

**TOWN OF NORTHAMPTON AND
VILLAGE OF NORTHVILLE JOINT
INTERMUNICIPAL MEETING
June 30, 2015**

The Town of Northampton & Village of Northville Joint Intermunicipal meeting was held on Tuesday, June 30, 2015 in the Municipal building, 412 South Main St., Northville NY and was called to order by Supervisor Groff at 1:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisor: James Groff
Councilmen: William Gritsavage, Darryl Roosa, Ivar Anderson, and Art Simmons
Mayor: John Spaeth
Trustees: John Markiewicz, Patrick Barnett, and Matthew Ginter
Excused-Debra Ellsworth
Village Highway Superintendent: Daniel Reidell
Northville Central School Representatives:
Leslie Ford, NCS Superintendent
George Harrington, Maintenance Supervisor and
Michael Feldman

ALSO PRESENT: Warren (Skip) Taylor and Dean Shepherd,

RECORDING SECRETARY: Elaine Mihalik, Town Clerk
The reason for this meeting was because applying for a Grant through the CFA for a new Municipal Facility. The approximate cost to apply for the CFA Grant is +/- \$3,000. The County will assist us in the Grant writing.

DISCUSSION:
Supervisor Groff: I was at a meeting with a local County Committee for Regional Growth. I spoke with Ron Peters about the possibility of applying for a CFA grant. We had found a section of CFA that works for shared services.
Mayor Spaeth and I talked about it with Leslie Ford, NCS Superintendent. We do have a plan that Darryl Roosa had originally done. This would be a grant for a Municipal Maintenance Center for everybody (Town of Northampton, Village of Northville and Northville Central School) to use. We would use the County CRG Grant writer; it will cost us approximately \$3,000.00 to apply for the grant. Basically, today we are looking to get permission to apply for the CFA grant from the Town of Northampton Board and the Village of Northville Board.
Question: How would the cost of \$3,000 for the grant be paid?
Supervisor Groff: The Town of Northampton and Village of Northville would split the cost because it is not the NCS property. We are going to use them (NCS) as part of the Maintenance Facility.

Mayor Spaeth: We would probably have an agreement with the School for using the Facility. The NCS would share the cost somehow with the liability because they are not on school property.

Leslie Ford: The idea is to have shared facilities for transportation meaning that we would also be looking at moving the buses off the school grounds and housed there.

Supervisor Groff: That would be separate from this.

Leslie Ford: That's right.

Mayor Spaeth: Some of this, although we have been talking about this off and on for a year. Some of this we have been having been having a conversation about within this past week going over what the proposal at the school for part of a need for a facility for the school.

Leslie Ford: We are as part of NCS Capital Budget for next May 2016. In that we have a building that needs upgrading. The bays in the garage are very old and they need to be upgraded. That is a lot of money. There are also some other building upgrades that we will need. Just talking about the building, that is a lot of money right there.

Mayor Spaeth: Cost wise, if we don't do anything, the Northville Central School will be looking to do something as part of their Capital Project. From a taxing perspective, we have to come up with something within the Village and the Town and the Village and the Town taxes. So, if we don't then it will probably be coming up on the NCS taxes. So it's like a balance, it's likely to happen one way or another. We will probably need to make it the best way to happen.

Councilman Simmons: If we apply for this CFA grant, it is going to be Village of Northville and Town of Northampton?

Mayor Spaeth: Yes.

Supervisor Groff: But, it will be written in that the Northville Central School is going to participate. This is not a guarantee that we will even get the CFA grant. The plan that I gave to the Grant writer is the one that we looked at. Town of Perth built an approximately 120' long x 60' wide I believe Maintenance Facility two years ago at a cost of less than \$500,000. Put together a grant to see if we can get something going. If we don't get the grant this round and if another round becomes available we already have the paperwork done, we already got a start and heads up.

Mayor Spaeth: Do you know for sure if this is a 75% grant?

Supervisor Groff: No, I don't. That is one question I did not ask.

Mayor Spaeth: I used a high figure of \$600,000. 75% of that brings us to the two municipalities funding \$150,000. I'm sure, funding it one way or another, with cash or in house services, I am sure there is at least \$100,000 worth of labor that we could probably use. So, I am not talking about a lot of big bucks on either side. If only 60% we're talking about a little more than \$100,000 for either side, out of pocket. We are not talking a million dollars.

