

A Village Board Work Session Meeting was held on Monday, August 6, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at Village Hall, 9 Fairlawn Drive, Washingtonville, New York.

PRESENT:

Deputy Mayor Paul Lang, Trustees Richard Calore and Diane Mack.

ABSENT:

Mayor Joseph Bucco and Trustee Valerie Laudato.

ALSO PRESENT:

Village Clerk Christine Shenkman, Village Police Chief Brian Zaccaro and Department of Public Works (D.P.W.) Superintendent Christopher Martino.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Deputy Mayor Paul Lang led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

WASHINGTONVILLE COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE:

Maaike Wiegman-Leavey, member of Washingtonville Community Events organization came before the Village Board to seek support and approval from the Board regarding a Brotherhood Winery wine tasting event at Witchingtonville and Village Christmas events. Ms. Wiegman-Leavey explained that Brotherhood Winery has started offering wine tasting at the Farmers Market, and the Events Committee would like to see their participation in other Village events as well. "The Village of Washingtonville has a new, exciting and good relationship with Brotherhood Winery".

Deputy Mayor Lang commented that last year the Village Board passed a Law prohibiting alcohol on Village property, and wine tasting could cause tremendous liability issues.

Trustee Mack indicated the Winery will not be selling wine by the glass but just offering wine tasting.

Ms. Wiegman-Leavey stated the Winery has a New York State Department of Agriculture Permit and License for wine tasting at the Farmers Market, and Deputy Mayor Lang responded Witchingtonville and the Christmas Parade are events of a different nature.

Ms. Wiegman-Leavey continued that Brotherhood Winery has not indicated they are conducting wine tasting at these events, however, the Events Committee is conducting research in advance to comply with all rules, laws and regulations of the Village of Washingtonville.

Trustee Calore concurred the Winery should be involved in community events, however, he would not grant approval for wine tasting at Witchingtonville because it is a children's event.

Village Police Chief Brian Zaccaro stated there is a possibility the Winery may be able to obtain a one (1) Day off-premise Permit but he is not familiar with Wine Tasting laws.

WASHINGTONVILLE COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE – (CONTINUED):

The Events Committee will conduct research with the New York State Liquor Authority regarding licensing and liability insurance matters, and will present a report at the August 21, 2018 Village Board Regular Meeting.

WATER - SEWER BILLING CORRESPONDENCE:

Deputy Mayor Lang reported between fifty (50) – sixty (60) letters have been sent to Village residents regarding bad water meter readings. There are one-hundred seventy-six (176) names on the list, and most people have been receiving estimated water meter readings due to older meters in need of replacement, or new meters that have broken wires. If a resident receives a letter they should contact the Village Water Department at 496 – 1034, and your water meter will be upgraded at no cost to the resident. Deputy Mayor Lang indicated a secondary issue involves denied access due to fencing or dogs in yards which prevents the Water Department from gaining access to read and record water meter information.

SOLAR SITE PLAN APPLICATION AND PERMIT FEES:

Deputy Mayor Lang made a motion, seconded by Trustee Calore and adopted to recommend that the Village Board adopt a Resolution that states one-half percent (.005) of total cost of installation for all large scale solar array projects represents the cost of a Building Permit Fee, and to further recommend that a \$15,000 Escrow Account be a requirement for a project of this nature; said Resolution passed by a unanimous vote of the Village Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Calore made a motion, seconded by Trustee Mack and adopted to adjourn the August 6, 2018 Village Board Work Session Meeting; said Resolution passed by a unanimous vote of the Village Board.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

CHRISTINE SHENKMAN

VILLAGE CLERK