

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BRONXVILLE HELD ON OCTOBER 15, 2007 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, 200 PONDFIELD ROAD, BRONXVILLE, N.Y.

PRESENT:	Mary C. Marvin	Mayor
	Glenn D. Bellitto	
	William H. Barton, Jr.	
	Anne W. Poorman	
	Robert S. Underhill	Trustees
ALSO PRESENT:	Lino J. Sciarretta	Village Attorney
	Harold Porr III	Village Administrator

WORK SESSION

At 7:05PM, on motion of Trustee Underhill and second by Trustee Poorman, the Board moved from Work Session into the Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:25PM, on motion of Trustee Bellitto and second by Trustee Barton, the Board moved from Executive Session into the Regular Meeting of the Board to discuss matters of litigation and personnel matters in the Police Department.

At 8:10PM, the Executive Session was adjourned on motion of Trustee Poorman, second by Trustee Bellitto.

Mayor Marvin called the public hearing to order at 8:16PM.

On motion of Trustee Poorman, second by Trustee Barton the Public Hearing was opened.

PUBLIC HEARING - *Local law to revise the traffic and vehicle law of the Village of Bronxville, New York, Chapter 290, by temporarily exempting vehicles displaying LK parking permits from parking time limits on certain streets.*

Village Administrator, Harold Porr, spoke about the history of this proposed local law and what the process has been to this point.

Mr. Thomas Wolff, 230 Pondfield Road, stated that he sent in a fax earlier today that expresses his concerns about this law. He feels it is incompatible with the Home Rule Law given by New York State and that at this time the Village may not enact this law. He has discussed the technical concerns with the Village administration. He would like the Mayor and the Trustees to comment on his concerns.

Mayor Marvin stated that she did not see Mr. Wolff's fax until 7PM and that she will go by the advice of Village Attorney, Lino Sciarretta.

Village Attorney, Lino Sciarretta, said he looked at the fax briefly and that he is comfortable with the law as enacted.

Mr. Wolff replied that his comments made on or before June 11, 2007 deal with the authority of the village to enact this law. He asked Trustee Bellitto if he was comfortable with this law.

Trustee Bellitto said that he did have one question with regard to Mr. Wolff's fax (page 2) in which he states "no local law or ordinance shall be adopted pursuant to section 1640-1 until the village board of the Village of Bronxville has adopted a finding that the three public parking lots abutting Kensington Road and adjacent to the Metro-North train station within the Village of Bronxville, Westchester County have been closed or otherwise been made unavailable for public parking, that approximately one hundred eighty vehicles have been displaced from such parking lots and that a residential parking system would be in the public interest...." He asked if this means we can't act on this until the parking lot is physically closed.

Village Attorney, Lino Sciarretta, said he did not believe so.

Village Administrator, Harold Porr, said that New York State gives the authority we are seeking after we created this solution. He stated that this law will not take effect until the cars are actually displaced.

Mr. James Kroulas, 70A Parkway Road, said that he doesn't see a time limit for this law and asked if the State gave us a two year provision.

Village Administrator, Harold Porr, stated that when the law was drafted by the State legislature, the start date was January 1, 2007. We are still in negotiations and the date has slipped. When the project moves forward, we will ask the State for an extension on this legislation. He said that getting the initial legislation is much more difficult than getting an extension.

Mr. Kroulas wanted to know if this ties into the waiver of parking on the street.

Village Administrator, Harold Porr, reported that the State controls on street parking and gives us two years to put cars on the street during construction. He repeated that when this expires on December 31, 2009, we will need to have an extension from the State.

Mr. Thomas Wolff read Section 51 of the law and said that it does not reflect the open endedness of the original law.

At 8:32PM, the Public Hearing was closed on motion of Trustee Barton, seconded by Trustee Poorman.

On motion of Trustee Barton, seconded by Trustee Poorman, the following Local Law was unanimously approved:

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Bronxville as follows:

Section One. The Traffic and Vehicle Law, Chapter 290 of the Code of the Village of Bronxville, is hereby revised to add thereto the following new Article XV

ARTICLE XV Temporary Limited Parking for Resident Vehicles Displaying LK Parking Permits

§ 290-50. Findings.

