

VILLAGE OF CLAYTON BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

AUGUST 24, 2020

- Norma

00:00 - 00:02

This conference will.

- Norma

00:03 - 00:05

Ok, thanks Alicia. Joanne do you want to take a roll call to make sure who was on?Norma

- Joanne

00:14 - 00:16

I have everybody, Norma, I'm all set.

- Norma

00:17 - 00:18

You're all set, OK? So, it is 5:30, we'll call the meeting to order and the Police report, Michelle, do you want to do that.

- Michelle Grybowski

00:28 - 00:31

Everything remains primarily status quo. If you read your report, you know what the activity was. No other report.

- Norma

00:38 - 00:40

Ok, does anyone have any questions for Michelle? If not, How about you Terry Jones? Are you ready?

- Terry Jones

00:48 - 00:49

I'm here. You all should have a copy. Can you hear me OK? You should all have a copy of my report. I do want to add that, on the streets, number four, we did pull the sidewalk today tool to Jane Street and the three slides and Uganda and they came out very well. And then, I believe, tomorrow, weather permitting we'll start taking out the next sidewalk up and melons on Franklin Street. I'm pretty busy for the last couple of weeks, and it's been a hot summer. So we've got a lot of things done this summer.

- Norma

01:28 - 01:36

This morning Terry, we were talking about different people that had complimented on how well we've kept the downtown, in spite of all the construction. And I heard another one at lunchtime today, that people are putting in all the business, does it look good and cost flowers out about. We're doing all we can to keep a look and good. And the DPW is doing a great job, keeping the bathrooms ok everywhere.

- Terry Jones

01:56 - 01:57

Thank you. Yes, and Sam, he's there Thursday through Sunday, and he does. He does a good job trying to keep up with keeping the things picked up and cleaned and sanitized as needed. So, yeah, everything's going work real well, down there. I did want to add also tomorrow, we're hoping to get that one section of dock. I know, you probably noticed that came apart, again, we're gonna get that back together temporarily until we get that thing pulled out. I'm just waiting for Pat Patch to actually get ... We haven't decided whether we're going to pull them right around the Mary Street and they come up and throw them on the little boy and get rid of them that way. Or pull them out of Frink Park. I know it's probably going to be a lot less pricey to bring them around Mary Street, near come, but time will tell. We'll figure that out when I get a call from Pat.

- Norma

02:52 - 02:55

Ok, anyone have any questions or issues for Terry?

- Nancy

02:58 - 03:00

Nancy Hyde, I do have a question. Terry. Are we going to be doing a fall pick up this year?

- Terry Jones

03:04 - 03:05

Yes. I was going to bring that up at the next board meeting, but, yes, typically, we do at the Tuesday, after Columbus Day, which I'm not sure, like second Monday of October, and then we usually roll right into the cup after that.

- Nancy

03:23 - 03:24

Ok, Great, thank you.

- Terry Jones

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Thank you.

- Norma

03:26 - 03:28

Anything else for Terry? Ok, Megan.

- Megan Ervay

03:34 - 03:37

Ok, everyone. I'm going to let Manasseh sneak in for a couple quick updates to your project.

- Manasseh

03:44 - 03:45

Thanks, Megan. This is Manasseh Burt. I just wanted to give some quick updates on the DOT project. As you guys are aware, things are cranking right along. New century is doing really well with their portion of the contract. They do have. Most of the inner duct is installed now in the. Telecommunications. Conduits and the... I think I mentioned at the last meeting that national grid and all the telecommunication companies have been given the green light to go ahead and start pulling their lines. I haven't gotten an update from Todd yet on if any of them have actually provided a start date. I know he was going to reach back out to them and just let them know there, but they're going to be held to for contract timings. So, that's going well. I think beyond that, everything's good, they're starting to do sidewalks, poured concrete sidewalks and a lot of the curving then there's a few few spots where curving will be finalized, Wants to poles, are removed, but apart from that, the majority of the curbing on the project is complete. So everything seems to be moving ahead quite well.

- Norma

04:57 - 05:00

Manasseh that this might be a question for DOT. I don't know, I had someone stop me on the street today. Is there anything in the concrete for the salt that gets thrown out everything, for the ice, he thinks that there's nothing in the concrete that's going to help us out there. And we're going to have bad concrete in a year. Do you know anything about the formula for the concrete?

- Manasseh

05:23 - 05:29

I don't, I could ask Todd and Chris about it, my guess is it's DOT standards. So whatever they spec for the state, that's what's being used here.

- Norma

05:33 - 05:34

Ok. All right. Does anyone have any questions for Manasseh?

- Nancy

05:42 - 05:47

I have two questions, and I don't know who to direct them to it, but would be you Norma or to Manasseh. I read on Savvy citizen that they were putting in the, the poles for parking meters. But I thought that we were going to do kiosks.

- Norma

06:02 - 06:06

Well, we never got a plan together to do chaos. The way I saw the last album was that we wouldn't do meters. And then Steve Gagnon Has said that we would be responsible for putting the chaos the same, because we didn't have a plan form or the money to buy them. And it's hard to believe that worked to that point right now. But I checked with Terry this morning about the parking, made her poles. And he said that the replaceable bonds that they can take them down. And there's just a cap that goes there to cover up the hole.

- Nancy

06:37 - 06:42

So if we chose in the future to go to kiosks, that wouldn't be a big issue.

- Norma

06:42 - 06:43

Right.

- Nancy

06:43 - 06:44

Ok.

- Norma

06:45 - 06:47

Because we never really finished to investigation on that. How many we had somebody come and talk to us and how much it would cost how many what we need. And so, I think we will be fine to have meters. If we have to end up doing that, or we'll be responsible for to do on our own kiosks.

- Nancy

07:03 - 07:05

Then you're correct. We never the committee didn't meet again. And we never did have any further discussion about the kiosk. My other question is about, We had that gentlemen from the DEC came this spring and talked about trees that he suggested, we don't have, and maybe have new. Trees. Has that gone any, any further?

- Norma

07:29 - 07:33

Now, there's a DOT meeting Thursday, and that was on my list. There was that one Canadian, whatever it was Canadian maple that was on it.

- Terry Jones

07:39 - 07:40

It was a choke berry

- Norma

07:41 - 07:42

A Choke berry, or whatever. They seemed Ok, with finding another species to put in there when we talked about it before, but I've never thought they were gonna replace it with.

- Nancy

07:52 - 07:53

Ok, so he'll be talking. About you're gonna bring it up with them

- Norma

07:56 - 07:56

Yeah, very. Good, Alright

- Manasseh

07:57 - 08:07

I'll just let you know that when we started that conversation with Todd, so he's aware, they are getting obviously down to the wire where they're starting to prep for tree installation. So, they are fine with making the change. It's just a matter of telling them what, what true you don't want there. And then, I guess, making a recommendation or a request for replacements species. So we will be discussing that at the meeting, and that shouldn't be an issue or moving forward. DOT hasn't shown that show that that would be an issue.

- Nancy

08:30 - 08:31

And one more question. I believe this is directed to Norma. What approximately, nine months ago or so, we got an e-mail from Lynn from the DOT talking about the crates that go around the trees. And did we want to put some type of insignia or something around the tree around the on that grate. Do you remember that?

- Norma

08:56 - 08:57

God, I don't even remember that one. Because there wasn't any...

- Nancy

09:00 - 09:06

Again, we didn't meet as a committee and from what I saw, there wasn't any decision made. I mean, personally, I'm fine with something, just plain. But she said, So, OK.

- Norma

09:12 - 09:13

Ok, Oh, let's put it on the list, and I asked them, I honestly don't remember us talking about that.

- Nancy

09:13 - 09:13

It was just something that she brought up, and then the board, the committee members chimed in but I never saw what the results were. All right. Thank you

- Norma

09:13 - 09:18

Anyone else? Ok, how are you going to talk to us now, Megan?

- Megan Ervay

09:38 - 09:38

I'm ready. I was going to go over my monthly report, I had mentioned that I updated the vulnerability assessment for the wastewater treatment plant. I just made a couple of minor updates, including, you know, the new vehicle, that, we have a couple other things. Nothing. Major open to get have the board passed a motion to adopt, the wastewater treatment plant vulnerability assessment for 2020.

