Resident L. Locke. Not present Attorney K. Dow; DPW P. Genovese.

First Public Comment (limited to 15 minutes): Resident L. Locke offered to the Board research she had done pertaining to NYS Marihuana Regulation & Taxation Act and a sample Village Law regarding the same.

Reports of Commissioners and Committees:

Building Inspector: Erin Reis. Report given by E. Reis.

Wastewater/Water Commissioner: Trustee Jodie Russell. DPW report read by J. Russell and J. Boehme.

Streets & Snow Removal Commissioner: Trustee Jaimee Boehme. DPW report read by J. Russell and J. Boehme.

Police Commissioner: Pete Minahan. Report given by CPD Deputy Chief J. Alessi.

Fire Commissioner: Trustee Melony Spock. Report given by CFD Chief E. Barnes.

Approve the Minutes July 12, 2021 Board Meeting. So moved by J. Russell, seconded by P. Minahan. Approved by all.

Approve Budget to Actual July 31, 2021. So moved by P. Minahan, seconded by M. Spock. Approved by all.

New Business:

1. Resolution – To Join Municipal Group Self-Insurance Program

WHEREAS, the Authorized Representative of the Village of Chatham desires to secure the Village of Chatham's obligation to provide volunteer firefighters' benefit law, volunteer ambulance workers' benefit law and workers' compensation benefits, as applicable, through participation in a group self-insurance program of which the Village of Chatham will be a member;

The Authorized Representative of the Village of Chatham, duly convened in regular session, does hereby resolve, pursuant to, and in accordance with the provisions of Section 50 3-a of the New York State Workers Compensation Law and other applicable provisions of law and regulations thereunder, as follows:

Section 1. The Authorized Representative (hereinafter "Representative") of the Village of Chatham does hereby resolve to secure the Village of Chatham's obligation to provide volunteer firefighters' benefit law, volunteer ambulance workers' benefit law and workers' compensation benefits, as applicable, through participation in a group self-insurance plan of which the Village of Chatham will be a member;

Section 2. The Representative of the Village of Chatham does hereby resolve to become a member of Public Employer Risk Management Association, Inc., a workers' compensation group self-insurance program for local governments and other public employers and instrumentalities of the State of New York;

Section 3. In order to effect the Village of Chatham's membership in said group self-insurance program, the authorized officer of the Village of Chatham is hereby authorized to execute and enter into the

Public Employer Risk Management Association Workers' Compensation Program Agreement, annexed hereto as Exhibit A, on behalf of the Village of Chatham.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately for coverage effective August 1, 2021.

So moved by J. Russell, seconded by M. Spock. Approved by all.

2. Resolution - To authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement to join The Public Employer Risk Management Association (**PERMA**) to provide **Workers' Compensation** coverage for effective August 1, 2021. *So moved by M. Spock, seconded by P. Minahan. Approved by all.*

3. Resolution – To authorize the **closure of the Bank of Greene County account #*****4971**, Special Grant Fund, 201.15 BOGC Money Market. *So moved by J. Boehme, seconded by J. Russell. Approved by all.*

4. Resolution – To authorize the **closure of the Bank of Greene County account #*****4955**, Capital Fund, 201.05 BOGC Money Market. *So moved by M. Spock, seconded by P. Minahan. Approved by all.*

5. Resolution – To transfer funds in the amount of **\$46,963.62** from General Fund to the Special Grant Account to cover costs for the **Tracy Renovation Project**. *So moved by M. Spock, seconded by P. Minahan. Approved by all.*

6. Resolution – To transfer funds in the amount of **\$134,000** from the General Fund to the Special Grant Account to cover the final bills from John Waite's Office and from Mid-State Industries for the **Tracy Memorial Renovation project**. *So moved by J. Russell, seconded by J. Boehme. Approved by all.*

7. Resolution – To amend the 2021/2022 Budget to reflect **addition of Personnel Service Lines for Planning Board Secretary and Zoning Board Secretary**. *So moved by P. Minahan, seconded by J. Russell. Approved by all.*