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Bronxville finds that there is a potential for a temporary shortage of parking for residents of the Village of Bronxville from the displacement of approximately one hundred eighty vehicles from the Kensington parking lot, which is comprised of three public parking lots located adjacent to the Metro-North train station abutting Kensington Road in the Village of Bronxville. This displacement will occur during a period of construction in the Kensington parking lot, when such lot will be unavailable for public parking. Without a parking system in place to accommodate these displaced vehicles, this lack of parking is likely to result in traffic hazards, congestion and air and noise pollution, and could pose a hazard to residents and other pedestrians in the area. The Board of Trustees finds that in order to minimize and reduce such hazards and pollution levels, the institution of a temporary residential parking permit system is necessary.

§ 290-51. Applicability.

This local law shall remain in effect until such time as parking in the Kensington parking lot area is made fully available as public parking.

§ 290-52. Vehicles displaying LK parking permit exempt from parking time limits.

For duration of this local law, vehicles displaying valid LK parking permits shall be exempt from the parking time limits set forth in §§290-27 and 290-29 and shall be permitted to park any time in the parking spaces delineated in the following locations:

- 1) Sagamore Road between Prescott Avenue and Avon Road (85 spaces)
- 2) Kensington Road on the east side:
 - a) Between the northern curblin of the Gramatan court Apartment Parking Lot and the southern curblin at #1 Kensington Terrace (6 spaces)
 - b) Between a point 63 feet north of the north curblin of Beechtree Lane and a point 60 feet northerly therefrom (3 spaces)

- c) Between a point 16 feet north of the north curbline of Upper Kensington parking space 49 and a point 40 feet northerly therefrom (2 spaces)

All other vehicles shall remain subject to the established parking time limits, unless otherwise exempt.

§290-53. Exemptions.

Motor vehicles registered pursuant to section four hundred four-a of the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law shall be exempt from the requirements in this local law.

§290-54. Fees.

Fees for the LK parking permit shall be set at \$80 per month, or as may be fixed by the Board of Trustees from time to time. Such fees shall be credited to the general fund of the Village. At 8:33PM, on motion of Trustee Poorman, second by Trustee Bellitto, the Public Hearing was opened.

PUBLIC HEARING – *Local Law to amend Chapter 290, Vehicle and Traffic, Section 290-41 (A) and (G) by changing the parking time limits at the following locations from 30 minutes to 90 minutes:*

1. *Bank of New York Plaza*
2. *Pondfield Road, meters in front of the U.S. Post Office*

Mayor Marvin reported that this law is in response to the recommendations made by traffic engineers to increase the parking meters from 30 minutes to 90 minutes.

Trustee Poorman stated she thinks this is a good idea and it offers more flexibility in spaces to park.

Mayor Marvin said she discussed this law with merchants and no one seemed unhappy with it. It is clearly an improvement.

Trustee Bellitto reported that the utilization of these spaces was so unbalanced.

At 8:34PM, on motion of Trustee Underhill, second by Trustee Bellitto, the Public Hearing was closed.

On motion of Trustee Underhill, second by Trustee Barton, the following Local Law was unanimously approved:

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Bronxville as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 290-41A (Parking time limits) of Chapter 290 (Vehicles and Traffic) of the Code of the Village of Bronxville is hereby amended to add (1) Bank of New York Plaza; and (2) Pondfield Road, meters in front of U.S. Post Office, to the list of one and one-half hour parking areas.

SECTION 2. Section 290-41G (Parking time limits) of Chapter 290 (Vehicles and Traffic) of the Code of the Village of Bronxville is hereby amended to delete (1) Bank of New York Plaza; and (2) Pondfield Road, meters in front of U.S. Post Office, from the list of thirty-minute parking areas.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or other portion of this Local Law is, for any reason, declared invalid, in whole or in part, by any court, agency, commission, legislative body or other authority of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent portion. Such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof, which other portions shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. This Local Law shall become effective immediately upon filing in the office of the Secretary of State.

There being no further comments, the public hearing was adjourned at 8:35PM.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Good evening! I want to start by announcing some changes we will be making at the Pondfield Road/Midland Avenue and Pondfield Road/Gramatan Avenue intersections to improve traffic flow.

We will be implementing these changes based on the analysis by our traffic consultants FP Clarke Engineering. The entire report is available for review both here at Village Hall and at the library but I thought I would highlight a few of the changes you will see in the coming days.

I have also asked Lt. Satriale to be here to help explain our proposed changes.

We will be adding dedicated "Left turn only" lanes at the Pondfield Road and Midland Avenue intersection while keeping the through lane necessitating the removal of 6 parking spaces near Village Hall and the library, which have been traditionally used by visitors to both locations. This summer we were actually able to add 7 new spaces behind the library so there is no net loss.

