

Grant that is available for that (80% funded).

Mr. Avery referred to Phase I of the Project and asked if they were still working on the punch list for Phase I. Mr. Baker replied Massa will be back for the punch list; Matt Schooley has taken over the daily completion of the project as construction manager. Mr. Ferrara stated in Phase I, there were quite a few change orders that took place – these were issues with Massa. Mr. DeLelys mentioned Mr. Lazzaro let the Clerk of the Works go – we need a Clerk of the Works. Mr. Baker said he believes in Phase 2, there will be construction management to oversee the work. Discussion followed.

Mr. Ferrara asked what the next step is if the Town is going to move forward on the project; Mr. Nicholson replied the next step is to approve the design report and go forward, and they will have to finalize the design. Mr. Baker added this is a near-final design. There will be a follow-up here; they will take public comments into consideration and then they will finalize the design.

Mr. Avery asked how the decision was made to do those sidewalks – why not State Street and that area. Mr. Nicholson replied it is written in the original application. Chief Peenstra stated when they looked at this, they were focusing on Frank Knight and the Middle School area. He would like the Board to consider a future Phase 3 at some point with strictly sidewalks moving into the area Mr. Avery mentioned. Mr. Churchill asked what the life expectancy is; Mr. Baker replied 20-30 years.

Since there were no further comments or questions, the Information Meeting was closed at 5:30 P.M.

Public Hearing – Proposed Local Law #2 – 2020: Mr. Ferrara opened the Public Hearing at 6:00 P.M. relative to proposed Local Law #2 – 2020, a local law to amend the Town Code relating to the Heritage Preservation Commission by reducing the number of members from seven to five and providing for alternates. He said this is to bring it into line with the other Boards. He added this is with the approval of the HPC.

Mr. DeLelys referred to Section E which states that a vacancy shall be filled by appointment of the Town Supervisor. Mr. Morrell noted this is part of what the HPC is in Town Code; that was not changed. He added it's something the Board can change or discuss. Mr. DeLelys said he would like it to read appointment of Town Supervisor subject to approval of Town Board. Mr. Avery noted it should be the same as it is in Section B – insert that same language into Section E.

Lorrilyn Bove stated none of the Heritage Preservation Commission Members have a problem with bringing it down to five from seven with alternates. She said sometimes it's difficult to get a quorum with a Board of seven.

Since there were no further comments, Mr. Ferrara closed the Public Hearing at 6:05 P.M.

Supervisor Ferrara called the regular monthly Meeting to order at 6:05 P.M. A roll call of Board Members was taken and all were present; the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Mr. Ferrara recognized law enforcement once again because of recent events this past weekend. On behalf of the Board and the People of Seneca Falls, he thanked all the Law Enforcement Agencies and their combined efforts to preserve public safety over the past two weekends – Police Chief Peenstra, Lt. Tim Snyder and the entire Seneca Falls Police Department, Troop E State Police, North Seneca Ambulance, Seneca County Sheriff Tim Luce and Undersheriff Cleere, Seneca Falls Fire Chief Alan Larsen, Seneca County Emergency Management Office Director Melissa Taylor, 911 Operations Manager Brandi Godley, Cayuga County Sheriff Brian Schneck and Seneca County DA Mark Sinkiewicz.

Petitioners:

Tyke Morris – Finger Lakes Punishers – Letter of Appreciation (SFPD): Tyke Morris stated they are a law enforcement motorcycle club; all of the members are current or former law enforcement, military prior and law abiding citizens that support local law enforcement agencies. They have worked with the SF Police Department for the past two years in conjunction with their “Fill the Cruiser” campaign and “Gift Ride” from the SMS which had over 160 participants. They raised over \$2,000 to do Shop with a Cop. Mr. Morris thanked the general public who actually took part in providing donations for that. They raised over \$400.00 to provide Christmas meals for ten families around Seneca County.

Mr. Morris presented a certificate to the SF Police Department to show their appreciation and to thank them for their participation in helping to make this happen. He also thanked all the public officials and the public of Seneca Falls for allowing them to do these things in this County.

Chief Peenstra thanked all the men and women with the Punishers. He said anything we ever need or anything we have done for the Community with raising gifts for Christmas to National Night Out – anything they have asked them to do they are there for us. Chief Peenstra said he should be giving them a certificate of appreciation for all that they do.

Mr. Ferrara thanked Chief Peenstra and the Club for all they do for Seneca Falls which is very much appreciated.

Frank Ruzicka – Proposed Procurement Policy: Frank Ruzicka of Morris Drive stated that he, Mr. Churchill and Mr. Jones was assigned to a Committee which was charged to assess the proposed 2020 Procurement Policy including the directive actions that were submitted in response to the 2019 Comptroller’s audit. He presented the findings to assist the Board in following this. The audit highlighted four major recommendations:

1. Consider revising the Procurement Policy by adopting written procedures to specify documentation requirements including rationale for decisions made.
2. Consider the aggregate amount projected to be expended for the same or similar type of goods or services when determining if competitive bidding is required.
3. Develop procedures for the procuring of professional services and to award contracts above a reasonable limit only after soliciting some form of competition and provide guidance as to how the competition should be solicited including written RFPs, written quotes and verbal quotes.
4. Ensure the Town with written agreements with all professional providers for services and compensation to be paid.

Mr. Ruzicka referred to the Town’s corrective action plan which addresses these findings which says a Committee of two Board Members will be appointed to review the Procurement Policy and create for Board approval purchasing procedures that will address documentation requirements for the procurement process to ensure compliance with General Municipal Law. It also said an annual training and review will be made with all department heads and applicable employees regarding the procurement policy and process.

Reasonable limits are spelled out in the procurement policy (Mr. Ruzicka said he thinks this is alluding to the competitive solicitations for professional services). For the most part RFPs are handled by the Town Attorney and the bidding process is handled by the department heads or the Town engineers. The Board is determined and has made a commitment that it will do a better job of overseeing these processes to ensure compliance in all areas.

