

Present: Mayor James Ryan, Trustees Vincent Chicone, Philip Smith, James Nolan, and Jeffrey Confer

Also Present: Dean Hillyard, Superintendent; Emily Byers, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer; Alyssa Hammond, Clerk-Treasurer; Amanda Demaria, Grants Administrator; Katherine Herleman, WSP USA  
Public: Katie Serrine

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

Trustee Chicone offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Smith authorizing the payment of May bills, on Abstract no. 22 – General Fund, for the amount of \$20,071.07. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Confer authorizing the payment of May bills, on Abstract no. 22 – Water Fund, for the amount of \$3,694.71. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Chicone offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Confer authorizing the payment of May bills, on Abstract no. 22 – Sewer Fund, for the amount of \$5,798.66. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Confer offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Nolan authorizing the payment of June bills, on Abstract no. 2 – General Fund, for the amount of \$61,243.96. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Chicone offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Confer authorizing the payment of June bills, on Abstract no. 2 – Water Fund, for the amount of \$193.00. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Nolan authorizing the payment of June bills, on Abstract no. 2 – Sewer Fund, for the amount of \$4,722.90. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Nolan offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Chicone authorizing the payment of June bills, on Abstract no. 2 – Trust & Agency Fund, for the amount of \$191.00. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Chicone to set a Public Hearing on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022 at 7:15 pm to hear comments on the Village's applications to the Community Block Development Grant Program: 1) applying for up to \$50,000 in CDBG Planning funds to conduct a water distribution system study evaluation with Larson Design Group, and 2) applying for up to \$50,000 in CDBG funds to develop a housing conditions study and up to \$500,000 for housing improvement activities. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Katherine Herleman presented the Climate Vulnerability Assessment completed by WSP, USA.

Amanda Demaria presented the Design Connect proposal completed by Cornell students regarding the Village's Glorious T.

Trustee Nolan offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Confer accepting the Design Connect presentation and proposed plan as submitted. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Nolan offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Smith to accept the Complete Streets plan as submitted. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Confer to designate the Village of Montour Falls Board of Trustees as Lead Agency on the State Environmental Quality Review Act for the proposed purchase of the 1854 Building in the Historic T. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

The board completed Part II of the State Environmental Quality Review Act application.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Confer determining that the described action of the proposed project will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts, therefore resulting in a negative declaration under the State Environmental Quality Review Act. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Smith offered the following resolution, seconded by Trustee Chicone:

Resolution by the Village of Montour Falls approving and endorsing the Village's application to the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation's Environmental Protection Fund for Parks, Preservation and Heritage; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls desires to apply for up to \$500,000 in financial assistance through the CFA Application; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls endeavors to preserve and protect the Glorious T Historic District.

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls believes that climate change poses a real and increasing threat to our local and global environments, neighborhoods, and economies; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls is a Bronze Certified Climate Smart Community; and

WHEREAS, the application proposes funding for the purchase of the 1854 Building; and

WHEREAS, the project will benefit low- and moderate-income persons. A low- and moderate-income person is defined as being a member of a household whose income is less than 80% of the area median income for the household size. A principal benefit to low- and moderate-income persons requires at least 51% of the project beneficiaries to qualify as low- and moderate-income; and

WHEREAS, the median household income (2020) in the Village of Montour Falls is \$31,190 which about 58.5% of the median household income in Schuyler County (\$53,291) and approximately 44% of the household income in the entire state of New York (\$71,117); and

WHEREAS, the Village intends to provide the local match requirement of 50% (\$250,000) or 25% (\$125,000), if located in a high-poverty area, if the grant is awarded; and

WHEREAS, the grant application requires the approval and endorsement of the governing body of the municipality in which the project will be located; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Montour Falls approves and endorses the OPRHP's Environmental Protection Fund: Parks, Preservation, and Heritage Grants Program grant application for financial assistance prepared for and to be submitted by the Village.

AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Smith offered the following resolution, seconded by Trustee Chicone:

Resolution by the Village of Montour Falls approving and endorsing the Village's application to the NYS Office of Homes and Community Renewal Community Development Block Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls desires to apply for up to \$50,000 in financial assistance through the CFA Application; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls endeavors to provide quality affordable housing options to its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls believes that climate change poses a real and increasing threat to our local and global environments, neighborhoods, and economies; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls is a Bronze Certified Climate Smart Community; and

WHEREAS, the application proposes funding to complete an Affordable Housing Study; and

WHEREAS, the project will benefit low- and moderate-income persons. A low- and moderate-income person is defined as being a member of a household whose income is less than 80% of the area median income for the household size. A principal benefit to low- and moderate-income persons requires at least 51% of the project beneficiaries to qualify as low- and moderate-income; and

WHEREAS, the median household income (2020) in the Village of Montour Falls is \$31,190 which about 58.5% of the median household income in Schuyler County (\$53,291) and approximately 44% of the household income in the entire state of New York (\$71,117); and

WHEREAS, the Village intends to provide the local match requirement of 5% (up to \$2500) if the grant is awarded;

WHEREAS, the grant application requires the approval and endorsement of the governing body of the municipality in which the project will be located; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Montour Falls approves and endorses the HCR- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - Community Planning program grant application for financial assistance prepared for and to be submitted by the Village.

AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Chicone offered the following resolution, seconded by Trustee Smith:

Resolution by the Village of Montour Falls approving and endorsing the Village's application to the NYS Canalway Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls desires to apply for up to \$150,000 in financial assistance through the CFA Application; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls endeavors to preserve and protect the Erie Canal and other waterways; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls believes that climate change poses a real and increasing threat to our local and global environments, neighborhoods, and economies; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls is a Bronze Certified Climate Smart Community; and

WHEREAS, the application proposes funding for making canal way improvements at the Montour Marina; and

WHEREAS, the project will benefit low- and moderate-income persons. A low-and moderate-income person is defined as being a member of a household whose income is less than 80% of the area median income for the household size. A principal benefit to low- and moderate-income persons requires at least 51% of the project beneficiaries to qualify as low- and moderate-income; and

WHEREAS, the median household income (2020) in the Village of Montour Falls is \$31,190 which about 58.5% of the median household income in Schuyler County (\$53,291) and approximately 44% of the household income in the entire state of New York (\$71,117); and

WHEREAS, the Village intends to provide the local match requirement of 50% (up to \$75,000) if the grant is awarded; and

WHEREAS, the grant application requires the approval and endorsement of the governing body of the municipality in which the project will be located; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Montour Falls approves and endorses the NYS Canalway Grant Program grant application for financial assistance prepared for and to be submitted by the Village.

AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Confer offered the following resolution, seconded by Trustee Smith:

Resolution by the Village of Montour Falls approving and endorsing the Village's application to the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation's Climate Smart Community Grants Program; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls desires to apply for up to \$2,000,000 in financial assistance through the CFA Application; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls is a Bronze Certified Climate Smart Community; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls believes that climate change poses a real and increasing threat to our local and global environments, neighborhoods, and economies; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Montour Falls endeavors to reduce street flooding, extreme flooding events, and flooding of residential properties; and

WHEREAS, the application proposes funding to improve the stormwater drainage system and roadway to avoid flood damage; and

WHEREAS, the project will benefit low- and moderate-income persons. A low-and moderate-income person is defined as being a member of a household whose income is less than 80% of the area median income for the household size. A principal benefit to low- and moderate-income persons requires at least 51% of the project beneficiaries to qualify as low- and moderate-income; and

WHEREAS, the median household income (2020) in the Village of Montour Falls is \$31,190 which about 58.5% of the median household income in Schuyler County (\$53,291) and approximately 44% of the household income in the entire state of New York (\$71,117); and

WHEREAS, the Village intends to provide the local match requirement of 50% (up to \$1 million) if the grant is awarded;

WHEREAS, the grant application requires the approval and endorsement of the governing body of the municipality in which the project will be located; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Montour Falls approves and endorses the Climate Smart Community Grants Program grant application for financial assistance prepared for and to be submitted by the Village.

AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Nolan offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Confer denying the request made by Shelley Schlueter to purchase a cemetery lot at reduced cost. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Chicone authorizing Superintendent Hillyard to proceed with Hunt Engineer's Proposal for surveying and mapping of the Municipal Marina and Campground for the cost of \$29,600.00. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Chicone approving the observance of Juneteenth as an official holiday and resolve that the Village Offices and Buildings will be closed. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Confer offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Chicone declaring the following item as surplus, no longer serving a purpose to the Village, and authorizing the sale of: 1987 Bayliner Boat – Registration # NY7558JU. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Chicone authorizing a refund of \$3545.00 to Bruce McLeod for Dock #19S and Campsite #120, making them available for rent. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Nolan offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Confer declaring the Fire Department Chief's Chevy Tahoe as surplus and no longer serving a purpose to the department, to be sold on Auctions International or for the Department of Public Works to utilize for daily operations. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Trustee Smith offered a resolution, seconded by Trustee Confer to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m. AYES: Trustees Chicone, Smith, Nolan and Confer. NOES: None. Resolution carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Emily Byers, Deputy Clerk