At the Gramatan Avenue/Pondfield Road intersections, we are removing the sign that says "Stop here on red" in front of the police driveway, replacing it with a "Do not block the driveway" sign allowing 3 or 4 cars to go right up to the light – improving flow through the intersection.

Also, we are shifting the stop bar on Gramatan Avenue 50 feet toward Mt. Vernon so buses and trucks can turn more easily and drivers don't have to back up to let them pass, again slowing down traffic. This necessitates the removal of 2 or 3 spaces along Gramatan Avenue on the townhouse side. Again, these spaces are traditionally not full so parking can just move down the street a bit, not causing a hardship.

Eventually, we will be doing some curbing realignment on Village property at the Gramatan Avenue/Pondfield Road intersection in order to facilitate a "Right on red" there.

All these changes will be tried, and if they work, implemented permanently by making any necessary changes to our Village code through public hearing, etc. We just want to implement changes as quickly as possible to move vehicles more efficiently through these intersections.

We are continuing to work with WCI to bring the Kensington Road project to fruition. WCI has met all the requirements of the Planning Board, Zoning Board, Department of Environmental Conservation, Metro North and the concerns of Christ Church. The last hurdle is the so-called "completion bond" required by the contract.

That being said, we are also mindful that WCI has spent over 3 years in approval processes, listening to citizens, changing the plans to meet the desires of the Village so we are according them the same courtesy and good will by giving them time to meet the requirements. It just seems to be the fundamentally fair thing to do.

Traffic flow and parking continue to be major issues. Tonight we are beginning the process to implement the first recommendation of our operations study to change the meters in front of the Post Office and The Bank of New York from 30 minutes to 90 minutes. We are also making plans for the reorganization of our back office parking functions per the recommendations of the experts.

We are also tackling the ever increasing abuse of the two hour parking limits in areas throughout the Village. Residents have reported a rash of cars, especially on Sagamore Road along Tanglewylde Avenue and right in front of Village Hall, where commuters are leaving cars 8 to 10 hours and going to the train station. We are also aware that employees of Village businesses are increasingly leaving their cars on residential streets well past the parking limits.

Also under review are ways to upgrade our maintenance of Village parks, public spaces and also encouraging the merchants to help us improve the cleanliness and beauty of the business district.

As I wrote in a recent column, we are working very aggressively to hire new police officers with the goal of reaching our full complement of 23 officers by the first of the year.

We have also engaged the services of a second engineering firm to give us a second opinion on our flooding issues with the hope of getting recommendations for mitigation efforts that we can implement in the short term and provide some immediate solutions. We have cleaned drains all over the Village. The pipe lines in the Sherman Avenue/Argyle Road area were cameraed. Garden Avenue is next on our list.

Our staff is meeting this week to begin implementation of the traffic flow improvement solutions suggested by our engineers at the Pondfield Road/Gramatan Avenue/Midland Avenue traffic area.

Trustee Bellitto and I had a very productive meeting with our Citizens' Advisory Committee. Lt. Satriale was our guest speaker and gave a truly informative talk about traffic, speeding, use of traffic calming devices, where crossing guards are appropriate, etc. It was so informative. He offered to speak to any community groups so please call Village Hall if you would like him to come.

We are also working to update our Village code, to make it conform to the needs of 2007, especially under what is called the Public Nuisance section – noise, signage, merchandise on sidewalks, etc.

Tomorrow night there is a meeting in Village Hall at 7PM for co-op board reps and residents to meet with Verizon to discuss FIOs service in multi-dwelling buildings in the Village.

Just to clarify, it seems some people believe our trailers on Palumbo Place are sitting empty. We vacated them in May and turned them over to the Bronxville School. The School, by putting so many staff in the trailers, was able to free up 9 classrooms for the children.

In closing, since our last meeting, I spoke at the Sarah Lawrence College inauguration on behalf of the Village, read to classes at Chapel School, finished a new addition of our cable show "One Square Mile", spoke at a meeting of the Boulder Ledge Garden Club and attended three Chamber events.

During the Mayor's report when discussing traffic patterns at Pondfield Road/Midland Avenue, Lt. Satriale reported that there were no safety issues and the recommended changes will allow for a steady flow of traffic especially during critical times. It will stop the stacking up of cars and does not affect pedestrians at all.

