

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF
BRONXVILLE HELD ON NOVEMBER 13, 2006 AT THE BRONXVILLE LIBRARY, 201 PONDFIELD
ROAD, BRONXVILLE, N.Y.

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PRESENT:	Mary C. Marvin	Mayor
	Glenn D. Bellitto	
	Robert S. Underhill	
	Anne W. Poorman	
	William H. Barton, Jr.	Trustees
ALSO PRESENT:	Harold Porr III	Village Administrator
	Rocco Circosta	Superintendent of Public Works
	Brian M. Downey	Chief of Police
	Vincent Pici, P.E.	Superintendent of Buildings
	Robert J. Fels	Village Treasurer
	William J. Murphy	Parking Commissioner

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WORK SESSION

Mayor Marvin called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. (In attendance were Mayor Marvin, Trustees Bellitto, Underhill, