Minutes June 26th, 2017

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Greenwich met on June 26th, 2017 in the Board Room of the Community Center at 6 Academy Street in the Village of Greenwich to discuss both short-term and long-term planning for current and proposed Village projects. Present were Mayor Fuller and Trustees Edsforth, Vandewater, Brown, and Taylor.

Mayor Fuller opened the meeting at 6:04PM by introducing the purpose of this planning meeting as twofold: to discuss the status of current projects and prioritize them in relation to each other, and to discuss new projects that will likely span over multiple years. She was inspired by a webinar she attended given by the Department of State which outlined the importance of municipalities having multi-year plans, and how that can be helpful for budgeting each year. Mayor Fuller encouraged the public to ask questions during discussions as this meeting is more of a workshop for the Trustees than a regular meeting. She responded to a resident's question about how the vision plan will be included in the projects. Mayor Fuller asked the Clerk to post the vision plan on the Village Website.

Many of the current projects overlap each other, so the discussion became fluid between projects, rather than spending time on each individual project. The Emipre State Development (ESD) Grant, Main Street Anchor Grant, and EPA Smartgrowth Grant will bring revitalization to the downtown with a new restaurant and new office spaces and hope to marry local agriculture with the downtown businesses.

The Village has officially completed their first action item for the Clean Energy Communities Program. If we complete 4 out of the 10 action items, matching grants are available. Discussion was had regarding the 2^{nd} Clean Energy Communities Action Item to convert half of the Village's streetlights to LED bulbs. The first step will be to identify where all the streetlights are on a map, and it was decided it might be best to focus on streetlights that aren't on Main St. first, as the streetlights on Main St. will most likely be changed over during the Streetscape project which has been pushed out another year. Trustee Vandewater added that it might be best to have the public weigh in on the current locations of streetlights. Adding more solar arrays to the water plant or adding new solar panels to the roof of the firehouse were discussed as a 3^{rd} action item. The 4^{th} action item is reducing our overall energy consumption by 10%, which is hoped to be achieved through the changes in the other action items.

The Skybel/Eminent Domain project was discussed as a long-term project. The Board still needs time to digest the results from the EPA contractors and determine funding for the next step of clean up/remediation. Senior Housing was discussed as a possible future opportunity for the property.

Mayor Fuller reported that we have not had any updates for either the Betty Little Grant for the Fire Department's Tanker Truck or the Carrie Woerner Grant for updating our water meters. She will follow up with both of their offices. The Board plans to invite water meter companies to present in the fall.

The board agreed that the Water System and any projects relating to updating its infrastructure are the Village's top priority.

Future Projects that were discussed included renovating the old Fire Department, or the back half of the Village Hall. It was agreed that an elevator would be necessary to have for better accessibility throughout the building. Trustee Brown recommended we apply for a member item grant to fund the elevator. Trustee Vandewater suggested getting quotes for replacement of the Village Hall soffits and facia for the next budget year, as they are deteriorating and may need to be replaced before the entire renovation.

It was noted that the Village did increase the amount allocated for beautification in this year's budget. Trustee Edsforth was nominated to research the cost of uniform planters that could

be placed along Main St. as a cohesive element to beautify the downtown. She also noticed the welcome signs entering and exiting Village are looking shabby and may need to be repainted. The Clerk will look into who made them, and what the cost will be to fix them.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM by a motion from Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Edsforth, and carried by all.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Prime