Trustee Barton asked which direction on Pondfield Road the designated lane would be in.

Lt. Satriale reported that there will be a left turn lane in both directions. The loss of parking spaces will be 3 in front of Village Hall and the library allowing right lane through traffic.

Trustee Barton asked if there will be a change in signaling.

Lt. Satriale stated that they are looking at signal times once we have the markings made. This is being done on a trial basis before any laws are enacted.

Mayor Marvin said the trial basis approach is similar to the "No Parking" in front of the School. The School and police department both seem happy with this.

Trustee Underhill asked if the cost to the Village would be minimal and if this would be done by Village staff.

Lt. Satriale replied that it would.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Bellitto reported on the police department and that so much has happened. The Chief is retiring in November and the Westchester County Civil Service list has opened up. With the growth of the staff, we are looking forward to offering more training opportunities. The department attitude is extremely positive.

He reminded citizens to lock their cars and bikes up.

With regard to the reorganization of the Parking Department, the final recommendations delivered in the next few weeks.

Trustee Barton reported on the Department of Public Works. The resurfacing/paving is completed for residential streets. Monday night, Palmer Road will be re-paved beginning at 7PM and will continue until completed.

Regarding loose leaves – please do not include sticks, grass, etc. And, please do not block catch basins and fire hydrants.

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With regard to street lights, they are out frequently and for long periods of time. We are working with the police department on this and hope to have outages reported and fixed more quickly.

Quality of life – there is a new e-mail address set up to communicate directly with the Department of Public Works. It is bronxvilledpw@optonline.net. Requests will be read directly by the Department of Public Works and responded to quickly.

Mayor Marvin stated this gives us a record of the date issues reported and when they are completed.

Trustee Underhill gave the Building Department report and stated that permits are consistent with last year.

Trustee Underhill also reported that there were no FOIL requests this past month.

Trustee Poorman spoke first about the library. There were 16 closed circuit cameras installed as well as 18 valuable paintings wired to an alarm system. The cost was \$24,000.00 which is being paid for by the Library Trust Fund. The Yeager Room has seen increased usage over the last year. The Control Room has had new security measures approved. There will be a sign in and an access plan put in place. A newsletter was just mailed to all residents.

Chamber of Commerce – This is a renaissance of our downtown. “The Guide”, the local phone book, is being put together so the Chamber urges residents to get in any changes.

With regard to the sidewalk repair law, Trustee Poorman urged residents to get their sidewalks repaired before the winter comes. It is easier to maintain a smooth sidewalk and safer for pedestrians as well.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Trustee Bellitto, second by Trustee Poorman, the Board approved the minutes of the Regular Meeting on September 10, 2007, as drafted.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION - Extended Closing Date of Kensington Project

Trustee Underhill stated that it was important to extend this. WCI has been operating in good faith and so should we.

On motion of Trustee Barton, second by Trustee Underhill, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes Mayor Mary C. Marvin to sign an agreement to extend the Outside Closing Date for the Kensington Project to October 31, 2007 as authorized in the attached letter.

RESOLUTION - Appointment for Tax Roll Corrections

Village Administrator, Harold Porr, explained the need for this. Village Attorney, Lino Sciarretta, said it allows the Village Treasurer, Robert Fels, to make these minor adjustments, otherwise each change would consistently require Board approval.

On motion of Trustee Poorman, second by Trustee Bellitto, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby appoints Robert Fels to correct errors on the Village's tax roll in accordance with the provisions of the New York State Real Property Tax Law §554; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such appointment is applicable only where the recommended correction is \$2,500 or less.

RESOLUTION – 2007/2008 Capital Budget

Village Administrator, Harold Porr, stated that this is a timing issue and CHIPS money will be added to our budget.

On motion of Trustee Poorman, second by Trustee Barton, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Village Treasurer to amend the 2007/2008 Capital Budget to include the 2007/2008 CHIPS capital reimbursement state aid of \$68,057.16 and to establish project number 20072008-0041-5110.

RESOLUTION - Tyler Technologies, Inc. - Additional Valuation Services

Mayor Marvin stated this further process is intended to purify the data we received last year. We will be using in-house staff to do the less technical aspects and save costs.

On motion of Trustee Barton, second by Trustee Bellitto, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to sign an agreement with Tyler Works for services that will include field data collection/verification for parcels requiring a field check as a result of building permits or other possible changes, special field checks as determined by the assessor, final new value field review and related data entry/clerical support at a cost not to exceed \$10,000 and subject to the review of the Village Attorney.