Mr. Ruzicka stated although he can’t verify that a committee was formed or if any annual training has occurred, a review of the proposed 2020 Procurement Policy revealed it is identical to 2019 and 2018 Procurement Policies and does not address the audit recommendations nor the Town’s corrective action plan. He said the audit contained several examples of purchases that were for similar business services or purchases that did not consider the aggregate amount of the purchase, thus having the appearance of artificially dividing the total requirement for the purposes of avoiding competitive bidding.

Mr. Ruzicka stated regarding professional service contracts, the audit stated that the Town procured professional services from 13 providers from January 1st, 2016 to October 31, 2017 for approximately \$1.76 million. He thinks all can agree that spending taxpayers’ dollars without adequate documentation and written agreements is poor business practice.

Mr. Ruzicka stated in the review of the most recent procurement for professional services, he found that it lacked adequate documentation. He said although the service was competed, the award was made to other than the low offeror. Through a FOIL request, he asked for several documents and was told that a letter of the most critical documents in determining the award of this contract did not exist. The evaluation used in determining the selection of the successful offeror was not prepared nor was there a selection plan providing the process of how the successful awardee would be selected. He also requested a copy of the subsequent contract, and the reply he received was that a copy of the subsequent contract was not available at this time, but would be supplied to me as soon as it becomes available; to date, I have not received this document. Mr. Ferrara asked what professional services was he referring to; Mr. Ruzicka replied legal.

Mr. Ruzicka stated he prepared a revised procurement policy which provides guidance, not only what documents are required for each procurement, but also contains what goes into those documents. It also establishes a provision that purchases are required to consider the aggregate amount projected to be expended for similar types of goods, services, public works projects during the year and determine whether competitive bidding is required.

Mr. Ruzicka stated adoption of this revised procurement policy will provide a detailed road map for the

documentation requirements that are needed under each procurement method and will establish consistency among departments. Further, adoption of this policy would ensure accountability and institutionalize sound business practices for the purchase of Town goods and services.

Mr. Ferrara asked Mr. Churchill – where are we with this Committee and where are we with moving forward. Mr. Churchill responded he hasn't done a lot with this; the audit recommended that a 2-person Committee from the Board should be set up – it's a work in progress. Mr. Ferrara requested that Mr. Churchill meet with Mr. Ruzicka and another person from the Board to work on this. Mr. Avery volunteered to serve on this Committee.

Allison Stokes – DRI Grants: Allison Stokes stated on March 20, 2018, she was one of 31 women leaders invited to participate in the first Roundtable for Women's Issues organized by the Office of the State Comptroller, Thomas DiNapoli. At that meeting, she reported on the upcoming Ludovico Sculpture Trail eminent domain public hearing in Seneca Falls. Comptroller DiNapoli suggested she meet with Counsel to the Comptroller, Nancy Groenwegen, and the two had a productive conversation.

Ms. Stokes said last night, she was at the DRI Workshop Meeting where 21 project proposals were reviewed. She represented the President of the Ludovico Sculpture Trail Board because she was unable to attend. She handed out brochures which contained the photos of all the sculptures of the Trail. On February 26th, she attended a Meeting of the Local Planning Committee whose intent was to reduce the number of project proposals. Ms. Stokes stated the Town Supervisor suggested that the Ludovico Sculpture Trail receive no DRI funding. He said the Trail is part of a longer trail; it is established and it is private property. She said the Ludovico Sculpture Trail is owned by a non-profit organization – it is owned by the Friends of the Ludovico Sculpture Trail. She pointed out that for years, the Seneca Falls Town Board supported the Sculpture because of its unique contribution to our Community. Ms. Stokes stated from 2002 to 2014, every year but one, the Town gave financial help to the Trail (\$81,350). From 2015-2020, these were the years of the eminent domain discussions, and without contributions to the Trail it suffered.

Ms. Stokes stated the DRI is a blessing bringing hope for help to the Ludovico Sculpture Trail that the Town Board doesn't give. She said if there is a question of using the Trail for a waste sewage line, she will take up the issue with Women leaders of New York State.

Ms. Stokes said she wanted to mention the considerable amount of money Seneca Falls paid to Buffalo Attorney Barclay Damon for their eminent domain work – a case that the Ludovico Sculpture Trail Attorney won. The Town's expense for the Attorney fees was \$197,013. She learned today that the Town Board has a contract with Barclay Damon, is still in the contract, and it takes 30 days to get out of the contract.

Mr. Ferrara stated to set the record straight, at the LPC Meeting that Ms. Stokes mentioned, the job of the LPC is to have discussions to figure out which projects are doable to bring under budget. It was his opinion that some of the LPC Members were reluctant to start talking about things. Mr. Ferrara said his intent with the Ludovico Trail was to begin a conversation – that was his only intent. He can't speak for previous Town Boards as to why funding stopped. He agrees that the Ludovico Trail is very unique, but there are many unique things in Seneca Falls that make Seneca Falls the place that it is. Mr. Ferrara said he has been trying for three months to settle the eminent domain issue so that we can move forward. He knows about the legal fees, and he wants to end the legal fees if the Board chooses tonight that we are not going to go down the Ludovico Trail. Brief discussion followed.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the regular monthly Meeting of February 4, 2020 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Reports:

Dog Control Officer: A motion was made to accept the report of the Dog Control Officer by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Zoning Officer: A motion was made to accept Mr. Zettlemoyer's report by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery.

Mr. Avery referred to the permits issued for demo on Route 89 – they were issued after the fact? Mr. Ferrara replied that's correct. He said based on the Town of Seneca Falls Code, you must have a permit to demolish something – they applied for the permits the Monday after the first incident. He added there is nothing in the

Code that says taxes have to be current to get a permit; at the County level, your taxes have to be current to get a permit. Taxes are paid in full on all the properties on the west side of Route 89, so the County issued permits for demolition on the west side. Taxes are not current on their property on the east side, and the County is not going to issue a permit. He doesn't know what is going to happen there.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to accept Mr. Zettlemoyer's report was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Commissioner of Parks & Recreation: A motion was made to accept Mr. Spina's report by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson.

Mr. Spina mentioned that the Parks & Recreation Staff received CPR and First Aid training during the past month. He thanked Chief Peenstra who lead their Community Center Staff, Summer Play Staff, Jr. Summer Play Staff and Vince's Park Staff to do a Situational Awareness/Active Shooter Training.