- Norma

10:14 - 10:16

Would you like us to do that right now?

- Megan Ervay

10:16 - 10:17

That'd be great.

- Norma

10:18 - 10:21

Would somebody make a motion, as requested by Megan?

- Steve Badour

10:24 - 10:25

I'll make the motion.

- Nancy

10:27 - 10:29

Nancy, second. Any more questions for Megan? If not, all in favor? Anyone, opposed? Ok, motion carried OK, Megan, you got that one?

- Megan Ervay

10:42 - 10:43

Thank you. Couple other, quick updates. Regarding the filter plan, I think since the last time I gave an update, the leaks have stopped after discussions with cows to recurrently guy. Uh, instruction on how to go forward, new O rings have been ordered by Kester to be installed after Labor Day. And they also have clear instruction, how all the bullets are supposed to be torn down, which is the first thing. We've been asking for this for many years, and no one's ever. But we finally got ahold of the right people and hopefully with the proper torque tightening pattern and rate as the new O rings, that should resolve the making going forward. So, that installation is planned sometime after Labor Day when we can take a filter down per day at a time. And as far as wastewater system, it's been pretty quiet. We still have continued to have communication issues that we've been have ongoing for this past summer. But we're thinking that we're kinda come towards the end of the aqua logics that did it at the water plant. And when we shut down the water plant, we aye didn't have an application's issues, so we're thinking it's something relating to that radio and you're doing research right now to fix it. Because if nothing else, they do everything that they've done to date, has not helped. So this is kind of our last option we have, before we do, that was to increase the communication strings and eliminate any future issues. But in the meantime, they did make some changes so they're not calling the operators out every day or so, do the communication barriers, they make some adjustments, so it's a little bit easier on the guys. Do you guys have any questions for my report?

- Norma

13:06 - 13:07

I'm good. Megan, anyone on the board have any issues or anybody on the line? If not, I guess you're all set for tonight.

- Megan Ervay

13:19 - 13:20

Ok, thank you.

- Norma

13:20 - 13:21

Ok, thank you. Now, we do have guest tonight on their way down at the very end. I'm wondering if they would like to go now, so they wouldn't have to go through with the whole meeting? I believe Brian is not with us, but he has the replacement, right?

- Nico Valette (Ampion)

13:40 - 13:43

Yeah, yeah, I'm here with Bill Kanzer. It looks like his, Oh, he's here, OK. There we go, OK, You hear me.

- Bill Kanzer

13:47 - 13:47

Ok.

- Norma

13:50 - 13:54

Ok. You wanna give us your presentation of thought you want us to think about?

- Nico Valette (Ampion)

13:56 - 13:57

Yeah, we'd be happy to. So I could start by introducing myself quickly, so I work with Sorry, go for.

- Bill Kanzer

14:05 - 14:05

Me, go hang on. Hang on, one SEC. So I wanted to find out, is it possible for us to present to everybody, or some people just on the phone?

- Joanne

14:20 - 14:23

No, this, this is like I can attempt to.

- Bill Kanzer

14:27 - 14:28

Say it again.

- Joanne

14:33 - 14:33

Go ahead, Alicia.

- Alicia Dewey

14:36 - 14:40

I can attempt to allow you to share the screen if you'd like. Some people are only on the phone.

- Bill Kanzer

14:45 - 14:54

Ok, That sort of half and half, is it worth our doing a presentation for those who are on the computer?

- Alicia Dewey

14:58 - 15:01

I'm going to say the majority, or the majority are on the phone right now

- Bill Kanzer

15:02 - 15:09

Ok, then maybe we won't do that, OK, so without further interruption, Nico, over to you?

- Nico Valette (Ampion)

15:10 - 15:21

Sure, yeah, so I can just briefly introduce myself, I work to create partnerships with local nonprofits, with Ampion, which include renewable, energy, company. And before we get started, I also want to emphasize that there are others, you know, similar sounding energy programs. And I want to just open the opportunity at any point when we're talking about Community, Solar, and Ampion, for you to ask any questions that you have. Bill and I are both really passionate about renewable energy. And we'd love any opportunity to talk more and explain what we do specifically and clarify any questions that

come up. Great. So I can now get started, and I'm first going to explain community solar, and how that functions in general. And then I'm going to talk more specifically about how it applies more directly to the Village of Clayton. And Bill will also provide some follow ups details about one of our two programs. So first, I'm going to now explain community solar and how it functions more generally. So first thing to note is, that Community Solar is a program of the New York Department of Public Service. I mentioned that because it's a little unique and it shows that, you know, we're working with governments to really find the best way to spread renewable energy in a way that's appealing to a lot of people. The next three points that I'm gonna mention all refer to that, so refer to why community solar is so appealing to so many people. First, there are no upfront costs with community solar, and I'm gonna expand about this a little bit more later. The second is nothing to install. And third, when you sign up, you save up to 10% on your electricity bills. I think those points are so powerful and unique to community solar, because they allow anyone to sign up who has a utility bill, know that savings, make this really a great option for everyone, and they previously, people associate renewable energy with paying more, and we're supported by the government. So we're really fortunate and happy to provide renewable energy that's cheaper than the alternative. Next, it protects the environment, says solar farms and solar generation. I guess you can all imagine, is a lot better for the environment than traditional fossil fuels. Next, it supports local economic development. And that's something that you all know in the Village of Clayton pretty well. And we can talk about it later, as well, because there are four solar farms in your area. So the construction involved with creating the solar farms in the maintenance creates local jobs in the area. And finally, there are no costs to join or leave once you sign up. So that's another point that really makes community solar accessible to everyone with a utility bill and that's pretty unique to what we do. Our partner and member organizations include some big names like the American Heart Association, the Salvation Army, but one that's most notable and I think helpful for you to know is that we recently partnered with a town of Boston. And there are similar town in Newark and I bring them up because we created a partnership, then I'll talk about later with them that worked really well, and there is similar town. So I think that there are a helpful analog for you all, and you can look towards them and look what we've done with them, to help understand how this partnership might look for you. Next, community solar members really love what we provide, and making, you know, send over some accounts, and some comments on what our members have to say. But that really relates to two things: one, as I mentioned, subscribers always save up to 10% unapplied credits. And, you know, that's so special, because there's a lot of people that we work with, say, no, I'm saving money and helping the environment. And those are two things that I didn't really know, that I could combine. And that you can with Appian, and, again, we're able to do that because we've partnered with the government to create this really attractive program for a lot of people. So now, I'm going to talk a little bit more specifically about how it works. So once you sign up, and again, that's free of charge. Ampion assigns the share of a solar farms electricity generation. In your case, the solar farms in your town, so you could go even visit them, if you wanted to. The solar farm then produces pollution, free and reliable electricity. This electricity is then delivered to the utility grid, where it's used by local customers The utility bill then sends you a monthly invoice, as it always has, but now it includes a credit based on your share of the solar farm. And you'll pay the difference if there is anything, and I say that because sometimes the credit will cover the entirety of your bill. So, your utility bill might send you a bill, you know, for zero dollars, and you'll be able to see each bill credit that's applied to your bill. Next, and this is the most important point, Ampion invoices, you, 90% for every dollar credit that we use to pay your utility bills. And I'd say that's important because understanding how Ampion works, demonstrates that. Will Bill, you know, will bill you 90% for each dollar that you save. So with Ampion, you only save money, You help the environment, and there are no flat fees or costs associated with it. So the only thing that we do is build 90% for every dollar that you save. I'm gonna pause here just because, you know, people often have

questions about this. It's a pretty innovative system, so I'd like to hear if you have any questions or concerns.

- Norma

21:25 - 21:27

Does anyone have any questions for them so far? I guess not. So do you want to continue?

- Nico Valette (Ampion)

21:34 - 21:36

I'm proud of it

- Bill Kanzer

21:38 - 21:41

Let me, let me just join in and it's kind of like normal, without being that, if.

- Norma

21:41 - 21:42

Everyone does.