RESOLUTION – General Code Electronic Backfile Services

On motion of Trustee Poorman, second by Trustee Barton, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to sign an agreement with General Code in the amount of \$2,220.00 so their backfile conversion specialists can scan Village property cards for the Assessor's Office.

RESOLUTION – Appraisers Contract

Trustee Barton asked if we received competitive bids for this.

Village Administrator, Harold Porr, replied that we sent out requests for proposals and made our decision based on cost and background checks.

On motion of Trustee Underhill, second by Trustee Poorman, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to sign an agreement with Sterling Appraisals, Inc. for appraisals of properties in the Village including the so-called Mobil lot on Parkway Road and the property at 100 Pondfield Road.

RESOLUTION – BAMS Lease Renewal

On motion of Trustee Bellitto, second by Trustee Underhill, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

WHEREAS, the Village is the owner of the property located at 49 Kraft Avenue, Bronxville, New York (the "Property"), and

WHEREAS, BAM's Service Station, Inc. seeks to lease the Property with the gasoline service station and improvements thereon erected (collectively, the "Improvements"),

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute a lease agreement with BAM's Service Station, Inc. for the Property and Improvements in a form approved by the Village Attorney, and to execute any other documents necessary to effectuate the lease agreement.

RESOLUTION – Divirka & Bartilucci Consulting Engineers Contract

Mayor Marvin stated this is an effort to have someone look at the flooding problem on a micro level.

On motion of Trustee Barton, second by Trustee Underhill, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to sign an agreement with Divirka & Bartilucci Consulting Engineers of White Plains, NY to provide general assistance and advice on options/approaches to storm water/flooding problems in a lump sum fee not to exceed \$4,500.00 as outlined in the attached and subject to review of the Village Attorney.

RESOLUTION – Tax Certiorari Settlement – Pondfield Road 117 LLC / Section 5 Block 4 Lot 4 – 117 Pondfield Road

On motion of Trustee Bellitto, second by Trustee Poorman, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approves the tax certiorari settlement for Pondfield Realty LLC as outlined in the attached memorandum.

RESOLUTION – Tax Certiorari Settlement – Arizona Lipnob Estates Inc. – Section 4 Block 3 Lot 2 / Section 4 Block 3 Lot 2A – Vacant Land

On motion of Trustee Poorman, second by Trustee Barton, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approves the tax certiorari settlements for Arizona Lipnob Estates Inc. as outlined in the attached memorandum.

RESOLUTION – Appointment of John Colquhoun

On motion of Trustee Poorman, second by Trustee Underhill, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees confirms the appointment by the Mayor of Mr. John Colquhoun to the Design Review Board.

Mayor Marvin mentioned that a member of the Citizens' Advisory Committee, Carol Buchanan, passed away this summer. She will be missed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dennis Winter, 16 Edgewood Lane, would like the traffic around the School to be slow. He suggested that if Palumbo Place was re-opened, it would slow the traffic down. He asked if the School has been involved with the traffic changes. His fear is speeding cars and the fact that we are down 6 police officers.

Lt. Satriale reported that he spoke with the School and they supported the changes as described.

Mayor Marvin emphasized that this is why we are making the changes on a trial basis.

Mr. Winter asked if there would be an overhead traffic light rather than one on the sidewalk if this was to become permanent.

Mayor Marvin stated that this was looked at by the traffic consultants and recommended as the most efficient long term solution.

Mr. Winter then commented that he has a problem with any government who frowns on FOIL requests. The documents belong to the public. This is the only way for the public to get the facts. It is extremely important and should be encouraged.

Mayor Marvin disagreed emphatically that the Trustees ever frowned on FOIL requests. But, it is only fair that people know how we spend our time and taxpayer's money on filling these requests, especially given the huge volume generated in August - 26 in one day from one person.

Betty ????, 64 Sagamore Road, said she did not recall any meetings about point C of the LK Parking Law adding two spaces on the upper Kensington lot, starting with spaces 49. She is concerned because of the traffic on Kensington. Two spaces will reduce in width the flow of traffic north and south. Accidents will result.

Village Administrator, Harold Porr, felt that the decision the Village came to was a safe one but that this certainly could be looked at again. The Village wanted to emphasize safety over spaces.

Betsy Harding, 39 Homesdale Road, is concerned about the traffic on Willow Road and the children going to school.

