Minutes

January 23rd, 2017

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Greenwich was held on January 23rd, 2017 in the Board Room of the Community Center at 6 Academy Street in the Village of Greenwich. Present were Mayor Fuller and Trustees Brown, Edsforth, Taylor, Vandewater, and Attorney Kelly. Mayor Fuller opened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Approval of the minutes from the January 9th Board Meeting will be tabled until the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees on February 13th.

Old Business:

- 1. The Mayor announced that the Village has been awarded the EPA Smartgrowth Grant that she had applied for in November and had an interview for in December. This is a nonmonetary grant that gives planning resources to the grantee to help incorporate local producers and farmers with the downtown businesses. The next steps will include the Mayor putting together a committee that will participate in a series of planning phone calls. Then the Village will host a community event where we ask Village residents to prioritize what they would like to see in regards to this project, similar to the vision plan but on a much smaller scale. Trustee Brown asked what the Village's role was in the Community Garden. The Mayor replied that the Village started the Community Garden and then handed it over to Comfort Foods.
- 2. Resolution No. 8 of 2017 to appoint election inspectors Cynthia Waite, Dianne Hogan, Susan Ward, and Kellie Blake by means of compensation of \$100 each for their service on election day and Kellie Blake as the chairperson of the inspectors made a motion by Trustee Vandewater, and seconded by Trustee Brown and carried by all.

New Business:

1. A request for proposals was issued for the grant administration and program delivery of the NYMS Anchor Grant on Friday December 30th. We received two proposals, from Homefront Development Corporation and Flatley Reed, LLC. Homefront Development Corporation proposed fee for administration was based on the total amount allowed in the NYMS Anchor Project budget allocation, which is \$25,000. Flatley Reed, LLC proposed a fee of \$75/hour. Trustee Brown questioned the costs associated with the administration of the Empire State Development (ESD) Grant that was awarded to the Village a year prior to the NYMS Anchor Grant. The ESD Grant does not have administrative costs allocated in its budget as the NYMS Grant does. Washington County Economic Development Director Laura Oswald suggested to the Mayor that the administrative costs be assumed by the owner of the property the grant was awarded to and for them to use the same administrator as the NYMS Anchor Grant. The Mayor also pointed out that the Board passed a resolution the previous year that the Village would not be responsible for the administrative costs. Discussion was had about the potential implication of resolving to accept bids for the NYMS Anchor Grant without having documented confirmation of who will be responsible for the administration costs for the ESD Grant. The Board did not want to accept any bids without documentation confirming who will be responsible for assuming the administration costs for the ESD Grant, and will table accepting the proposals until the February Meeting.

The Mayor asked Dave Shantz of Jaeger & Flynn Associates to present an overview of Medicare to the Board of Trustees prior to making changes to the outdated Village Health Care Policy. He began with an overview of the 4 different Medicare Parts and the costs respectively, and also included description of supplemental policies. Shantz then discussed the employer's obligations according to the Affordable Care Act and Health Care Reimbursement Accounts (HRAs). Discussion was had about using the current year's Part B new member enrollment amount as an earmark for the annual HRA allotment. The Mayor proposed the idea of having a set dollar amount in addition to the Part B earmark that could be used for other healthcare associated costs such as copays or deductibles. The Mayor asked the Board to think about what the Village's intentions should be when it comes to retirees and how much coverage the Village provides prior to making any decisions. The next step will be to send the edited Health Care Policy to the Board members and the Attorney for review prior adopting a resolution to accept the changes.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM by a motion from Trustee Taylor, seconded by Trustee Vandewater, and carried by all.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Prime