Mr. Spina stated they will be doing the Boys and Girls Basketball Tournaments the next two weekends in conjunction with Waterloo. Their Annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Saturday, April 4th; Pre-K through 5th Grade, with Pre-K being sponsored by Seneca Falls-Waterloo Kiwanis. Mr. DeLelys said he and Mrs. Dyson met with Mr. Spina on Saturday and donated candy – anyone wishing to donate candy contact Mr. Spina.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to accept Mr. Spina's report was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Highway Superintendent: A motion was made to accept Mr. Peterson's report by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Assessor: A motion was made to accept Mrs. VonWald's report by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson.

Mr. DeLelys said Mrs. VonWald would like to take the course, Tentative & Final Roll Preparation, in Batavia on March 27th which is free. Mr. Ferrara asked when are we up for reval; Mrs. VonWald replied we should be preparing for one – it's a 2-year plan. She said the equalization rate is at 89%; the State said we dropped 1%. She added houses are selling between 20%-30% higher than assessed values; if we equal it out, the tax rate should drop as a whole.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to accept Mrs. VonWald's report was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Water & Sewer: A motion was made to accept Mr. Tullo's report by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Attorney for the Town: A motion was made to accept Mr. Morrell's report by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys.

Mr. Morrell stated the Town of Seneca Falls matter with Seneca Meadows was before Judge Doyle in the Supreme Court. It was the argument on the motion to dismiss. No decision has been received from Judge Doyle. He said when we have a response, all the Board will know.

Mr. Morrell addressed Mr. Ruzicka's report on the Procurement Policy. He reviewed the Comptroller's report which came in at the end of last year. He noted that the Town does have a Procurement Policy which is adopted each year; it is a good idea to look at it each year to see where it can be improved upon. Mr. Morrell stated having looked at the report, (he didn't see what the Town's response was) the report itself didn't find a whole lot of problem with the Procurement Policy itself – it had problems with how the Town utilized the Procurement Policy or found instances where it didn't follow the Procurement Policy to their satisfaction.

Mr. Morrell stated as we go forward, he would be happy to work with whoever is working on the Procurement Policy in further areas where it can be improved. He also pointed out that the report from the Comptroller's Office took issue with how it was implemented, and also took issue with two areas that are specifically exemptions to State bidding requirements; in the General Municipal Law, it is professional services and sole source providers. Mr. Morrell said he was not part of the selection process when the Board decided to retain his professional services. He provided them with his qualifications and a letter setting forth what his experience and expertise is, and they made a decision based on that. He added effectively, that becomes a contract;

otherwise, the Town has his letter of engagement which sets forth the terms of the contractual relationship. Mr. Morrell said the Town has one for this year, and have had one every year from 2002 to 2017, all of which is public information.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to accept Mr. Morrell's report was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Town Justices: A motion was made to accept the reports of Judge Lafler and Judge Laquidari by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Police Chief: A motion was made to accept Chief Peenstra's report by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Grant Services – MRB Group: A motion was made to accept MRB's February Grant Services report by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys.

Matt Horn of MRB Group stated each month they will provide a report to the Board on activities for the previous month. He said they have been doing a needs assessment. They met with each Staff Member to talk through their equipment needs, program needs, projects that they see pending, opportunities to apply for grants. Once they assemble that (which they largely have), they will distribute a full comprehensive needs assessment to the Town Board to allow them to prioritize it in terms of which grant they should go after first.

Mr. Horn said they have been evaluating grant opportunities as they come to them. CFA applications are coming fast; the State will be releasing them towards the end of April and they will be due towards the end of July. Between 12-20 programs will be released.

Mr. Ferrara stated he meets with Mr. Horn once a month, and he fills him in as to what is going on. He and Grant Writer Emily Palumus had a phone conference with the State Agency where one of the grants was not received by the Town – the best practice is to find out why we didn't get it.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to accept MRB's February Grant Services report was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Barton & Loguidice: A motion was made to accept Barton & Loguidice's monthly report by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery.

Mr. Churchill referred to the Bayard Street culvert and said the Canal didn't get drained – are we going to get that done. Mr. Ferrara said after the February Meeting, he discussed this with Mr. Baker and it was the belief of Mr. Baker and the rest of the Engineering Firm that by draining the Canal it would severely jeopardize the structure and we might be in a worse situation than we are right now.

Mr. Baker mentioned that there are three alternatives. Relining the existing culvert is one of the alternatives – this is estimated at being one-half million dollars more expensive than the other alternatives. Another alternative is a shallow route culvert and abandoning the culvert in place. Mr. Baker explained in detail the alternatives. He said there is a lot of funding available with the EFC and DEC about culvert remediation. He thinks the final approach would be an enhancement as to what is out there right now.

After brief discussion, Mr. Churchill asked when is the Board going to see some numbers. Mr. Baker replied by next month. Mr. Churchill stated the cost might drive the fact that we do want to drain it and take a look at it because dragging some pipe through an existing tunnel, if it's in reasonably good shape, seems to him it would be a lot less costly than engineering a new drainage culvert from the pond to the Canal. Mr. Baker said the approach would be hydrolytically and we would need to maintain it. He added if you drive a pipe through there, you would be restricting that area. The approach would be to reline it which means draining that for an extended period of time. Further discussion followed.

A motion was made to put together an RFP to solicit engineering evaluation of the Bayard Street culvert situation by Steve Churchill. Since there was no second to Mr. Churchill's motion, the motion failed.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to accept Barton & Loguidice's monthly report was carried 5 ayes, 0 naye.