- Bill Kanzer

21:42 - 21:44

Everyone understand the program? Has anyone heard of Community Solar before, I really do think it's important to make sure people understand the program. Sometimes people get mixed up with one of the other programs that they offer. Norma, does that make sense to you? Have you heard of this before?

- Michelle Grybowski

22:11 - 22:12

It's clear.

- Bill Kanzer

22:14 - 22:16

Ok, alright, very good.

- Nico Valette (Ampion)

22:16 - 22:20

I am very quick and want to say, I'm really impressed with you all. It took me even working here a little bit to understand how it works. So, I'd be happy to, you know, answer any questions that come up later, and I'm really impressed that you're understanding this over the phone. That's incredible. So, next, I'm going to talk to we have two different programs that we offer towns and the Village of Clayton More Specifically. We're going to talk about our affinity program, and then I'm going to hand it over to Bill, to talk about Community Solar for village electricity. So first, the affinity program. And this is what I mentioned before, that we did with the town of Balston. So it looked like this, the village of Clinton, would help us get the word out. So, you help us, spRead Community Solar throughout the claim. Then Ampion Will provide a \$100 donation to a fund of the villages choosing for each approved subscriber. And, you know, I'm going to bring up a ton of bulk. And again, I think because it's helpful to understand what this might look like. The Town of Balston had us donate to their walkability fund for each member. For each resident there's that signed up and the walkability fund is an initiative that they had going to help the roads in there and paths in their town and we donated civically to them and help them fund raise for that initiative. Ampion will manage marketing and sign-ups. So, you know, all of the, everything from the reach, reaching out to your residents will help you draft and create marketing material and will help with sign-ups. So, I'm going to, you know, personally, probably be talking to a lot of your residents about how the program works in answering their questions. And we're all really excited about renewable energy and community solar. So, we enjoy any opportunity to talk about this, and to end to talk to your residents about any questions that they have. Again, and you also provide customer service. So we're going to take on any questions that people have. Now, I'm going to turn it to build, to talk a little bit about a different program for community solar for the villages electricity.

- Bill Kanzer

24:34 - 24:35

Great. Thanks, Nico. So again, the idea is there are two separate. Programs. Nicco just described. What would be available that we would work in partnership with you for the town residents? Additionally, we could work with you. And Brian actually will be the follow up person for this to work with the village to take Any electric load that you're paying to utility, we could get a copy of the bill, make sure that you qualify for it, and find sign you up For this program. Really nice thing about that. As Nico said before, you always save electricity, save money on the electric field. So rather than there are some other different kinds of programs out there that depend on electric rates, and whether they change, You always save with community solar. And the other thing to underscore, again is there are actually, or solar farms on Blanchard Road that you would be signed up for. So it's very local and support local, clean, renewable energy, and local economic development. So we think, particularly in these times, these are reasons that a lot of folks are very interested in this program. So, um, who on the, on the call, or in the town, would be kind of the person responsible for the town's electricity usage?

- Norma

26:16 - 26:19

Now you're saying town and we're the village.

- Bill Kanzer

26:19 - 26:21

I apologize.

- Norma

26:22 - 26:22

I didn't. Quite hear.

- Bill Kanzer

26:24 - 26:28

Yep, so who is, who would be responsible for the villages electricity usage?

- Norma

26:30 - 26:34

Well, they already have any options, we only have national grid here.

- Bill Kanzer

26:35 - 26:35

Right? And who, who is the person that signed up, or has those bills?

- Steve Badour

26:46 - 26:49

It'd be the village clerk, right?

- Norma

26:49 - 26:54

The Village Clerk, yes. Or, we really, don't, go ahead.

- Michelle Grybowski

26:54 - 26:55

I'm Sorry. I said, it would be a board's decision. Norma, I have a question for you. Haven't we been under the impression that we're not allowed? To take donations as a village?

- Norma

27:08 - 27:11

Oh, it's just been standard practice. I don't think we can.

- Michelle Grybowski

27:13 - 27:20

Ok, that's what I was wondering, because that first program, that's the selling point. Is the \$100 donation.

- Norma

27:21 - 27:21

Right? See, and we can't take when we'd like when we did the monument, and people were donating for pavers. We ran out through a private of individual, and then they paid for it all, because the village could not. Accept the money.

- Michelle Grybowski

27:36 - 27:37

Ok, that's right.

- Bill Kanzer

27:40 - 27:40

Thank you for. Thank you for that feedback and under the program that Niko talked about. Absolutely. You could decide whether you wanted to do a donation program, and it could be to any fund you wanted. So, for example, if you said there was a local charity, not directly to the village, we could arrange it so that it went to that local charity, or, if you wanted to say, instead, we'd like to give the hundred dollar incentive to the subscriber themselves, They could get, in some places, we've done this, where there's an incentive. And the subscriber gets \$100 gift card. So, it could be donated to whatever fund you want. It doesn't have to be the town, or, if you, excuse me, the village. Or, if you don't want to do that at all, you, we could switch the program to be an incentive for the actual person who signs up.

- Norma

28:37 - 28:39

Where is there around here that's signed up that's a town or a village?

- Bill Kanzer

28:43 - 28:50

So, that the town of Balston did the affinity program with us. So, that's the that's the, sort of the best reference we have for that, I would say.

- Norma

28:58 - 28:59

And that they in New York State?

- Bill Kanzer

29:01 - 29:02

Yeah.

- Norma

29:02 - 29:03

I Guess I'm not familiar with them.

- Bill Kanzer

29:04 - 29:10

Ok, well, we can certainly put you in touch with the county supervisor there, if you wanted. And then then, in terms of, and they did that affinity program that Niko talked about. And, in addition, there are a number of New York housing authorities we could put you in touch with. And the ARC of New York, they both signed up or on their own electric load to get savings through community solar. We can put you in touch with either of those two. There are other towns, towns, and villages, and cities. I could try to find another reference for you as well.

- Norma

29:49 - 29:49

Ok, thank you.

- Bill Kanzer

29:52 - 29:59

Excellent, and so, again, the idea here would be two separate program. Affinity program for the residents. Get the word out. The resident benefit from it, obviously, and either a donation is made, or it can go directly to the resident, if that's what you prefer. And then, what I was talking about is savings on your, your. Electricity to. Do that, what we would need to do, as we'll talk about in a moment and get them electric electric bills to be able to see whether that these, how much savings you would qualify for.

- Norma

30:34 - 30:37

Ok, anything else?

- Bill Kanzer

30:38 - 30:39

Yeah, a couple other things. So I think I'll do that municipal load. Next steps. And then, Nicco, you can talk about the affinity program. So who would we get a copy of each village electric Account from, so that we can provide you with a proposal for how much you would save?

- Norma

30:58 - 31:06

That would have to come from our clerk on that, isn't an option right now, are pretty limited staff, but that's where it would have to come from. If we decide we're gonna do, the issue here is that we can, and I think it's the same response you got from the town, that we can promote private sector businesses.

- Bill Kanzer

31:22 - 31:22

Ok. And by that, you mean, in terms of promoting community, the Community Solar Program, whether it's us or anybody you're, you feel like that would violate sort of the rule?

- Norma

31:38 - 31:38

Right?

- Bill Kanzer

31:39 - 31:48

Ok, OK, OK, and so that, you know, that, sorta you feel like at the final decision, that's fine. What about in terms of getting savings for the village itself?

- Steve Badour

32:08 - 32:09

That would be the same issue.

- Norma

32:11 - 32:14

I think we, have you. Got anything that you could e-mail to our clerk that sort of outlines. All these things. You tossed at us here, it's kind of hard to comprehend all of this, but I think the thing is that we can't do it.

- Bill Kanzer

32:28 - 32:38

Well, I think, I think in terms of promoting, I can understand, but in terms of, for the town, excuse me, I keep saying that, please forgive me for the village's load. Like you said, well, we wanted to get somebody else to give us an offer, because there are multiple offers. We certainly could do that. We do work with the New York Office of General Services, and Has a program where you basically can sign up and get competing bids. So if you are concerned about, you know, we can't just pick one company. We could do that through the New York OGS, we are an approved vendor, with them, and we could do a A. A competitive bid in that regard. And that way, you wouldn't be, There wouldn't be any sort of conflict with that. Does that help on that part of the question?

