

Mayor Kastberg called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Trustee Gifford, Mathes, Rizzo and Mayor Kastberg

EXCUSED: Trustee Zeman

*Mayor Kastberg opened the privilege of the floor at 7:08p.m.*

Susan VanVorst of 144 Mohawk Avenue; Serves on the Recycling Committee for Schenectady County and is looking forward to the upcoming changes in recycling for Scotia and would like to help spread the word to Village residents. Would also like to see some recycling containers located in the Village and Collins Park.

*Mayor Kastberg closed the privilege of the floor at 7:09p.m*

### **PRESENTATION BY LIVING RESOURCES FOR A GROUP HOME LOCATED AT 11 GARNET LANE**

Fred Erlich, CEO of Living Resources provided an overview to the Village Board of Trustees regarding their proposal to purchase a home within the Village of Scotia for six individuals who have intellectual and developmental needs.

Frank Leak – Mayor of the Village of Colonie; spoke in support of the group home. The Mayor has a few in the Village of Colonie and they are very well maintained and provide an excellent service to those who are in need of it.

**MOVED** by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Gifford to approve the proposal by Living Resources for a group home located at 11 Garnet Lane.

Ayes: Trustee Gifford, Mathes, Rizzo and Mayor Kastberg

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

### **SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR COMFORT INN AND SUITES LOCATED AT 3 NEAL STREET**

Sunil Modasra and Ravi Modasra provided the Board of Trustees with an overview of the proposed Comfort Inn and Suites located at 3 Neal Street.

Trustee Mathes and Trustee Rizzo had several questions related to the project. Mayor Kastberg stated that during the Planning Board Site Plan review process the lighting, sound, traffic flow, green space and storm water issues were all addressed by and approved by the Planning Board. Mayor Kastberg has been involved in the process and Trustee Gifford is familiar with the project as Liaison to the Planning Board. Since the other Trustees are not as familiar with the project and would like more time to review what the Planning Board has approved; the Board will not be taking any action on the Special Use Permit tonight.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

*Mayor Kastberg opened the public hearing at 7:40p.m.*

Wendy Near of 65 Albermarle Road; Appreciated the fact that the Modasra's agreed to put up a six foot fence along their property line but feels that six feet is not high enough. Would like an additional two feet of lattice work on top of the fencing to allow for additional privacy.

Dorothy Swartz of 65 Albermarle Road; Concerned with the traffic at the entrance and would like to see a higher fence installed along the property line that borders her property.

Sue VanVorst of 144 Mohawk Avenue; Would like to know if there will be a pool at this site. Modasra's stated that there will be an indoor pool, which has been in the plans all along.

*Mayor Kastberg closed the public hearing at 7:50p.m*

**SEQRA Determination**

Tabled.

**Action**

Tabled.

**LIABILITY INSURANCE RENEWAL**

**MOVED** by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Mathes to authorize the Mayor to sign the August 1<sup>st</sup> renewal of the Village's liability insurance through Cool Insurance Agency.

Ayes: Trustee Gifford, Mathes, Rizzo and Mayor Kastberg

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

**SIDWALK CONSTRUCTION PROJECT PAYMENT**

**MOVED** by Trustee Gifford, seconded by Trustee Rizzo to authorize Payment #2 of the School Sidewalk Construction Project to Adirondack Landscaping in the amount of \$21,185.00.

Ayes: Trustee Gifford, Mathes, Rizzo and Mayor Kastberg

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

**PARKLAND FUNDS FOR SPLASH PARK**

**MOVED** by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Gifford that

Whereas, a Splash Park in Collins Park has been proposed by the Lions Club, and

Whereas, the Lions Club will fund a majority of the project through fundraising, and

Whereas, the Lions Club has requested the use of Parkland Funds to supplement their fundraising, and

Whereas, use of Parkland Trust funds would be an appropriate use of such funds as per the Guidelines for Utilization of Village of Scotia Park Funds, now therefore

Be it Resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the use of Parkland Trust Funds in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for the construction of a Splash Park in Collins Park.

Trustee Mathes stated that he is in support of the project itself but does not support the use of Parkland Funds; concerned with setting a precedent for groups who are looking to raise money and fall short of their fundraising expectations.