Communications:

A motion was made to receive and file Communications numbered 1 to 8 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays. Communications numbered 1 to 8 are as follows:

1. Letter from State of New York, Department of State, stating Local Law #1 – 2020 has been received and filed.
2. Checks and deposits totaling \$2,016,870.73 representing Retirees Insurance; Judge Lafler's January report; Disability reimbursement; copies of Police reports; sale of scrap metal; Vince's Park deposits; unused credit; Burial fees; Town/County taxes collected; fuel reimbursement; dumpster fees and Community Center deposits.
3. SEQR Interested Agency Package relative to Town of Waterloo Zoning Map Amendments from Don Trout, Supervisor.
4. Dog Control Officer Inspection Report from NYS Department of Agriculture & Markets, Division of Animal Industry.
5. Checks and deposits totaling \$3,630,683.20 representing Retirees Insurance; copies of Police reports; 4th and final payment of Town taxes; Burial fees; tower rent; dumpster fees; BFD fuel reimbursement; Town Attorney reimbursement for CLE classes; exonerated bail; Police photos; disability reimbursement; Town of Fayette water relevy; Vince's Park deposit; Judge Laquidari's January report; SMI 4th quarter payment (\$944,345.91); Community Center deposit and School Resource Officer reimbursement.
6. Minutes of the Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting of February 25, 2020.
7. Condition Assessment Report relative to the Van Renssalaer tank from Utility Service Company.
8. Municipal Shelter Inspection Report from NYS Department of Agriculture & Markets.

Old Business:

Sale of Surplus Property – 10 Fall Street: Mr. Ferrara said this will be discussed in Executive Session.

Sale of Surplus Property – 60 State Street: Mr. Ferrara asked if the time was up for filing a petition; Mr. Morrell replied no, but it will be up by the end of this week. He said he will get together with the purchasers and go forward with a real estate transaction. Mr. Avery said if we get to March 5th without a referendum, do you reach out to the prospective owners. Mr. Morrell replied he will make contact and see if they are represented and go forward. He added the resolution adopted at last month's Meeting becomes effective on March 5th.

Procurement Policy: No action.

Renew SMI License to Operate Landfill: A motion was made to renew Seneca Meadows License to Operate a Landfill by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson.

Mr. Avery said he appreciates the fact that the Waste Management Advisory Committee has reconvened, and he appreciates the fact that we had the opportunity for the public to make their concerns known. He appreciates that Mr. Black stood there for about an hour and one-half and took questions. Mr. Avery said he feels that a lot of the questions that were asked were not answered in a satisfactory manner. He asked – if the Landfill is covered every night, how can it possibly smell at 2:00 A.M. or on a Sunday evening. Smells were bad in 2016-17 and they got better in 2018 and first part of 2019, and now they slip back to the point where consensus is they are as bad as ever or almost as bad as ever. Mr. Avery said there are questions about the subjectivity of the reporting system that is in place. He would like to see that SMI provide an independent source of monitoring and reporting these odor complaints.

Mr. Churchill stated he concurs with what Mr. Avery said. The Board had discussion last week and did identify three things, one being develop an odor complaint process that was independent. Mr. Black said at that Meeting that they would consider subsidizing such a solution – we need to work that out before the Board renews the Permit. Mr. Churchill stated the suggestion was made to form a citizens committee dedicated to the odor issue – he thinks that is the Waste Management Committee. He said the third issue is that the Board better understand the issue of staging fully loaded garbage hauling trucks at the Landfill, and perhaps get the Landfill and DEC involved in working out a solution – something that is better. Mr. Churchill said the Landfill is currently suing the Town; it's in the Courts and it is costing the taxpayers thousands of dollars. He thinks for now, the right thing to do is to delay this.

Mr. Ferrara stated based on the Informational Meeting that the Board had, there were three action items that Mr. Churchill mentioned. It is going to be the charge of the Solid Waste Committee to work with SMI to resolve some of those three action steps that were discussed.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to renew Seneca Meadows License to Operate a Landfill did not carry as the vote was 2 yes, 3 nays; Councilmen Avery, DeLelys and Churchill with

the dissenting votes.

Mr. Ferrara stated if the Town is going to take the position that we are not going to renew the Permit, it has to let SMI know officially what the issue is. He requested that Mr. Morrell send a letter to SMI with the Board's concerns about odor issues. Mr. Morrell asked if the Board wanted the four things that Mr. Churchill spelled out in the letter; Mr. Ferrara replied yes.

Mr. Ferrara said the reason why he voted yes is because SMI is working under a DEC permit; as far as the DEC is concerned, they are operating within the standards they are supposed to be operating in. He added at some point, he doesn't want to go down the legal road again of having some type of legal battle over something that is part of our Host Agreement. Mr. Ferrara said he is strongly in favor of whatever we can do to change the odor issues. Mr. Churchill asked – what leverage does the Board have to compel the Landfill to do anything and make any changes other than renewal of this permit. Mr. Ferrara replied no leverage at all unless you open up the Host Agreement again. Mr. Avery said they are in violation of Town Code – that doesn't have anything to do with the Host Agreement. Mr. Ferrara said he doesn't know that. Mr. Avery read from the Code the portion referring to emitting an odor that is unreasonably offensive as measured at the property line of the use. He said they are in violation of the Code. Approving the permit means everything is fine – it's not fine.

After lengthy discussion, Mr. Morrell stated the Board can do it as approval with the four conditions, or denial of the permit making it a condition to get the permit for 2020. Mr. Avery said he would like to see the independent reporting component of that as a condition before the Board moves forward with the permit. He doesn't want to close the door – sooner or later we have to deal with this. He added this is one thing the Board can do that will impact the other things. Mr. Ferrara said he would love to have the independent reporting, but he doesn't know if the Board has the legal authority to make it a part of the permit.

Mr. Churchill asked who authored the SMI license/permit. Mr. Morrell replied the permit itself comes out of Section 185 of the Town Code. He mentioned that 2007 was the renewal of an existing Host Agreement – it was in the mid '90s. Mr. Churchill asked who wrote it – their attorneys or the Town's attorneys; Mr. Morrell replied he is sure both. Further discussion followed.

Mr. Ferrara requested that Mr. Morrell give the Board a legal interpretation and then it will proceed. Mr. Morrell said if the Board is going to do something, such as, the permit will not be issued until these things are addressed, it would be advantageous if we had concrete things to be addressed. Mr. Churchill indicated that the Board would get something to Mr. Morrell. Mr. Ferrara told Mr. Churchill that the next Meeting of the Waste Management Committee is March 18th; they will discuss this and direct Mr. Morrell what they would like added to the letter to SMI.