- Norma

33:27 - 33:29

We could give that some thought.

- Bill Kanzer

33:31 - 33:34

Ok, who would we e-mail the information to?

- Norma

33:35 - 33:39

I believe you have the address for our clerk that you sent. That you asked for the invite, for tonight. Use that same address.

- Bill Kanzer

33:44 - 33:45

Ok. Very good, so, we can go ahead and do that, I think that, that makes a lot of sense, and I would be happy to, Brian will follow up with that, and send it along, and hopefully, we could get, you know, sort of take the next steps.

- Norma

34:01 - 34:04

Ok, does anyone have any questions. Does that conclude your presentation.

- Joe Chrisman

34:12 - 34:12

Are you taking public comments?

- Norma

34:18 - 34:21

Joe was, yeah, what's your question?

- Susie O'Neill

34:22 - 34:29

Well, actually, it was Susie, and my question, is this ambient energy AMBIEMT?

- Bill Kanzer

34:31 - 34:44

Now, this is an AMPION renewable energy A and P like Peter I O, and, like, Nancy Ampion, Renewable Energy, not related to that company that you mentioned good.

- Susie O'Neill

34:44 - 34:45

I was, I. Was very scared that we're gonna get into some pyramid. Tupperware thing.

- Bill Kanzer

34:51 - 34:56

I'm really glad I, I really glad that you asked that question. We get confused with other companies and I do want to kinda build on that day. There are companies that offer competitive electricity supply and sometimes it saves you money and sometimes it doesn't. This, Right, You are not, that program is a different program. It's sponsored by NYSERDA. And the New York EPS, And you always save money with community solar, the different program. And thank you.

- Bill Kanzer

35:28 - 35:29

Thanks for asking the question.

- Norma

35:31 - 35:33

Does anyone else have any questions?

- Norma

35:37 - 35:44

Ok, oh, well, thank you for bringing this to our attention, and send that information to our clerk, and we'll go from there.

- Bill Kanzer

35:46 - 35:46

Will do. Thank you so much. You all have a good night.

- Nico Valette (Ampion)

35:52 - 35:52

Take care.

- Norma

35:54 - 35:55

Thank you. Ok, we're down to the consent agenda now. Does anyone have any questions on items 1, 2, and three? If not, can we have a motion to approve the consent agenda?

- Nancy

36:14 - 36:18

I'll make the motion to approve 1, two, and three.

- Norma

36:18 - 36:21

Ok, Nancy made the motion who will second it please?

- Jeremy Kellogg

36:22 - 36:23

I will second.

- Norma

36:24 - 36:25

Ok, thanks, Jeremy. All in favor?

- Nancy

36:28 - 36:28

Aye.

- Norma

36:29 - 36:30

Anyone opposed? Carried, OK, we're down to the capital projects, item number four, do we have any questions there? If not, can we have a motion for the capital projects? Item four?

- Nancy

36:48 - 36:49

I'll make motion.

- Norma

36:52 - 36:54

Ok, Nancy made the motion, Steve, at the second. All in favor?

- Jeremy Kellogg

36:57 - 36:58

Aye.

- Nancy

36:58 - 36:58

Aye.

- Norma

36:59 - 37:00

Anyone opposed? Ok, we're down with that, Moving right along to the old business name, Nancy do you want to bring that up? Yes. Please. Yes, so we, we have finished the sign law. The week of August the 10th, I had I send it out to all of the planning board members. And we did get one response back from from one of the members, and he had a few changes. He was excellent and picking up on our typos and things that needed to be changed. So I think that we are ready to vote on it. I would like to say who was in our committee was Mayor

Zimmer. We had Trustee, Grybowski, Trustee, Hyde Trustee Badour, Dale Maclughlin, with the ZBA. We had Chris Bogenschutz, who's the president of the chamber, Mark Stewart, Stewart signs, and John Buker, who was a former village trustee, and we worked for, as everyone knows, now, for quite a few months. So I'd like to see us make a motion, and pass it tonight. And normally, you'll correct me. I believe the next step would be, then, to go on to the lawyer. And he would do. Whatever they. Do. And. Then I'm believe after that, we have a public. Hearing.

- Norma

38:28 - 38:38

The question that I have is that we got an e-mail last week on the planning board that this was part of their workshop, this sign law.

- Michelle

38:39 - 38:40

I never saw that.

- Norma

38:41 - 38:42

The e-mail came. Michelle, you were the first of all on the e-mail that came and I know Nancy was included in it.

- Nancy

38:50 - 38:58

I saw it at the very end, and it was just like, it was like a PS, Hey, should we talk about the sign law? And I guess we can. You know, I'm not in favor of putting it off for another month. Because if they have changes, could, we not make those changes at the Hearing. And, again, I will say, over and, over, I heard nothing from the planning committee, with the exception of that one representative that submitted something, along with nothing from the ZBA.

- Michelle

39:28 - 39:30

I have to say...stuff out...

- Nancy

39:33 - 39:38

I'm not sure what the point would be, but I'm not suggesting we couldn't make changes after the fact.

- Michelle

39:40 - 39:54

I think, is trying to say that, we've given them a lot of opportunity, she mentioned one, but we had sent everything and asked the Zoning Board Chair to please distribute before he got sick. And we've since we spoke to Richard Ingerson and several other people who chose not to respond and we've been working on this for quite a long time. And would know now that they're putting in curbs and meters and everything else I think it's become pretty imperative that we get this that we have a good solid signlaw in place.

- Norma

40:23 - 40:26

Nancy, did you hear anything back from Dave Crandall?

- Nancy

40:29 - 40:36

Yes, he was the only one that responded, and he didn't have anything major to change. His was predominantly typos and punctuation and things of that nature. John looked at it, everyone got it. And he was the only one. And, again, I sent it out to each one. I didn't do a mass e-mail. On The. Planning Board. So that's why I feel that we need to move forward with it. And any changes can be made at the public hearing.

- Michelle

41:06 - 41:07

After the public hearing.

- Nancy

41:07 - 41:14

Yes, because we, you know, I would assume, once the public gets hold of it, the business owners, they may have some good input.

- Norma

41:18 - 41:21

So you're going to send it to Joe Russell.

- Michelle

41:22 - 41:24

If we approve it, if.

- Nancy

41:24 - 41:24

If we approve it.

- Norma

41:27 - 41:30

I don't know if its we're proving it is just to keep a thing roll up. Because we gotta have a public hearing. And I think that after the September 5th meeting, you're going to hear something from that planning board, but I don't know, I haven't talked any of them. It was just that I thought the sign law went out on August 10th.

- Nancy

41:51 - 41:53

Yes.

- Norma

41:53 - 41:57

It really wasn't a lot of time, in my mind, to spend to look it up for whatever.

- Michelle

41:58 - 42:02

But that was the time we tried to get them to look at it.

- Nancy

42:03 - 42:17

I don't disagree with the Norma, in the sense that it wasn't a lot of time, but it had been sent out to the chairman in July, and he never forwarded on to his, to his board members. So it's not that we're not trying to get input but we just we're kind of just treading water here and we need to move forward. And they haven't. My understanding from being at the last planning board meeting, they have a number of things I'd like to discuss and clarify. And again, the Chairman's e-mail it was P S at the end about the planning about the sign law.

- Norma

42:44 - 42:46

Ok, we'll send it, you've got it all ready. So why don't you just send it to Joe if that's OK with the rest of the board and see where it goes.

- Nancy

42:51 - 42:53

And that's fine. If that's how we handle, I just didn't know.

- Norma

42:55 - 42:56

It's gotta go to Joe.

- Nancy

42:58 - 43:03

All right, well, we'll get it off to Joe this week then I.

- Norma

43:03 - 43:04

Was the Board, OK, with that.

- Michelle

43:05 - 43:10

I would make a formal motion that we send a sign law to Joe for review.

- Norma

43:11 - 43:12

Ok, do I have a second?

- Steve Badour

43:13 - 43:14

I'll second it.

- Norma

43:15 - 43:15

Steve. Ok, so send it on to Joel and we'll see where it goes.

- Nancy

43:20 - 43:20

Very good. Thank you.