Mayor Marvin stated that Willow Road was not part of the traffic study.

Trustee Poorman felt this street would benefit from spot enforcement of the police department and that when we have greater access to more patrols, a 30 day trial run officer should be here.

Ms. Harding asked if the speed limit could be lowered to 20 MPH.

Mayor Marvin replied that it was 30MPH everywhere by State law and that to have it lowered to 25MPH you must show compelling circumstances.

Ms. Harding stated that part of Willow Road borders the School and perhaps this could be a factor to allow a reduction.

Ms. Harding then continued on about FOIL requests and her dissatisfaction with a response given about a neighborhood map.

Village Administrator, Harold Porr, reported that he looked at the FOIL request and that we do not have the information requested.

Village Attorney, Lino Sciarretta, asked Ms. Harding if she was appealing this FOIL and if so, this wasn't the proper venue.

Ms. Harding then questioned the Mayor's watchfulness of Assessing Consultant, Gerry Iagallo.

Mayor Marvin responded that she had just met with Mr. Iagallo for two hours and was satisfied with his ideas and the direction he is going in.

Mr. Wolff asked what the financial picture of the Village was as of September 30, 2007.

Mayor Marvin said she would send him the report.

Trustee Bellitto reported that the percentage of revenue collected this year is higher than last year. We are doing better than last year.

Trustee Barton stated that he would be happy to give the financial report and that the Village has a healthy financial situation.

Mr. Wolff asked if the local laws would be included in both electronic and paper versions of the Code.

Village Attorney, Lino Sciarretta, stated that General Code will get them out as soon as they can. It generally takes two months or so.

Mr. Wolff then asked Trustee Bellitto how he voted on the LK Parking Permit Law.

Trustee Bellitto responded that since the construction project will be a hardship on residents in the area, he voted for this law in the hope of alleviating some of this.

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Mayor Marvin stated that if we plan correctly, this law will help people by giving them a spot closer to home which is an advantage.

Maureen Curran, 100 Parkway Road, spoke about the crosswalk from the Metro-North pathway to the Avalon. It has disappeared due to excessive speed and wear/tear. Cars do not slow down here. She asked if this can be re-striped and have a "Yield to Pedestrians" sign put up.

Lt. Satriale responded that the crosswalk was intentionally removed due to lack of safety because of parked cars. Residents can cross at Chase or further down Parkway Road.

Trustee Poorman questioned the removal and asked how you train people's instincts to cross legally and presumably safely.

Lt. Satriale responded that you hope people will notice the double yellow lines now through the crosswalk. It isn't as convenient but is much safer. We need to re-educate people. He will send out a public notice to address this.

Mayor Marvin stated that it is very important to get information out about speed limits, stop signs, crossing guards, etc.

Lt. Satriale mentioned that he is preparing a guide for safety and will be putting it on the Village website. There will also be a copy at the police department. He urged residents that if they have any concerns to please not wait for a trustee meeting but to call the police department right away.

Mrs. Curran then wanted to discuss the Maltby lot. This is a pathway up the side of the hill by the Avalon and Number 93 (a private residence). This area has 32 resident parkers and 38 merchant spots (some shared). It has been a dirt path for at least 27 years. It is extremely rocky, overgrown with poison ivy and branches and is treacherous due to the April rains. There is a moral responsibility to the Maltby parkers. She has seen several people fall. She suggests it be graveled, have railroad ties, a handrail and some lighting. She would appreciate something be done.

Mayor Marvin responded that Mr. Villanueva did bring this to her attention and will ask Superintendent of Public Works, Rocco Circosta, what the options could be.

Mr. James Kroulas spoke about crosswalks and the danger to pedestrians. He asked if a "Yield to Pedestrians" sign be put up in the Kraft Avenue lot. People expect the traffic to be one way and this is not the case.

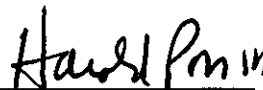
Lt. Satriale will look into this.

Trustee Barton addressed Ms. Curran and stated that the Trustees are here to represent all citizens and that Parkway Road residents should not feel inferior. There should be no Parkway Road angst.

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There being no further comments, the meeting was adjourned at 10:03PM by motion of Trustee Bellitto, second by Trustee Poorman.

At 10:10PM the Trustees went into Executive Session on motion of Trustee Barton, second by Trustee Bellitto.



Harold Porr III
Village Administrator