Parks/Rec – Purchase Security System Upgrade: Mr. Spina stated last month, he submitted an estimate from Covert Security thinking all the Town was on the same system. In the process, Mr. Morrell told him another estimate is needed. Also, he found out that the Town Hall is by another Company, so he requested an estimate from that Company. Covert's estimate for the Community Center is \$20,250.00, and Life Safety estimate is \$17,992.00, a difference of \$2,258.00. Covert's estimate for the Boaters Amenities \$9,480.00, and Life Safety estimate is \$7,998.00, a difference of \$1,482.00; total savings is \$3,740.00. Mr. Spina stated he had Mr. Pasalacqua go through the two quotes to make sure they are apples to apples, and spoke with Chief Peenstra about the quality of Life Safety and he is okay with that. He said the only negative that was brought to his attention is Life Safety comes from Buffalo and if there is a servicing problem there will be a charge. Mr. Spina recommended the Board go with Life Safety.

Mr. Morrell stated there are two proposals, and the recommendation to the Board is to go with the low proposal. He noted the Town's Procurement Policy has been followed.

A motion was made to approve Life Safety Integrated Systems proposal for the Security System upgrades at the Community Center and Boaters Amenities at a total cost of \$25,990.00 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys.

Mr. Churchill asked if this included the bandstand; Mr. Spina replied no – with the DRI proposal, we might be moving the bandstand. Mr. Churchill asked if this is a complete replacement of the current system; Mr. Spina replied yes. He added the system they have at the Community Center is from the Police Station on State Street.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to approve Life Safety Integrated Systems proposal for the Security System upgrades at the Community Center and Boaters Amenities at a total cost of \$25,990.00 was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

New Business:

Approval of Special Events: None.

Proposed Local Law #2 – 2020: A motion was made to approve proposed Local Law #2 – 2020, a local law to amend Chapter 13 of Town Code to reduce the number of Members of the HPC from seven to five and to provide for appointment of alternate members, by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery.

Mr. Avery asked if the language of the Code is exactly the same as it reads for Planning and Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Morrell stated he took the existing Section 13-4 of the Heritage Preservation Commission and changed seven to five in the first paragraph, and added Section G which deals with alternate members – the language of that is the same language that appears for the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals.

Mr. Morrell stated the Board discussed amending Paragraph E to include that the appointment shall be filled by the Town Supervisor subject to approval of Town Board, which is the same language as in Paragraph D.

A motion was made to adopt proposed Local Law #2 – 2020 as amended - amending Paragraph E to include that the appointment shall be filled by the Town Supervisor subject to approval of Town Board, by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Michael Ferrara. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Town Court – Declare Certain Items Surplus: A motion was made to declare surplus the items listed in resolution prepared by Seneca Falls Town Court dated February 6, 2020, items to be removed from storage and transferred to the E-Waste Recycling, by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Authorize Supervisor to Sign Letter of Engagement for 2019 SMI Audit: A motion was made authorizing the Town Supervisor to sign the letter of Engagement for the 2019 SMI Audit by Doug Avery and seconded by Michael Ferrara. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Proclamation – Gambling Awareness Month: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to adopt the following Proclamation:

WHEREAS, the New York Council on Problem Gambling and National Council on Problem Gambling has designated March 2020 as Problem Gambling Awareness Month;

WHEREAS, problem gambling is a public health issue affecting millions of Americans of all ages, races and ethnic backgrounds;

WHEREAS, problem gambling has a significant societal and economic cost for individuals, families, businesses and communities;

WHEREAS, problem gambling is treatable, and treatment is effective in minimizing this harm to both individuals and society as a whole;

WHEREAS, numerous individuals, professionals and organizations have dedicated their efforts to the education of the public about problem gambling and the availability and effectiveness of treatment;

WHEREAS, the United Way of Seneca County and the Seneca Falls Town Board invite all residents to participate in Problem Gambling Awareness Month.

THEREFORE, the Seneca Falls Town Board does hereby proclaim the month of March 2020 as Problem Gambling Awareness Month in the Town of Seneca Falls and encourage all citizens to have the conversation with friends, family, patients and clients, and support the Seneca County Community Counseling Center and the United Way of Seneca County in their efforts to increase awareness of the risks of problem gambling and encourage all to take action toward recovery.

No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Accept Judge Laquidari's Resignation: A motion was made to accept Judge Laquidari's resignation effective March 14, 2020 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys.

A motion was made to amend the above motion by accepting Judge Laquidari's resignation with regret by Doug Avery and seconded Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Advertise for Part-Time Justice Position: A motion was made to advertise for the part-time Justice position by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Ferrara mentioned that the Supreme Courts will cover the Town Court until the Board makes an appointment. He suggested the date of March 20th for filing an application; the Board will have a Special Meeting to appoint that person who has to go to training the first week of April. The date of March 23rd at 12

Noon was set for that Special Meeting. Mr. Ferrara said whoever is appointed will serve until December 31st of this year, and will have to run for election in November.

Frank Sinicropi mentioned that there is a timeline on circulating petitions now. Petitions cannot be circulated until after March 14th, and petitions have to be in by March 25th - you have to get on the ballot. Mr. Ferrara stated whoever the Board appoints has no bearing on anyone who wants to circulate a petition and run for Town Justice. Brief discussion followed.

Advertise for Bids – Equipment Rental Agreement: A motion was made to advertise for bids for equipment rental agreement by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys.

Mr. Peterson stated this is a bid put out for heavy equipment that Mr. Tullo and I use that we don't have. Mr. Morrell noted that this is done every year.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to advertise for bids for equipment rental was carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Advertise for Bids – Removal of Trees: A motion was made to advertise for bids for removal of trees by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys.

Mr. Peterson said all the bids for this and the Equipment Rental Agreement should be in by April 7th. Mr. Avery noted these are the very contracts that Mr. Ruzicka was talking about earlier – we do this every year.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to advertise for bids for removal of trees was carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Approval to Apply for Credit Card with LNB: A motion was made authorizing the Town to apply for a credit card with Lyons National Bank and with a \$25,000 limit by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Authorize Principal Account Clerk to Sign Credit Application: A motion was made authorizing the Principal Account Clerk to sign the credit card application with Lyons National Bank on behalf of the Town by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

SF Development Corporation Funding Request for Director (\$55,560): A motion was made to approve the SF Development Corporation funding request for Director's position in the amount of \$55,560 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery.

