

March 9, 2019

A Joint Special Meeting of the Nunda Village Board of Trustees, Nunda Town Board of Councilmen and Keshequa School District Board of Education was held on March 9, 2019 with the following present:

New York State Assembly Member Marjorie Byrnes

**Village Board: Mayor Jack Morgan
Deputy Mayor Darren Snyder
Trustee Dr. Donald Wilcox**

**Town Board: Supervisor Merilee Walker
Councilperson Randy Morris
Councilperson James Forrester
Councilperson Michael Hillier**

Keshequa School Board of Education:

**President, Todd Galton
Terry Lowell
Christy Crandall-Bean**

Keshequa Schools Superintendent: Thomas Kopp

Joint Town/Village of Nunda Planning Board Chairperson: Alex Piece

Joint Town/Village of Nunda Planning Board Member: Brenda Weaver

Town Clerk: Cheyenne DeMarco

Village Clerk-Treasurer: LeRoy Wood

Citizens: (3) Keshequa School Students present for observation and attendance purposes

Call Meeting to Order

School Board President Galton called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by School Board President Galton

Welcome & Opening Remarks

School Board President Galton introduced New York State Assembly Member Marjorie Byrnes.

Assembly Member Byrnes introduced herself to the participants of this meeting. Discussion on budgetary matters in Albany and shared services opportunities were the main topic of this get together.

School Board Member Lowell also stated his concerns with budgetary matters and that we have great supporters of the school and that the school is a great community hub.

School Board President Galton stated the reason for the meeting is to continue discussion on working together on saving taxpayers monies.

School Superintendent Kopp stated we wanted to get back together to revisit shared services and what they can provide. We are looking for opportunities to explore whether it is manpower, equipment, or space.

School Board Member Lowell asked Assembly Member Byrnes what if any funds were available from the State, were there certain programs we can ask for funding?

Assembly Member Byrnes stated are you looking at member money for projects within our district?

School Board Member Lowell answered yes.

Assembly Member Byrnes stated there are no funds available for these projects through the budget. Zero fund availability.

Assembly Member Byrnes mentioned the upcoming Census and how important it is to make sure we as a community do our due diligence in getting everyone counted. Funds are allocated by population.

Town Councilmember Forrester stated we should be open to shared services. Diesel mechanic. This person could be utilized to provide maintenance on all organization's equipment. Mr. Forrester mentioned this process should be done with good intent – with the spirit of cooperation. We would need to get the message out and seek opportunities.

Mayor Morgan asked if other townships were invited to attend and contribute to the conversation.

School Board President Galton stated not yet, we wanted to speak with the Village and Town first.

School Board Member K. Weaver stated a shared service of a fuel station – tax exempt could work.

Town Council Member Forrester stated a value proposition with inclusion of other townships.

Town Supervisor Walker stated the Town and Village already participate in shared services with the Police Department, Nunda Government Center, and Livingston County.

Town Council Member Forrester asked Assembly Member Byrnes if there is funding available for a strategic plan in looking for an advisor to look for opportunities to bring all three entities together – a Shared Municipal Service Consultant.

Assembly Member Byrnes stated possibly through a long-range plan.

Town Supervisor Walker stated we could look to the County to see if they can provide this service.

Town Council Member Forrester stated we should reach out to municipalities for interest on having an assigned person to see this shared services process through and report back to their respective Boards with information.

Closing

School Board President Galton stated his appreciation to all for attending.

This Joint Special Meeting of the Nunda Village Board of Trustees, Nunda Town Board of Councilmen and Keshequa School District Board of Education concluded at 10:31 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

LeRoy J. Wood
Village Clerk-Treasurer