



VILLAGE OF RHINEBECK

Village of Rhinebeck Board of Trustees
Thursday, May 9, 2019
6:30 PM

Mayor Bassett opened the meeting at with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:30PM.

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| Mayor Gary Bassett: | Present |
| Deputy Mayor Richard Lewit: | Present |
| Trustee Paul Korczak: | Present |
| Trustee Brant Neuneker: | Present |
| Trustee John Rossi | Present |

Also present was: Village Clerk Patricia Coon, Superintendent of Public Works John Fenton, Engineers Troy A. Wojciekofsky and David Hansen from Stantec and members of the public.

Water Distribution Project

Mayor Bassett welcomed the public and gave a brief description of tonight's meeting. Mayor Bassett turned the meeting over to Trustee Neuneker who described the complexity of the project, as the 6" water main will be replaced with a 12" line. Trustee Neuneker turned the discussion over the Stantec Engineer Troy Wojciekofsky and David Hansen, who discussed the side streets of Livingston, Chestnut and Platt will be replaced. He gave a description of the existing water system and based on the analysis done by Stantec phase 1 will involve replacing the 100 year old system as they have reduced water flow. The project is out to bid as of May 9, 2019, with contractors submitting bids by June 5. Construction to begin July 1 and to the spring of 2020. It is hopeful that Montgomery Street will be completed this year, with side streets next year. The public is to expect 1) lane closures during most of the construction, however, the project will work around the key festivals and fairs. 2) Minor short periods of no water while switching over 3) Connection of individual water systems. The water department has gone to each property to see if the current standard of connection is copper, as some have galvanized metal. The Village is trying to identify copper and galvanized water line homes. If a property has galvanized lines, they will not be connected to new curb valve.

Public Comment

Andrew Hunter and Cynthia Fennell asked what type of lines they had- galvanized or copper. Engineer Hanson discussed getting prearrangement pricing from a contractor as the property owner will have to pay for the replacement.

Donna Warner- Asked for a definition of a curb box, which Engineer Hanson provided.

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Lindy Wright- questioned and concerned about the disruption of trees, landscaping and homes. Engineer Hanson stated placement can be adjusted and arrangements made to appease the property owners.

The Board discussed having a contractor reach out to the property owners as to the placement of new service lines. They discussed 60-80 feet as the approximate number of feet per day that will be laid open and closed, that 1-2 services will be installed per day, and it will take about 22 weeks. This is an approximation, could be better or worse. The discussion on communication between property owner, contractor and project contractor.

Piper Woods- 6422 Montgomery Street presented a letter to the Board which is on file in the clerk's office. She has a concern as to the traffic flow and people visiting rhinebeck. Outdoor dining will be affected by dust, noise and vibration. She asked the working hours, the earlier the better. She asked about emergency vehicles, and if during construction, Livingston Street would be considered for parking without permits. She asked if there could be a link to get daily updates via the website. She also discussed access to her building, if it is galvanized or copper and if damage to the sidewalk or landscaping will be corrected by the contractor. She voiced a concern that people and visitors to the village will drive around the village during construction.

Engineer Wojciekofsky stated concerns are legitimate, contractors will need to maintain a safe access to businesses and properties day to day. There will be full time inspectors, and a direct line will be set up to reach out if problems occur. Engineer Wojciekofsky discussed the sidewalks will not be affected, and in some instances, the type of service line will not be found out until construction. A new curb box will be installed in the right of way. He discussed the installations and ways they will be minimizing water shortages or outages. The types of pipers were discussed.

The Board discussed the contractor staging, and Stantec is working with Supt. of Public works John Fenton and hope to have that all lined up in a week or so. The village is trying to coordinate it, if not, the contractor will have to do so.

Donna Warner- questioned the schedule and displacement of parking for residents, businesses and churches as they will all be affected. She discussed where the connections are, and where the properties are fed from.

Engineer Hanson- discussed the possibility of working on the weekends as Montgomery Street will need to be completed by winter. If the project runs into winter weather, may have to be stabilized. It is anticipated to have Montgomery Street completed by November, and start the side streets as soon as possible. The village will know more once a contractor has been determined and what is found.

Al Decottiis- communication is vital during this project

Kimba Baker- asked regarding the replacing of sidewalks and about preserving the historic bluestone sidewalks. The engineers stated will do everything they can to preserve existing sidewalks and do minimal damage. She asked if the property owners had galvanized who to contact to replace. The response was to contact a local plumber they can recommend.

Michelle Keller- Asked regarding the traffic flow and if it will be diverted during construction. Engineer Hanson stated Montgomery Street will maintain at least on lane at all times.

Mary Russo- asked when it would start on the side streets, response July 1 and would go to the spring of next year.

Andrew Hunter- asked about the placing of lines, and the engineers explained the process and the NYSDOH approval needed and the placement of the lines.

Andrea Newman- asked about the placement of lines after mulberry on Chestnut,

Liz Mazzarella- asked about the funding of the project after the grant, and about putting electrical lines underground at the same time.

The Board responded that the electrical can't be put in the same trench and it would add 4-5 months to the project. The Board discussed the funding sources for the balance of the project. The Board discussed that the property owners could get quotes now on replacing service lines now, and understands how important communication will be during this project.

Deb Alexander- questioned if this will increase pressure- response increasing capacity, not increasing pressure, and it is not anticipated.

The board discussed the bidder's conference on May 22, 2019 and asked if a fair number of contractors would be involved in the bidding process. Several residents asked if their areas of chestnut Street will be affected, and the response was it is from Montgomery to Mulberry. Trustee Neuneker discussed the phase one of this project and the village had done an analysis of the village and water lines and where the phases of replacement were to be done based on the condition.

End of public comment on the Water Distribution with the Bidders meeting on May 22, 2019 at 10:00 with the Engineers from Stantec.

Other Business

Mayor Bassett discussed the Memorial Day Parade and as the American Legion did not submit the 5M of insurance with their application to NYS DOT, they denied it. It was discussed if the village could pay the cost of \$300 which is what the Montgomery Post

#429 Commander stated it would cost for the 5M of insurance. Mayor Bassett had looked into having the Village's insurance cover it, it would cost \$5,000.

Motion: Mayor Bassett: To have the Village of Rhinebeck pay \$300 to American Legion Montgomery Post #429 for the insurance for the Memorial Day Parade.

Second: Deputy Mayor Lewit

Amended Motion: Mayor Bassett: To have the Village of Rhinebeck pay \$300 to American Legion Montgomery Post #429 for the insurance for the Memorial Day Parade., and going forward either the Village takes over the parade or the American Legion pays for the insurance.

Second: Deputy Mayor Lewit

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| Mayor Bassett: | Yes |
| Deputy Mayor Lewit: | Yes |
| Trustee Korczak: | Yes |
| Trustee Neuneker: | Yes |
| Trustee Rossi | Yes |

Motion: Mayor Bassett: To close this special meeting.

Second: Deputy Mayor Lewit

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| Mayor Bassett: | Yes |
| Deputy Mayor Lewit: | Yes |
| Trustee Korczak: | Yes |
| Trustee Neuneker: | Yes |
| Trustee Rossi | Yes |

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia D. Coon, CMC, RMC
Village Clerk