8. Resolution –To authorize the Mayor to sign a **lease agreement with the Town of Chatham** for use of the **Courtroom and Office space** at the Tracy Memorial Village Hall for the period August 1, 2021 through July 31, 2022. *So moved by M. Spock, seconded by J. Boehme. Approved by all.*

9. Resolution – To approve the **Bank of Greene County Rate Quote of 2.49%** for the purchase of 2021 Typhoon Rescue Pumper **Fire Truck**. *So moved by M. Spock, seconded by P. Minahan. Approved by all.*

10. Resolution – To authorize **the hiring of Planning and Zoning Board Secretary**. *So moved by J. Russell, seconded by P. Minahan. Approved by all.*

11. Resolution – To approve the CPD hiring of New Officer/Recruit **Brian Chapple** contingent upon successful completion of Zone 14 Police Academy, successful completion of FTO hours, and background check results. *So moved by P. Minahan, seconded by J. Boehme. Approved by all.*

12. Resolution – To approve the CPD hiring of New Officer/Recruit **Jonathan Ortiz**, contingent upon successful completion of required Police Refresher Course, and background check results. *So moved by J. Russell, seconded by M. Spock. Approved by all.*

13. Resolution – To approve the CPD hiring of New Officer/Recruit **Ryan Ogden** contingent upon background check results. *So moved by M. Spock, seconded by J. Boehme. Approved by all.*

14. Resolution – To authorize the hiring of an **additional Temporary/Seasonal DPW employee** pending completion and approval of employment application. *So moved by J. Russell, seconded by P. Minahan. Approved by all.*

15. Resolution – To approve and authorize the **CPD purchase of Rekor Mobile LPR Cameras and Software** per Brite GSA Contract Quote #Q87931 dated 8/4/2021, in the amount of **\$7,202.50**. *So moved by P. Minahan, seconded by J. Russell. Approved by all.*

16. Resolution – To approve and authorize the DPW purchase of Equipment (**Truck Body, Fisher 10ft Plow, and Sander**), per **Hudson River Truck and Trailer** Quote#283735-bn, dated June 17, 2021, in the amount of **\$17,113.00**. *So moved by M. Spock, seconded by P. Minahan. Approved by all.*

17. Resolution – To accept the membership of **Benjamin Wallach** to the S.W. Smith Hook and Ladder Company, for the Chatham Fire Department. *So moved by J. Boehme, seconded by M. Spock. Approved by all.*

18. Resolution – To approve and accept Peckham Road Corp. BID# 21-5954, dated 8/4/2021, in the amount of \$20,625.50 for **oil and stone to chip seal** Austerlitz St, Jones Ave, Cottage Place, High Street, Murray St, Line St, and Dinnegar Ave. *So moved by J. Boehme, seconded by M. Spock. Approved by all.*

19. Resolution – To create the position of Patrol Sergeant for the Village of Chatham Police Department. *So moved by M. Spock, seconded by P. Minahan. Approved by all.*

Items for Discussion:

Marijuana Law – Senator Daphne Jordan is putting together an informational Zoom, and P. Minahan will let us know more details.

Assistant Building Inspector – E. Reis reached out to Ghent building inspector. Will need resolution to add him, or any other, to the books.

Vacation pay out for Debra Meyers – need the number of hours

Second Public Comment Period (limited to 15 minutes): *Regarding Marijuana dispensary locations, Resident L. Locke remarked that the dispensary location in Great Barrington caused many traffic related issues.*

Executive Session: To discuss the matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation as set forth in Public Officers Law § 105(1)(a)-(h). *Motion to enter Executive session by J. Boehme, seconded by M. Spock. Approved by all. Motion to exit Executive session by J. Boehme, seconded by M. Spock. Approved by all.*

Adjournment: *Motion to adjourn by M. Spock, seconded by J. Boehme. Approved by all at 9:14pm.*

Next meeting: September 13, 2021 7:00pm

(8/31/2021)

Respectfully submitted,

Desiree Kelleher
Village Clerk