

MUNICIPAL BOARD
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING – DECEMBER 19, 2023

Present: Chairman Marc Angelillo, Commissioner Mike Yates, Commissioner Mary Ellen McQuaid, Commissioner Kevin Goode, Trustee Ed Evans, Director of Municipal Operations Tom Posella, DDMO Cosimo Pagano, WWTP Chief Operator Adam Twitchell, WWTP Operator Mason Hawker and Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator/Clerk to Municipal Board Ian Carroll.

Chairman Angelillo called the meeting to order at 8:05 am.

Minutes. Upon motion of Commissioner McQuaid, seconded by Commissioner Goode, the minutes of the November 28 Meeting of the Municipal Board were unanimously approved as submitted.

Electric Department Update, Smart Kable/Line Ranger Discussion.

- DMO Posella described the origin of the relationship with Smart Kable, including its coinciding with requests for electric service upgrades and requests for assurances of power reliability at the North Shore Association buildings of the downtown business district
- Chairman Angelillo inquired about the Village's past work with similar requests, and how costs could be shared with property owners
- The new product offering from Smart Kable would allow for better monitoring of electric performance for the downtown area, including possibly other adjacent circuits such as Onondaga Street
- There was a discussion of other products in the marketplace, or if this was a new technology unavailable elsewhere, which could complicate an effort to do an RFP, for example. Questions were asked about what was included in the proposal, whether it was to rent or own the hardware (is to rent) and if services or software were included
- There was some discussion that this kind of investment could aid with the upcoming rate case through supporting data
- At 8:35 am, member Yates made a motion, seconded by member McQuaid, to ask for a revised proposal that included potential for an expanded number of units for use in other circuits, not just the North Shore, and that this could be presented by Smart Kable themselves at the next meeting. The motion passed by unanimous approval.

Seawall Project; Cosimo Pagano

- Cosimo revisited the seawall project status
- The workers have shut down for the winter season, and have left up the required snow and silt fence for runoff control

- Work may resume by late February with an understanding that the project is to be completed on schedule leaving ample time to regrow grass prior to the warm weather and tourist season

Water Supply Inspection by County Health Department

- DDMO Pagano described the November inspection by the county, that addressed matters of importance to the county pertaining to the plant, including succession planning, backflow prevention inspections, among other observations. DDMO Pagano distributed copies of the county document

New Member

- There was unanimous interest in bringing on a new member of the Municipal Board, an individual known to current members with experience in rates cases and other relevant areas of municipal utilities. They would be encouraged to attend a regular meeting of the municipal board or meet with members at their discretion, before the option of appointment by the Village Board.

Financial Reporting

- The discussion continued about the need for documenting financial records, both operations and capital spending, prior to filing rate case materials
- Member Yates and Trustee Evans agreed to work directly with appropriate Village staff as appropriate

Emergency Preparedness

- There was continued discussion of a desire to invite Skaneateles Volunteer Fire Department representatives to attend the meeting and discuss ongoing issues.

On the motion of **Commissioner McQuaid seconded by Commissioner Goode and with unanimous approval the meeting adjourned at 9:15 am.**

Respectfully submitted,

Ian Carroll, Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator and Clerk to the Municipal Board

The next meeting of the Municipal Board is at 8 am January 23, 2024 at the DPW building at 3829 Fennell Street.