- Norma

43:21 - 43:23

Ok, sure, thanks, Nancy. Ok, and we did Brian Buzby, So we got that done. E-mail regarding the Redemption Center up here on the corner, how bad that looks and how they're not doing anything that they said they would do with the condition so. That bottle redemption deal. I talked to Richard late this afternoon. He was going back up there today with Doug Rogers because he's on the planning board And say, We're um, where they're going to go with this. I Mean, they've had a week to do something knowing full well that they were out of compliance. And now he mentioned today when Richard was up there, while he could put a fence up, you could do this. You aren't going to see any fence put up and correctly. And in the meantime, that's a gateway to the community And it's fully garbage. It's disgusting. So I don't know how far you'll want to go with this, but.

- Nancy

44:28 - 44:33

Norma, if I could interject, also, you're 100% correct and everything that you just said. And I also spoke with Richard today. He, he made a number of suggestions to the Redemption Center because he, everybody fully understands that getting a fence put up is going to be time consuming. It's just going to take awhile. And Richard said, that's fine to put a fence up, that the Planning board would agree to that. But we can't let you have your cans sitting outside and. They. Agreed that they would be moving things around. And they needed to find another way to handle their business until the fence got up. My. Assumption. Is, we should see a change. Very. Shortly shortly meeting this week.

- Steve Badour

45:22 - 45:26

They'll get a fence up and they're going to be piling stuff up on the inside of it.

- Norma

45:29 - 45:33

And you have two residences that's right next door to a one in the back and one on the side. And I'm not sure they have to go and get a permit profound. I mean, you aren't going to see anything like that happen this season.

- Nancy

45:44 - 45:46

You may be 100% correct. I'm not arguing with you about it, and I'm not in favor of what they're currently doing. This was just what they had told the planning board And Richard, gave them the suggestion that maybe you should also rent some of these storage units, and do some of your work in the storage units. But speaking with Richard, I felt like he was going to keep an eye on it and get something moved along quickly.

- Norma

46:16 - 46:22

Well, we brought it to their attention and we, know, you don't, know, we're going to get more than one phone call on this scale. I think, because that looks terrible.

- Nancy

46:26 - 46:27

Well, I don't agree. What's, what, what do you think? Put a dumpster up...That's never going anyplace. They never did what they said they were going to do. So somebody's truck broke down there's lots of trucks around that haul cans.

- Michelle

46:47 - 46:51

I do believe, we're all in agreement with you, that, something needs to be done quickly. I think what Nancy's saying is, Richard is keeping an eye on things. And pushing to get things moving.

- Norma

47:01 - 47:05

Ok, well, when we made two weeks, three ways I got three weeks from tonight. We'll see where they're at. But right now. And you're going to have tons of cans up their Labor Day. People are leaving town, and they're all going to roll by that, because apparently there's not another place where you can take them around here now.

- Nancy

47:24 - 47:25

You're, you're correct. And that's, that's part. Of why and.

- Michelle

47:30 - 47:33

They can take them to price chopper.

- Nancy

47:35 - 47:40

They just got, they get hit hard and fast and all of a sudden, they've got these cans. But I don't think, I did not get the impression. Keep, I will certainly keep an eye on it. That, that this was just going to. We're going to. Lay around for the next three weeks. Or a month. Because you're. Absolutely, you're absolutely. Correct. Norma, he told them, you know, you've gotta get this wreck. The.

- Norma

47:59 - 48:12

The way I look at it is he was told a week ago today and he hasn't done anything about finding somebody else, because the guy that he contracted with can't do it now. I don't see a big, I just don't see anything changing, but we'll just table it and see what happens.

- Nancy

48:23 - 48:26

I'm not by, any means suggesting that. We just table if there's some other suggestions from board members please bring it forth and then we can take to Richard. But if people have better ideas, that's great.

- Steve Badour

48:42 - 48:50

Last time I cans and bottles up there they, they were so poor cans and bottles, I asked me to come back there, they were swamped.

- Nancy

48:53 - 49:01

Well, that's what the problem is, but I thought that Richard's idea when he told them to go run a storage unit and do some of the work in there was personally a great idea. I don't know that they will do that. But I would say it board members have any ideas. Please forward them onto to Richard because he's certainly open to ideas.

- Norma

49:14 - 49:14

Sure. Sure, OK. That's what we'll do and see what happens. Ok, oh, good, everybody. Did anyone see the release from the Governor for the Business REDI Grants. That came out last

week, was pretty impressive. Jefferson County got the most, then the whole district, and so town in a village, a clay, was two point two million for work on all these projects. I think there were 14 businesses that God help solve that moving forward. Something that we didn't do Memorial Day Weekend was when we have the pavers down at the monument for the Veterans because of COVID and the construction ... were going out and doing anything. So they're trying to do it for November. For November 11, we submitted three names that we had. So if you know of anybody that's been holding back to get a paper for the monument should get their name in, because I look for them to be down here early fall to get those in. So we can do that. And I got on notice from the town today that they're going out to bid against propane and fuel oil and wondered if we still wanted to participate.

- Nancy

50:44 - 50:46

I would say so. I would assume that the price.

- Norma

50:48 - 50:51

I sent the list to see if there was any changes. But I don't think there are, so we'll get something back to the Town to include us.

- Norma

51:00 - 51:06

And Did anyone see the article on the TI Sun A week or so ago? About the possibility we could have. The. Oldest sidewalk in the world? I'm not sure will qualify for that. But there was some conversation about that rock that's down there, that's very significant to rock people. And I reached out to the new girl down and save the river who has a degree in geology. As well, she's going to do some research on it and get together with a professor. She had at Potsdam or Plattsburgh to see what You can find out. This person. That wrote the article thought there should be. So there's. Some plaque or some kind of signage down there. So we'll see what she comes up with. Ok, So now has anyone else on the board got anything they want to talk about?

- Steve Badour

52:15 - 52:28

Yes. Ok. I submitted a letter for a variance so I get put a fence on village property from the corner of my house to almost of the Street at park circle. Christine Tisa's 6-foot fence. I'd like to go from there almost, to the street East side of my property. That would be on the backside of Tisa's Property, the Kinney property. I don't think he owns the property but he lives are.

- Michelle

52:58 - 53:02

He owns You don't own it?

- Steve Badour

53:05 - 53:10

I am not sure that that. The property was sold in June and from what I gather look like every soldier couple, Colorado but I could be wrong.

- Norma

53:27 - 53:28

They came from Colorado here.

- Pamela McDowell

53:31 - 53:35

He's opposed to this plan says it's a 4-foot fence. I can't put a 6' privacy fence up because it can't go beyond the corner of my house. That's a Village ordinance I guess I would like to put this 4-foot fence up and it's it isn't a bad it's confined vinyl. Blends in with the. Sure environment and he's absolutely opposed to what he has said as a box in the view of the park. And that's not correct.

- Michelle

54:06 - 54:11

You know, this is really a zoning board matter, not a Village issue. And number two, I would be post, put anything on village property that doesn't belong to the village. So I don't care who wants it, or who doesn't want it, if I, can, you wanted the fence. I would say the same thing, if it's on public property or property away, but more importantly, there's a voting of zoning board issue, not a village board issue.

- Steve Badour

54:38 - 54:45

In order to get the permit, I would have to get the board's approval to put a fence on the Village's property. The property, because it's a park. Actually goes. Right up within, I would. Say, a 1.5 to 4 foot from my picture window.

- Michelle

55:02 - 55:16

Yes, I understand that Steve, and I realize, like private privacy, but property is not supposed to have any private person stuff on it. So, property...I can tell you right now, I would be opposed because it's village property. And that's, I'm not gonna say anything else. I'm sorry, I probably said too much.

- Steve Badour

55:30 - 55:30

That's your opinion. But I mean, we would have paid Right around 3500 bucks and able to look good and we maintained it and what.

- Michelle

55:41 - 55:46

I have no doubt about it, again, the issue is still Village property.

- Norma

55:46 - 55:56

Ok, I think Steve, that we just know this information today that we need to take a look at it and think about that decision.