Mr. Churchill said this is an existing position – it's in the Budget; Mr. Avery said correct – it's in the Budget. Mr. Ferrara stated it's not all in the Budget; the 2% raise is not in the Budget – it's \$1,111.20 short. Mr. Morrell stated the Board has to transfer the \$1,111.20 that is not budgeted.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to approve the SF Development Corporation funding request for Director's position in the amount of \$55,560 was carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to transfer \$1,111.20 from the unexpended Fund Balance to Line Item A6989.400 to cover the Director's position by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

SF Development Corporation Funding Request for Farmers Market: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to approve SF Development Corporation funding request for Farmers Market in the amount of \$2,500.

Mr. Avery stated our Farmers Market is recognized by Cornell Cooperative Extension as one of the best in the area. They changed their hours to afternoon and evening which has been very successful; it's a good thing for the Town at a minimal cost. He doesn't think this was put in the Budget and it needs to be – it needs to be from this point forward. Mr. Ferrara suggested that the Development Committee review this for clarification. He was under the impression that this was something we always funded and it wasn't added to the Budget for some reason.

Mrs. Warfel stated what the Town has done in the past is budget " X" amount of dollars to give to the LDC . The LDC spends it how they spend it – the Town does not direct the LDC, or have not in the past directed the LDC as

to how it's going to be spent. Mr. Churchill said the Town doesn't know what they do with it? Mrs. Warfel replied they do give a report annually. Mr. Churchill said that's someone's salary – it's not for the LDC. Mr. Ferrara asked if there was an additional line item other than for salary; Mrs. Warfel replied no. Mr. Avery mentioned that the line item is for the LDC – it doesn't say what it's for. Further discussion followed.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to approve SF Development Corporation funding request for Farmers Market in the amount of \$2,500 was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made to transfer \$2,500 from the unexpended Fund Balance to the line item for SF Development Corporation to pay for the 2020 Farmers Market by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Approve Purchase Agreement with DataPrise for Firewall Software and Remote Server Backup: A motion was made to approve the Purchase Agreement with DataPrise for firewall software and remote server backup by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery.

Mr. Churchill stated now that we have the County on board, the Town should terminate DataPrise – anything they are doing the County should be able to manage. Mr. Ferrara said this is working with the IT from the County who says we definitely need this. He added the Town has an agreement with DataPrise, and we definitely need the firewall and server backup; right now, we only have a 3-day backup.

Mr. Ferrara stated the cost for the software, firewall, license and advance Gateway security suite for one year is \$1,872.23. Mr. Churchill mentioned that it's overpriced – we should be talking with the County IT. Mr. Ferrara indicated that he had talked to them. Mr. Churchill said this is the type of thing that the County should be doing – we shouldn't be paying DataPrise and the County. Mr. Ferrara stated based on his conversations, they can't get caught up that quick - they came in completely blind; all the passwords are gone, and they have been spending the last three weeks trying to figure out what was left to them and try to move forward. Mr. Avery mentioned that the Town has a service contract for one year with DataPrise. He said the County Gentlemen were in the Server room today, and what's missing is a mess. It's going to take a while to extract ourselves from the previous situation. After brief discussion, Mr. Churchill said he would like to table this and talk to the IT at the County. The Town Clerk will make a copy for Mr. Churchill for discussion with the County.

A motion was made to table action on the Purchase Agreement with DataPrise for firewall software and remote server backup by Steve Churchill and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Purchase Additional Camera for Internet Purchase Safe Zone: A motion was made authorizing the purchase of an additional camera for Internet purchase safe zone at a cost of \$1,895.00 installed by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys.

Mr. Avery stated there will be an area in our parking lot where if you have a legal transaction with another person, that would be a place where you can do it to complete the transaction safely as there will be a camera. Mr. DeLelys said this would come out of the Building line item- A1620.200.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to purchase an additional camera for Internet purchase safe zone at a cost of \$1,895.00 installed was carried 4 ayes, 1 nay; Councilman Churchill with the dissenting vote.

Appoint Citizens Advisory Committee – Investigate Creating Town Manager Position: A motion was made to appoint a Citizens Advisory Committee to investigate creating the position of Town Manager by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson.

Mr. Ferrara stated he would like to explore the advantages and disadvantages of having a Town Manager to run the day to day operations of the Town. He thinks it's something at least worth looking into to see what can be saved on a regular basis. He would like to investigate it and have a Citizens Advisory Committee to look at it and make a recommendation to the Board.

Mr. DeLelys asked if any other town in this area has one; Mr. Ferrara replied no. He mentioned that the Town of Seneca Falls is twice as big as the Village was, and has twice as big Budget. Mr. Churchill feels the Board should discuss it first before a committee is appointed – he suggested a workshop.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to appoint a Citizens Advisory Committee to investigate creating the position of Town Manager did not carry as the vote was 2 ayes, 3 nays;

Councilmen Churchill, DeLelys and Avery with the dissenting votes.

Mr. Avery stated he likes Mr. Churchill's idea and thinks the Board should move ahead. He is not thrilled with the idea of Town Manager, but there is nothing wrong with having discussions. Mr. Ferrara said he would be suggesting a few dates to meet.

Discussion – Ongoing Eminent Domain Litigation – Ludovico Trail: Mr. Ferrara stated the Board needs to make a decision about the Ludovico Trail and if we are going to pursue going down the Trail. He said if the Board doesn't pursue going down the Trail, he would like to terminate the legal services that we are paying for which are very expensive. If we are not, the Board should look at alternatives for a very much needed sewer line.

A motion was made by Doug Avery and seconded by Michael Ferrara to terminate the contract agreement with Barclay Damon, and instruct the Engineers to move forward with Plan B which is Bayard Street.

Mr. Morrell mentioned that the Engineer addressed the Board a few weeks ago and laid out a few different paths going forward. He said it's before the Board as to how they want to go about this.

