

**TOWN OF SCHUYLER FALLS**  
**TOWN BOARD**  
**Work Session August 19, 2019**

Supervisor Potiker called the Work Session of the Town of Schuyler Falls Town Board to order at 6:05 p.m.

	<b><u>Present</u></b>	<b><u>Absent</u></b>
<b><u>MEMBER</u></b>		
George Seymour	X	
Barry White		X
Howard Newton	X	
Martin Perrotte	X	
Richard Potiker	X	
Donna Hamel	X	

The Board members discussed the status of the Highway Garage repairs. Mr. Potiker still has only the one quote for \$10,000.00 that he received quite a while ago from Architectural & Engineering. This quote was for the creation of a feasibility study for the evaluation of options for a new Highway Garage and Sand /Salt Storage Building. He did reach out to LaBerge Engineering and Sutherland Engineering firm, but to date has not gotten a response. After some discussion, Mr. Potiker will get an updated quote from Architectural & Engineering Designs and contact the other two Engineering firms before a decision is made to go further on this matter. Mr. Seymour said that he did not think that there was anything at this time that would constitute any emergency repairs to the garage at this time. It also was said that being so late in the year, that this expenditure could be included in the 2020 budget.

Mr. Potiker told the Board members a meeting was held last week with the Highway Union representative, Mike Snyder, George Seymour and Mike Perrotte regarding the Union contract. He said that an executive session is needed to discuss negotiations regarding the Highway union. **Mr. Perrotte made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Highway Union negotiations. This motion was seconded by Mr. Newton with all members present in favor. Executive Session entered at 6:15 p.m.**

**Mr. Newton made a motion to reconvene the work session. This motion was seconded by Mr. Seymour. All discussion in Executive Session was in relation to the Highway Union negotiations. Work Session reconvened at 6:40 p.m. with all members present.**

The Board members discussed the status on the Mark Road culvert. Since the Highway Superintendent was not present, nothing new was reported on this project.

No new news on the water pressure at the Fire station.

It was reported that the Time Clocks are still malfunctioning. A discussion followed on this and it was mentioned that fingerprints will be eliminated and entered again in the system.

**River Street Park/** Mr. Potiker received the plans that included the new location for the parking lot. This was a concern from one of the residents that live directly across from where the parking lot was going to be constructed.

Mr. Potiker told the Board members that the water tank mixer for the Morrisonville Water District was delivered.

A discussion was held on the Employee Handbook and the changes that are needed.

A discussion was held on the new Sexual Harassment requirements. This requirement mandated by the State that all employees need to meet each year.

Mr. Potiker gave the proposed Fund Balance Policy to Mr. Newton to review.

Donna Hamel told the Board members that at the meeting tomorrow night, a resolution is included to authorize the Board to override the tax levy limit. This is needed each year in anticipation of an excess of the tax levy limit defined by General Municipal Law.

An update was given on the Town Hall Security cameras and the Automatic door openers.

Mr. Potiker told the Board members that to date, he has not received an EMS Financial report.

Mr. Potiker told the Board members that LaBerge Engineering is working with the Town of Plattsburgh's water department on the Morrisonville Water District expansion map and figures for the new water rates when the district goes to meter billing.

A discussion was held on the LED lighting for the Highway Garage and the Town Hall. It was said that a possibility to reduce the cost would be to have the Building and Grounds worker install the lighting. This could be done in intervals to offset the expense.

Mr. Potiker reported that the NYMEP is still on hold. To move forward, a local law would be needed. Mr. Potiker told the Board members that the Town of Beekmantown has signed on to this program. He will talk with the Supervisor from Beekmantown at the next Supervisor's meeting.

Mr. Perrotte asked if any sidewalks in the Town have been worked on. Mr. Potiker said that to date, none have been.

Cell Tower Update/ Mr. Potiker told the Board members that a new cell tower has been approved on the Felton Road. He said that the antenna is being installed at the cell tower at the Landfill. The cell tower on the Guynup Road will increase approximately twenty feet in height.

Mr. Perrotte mentioned that there has been little upkeep on the grounds around the Town Hall. He asked if this was something that the Building and Grounds person could get done. Mr. Potiker will mention this to him. Mr. Perrotte mentioned that the Broadwell-Raposa park signage looks like it could be updated as it looks worn.

**ADJOURNMENT Mr. Newton made a motion to adjourn, which was Seconded by Mr. Seymour; and was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. ADJOURNMENT/7:40p.m.**

**Donna Hamel/Town Clerk**