- Steve Badour

55:58 - 56:01

Ok, and now the other issue, you've probably read the letters. I think everybody got it. Like, yeah, you. Definitely not Trump fan and he's absolutely hates my signs in the front yard.

- Michelle

56:16 - 56:19

Are they in the front year or are they on village property?

- Michelle

56:19 - 56:25

If there are six inches or beyond my picture window, their own village property.

- Norma

56:27 - 56:31

I think there's a difference here between a Village right of way and village property. And there's all these different signs. We're going to be lots of them up between now and

November. And I think that if it's in the village right away is one thing. Because there's no way you can police that. There are signs up already, on this day right away, and tell me right away, it's freedom of speech, but if it's on village property, then he's probably got another deal to cross. I don't know what the rule is.

- Michelle

57:05 - 57:19

I'm going to put up signs, and I'm gonna make sure they're on my property, and not on anything owned by the village and I think as trustees, we need to, and village employees, whoever you are. We. Need role models of how to do it appropriately. So, Steve, if they're on village property, just move them a couple inches and you'll be fine.

- Steve Badour

57:30 - 57:43

You're talking now, drive by my house and I'm serious, the property line because it's the park it's an usual situation is actually part of my sideyard Is village property, lab them right away? I'm saying, village property. My. Picture window is, the Village property line is about six inches to a foot. Starts at that point because the way the park.

- Michelle

58:05 - 58:14

Rather than fighting with your neighbor, who will probably not to, then either, I would just find a way to make sure the signs are on your property. You have, every right, to have them, you have every right to display them. No one's arguing that.

- Norma

58:26 - 58:27

Ok, I will do my best. But, we have not got along. He definitely won't vote for me in the next election.

- Michelle

58:41 - 58:46

He knows a lot about law because he's a former mayor of sackets harbor. So he does have some sense of, know, his version of right and wrong and that's gonna get you to talkin'. But, you know, the better you too can compromise, the better off the village will be.

- Michelle

59:01 - 59:04

Yeah, you wanna check his past history. He wasn't just the mayor.

- Nancy

59:08 - 59:12

Ok, I would be cautious and what you get into. And, also, if you want something, if you want to do something, then maybe do something for him to give and take. But please be cautious, anything that is set.

- Michelle

59:25 - 59:27

Absolutely, right. You're totally right.

- Steve Badour

59:30 - 59:30

Check.

- Pamela McDowell

59:30 - 59:36

Check out the drawings and, and what, what I want to do it, isn't gonna look bad.

- Norma

59:43 - 59:46

OK, we'll take a look at it, Steve. Any questions, OK, OK. So anyone else got anything?

- Nancy

59:59 - 01:00:02

I had one thing. We haven't had any numbers for the month of July yet.

- Norma

01:00:09 - 01:00:13

From Tina. She sent it today and I followed up, they might be here now. I don't know. She said, Jonathan was taking a look at them. So I will look and see. When I go home tonight. Another thing that we've gotta do is a new agreement with EFPR, and that, I know she sent but it's seven pages long, and I'm gonna send it out to everybody to take a look at it, make your comments. And if you've got any, will make one comment page to her. Because we gotta get a new contract going.

- Nancy

01:00:57 - 01:00:59

Would everyone please mute their mics. There's too much conversations going on. Sorry for the interruption, Norma.

- Norma

01:01:07 - 01:01:14

Ok, now, Nancy, you didn't bring up the library but got up, put this thing to do you want to do? Tell the board what you're doing stuff. I've done a little research myself. So, they can't keep dragging this out. We've made a decision in March, so separate from the library and they'd be on their own and they've made some headway, and got some things done, but we've got some things to finish up and get done. And we can't kick the can down the road. So.

- Nancy

01:01:41 - 01:01:56

Well, I agree with you, and as the library is not opposed to paying workman's comp, the objection is \$5,500 for workman's comp. And it just seems rather excessive. They also mentioned that they could maybe do 50% and then some for the next year. But and I understand the comment. Is there 10% of our let's see, there are 10% of our overall wages, so therefore they should pay 10% of the workman's comp. But you have to just two people working in a library to pay \$55,00, seems very excessive, especially when they can go out on their own. Which they can't, but, if they could, it would be less than a thousand. So, there's. Certainly. There's certainly willing to compromise, but, I think \$5500 is an excessive amount of money.

- Norma

01:02:45 - 01:02:49

Well, Tino took, 118,185.

- Nancy

01:02:51 - 01:02:53

I'm sorry, I'm sorry, go ahead, I Apologize.

- Norma

01:02:53 - 01:03:02

She took the 70,000 out that we have to pay extra because no one person's mistake because for that wrongful death. So she based it on, because they did change there, amount of

salaries tool, but then since then they increased a couple albums are not sure, sure. I think Tina had a salary of \$ 68,640 was the last figure she had to base it on.

- Nancy

01:03:23 - 01:03:24

Yes, I believe that's correct.

- Norma

01:03:25 - 01:03:28

So, well, that would be 9% of ours. I guess I'm looking at it maybe a little different than it's something that they've never paid. And there's just one more thing that just got swept under the carpet. And it's every time we turn around or find him something else that we've gotta clean off and that this workman's comp is one of those things. But we do a lot for the library, even now. Know, if they had to pay the whole amount. We do the sidewalks, pick up their trash, mow the lawn, take care of the payroll service.

- Nancy

01:04:08 - 01:04:14

For a moment, the payroll service is something that is set by civil service. Otherwise, they'd go on their own. We all. And they're more than willing to pay, and we had discussed it, that they would begin to pay more for D P W, services. But also, I think, in some of our meetings, it was suggested, oh, it's OK, We'll pick up the trash. They've. Done great headway. They have done great headway, but now they have to pay for a treasurer. And all of a sudden, we dumped \$5500 on them. And they didn't budget accordingly.

- Michelle

01:04:49 - 01:04:51

Nancy may I ask a question?

- Michelle

01:04:52 - 01:04:57

Was it our fault or their fault that they didn't get charged workman's comp previously.

- Nancy

01:04:58 - 01:04:59

It was our fault.

- Michelle

01:04:59 - 01:05:02

So we're not, they hadn't pushed anything under the rug. They didn't know. They were responsible.

- Nancy

01:05:05 - 01:05:06

That's correct.

- Michelle

01:05:07 - 01:05:07

Ok. Is there a compromise amount? That's fair?

- Michelle

01:05:18 - 01:05:22

You know I'm unfamiliar with the library, So, I'm not going to make that.

- Nancy

01:05:24 - 01:05:28

And there were a number of a couple of numbers that had been thrown around. Another number that had come in from from Tina was \$2400. And the library said, all right, you know, we'll take that.

- Norma

01:05:38 - 01:05:40

Then, yeah, that was at half the half of that.

- Nancy

01:05:41 - 01:05:41

Right? And then they got the quote from a local insurance company that came in at \$888, and Tina said, Well, I have no problem with them at a thousand. So.

- Michelle

01:05:54 - 01:05:55

So, should we.

- Norma

01:05:57 - 01:05:59

I never talked to the Library, or Tina, or anybody about this whole mess we're in, we just need to make a decision. Make it a thousand. Make it whatever. But, I think that we haven't received any money from them. Like, the deal was, they were going to pay us for the pay one thousand dollars.

- Nancy

01:06:21 - 01:06:23

I understand that. And they just received the bill, what, a week and a half ago, from Tina for what they owe, and that's one T and put on their \$5,400. And that's when I went ballistic. Because I had been speaking with Tina and I had sent you an e-mail, there, was asking about this, and then it was said, well, the board decision, and then all of a sudden, it gets put on their invoice. For \$5,500.

- Norma

01:06:49 - 01:06:50

Through no fault of mine.

- Nancy

01:06:50 - 01:06:57

Well, it was no fault of mine either, so I will apologize to you, but somehow this all transpired. And it should not have. So I will apologize, but it should not have transpired that way. And they are willing to pay, but I still feel that.

- Michelle

01:07:08 - 01:07:15

Why don't we just split it in half and instead of 5000 something, we just had them pay 2750. Would that be fair to start? At least then, they're paying a strong amount, but not that full amount.