Mr. Baker stated they provided three alternatives. He and Mr. Ferrara talked about Fall Street and screened it out, but they can revisit that. Their opinion on that was that the existing force main would be excessively expensive to repair. There are two alternatives down Bayard Street. One alternative that would be least intrusive would be a deeper pipe to replace the existing sewer on Bayard Street which is too small; it would be an excessive cost to replace that. The alternative is a parallel force main which would be installed at depth in lieu of the concept of shallow force main. Mr. Baker explained further the alternative. Mr. Ferrara stated if the Board is abandoning the Eminent Domain, it should start having discussions with the Engineer to determine the best route.

The above motion made by Doug Avery and seconded by Michael Ferrara to terminate the contract agreement with Barclay Damon was amended to read "terminate the contract agreement with Barclay Damon and abandon the pursuit of eminent domain down the Ludovico Trail". Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Jim Bero stated he was in the construction business, and eminent domain has happened all the time and is a vehicle that has worked; it is a vehicle that has opened up our ability to build roads – why isn't eminent domain working here. Mr. Ferrara explained the background of the eminent domain. Discussion followed.

Matt Blair who lives on Bayard Street stated the Court identified everything they would need in order to approve the eminent domain. He said there wouldn't be a whole lot of extra expense in terms of legal fees – the work has been done, the Town has the answer and a road map; all the Town has to do is fill it in and resubmit it. Mr. Ferrara noted it can be appealed. Mr. Blair asked if it was true that the money expended in legal fees is a very small amount compared to the additional amount it would cost to run it down Bayard Street. Mr. Baker said it was about \$300,000-\$400,000 difference between the two alternatives. After further discussion, Mr. Blair urged the Board to resubmit the application for eminent domain with the information the Court said they needed in order to approve it at very little additional cost legally vs. having to spend perhaps a million dollars more to go down Bayard Street with the environmental impact and the impact to the people who live on Bayard Street.

Mr. Avery stated the Board has been told for two years now that with just a little more money and a little more time, the eminent domain is going to work out, and it hasn't; we don't know how much more it's going to cost. He said as far as encountering difficulties with construction, you can have the same problems in terms of unanticipated difficulties if you are trying to horizontal drill down the Sculpture Trail. Discussion followed.

Resolution – Approve Transfer of Funds to Install New Carbon Dioxide System: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the occurrence of Harmful Algae Blooms (HABs) in Cayuga Lake has raised concerns about their impact on the Town's public water supply; and

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to be proactive in protecting the quality of the water supply by installing a carbon dioxide (PH adjustment) system at the Water Treatment Plant to enhance coagulation and improve their ability to remove cyanotoxins during the water treatment process; and

WHEREAS, approval of expenditures cannot occur without supplying the funds to cover the expense.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Seneca Falls Town Board does hereby approve transferring \$380,000 of unexpended fund balance from the General Fund to the Water Fund to install a carbon dioxide (PH adjustment) system at the Water Treatment Plant to enhance coagulation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Principal Account Clerk is authorized to make the appropriate budget modifications to create the interfund transfer in the General Fund, line A9901.904 to be increased to \$380,000.

In the Water Fund to create the interfund transfer by increasing F5031 to receive the funds and by increasing line F8330.202 for \$380,000 to reflect the expenditure.

Mr. Churchill asked if the Town has pursued looking for grant money for this project. Mr. Baker replied right now, there are not any readily available grants for this specific project. Brief discussion followed.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to adopt the above resolution transferring funds to install new carbon dioxide system was carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

W/S – Authorize B&L to Write Specs/Plans for Carbon Dioxide System: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town Board authorized the transfer of funds to F8330.202 for the CO2 PH adjustment at the Water Treatment Facility in Canoga.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes Barton & Loguidice to write the specs/plans for a carbon dioxide injection system at the Water Plant, and submit the plans to the Department of Health for approval.

No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Contribution to Women’s Institute for Leadership and Learning/Women’s March for Women’s Suffrage Centennial Event “Women Take the Stage”: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to contribute \$30,000 to the Women’s Institute for Leadership and Learning/Women’s March for Women’s Suffrage Centennial Event “Women Take the Stage”.

Mr. Avery stated last year, the Board approved money to go to the SFDC to basically do the same function; it wasn’t budgeted then and it’s not budgeted now. He said these people are looking to take this money that the SFDC is not using in order to put together festivities to celebrate the Centennial of Women’s Suffrage. Mr. Ferrara mentioned that they were using this money to create some entertainment opportunities at the conclusion of Convention Days. Mr. Avery expressed concerns about accountability – does the Board give it all to them and get some back if they don’t use all of it. He is not sure the Board knows enough about it. Further discussion followed.

A motion was made to table action as the Board doesn’t have enough information by Doug Avery and seconded by Michael Ferrara. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Mr. Avery mentioned that the Board was going to insist on written contracts with non-profits; also, there has to be some statement that outlines the benefit to the Town.

Appoint Member and Alternate Member of Planning Board: A motion was made to reappoint John Quattrociocchi as a Member of the Planning Board, said term to expire December 31, 2024, by Doug Avery and seconded by Steve Churchill. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Kathleen Lutz as an Alternate Member of the Planning Board, said term to expire December 31, 2020, by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Appoint Member of Zoning Board of Appeals: A motion was made to appoint Matthew Blair as a Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals, said term to expire December 31, 2024, by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. Motion did not carry as the vote was 2 ayes, 3 naves; Councilmen Churchill, DeLelys and Avery with the dissenting votes.

A motion was made to appoint Mary Kelleher as a Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals, said term to expire December 31, 2024, by Doug Avery and seconded by Steve Churchill.

Mr. Avery stated this is choosing between two qualified people. He said Ms. Kelleher has been on the Planning Board and the County Planning Board and is very interested in serving. He would like to see her serve.

The above motion made by Doug Avery and seconded by Steve Churchill to appoint Mary Kelleher as a Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals was carried 3 ayes, 2 naves; Supervisor Ferrara and Councilwoman Dyson with the dissenting votes.

Appoint Member of Assessment Review Board: A motion was made to reappoint Stephen Wawro as a Member of the Board of Assessment Review, said term to expire December 31, 2024, by Dave DeLelys and seconded by

Doug Avery.

