

**Village of Camillus
Special Meeting
June 10, 2016**

Present: Mayor Patricia J. Butler-Rhoades
Trustee Ann Eckert (absent)
Trustee Helen Kiggins Walsh (absent)
Trustee Martin Rinaldo
Trustee Richard Waterman

Attorney: Robert J. Allan

3 Persons in attendance

**VILLAGE OF CAMILLUS BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Camillus, Onondaga County, New York, will hold a special meeting on Friday June 10, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. at the Village Hall, 37 Main Street, in the Village of Camillus.

May 31, 2016

PATRICIA J. BUTLER, Mayor
Village of Camillus

Tom Blair began the meeting by stating that Dottie, from Senator John DeFrancisco's office, called him Wednesday to tell him that she had looked at the plans and nothing was eligible for the D.A.S.NY money. A deed needs to be pulled to show that the property being improved is owned by the Village. No private owned land may have money spent for infrastructure on private land. The dry hydrants and fill in pipe are on Camillus Mills property. Dottie stated Village right of way doesn't qualify, the land under the Village right of way must be Village owned. She recommended using the DASNY money for other improvement projects on Village owned property and budgeting the money from the Villages general fund for those projects to go towards the Village infrastructure on Camillus Mills property.

Bill Morse questioned when is the Village right of way not Village property? A discussion was had regarding the abandonment of the road, deeds for the roads, right of ways and whether there was a Resolution regarding the roads. Villages don't normally have deeds for their roads. Doug asked if there was a way to demonstrate to Dottie and the Dormitory Authority that the Village owns the property out to the curb, in between the curb and Camillus Mills property. Is there a deed for that? He contacted Doug Reith to verify this information regarding and because it is regards to abandoned NY state property, Doug is contacting the state DOT to see if they have something in their records to transfer with the deed. Attorney Allan thinks it wasn't deeded. Tom stated that when they bought the property at auction, the metes and bounds on the deed reflected a boundary excluding the Village sidewalks and the right of way. Tom stated they're comfortable with the exclusions and suggested they provide DASNY with a copy of the deed along with a copy of a stamped survey signed by licensed surveyor stating that this information is accurate and having something from the Village stating that to your knowledge this survey and deed are accurate and that you own and maintain that section of road and the sidewalks.

Attorney Allan stated the abandonment would be in writing but Tom and Bob agree that the metes and bounds wouldn't include a legal description. Tom asked if everyone was comfortable with the fact that outside the boundary line on the metes and bounds is Village property and Trustee Rinaldo and Trustee Waterman verbally agreed. A discussion was had regarding securing \$80,000 for beautifying the Camillus Mills streetscape and \$50,000 for the Village Hall side. Tom asked if the Village had any block grants that could cover that and Bill Morse said he had an application in to Community Development for \$50,000 to do the work on the Camillus Mills side that he was waiting to hear back.

Bill Morse stated that Camillus Mills had already paid for a portion of the sewer reconstruction which will count toward the matching grant. A discussion was had regarding the matching grant qualifications. Tom stated that the match has to occur on the property as described, Doug recalled it saying on or immediately adjacent. Tom will forward the email he received in verification.

Bill Morse stated that Camillus Mills was already planning on paying for the new water line. His suggestion was to make the line public so it would go towards the Village match of \$250,000.

Tom Blair stated he feels he can go back to Dottie and Senator DeFrancisco with an email stating the first scope is clearly on Village property and continue to pursue the grant. There is a 14 month lag time and they would like the front to look nice when they are tenanting the building. If they give us the DASNY application right away, a binder needs to be pulled which takes at least a couple weeks and Tom is willing to help the Village do this. It takes time for it to be reviewed by Dottie in Senator DeFrancisco's office and then it's another 12-14 months before the money comes in. Doug and Tom are volunteering their time to help the Village with the second piece with DASNY which will be staggered as well as help with the political, governmental, operational, or wherever else they can help including design and beautifying.

Doug stated the money is a reimbursement but the Village can't spend the money until after it's been approved. If the DOH and local people agree today then they go into a 45 day public comment period which takes you to July/August period. August 1 is when they close on their construction loan which takes them to Aug 2017. They would like the sidewalks done to give the building more of a finished feel when they are tenanting it.

Mayor Butler-Rhoades entered the meeting and Tom Blair recapped what had occurred previously in the meeting. He added that even though the \$130,000 from Senator DeFrancisco's office had been taken off the table Tom felt that the \$81,000 was actually back in since it is on the Village property and therefore would qualify. The objective is to get the other \$50,000 with work that occurs on Village owned property.

The match money has to be spent on 52 and 54 Main St in order to qualify for reimbursement. Doug stated that the waterline from Solvay Bank to the Village waterway is 150 feet at about \$30 a foot which equals about \$5000. In the property is about 600 feet at \$30 per foot is about \$18,000 plus a couple other parts that brings it to \$20,000. This does not include laterals going

into buildings which we assume would be part of it so it would be plus or minus \$25,000 for the public waterways.