What is your building (NCS) 80%?

George Harrington: The NCS project is \$70,000 or \$80,000.

Mayor Spaeth: It's approximately the same. You can do the same thing that we are doing for you, you would do for us.

Leslie Ford: Yes. But we would be doing it twice.

Dean Shepard: I realize I just walked into this meeting but what is the location of this project?

Supervisor Groff: The two old barns up on the old Delia property on State Highway 30 and High Rock Road.

Dean Shepard: What happened to the two old bays that were on that property? What is wrong with those bays that are up there? It can't be retro to be fitted>

Supervisor Groff: They really aren't big enough. The biggest one is where the office is and we can't expand to the left. We could come out probably but we need more than one (1) bay.

Dean Shepard: I'm with you. I'm just asking you these questions.

Supervisor Groff: We would probably be better with a whole new building. We would have room for the crew. We would have room for two Superintendents of Highways. If we ever do get to the point to merge the two Highway Departments we would have a good size building.

Councilman Simmons: With the first two barns on the left as you go into the property, would that give enough room?

Supervisor Groff: Yes, there is plenty of room there. Actually, the plan that I had plans for another 60' for addition above and beyond what we had planned. Approximately 48' x 72 building I think that was. There is enough room for another 60' on top of the proposed plan.

Councilman Gritsavage: Do you want a motion for you to proceed with this grant?

Supervisor Groff: Yes, basically from each Board (Town and Village).

Dean Shepard: Is the grant all inclusive with the equipment; and lifts; and wiring; and everything? It is a complete job?

Supervisor Groff: Yes.

Dean Shepard: Thank you.

MOTION: Councilman Gritsavage motioned to approve Town of Northampton proceeding along with the Village of Northville with the process of applying for the CFA Grant application for a proposed new Municipal Maintenance Facility to be built on the Town of Northampton/Village of Northville (old Delia) property at 110 High Rock Road which is situated on the corner of State Highway 30 and High Rock Road, Fulton County in the Town of Northampton. Seconded by Councilman Simmons and Adopted by Supervisor Groff, Councilmen: William Gritsavage, Art Simmons, Darryl Roosa and Ivar Anderson 0-Nays

MOTION: Trustee Barnett motioned to approve the Village of Northville proceeding along with the Town of Northampton with the process of applying for the CFA Grant application for a proposed new Municipal Maintenance Facility to be built on the Town of Northampton/Village of Northville (old Delia) property at 110 High Rock Road which is situated on the corner of State Highway 30 and High Rock Road, Fulton County in the Town of Northampton. Seconded by Trustee Markiewicz and Adopted by Mayor John Spaeth, Trustees: Patrick Barnett, John Markiewicz, Matthew Ginter
Excused: Trustee: Debra Ellsworth 0-Nays

Discussion on the motion
Trustee Barnett what is the timing on that?

Supervisor Groff: The grant application has to be in by the 31st of July. In December 2015 they will let us know the results and then they will start another round and we would have to start all over again.

Mayor Spaeth: We will know in December 2015 if we are successful or not. If we are not successful we can maybe refine the plan a little bit and do it again.

Michael Feldman: We do have time if we don't get the grant on this particular run to the school will have time to put out for the building project?

Leslie Ford: Yes

Michael Feldman: So, we have two goes at it before we (NCS) has to make a decision on it.

Trustee Ginter: Are we doing this grant application ourselves or are we hiring someone else?

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Supervisor Groff: We are hiring the County grant writer for \$3,000.00. The last time we hired an outfit it cost us a lot of money. I think it's between \$75 and \$100 an hour and that depends on how much we have already given him in information and how much he has to do. The County grant writer is through the County Services. It should have been utilizing this before.

Trustee Ginter: What is their success rate?

Supervisor Groff: They had gotten a quiet a few grants, a couple for Tryon and there were a couple of other grants they had gotten.

Discussion ensued on the qualifications of this grant writer.

Leslie Ford: The teamwork that we have going on here is that we keep coming up with ideas. We are working together and we are not stopping. That's the good part and I appreciate that.

ADJOURN: Councilman Gritsavage motioned to adjourn the meeting at 1:12 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Roosa and unanimously passed by all present.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Mihalik
Town Clerk