Mr. Ferrara asked about his qualifications; Mr. Avery replied he has been on the Assessment Review Board; the Assessment Team is very pleased with his work.

The above motion made by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Doug Avery to appoint Stephen Wawro as a Member of the Board of Assessment Review was carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

W/S – Surplus Various Pumps/Materials/Outdated Parts: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town Water/Wastewater Department is in need of putting various pumps, materials and outdated parts including a 2010 Chevy pickup out for surplus.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Seneca Falls Town Board does hereby authorize surplus these outdated pumps, truck, materials and parts and placing them on Auctions International. Proceeds from the sale will be put into F2665 – sale of equipment.

No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Request Partial Payment – Floor Repairs at Visitors Center: A motion was made to approve partial payment of \$7,000 to DeClerck Hardwoods, Inc. for the floor refurbishing at the Visitors Center by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery.

Mr. Ferrara stated this represents about 50% of the payment and they are about three-quarters of the way done. He mentioned that it looks very nice.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to approve partial payment of \$7,000 to DeClerck Hardwoods, Inc. for the floor refurbishing was carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Discussion – Spend Additional \$8,000 for Visitors Center Floor Repairs: A motion was made to spend up to an additional \$5,000 for Visitors Center floor repairs by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys.

Mr. Ferrara stated the floor on the second floor, Canalside, was in very bad shape and it would be cost-prohibitive to refurbish it. He, Ms. Destino and Mr. Passalacqua gathered information and they have a price to put in pre-finished hickory hardwood, and almost have cost finalized for commercial grade vinyl which would be significantly less. Mr. Ferrara said the Board approved spending up to \$23,000 on the floors; so far, \$14,700 was spent. With the balance of the \$23,000, it would be no more than \$5,000 to go with commercial grade vinyl. Mr. Churchill asked what the hickory would be; Mr. Ferrara replied the hickory is more – it's more like up to \$9,000. Mr. Churchill asked how big the area was; Ms. Destino replied 2,670 sq.ft. – that would be the vinyl for the second floor. She said the total cost for hickory would be between \$18,000-\$19,000. Mr. Morrell asked if that would be with installation; Ms. Destino replied yes. Further discussion followed relative to the cost for vinyl vs. hickory.

A motion was made to amend the original motion by increasing the additional amount to \$8,000 for Visitors Center floor repair by Steve Churchill and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made approve the amended motion to spend up to an additional amount of \$8,000 to complete the floor project at the Visitors Center by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Barton & Loguidice Agreement for 2020 Professional Services: A motion to was made to approve the Agreement with Barton & Loguidice for 2020 Professional Services by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys.

Mr. Ferrara mentioned that Mr. Morrell has reviewed the contract and recommended approval.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to approve the Agreement with Barton & Loguidice for 2020 Professional Services was carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Cash Advance from General Fund to Community Center (\$250,000): A motion was made to approve a cash advance from General Fund to the Community Center in the amount of \$250,000 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys.

Mrs. Warfel stated this is just giving the Community Center money to function until their revenue comes in, and

then it will go back to the General Fund.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to approve a cash advance from General Fund to the Community Center in the amount of \$250,000 was carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Resolution – SEQR for Equalization Tank Improvement Project: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town of Seneca Falls (Town) is proposing the Town of Seneca Falls Equalization Tank Improvements Project (Project), located in the Town of Seneca Falls, Seneca County, New York; and

WHEREAS, the Project has been classified as a “Type 1 Action” as defined by the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) in 6NYCRR Part 617.4; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Town of Seneca Falls Town Council to assume the role of “Lead Agency” for purposes of conducting a SEQRA/SERP assessment of the Project; and

WHEREAS, Part 1 of a Full Environmental Assessment Form (FEAF) has been completed, reviewed by the Town of Seneca Falls Town Council, and will be circulated to all interested and involved Agencies for purposes of establishing the Town of Seneca Falls Town Council as “Lead Agency” in accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 617.6(b).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the Supervisor of the Town of Seneca Falls hereby is authorized to sign Part 1 of the FEAF (page 13); and it is further

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the Town of Seneca Falls will send said Part 1 of the FEAF and associated site figure to the attached list of “Interested and Involved Agencies” under cover of a “Notice of Intent to Establish Lead Agency” letter for purposes of establishing Lead Agency status under the SEQRA/SERP; and it is further RESOLVED, that the Supervisor of the Town of Seneca Falls and the Town Council, together with the Town of Seneca Falls Attorney and B&L, are hereby authorized to take all actions, serve all notices, and complete all documents required to give full force and effect to this determination.

A roll call vote was taken on the above resolution which is as follows:

Michael Ferrara – yes; Steven Churchill – yes; David DeLelys – yes; Douglas Avery – yes; Dawn Dyson – yes
Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Water/Sewer Credits: A motion was made to approve the Water/Sewer Credits in the amount of \$2,075.76 as per Memo dated March 3, 2020 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

At 9:10 P.M., a motion was made to go into Executive Session to discuss the sale of real property where publicity could impact the value thereof by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to reconvene the regular Meeting at 9:25 P.M. by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made by Doug Avery and seconded by Michael Ferrara to enter into a contract with Blue Heron Properties, proposed Buyers for 10 Fall Street, with the proposed stipulations:

1. Purchase price.
2. Contingent upon ability to secure ownership of 2 Fall Street.
3. Town would retain the Storage Building and access to it.
4. Secure 2 Fall Street by April 1st, 2020.

No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Payment of Bills:

A motion was made by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Dawn Dyson to approve and order paid the following bills:

General Fund - \$189,657.71 (Abstract #3)	Recreation Fund - \$12,257.29 (Abstract #3)
Miscellaneous Fund - \$84,698.99 (Abstract #3)	Vince’s Park Fund - \$838.41 (Abstract #3)
Highway Fund - \$197,848.43 (Abstract #3)	Sewer Fund - \$57,156.39 (Abstract #3)
Water Fund - \$38,865.53 (Abstract #3)	

No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Being there was no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the Meeting by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

NICALETTA J. GREER, Town Clerk