Doug asked if the \$50,000 for the sidewalks might be able to include installing the waterline in that description. Bill said he would have to check into that. A discussion was had about previous grants and usage and Bill added that the application can't be amended but you can amend the scope.

Doug stated that if we could amend the scope and get the \$25,000 there, get Senator DeFrancisco's office to give us the applications and find that this is Village owned which is another \$80,000 and get \$50,000 sidewalk improvements on the Village Hall side, plus the county work on the sewers and the Camillus Mills contribution we should be close to the \$250,000. Tom Blair stated that all matches had to occur on 52/54 Genesee St.

A discussion was had discussing regarding some of the options of where the money might come from and how it could be best utilized as well as the timeline. Trustee Waterman asked when the Community Development bid would be approved and Bill Morse stated they wouldn't hear it had been approved until September or October. Doug stated this has gone so late that it would be spring before they get started. Bill Morse said Community Development has to go out to bid and if Camillus Mills already has a design, Bill can put together a bid package.

The dry hydrant is in the public right away not on Camillus Mills property so Doug Reith didn't show it in his survey so it would qualify for DeFrancisco funds but not matching grant funds. Tom commented on the idea that the Village would try to match the lighting for Camillus Mills. He then questioned whether or not the bay doors in the Village would stay functional or the Village would put a fountain, benches or landscaping in front of them. Mayor Butler-Rhoades and Trustee Waterman stated they would remain in use by the Highway Department. Bill Morse stated he doesn't need a detailed design to come up with a basic cost estimate.

Doug stated it looked like Camillus Mills may be stuck with filling in the 42" storm sewer line. If Freeman's Services could design the other side of the street, the water line, and other elements and it could be picked up with the DeFrancisco funds we could use the funds to offset the cost of filling in the storm water line which was about \$42,000. Bill asked if the work on the sanitary sewer would count toward the match. Tom stated anything on 52/54 is matched and would qualify. Bill stated the money spent 3 years ago for the televised costs would count towards the match. Attorney Allan stated when we put the audit together for the Village match the bill for the televised costs needs to be included. Doug states anything spent towards this would count including Bill Morse's fees, Attorney Allan's fees, and allocate Sharon Norcross Clerk/Treasurer fees for pulling numbers together, for the approvals, etc. There was a discussion had regarding adding the water line to the streetscape but Doug pointed out that we can't wait for DASNY for the water line that is Community Development. We took the Newport Rd entrance off because Dotty said because it's private land on one side and county on the other side it's not Village and wouldn't count.

Trustee Waterman exited the meeting. Tom asked what the Village wanted to see done with the streets. Mayor Butler-Rhoades stated concrete work and the lighting. Trustee Rinaldo brought

up the Town of Camillus having difficulties with their lighting. Mayor Butler-Rhoades stated she had received an email from Alex at the lighting company stating that the materials he uses is not the same as the material used in the Town lights. The coating that Alex would use would not need the updating that the Town is needing. Mayor Butler-Rhoades will forward the email to all present. The lighting would also be one piece which would limit the maintenance and the bulbs will last a lifetime. Mayor Butler-Rhoades asked if the grant money would cover any of the National Grid rewiring costs to update the Village lights. Doug stated he thought the DeFrancisco could probably cover the cost of rewiring. The idea would be eventually do the whole street but for now plan to do one piece at a time, as much as you can, as far as you can and then do more at a later time.

Attorney Allan asked about moving the Centro bus stop. Mayor Butler-Rhoades stated it's a central location for the bus stop. A discussion was had regarding possible locations to relocate the bus stop including moving it in front of the park area next to the Village Hall. The Village could get rid of some of the concrete and replace it with pavers. The DeFrancisco money won't cover trees, benches, or shrubbery. Mayor Butler-Rhoades will start with a letter to Centro in regards to moving the bus stop. Her concern is keeping the bus stop here since Centro wanted to reduce stops. It would be hardship on the residents to have the middle stop eliminated.

Attorney Allan will send a bill to Camillus Mills with a detailed statement. Attorney Allan exited the meeting.

Doug questioned what was needed to proceed. Bill Morse stated that you can do an application without plans and he can do the design but will hold the bill until the approval has come through. The money can't be spent until it has been approved.

The \$130,000 would be for both sides of the street, and possibly the dry hydrant in, application as soon as possible. The \$50,000 Community Development block grant plans would be to get the water line and stretch it as far as we can to cover other costs.

Bill Morse says we need a copy of the deed and the short form SEQR.

Tom will give Dottie an update. Doug suggested a meeting for next week to view Bill's sketch, discuss what we've learned over the week and decide what we do next.

Mayor Butler-Rhoades stated the next meeting will be June 17, 2016 at 10 a.m.

Upon motion of Mayor Butler-Rhoades, seconded by Trustee Rinaldo the Special Meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Carrie Grooms