

**VILLAGE OF SHERMAN**  
**MINUTES OF THE**  
**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Wednesday, January 20, 2021 at 6:00pm**

The meeting was held remotely via videoconference. Mayor Meeder welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 6:05pm by leading everyone in the pledge of allegiance. Board members Colleen Meeder, Donna Higginbotham, Kirk Ayers, Ryan Sanders, and Dennis Watson, Clerk-Treasurer Jeanette Ramm, Chief Operator Jay Irwin, Nicole Cleary, and the press were in attendance.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

The first order of business was to clarify the resolution regarding the Public Hearing as scheduled under RES 2021-01-06.8 for February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021.

**RES 2021-01-20.1: SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING FOR CDBG APPLICATIONS**

Motion to authorize the public hearing scheduled on Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 6pm, via Zoom, to discuss community development needs, and to discuss the possible submission of one or more Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications for the **2020** program year.

Moved by Trustee Higginbotham    Seconded by Trustee Watson

Ayes: 5      Nays: 0      Carried

**STORMWATER**

The GIGP (Green Innovation Grant Program) Grant which is administered through the DEC/EFC is currently open and due by February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021. This grant is for the Main Street green infrastructure portion of the stormwater project. Our original approval of the GIGP Application was previously resolved by RES:2020-06-03.11. It is herein amended to reflect the updated cost estimates, and to focus on the Main Street portion. The application for the Park Street portion will coincide with or follow the release of the WQIP (Water Quality Improvement Project) grant application, and after confirming the Village either owns or has a 99-year lease of the property at the Nature Center and/or above to build swales and riparian buffers to slow the water flooding Park Street from Titus Road.

Mayor Meeder introduced Nicole Cleary, the Senior Project Architect from Barton & Loguidice. Ms. Cleary gave a detailed presentation of the Village's 2020 Green Innovation Grant Program for the Green Infrastructure Gateway Streetscape Retrofit project. Her presentation covered a recap of previous studies and how we got to where we are now; what is currently being prepared for the grant application; insight into what is needed from the community; and a period of questions and answers. The full presentation is attached at the end of the minutes. It was noted that the 10% Village match can be cash or force account (i.e., in kind services by Village employees). We are also looking into a Federal grant of up to \$99,000 through the USDA-RD (Rural Development). This would be used for anything that helps businesses, e.g., pavement improvements to connect businesses. We are still investigating if this could be considered part of the Village match. It would have to be 'shovel ready' at the time of the award, which is why we removed Park Street from this initial project.

**RES 2021-01-20.2: GIGP/CFA STORMWATER APPLICATION FOR \$2.3m PROJECT**

Motion to approve the application through the Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) to the NY DEC (Department of Environmental Conservation) / NYSEFC (Environmental Facilities



**Motion to exit Executive Session and adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm.**

Moved by Trustee Ayers                      Seconded by Trustee Sanders

Ayes: 5      Nays: 0      Carried

Respectfully submitted.

Jeanette Ramm

Clerk-Treasurer