Ayes: Trustee Gifford, Rizzo and Mayor Kastberg

Noes: Trustee Mathes

Abstentions: None

**DPW GARAGE DOOR CONTRACT**

**MOVED** by Trustee Mathes, seconded by Trustee Rizzo to authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with All Type Professional Door Service, Inc. for preventive maintenance of garage doors located at 4 Zoar Court in an amount not to exceed \$1,665.00

Ayes: Trustee Gifford, Mathes, Rizzo and Mayor Kastberg

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

### **VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER APPOINTMENT**

**MOVED** by Trustee Gifford, seconded by Trustee Rizzo that

Whereas, the Village Fire Department has recommended that Michael Smith be appointed as a volunteer firefighter for the Village of Scotia Fire Department, now therefore,

Be it Resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the appointment of Michael Smith as volunteer firefighter for the Village of Scotia Fire Department.

Ayes: Trustee Gifford, Mathes, Rizzo and Mayor Kastberg

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

### **MAYOR'S COMMENTS TO THE BOARD**

Met with representatives of the Musicians of Ma'alwyck; they would like to hold a concert under a tent at the Flint House Property on June 3, 2017. The Village Historian would also hold an open house for the Flint House on that date. The Mayor will update the Board as their plans progress. Met with Loretta Rigney; the new chair of the Special Events Committee; the Mayor looks forward to working with her on Village events. The New York State Civil Service Commission approved the request for a waiver pursuant to section 211 of the New York State Retirement and Social Security Law for Chief Peter Frisoni for one year. A new business has opened at 127 Mohawk Avenue – Nini's Panini's; the Mayor had lunch there and it was delicious. The Mayor was a guest on the Jewish View Public Access Television Show; will provide a link to interview once available. NYCOM Fall Training School will be held September 12<sup>th</sup> through 16<sup>th</sup>; let Clerk Treasurer Schmitz know if any Trustees would like to attend.

### **CORRESPONDENCE, LIAISON AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Trustee Mathes** – No report.

**Trustee Gifford** - Fire Department meeting postponed until this evening. Attended Planning Board meeting; approved subdivision located at 241 Vley Road.

**Trustee Rizzo** – Beginning preparations for Holiday on the Avenue.

### **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

**MOVED** by Trustee Mathes, seconded by Trustee Rizzo that the Departmental reports be accepted as presented with thanks.

Ayes: Trustee Gifford, Mathes, Rizzo and Mayor Kastberg

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

### **AUDIT OF CLAIMS**

**MOVED** by Trustee Mathes seconded by Trustee Rizzo that be it resolved that all claims against the Village dated August 10, 2016 be allowed and ordered paid in full in the amount of \$925,079.52 charged to the following funds:

A-General Fund	\$300,291.76
F-Water Fund	\$ 26,453.73
G-Sewer Fund	\$598,334.03

Further the Clerk/Treasurer is hereby authorized to draw checks in the claimants' favor and in the full amount listed and charge the same to the funds listed therein.

August 10, 2016

Ayes: Trustee Gifford, Mathes, Rizzo and Mayor Kastberg  
Noes: None  
Abstentions: None

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD JULY 13, 2016**

**MOVED** by Trustee Mathes, seconded by Trustee Zeman that the minutes of the July 13, 2016 Village of Scotia, Board of Trustees meeting are hereby approved.

Trustee Gifford amended the minutes to read Schemerhorn Street instead of Schemerhorn Avenue.

**MOVED** by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Mathes that the minutes of the July 13, 2016 Village of Scotia, Board of Trustees meeting are hereby approved as amended.

Ayes: Trustee Gifford, Mathes, Rizzo and Mayor Kastberg  
Noes: None  
Abstentions: None

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD AUGUST 2, 2016**

**MOVED** by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Gifford that the minutes of the August 2, 2016 Village of Scotia, Board of Trustees meeting are hereby approved.

Ayes: Trustee Gifford, Rizzo and Mayor Kastberg  
Noes: None  
Abstentions: Trustee Mathes

**NEW BUSINESS**

**INTRODUCE PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 2016-F RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF PARKING SPACE FOR ZONING**

**MOVED** by Trustee Mathes, seconded by Trustee Rizzo to introduce Local Law 2016-F relating to the Definition of Parking Space for Zoning and to set the public hearing for the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, September 14, 2016 at 7:00p.m.

Ayes: Trustee Gifford, Mathes, Rizzo and Mayor Kastberg  
Noes: None  
Abstentions: None

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOVED** by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Mathes to adjourn the meeting at 8:08p.m.

Ayes: Trustee Gifford, Mathes, Rizzo and Mayor Kastberg  
Noes: None  
Abstentions: None

Respectfully submitted,

Maria A. Schmitz  
Clerk to the Village Board of Trustees