

The transfer was for the purchase of a senior bus.

Supervisor Runion stated that the Town had received a grant from Assemblyman McEneny for \$5,000.00 through the NYS Office of Aging towards the purchase of the bus. The bus will be purchased off of State contract.

The cost of the bus is \$39,335.00. Total cost to the Town is \$34,335.00.

Councilman Grimm asked how much money was in the reserve fund.

Supervisor Runion stated that there was approximately \$115,000.00. He further stated that this was a fund for the purchase of the bus and that he had been putting money into it over the years.

Councilman Redlich asked if there were other reserve funds.

Supervisor Runion stated that this was one of many reserve funds. This was not a General Reserve fund for the whole town. It was a reserve fund set up specifically for a senior bus.

MOTION #109 Councilman Pastore moved to **APPROVE TRANSFER AS SUBMITTED BY THE TOWN COMPTROLLER**. Councilwoman Slavick seconded the motion and it was carried by the following roll call vote:

- Councilman Redlich Aye
- Councilwoman Slavick Aye
- Councilman Pastore Aye
- Councilman Grimm Aye
- Supervisor Runion Aye

Supervisor Runion stated that item #6 on the agenda concerned going out to bid for McKownville Park and storm water improvements to help alleviate Route 20 flooding near Stuyvesant Plaza that has occurred over the last several years. This project is being funded in the amount of \$600,000.00 through outside sources.

The Town would be receiving a grant from the NYS Office of Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$100,000.00 for the conversion of what is currently the McKownville Reservoir into a Town park setting. The Town would be receiving, from the NYS Department of Transportation as part of a Reverse Betterment Agreement with them, the sum of \$200,000.00. This is their contribution to help alleviate some of the flooding issues that have occurred in this area.

Through Assemblyman McEneny's Office, the Town is to receive two grants that total \$200,000.00. One in the amount of \$150,000.00 for multi-modal money and the second for \$50,000.00, which is a Capital Project Program that is administered through the Dormitory Authority.

Stuyvesant Plaza has agreed to contribute \$100,000.00 towards the project cost.

The project will be bid with various alternates.

The Town would like to have everything done during this construction season.

Supervisor Runion further stated that this project would help alleviate the flooding in the area.

The conversion of the reservoir would help to hold additional water during a heavy storm period. The other issue would be to replace an undersized pipe, which caused a blockage of the natural flow of water to the Krumkill. This will allow the Town, during rain events, to open a floodgate to allow water to go out quicker.

Supervisor Runion described the work to be done for the reservoir park.

Councilman Grimm asked how would the Town be able to project the flood events.

Supervisor Runion explained that the engineers would be able to project, based on basic calculations, when flood events would occur and how much rain will fall.

He explained that we could also get a series of heavy rainstorms that could cause flood conditions more frequently.

Councilman Grimm stated that this was a different issue than the flooding basements in the area.

Supervisor Runion stated that these are issues that need to be addressed before the storm drain issue in the neighborhoods.

Those systems are very old, put together with clay pipe, which is deteriorating. The Town has been doing some remedial work on the issue.

Councilwoman Slavick stated that the issue of basements flooding needed to be addressed as a whole.

MOTION #110 Councilman Pastore moved to **GO OUT TO BID FOR MCKOWNVILLE PARK AND STORM WATER IMPROVEMENTS IN REGARD TO ROUTE 20 FLOODING NEAR STUYVESANT PLAZA**. Councilwoman Slavick seconded the motion and it was carried by the following roll call vote:

Councilman Redlich Aye - stated that he was in favor but had some concerns. He said, "The only documents that I received were these four pages. I think this a good project in principle. I am concerned, I don't know what the plans are specifically".

He further stated his concern with having to vote on an authorized bid for a project without having all the documents.

Supervisor Runion stated that the Town had only one copy of the document. The Town Board would have ample opportunity before

July 6th to look at the document. He further stated that the Town Board did not have to award the bid. This was to get the process moving.

Councilwoman Slavick Aye - stated that this problem has existed for a number of years and now that funding is available they should proceed.

Councilman Pastore Aye - wholeheartedly in favor of going out to bid.

Councilman Grimm Aye - stated that traffic was an issue with the flooding, causing problems for businesses. This is a very positive development for the Town.

Supervisor Runion Aye - stated that he had been working on this project for a number of years. Most of it was a funding issue with a lot of collaboration with a number of entities. The Town needed to move forward with the issue in order to take advantage of the construction season and to alleviate some of the issues for our businesses in the area.

He expressed his appreciation to all of the various agencies that worked with the Town, particularly Assemblyman McEneny, who made a lot of calls for the Town.

Documents relating to the project are available for viewing in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.