- Norma

01:07:24 - 01:07:30

So there would be 50% with the understanding that now they understand this, but they've got to do. But, they have got to start the process and get an EIN number So, they only have to pay 88.

- Nancy

01:07:37 - 01:07:37

Well, I. Believe. I believe that they are looking into it. They're there. They're looking into doing that, so that they can separate. They just have, they have some things that they have to look at. But when we made this separation, I don't believe, I know, Norman, I had no idea that they had to hire their own treasurer. And so, therefore, which they have done that on a trial basis, I don't know, \$35 an hour, that is extra money. They're not complaining that these are just the facts.

- Norma

01:08:12 - 01:08:14

Who says they gotta have a treasurer, Nancy?

- Nancy

01:08:15 - 01:08:30

That's what the the it would be like The library says if you're in the municipality, you can see your board, treasurer and the librarian cannot be the treasurer. Because that. Was the big, like, wow. And I said, hey. When we made this decision for everybody to separate, we were not aware of this at all. So I, I assure No. No, no, I know you weren't nice. I assure you, this wasn't anything done. So, they are incurring a far more expenses this year than they have other years.

- Norma

01:08:58 - 01:08:58

Right. I think that what we've Gotta. Do between now and the next budget season, is document all the things that we're paying for. I mean, we pay the liability insurance. I mean, the building does belong to us, So, we need to have the insurance on that. But, we Pay the insurance on the content. So, there's a lot of ...

- Nancy

01:09:24 - 01:09:25

Agree with you.

- Norma

01:09:25 - 01:09:30

Because we took those like me and it was the deal between doctor forbes and Geneva.

- Nancy

01:09:41 - 01:09:42

Right? And I agree with you, 100% normal. Does a library, that they're more than willing. Every year to figure out what's going on, and they know when this is all said and done. It's going to be much better for the library. They do, they're fine with it, but it's just that they're being out. Weren't brands comparable stuck with it.

- Norma

01:10:08 - 01:10:09

Ok, so throw a number out there for this Workman's Comp and we'll stick with it and tell them what it is.

- Nancy

01:10:10 - 01:10:12

I like the thousand dollars but we can go with the 2700 dollars. Nancy So I would make a motion that for the for this year, or the year of 20 21, the library's workman's comp is \$2700.

- Michelle

01:10:27 - 01:10:28

Ok, I would second that.

- Norma

01:10:28 - 01:10:31

Is the board all in support of that.

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:10:34 - 01:10:35

If I may just interject. Can we make it contingent on complete separation before the next billing cycle? Or, they get hit with the whole ...

- Nancy

01:10:48 - 01:10:53

Would you, would you clarify what you mean ...?

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:10:54 - 01:10:56

We're separating the library from the village, right? Their own, They're gonna get their own insurance at some point.

- Nancy

01:11:01 - 01:11:09

No, no, no, not yet Jeremy, because Civil Service says that we have to do their payroll. But if they can figure out by getting their own EIN number, and with civil service, then they'd be completely separated, but until that happens, which I don't know how long that would take, they would still be under our payroll? This is part of civil service and municipal library.

- Jeremy Kellogg

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Is there a timeline on that, or is it like Norma says, you just keep kicking the can down the road.

- Nancy

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Now they're working on it right now. I can tell them, hey, we'll. In six months, but I'm not gonna say, too, we needed a decision in a month.

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:11:49 - 01:11:49

All right.

- Norma

01:11:53 - 01:11:59

The only way they can get New York State retirement is to be on our payroll. I don't think we'll ever be ready to give that up. So, if we continue to do that, then they are entitled to further New York State retirement.

- Nancy

01:12:11 - 01:12:12

That is correct. And Brooke's is looking more into that and she was on vacation last week. So she's back now and she's talked. To some. Other libraries. Not just local libraries, but but looking into that whole situation.

- Norma

01:12:27 - 01:12:28

Ok, good.

- Norma

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Yes, so. Now they really are because they see the benefit and they really do see the benefit of the separation. They're not anti it. They just were aghast like holy ... I agree with that. This is a lot, I think, just to say, well, you know, there are a library, and they still haven't even opened.

- Michelle

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And they're not for-profit. I like the mayor's idea of listing out.

- Nancy

01:13:04 - 01:13:05

We do that. We've done that, Terry, and I have. Spent a lot of time, and I've spent time with Joe, and we have been doing that, and we're moving along nicely in that. But, I agree with that, Yes, and that's how we came up. With some ideas that, Hey, you gotta pay more. And they do understand that, especially with, with ..., ... Is the bugaboo.

- Michelle

01:13:33 - 01:13:50

Now, if they're utilizing Tina services on some level, for next year, not now, For next fiscal year, we ought to think about having them contribute a token amount to that, not necessarily get 10% or whatever, but just a token amount. For Tina's time.

- Nancy

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But they will have their own. Their own treasurer. So. Any of the reports and things of that nature that we have done will go away shortly. The new Treasurer's starts September one, and she's a local person.

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:14:07 - 01:14:09

Just a couple of quick questions. With. Regard to workers' compensation. I know in my businesses we do classification so if a guy is on a roof, is rates higher than the guy, that's a twist on a wrench in the shop versus the girl that's in the office. Pushing a pencil around. And we. Do keep the records of classifications and it affects the rate. Now, I would say that the villages, workers' compensation is based on whether it's wrongful death or what they're doing the library has to be at the lowest rate, They must be, right. We should just, I think we should, I think we should call Audie and have him Come. Up with a number, what they should be calculated and put it in the capital account. In fairness to everybody, which has happened and.

- Nancy

01:14:58 - 01:15:04

His quote from Audi If they were on their own was \$888, right? So. That's where I was aghast again with \$5500.

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:15:11 - 01:15:12

Right? So in fairness to the library and their situation with, regard to their exposure. To risk, right there at the lowest. So even at the \$2500 level, I think it's a little steep, I don't know what the calculation it could be figured out.

- Norma

01:15:32 - 01:15:35

Tina just got the information from Civil Service. And they thought the fairest way to do it was just take 10%. Our total, because they were at 10% of our total wages. When we started out with, they had \$81,000 for payroll.

- Jeremy Kellogg

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But that. Doesn't mean. They're responsible for. 10% of. The rest because they're at a lower risk than a guy that's out.

- Norma

01:15:57 - 01:16:01

Well, Tina did some research on it, I don't know Jeremy.

- Nancy

01:16:01 - 01:16:02

Correct?

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:16:02 - 01:16:03

I just want I just want to be fair.

- Nancy

01:16:06 - 01:16:09

Jeremy, you're correct and thank you for that. So I like. Your thinking, Jeremy, at this time though, you know, if you want to make a counter move forward.

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:16:19 - 01:16:32

I suggest that that \$5500 would be more like us, but that's just my own personal opinion based on there, their exposure at the library.

- Michelle

01:16:34 - 01:16:35

Well, there could be book bugs.

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:16:36 - 01:16:37

Yeah. The rare occasion when.

- Norma

01:16:40 - 01:16:44

We made a motion for something else, we have to take that one off of the table.

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:16:44 - 01:16:52

If if the If the but we have to know what's fair and equitable and I would like to see the math, but that's All right. It seems fine. Yeah, I mean, you can't. Say, you can't say, there are 10% of the payroll then give them a 10% of the compensation bill, because their rate is low, Right. It's not fair to them.

- Nancy

01:17:07 - 01:17:09

That's the Thank you, Jeremy. That's exactly what I'd been mouthing about for the past two months and again they're not opposed to paying.

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:17:19 - 01:17:21

Fair, and fair and objective about the whole. Knowing what I know about workers' compensation.

- Nancy

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You're. 100%. Right. Yes.

- Norma

01:17:31 - 01:17:32

The board minutes. And however it was calculated. I took Tina's number from it, but I think that they don't realize how many other things they're getting that they don't have to pay for.

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:17:44 - 01:17:56

Well, yeah, that's understandable, but that should be on a separate column in the, in the capital account that keeps track of all the expenses related related to the library. There's methods that are fair and equitable to everybody.

- Nancy

01:18:04 - 01:18:17

You're correct, Jeremy, the only thing that we are taking care of now, with the library, is any major issues with the building, and we are cutting the grass and taking care of the sidewalks. But the rest is up to them. Now in the past, it has not been, if somebody sneezed, we went and gave them a Kleenex. But this year, that's not how it is. So I would agree with you, Norma, if this had been two years ago. And, and we paid for everything. But now, we are not paying for things.

- Norma

01:18:37 - 01:18:38

Ok, just on a note though. No, go on, I sound like my ugly, well, I'm not I, but their water bill, they pay for the fixed costs. They never paid for an ounce of water down there.

- Michelle

01:18:50 - 01:18:56

I think we need to take each issue separately and then decide what to do with it.

- Norma

01:18:59 - 01:19:01

I think that we need to get them something...get them on firmer ground and know where they are. Get our act together. And sit down with them 3, 4, or five months from now and say, this is where we're at?

- Nancy

01:19:09 - 01:19:12

Yes, I would agree. 100%. And I, you know, again, I had no idea or other people that all they paid was up.

- Norma

01:19:19 - 01:19:22

... their water bill. They've never paid. And I don't. Even know if there's a meter or they're going to have somebody check and I haven't heard back.

- Nancy

01:19:30 - 01:19:32

That that's completely fair, Norma. I would agree 100% with you.

- Michelle

01:19:34 - 01:19:35

Yeah. So let's take this issue and get it over with, and then start on the next one.

- Norma

01:19:41 - 01:19:43

So what am I going to put out there for a figure to him?

- Nancy

01:19:45 - 01:19:49

Well, of course, I like Jeremy's ideas so I don't know if you can.

- Norma

01:19:49 - 01:19:52

If we rescind the motion that we made all.

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:19:55 - 01:19:59

Let's split the difference between the \$880 quote and the \$2700. Call it, call it call it a day.

- Nancy

01:20:05 - 01:20:07

So, I will rescind my motion of the 2700?

- Michelle

01:20:10 - 01:20:11

Ok.

- Nancy

01:20:13 - 01:20:14

And what's the new number?

- Michelle

01:20:16 - 01:20:16

1500?

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:20:19 - 01:20:20

That sounds acceptable. Yes, That. Should be acceptable to all parties, And I think Norma you should agree, right now.

- Norma

01:20:25 - 01:20:25

Sure. I. Just want to put it to bed second.

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:20:31 - 01:20:32

Yeah, I understand. But we, but but you know, we have to we have to take in consideration in the risk and there's no risk there.

- Nancy

01:20:41 - 01:20:49

I will make a motion for the library for this calendar for this budget year Their Workman's comp is \$1500.

- Norma

01:20:49 - 01:20:49

Ok. Thanks, Jeremy. All in favor.

- Nancy

01:20:53 - 01:20:54

Aye.

- Norma

01:20:54 - 01:21:06

Ok, so, we're good with that, will give that figure to Tina, so she can get the numbers together that she has, so we can get that out to the library.

- Nancy

01:21:06 - 01:21:11

Yes, Now, thank you very much, and Jeremy, thank you very much for your conversation.

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:21:12 - 01:21:12

Thank you.

- Norma

01:21:14 - 01:21:16

Ok, what else have we got? Does anybody that's on the line, with us have any questions, want anything?

- Michelle

01:21:26 - 01:21:27

I suppose you've. Seen...Canceling all their winter, all their fall events.

- Susie O'Neill

01:21:35 - 01:21:36

Are you taking comments now.

- Norma

01:21:39 - 01:21:43

We've got to have a quick talk about how We're Going to move forward with a legal day of your takeaway.

- 01:21:54

Hello.

- Susie O'Neill

01:22:03 - 01:22:12

Think Joe had something, but I also have something, on the workmen's comp, the, I don't know who the village carrier is, but Jeremy pretty much knocked it. Out of the park and being in the insurance business for 20 years. The workmen's comp rates are based on either payroll or accounts receivable, and in this case, that would be payroll, and your insurance carrier should be separating the DPW workers, from like Joanne, and in the clerical staff, and that's where the library should fall under. So, by taking a percentage of it, which I know you're not doing now, know, that's crazy but you should be able to get a breakdown of what the charges are for the classes. Like Jeremy said a roofer pencil pusher: You got your D PW people, that's one way. So you've got your clerical, It's another rate. The clerical rate. Is not, does not have anything to do with the wrongful death, that would all be on the. Or unless Mrs. Mitchell was under a different classification. But she wouldn't be under the same classification. Is the. Clerk. So you should be able, Tina should be doing her job and giving you those break down, not just guessing at numbers, which it sounds like it's being done.

- Jeremy Kellogg

01:23:23 - 01:23:24

We should also be keeping our insurance company up to date and apprised because that lowers our insurance rates across as a whole.

- Alicia Dewey

01:23:44 - 01:23:48

The workers comp for the village is under Jefferson County, the Jefferson County self insured program. You can follow up with Lisa Jock of Jefferson County self insured if you'd like, but they don't break it down by classification.

- Susie O'Neill

01:23:56 - 01:24:00

I don't really care, I just don't want the library job. So, what you're getting, You know what you're getting charged for clerical versus DPW. The rates.

- Alicia Dewey

01:24:08 - 01:24:12

It's not differentiated, they don't break it, down by that.

- Susie O'Neill

01:24:14 - 01:24:16

Yeah, they should.

- Alicia Dewey

01:24:17 - 01:24:20

Right, but they don't. So it's not done that way. Like I said, you're welcome to check with Lisa Jock. She's the head of Jefferson County Self-Insured.

- Susie O'Neill

01:24:24 - 01:24:27

I know Lisa and I are good friends, I have no problem with that. Yeah, I worked with Lisa for 20 years, So, but what I'm saying is, you can't just go along, like nothing's happening. You do have to follow up on these rate because if you're getting, if you're getting charged the same amount for your clerical purr, payroll per \$1, a payroll, that you are as your \$1, a payroll, a D, P W, or the water plant, That's not right. And that's not up to me, is the village taxpayer, that's up to the people that we pay to do the job. I'm just letting you know that that needs to get looked into. If somebody's telling you, the library needs to pay \$5500, that's the statement that caught my attention, because you just don't take a percentage of your payroll, and throw that over. And I will give, Lisa a call because I'm not sure that's the right answer, but I will let you know if I am wrong. Did you want to ask something about the zoning and Union street?

- Joe Chrisman

01:25:32 - 01:25:35

Well, have we had any feedback? Yet, as far as the zoning, and the answer from the zoning board or anything.

- Norma

01:25:41 - 01:25:42

I've not seen anything.

- Joe Chrisman

01:25:48 - 01:25:54

Ok, well on the corner, I know it's a mess up there and I'm sure you're getting phone calls left to right. But people are really starting to bring their teams and because, quote, a shortage, and plus everybody was on covert for awhile. So they weren't working. So I'll Dicky's I know it's a mess up there but he's taking things into consideration. But he also has to look at, on Union Street to make sure they're abiding by that.

- Nancy

01:26:24 - 01:26:33

There he's, he's, you know I agree with what you're saying Joe and Richard is taking care of all. He's doing the best that he can. Alright, and we sound like, you know, like everything is a problem with covert, and I know the village says, the same thing, over and over, he is one guy working by himself. So, he's got Town and village, he is not pushing these things under the rug. And, we need to get some some other legal representation for some of the zoning, and we, as a village, are working on that also. I know we're not moving fast enough for anybody, not fast. Enough for me. Either. But it is moving and, I believe he'll will get the redemptions center under control, but, the redemption center has to get themselves under control.

- Joe Chrisman

01:27:20 - 01:27:21

Well, I agree. But, me, I'm just making sure, no. Everything is getting equal attention, because people, know, it's been four years for the one on Union Street versus recently at the Cans Center.

- Norma

01:27:45 - 01:27:46

Ok, anyone got anything else? ...: we're going to take a quick Executive Session here, and wrap this up. Well, somebody make a motion to adjourn this meeting. Go into Executive Session.

- Nancy

01:28:02 - 01:28:02

Yes, ma'am. I will make a motion to adjourn this. Meeting and go. Into Executive Session.

- Norma

01:28:06 - 01:28:07

Ok, Alrighty, Thanks, Nancy.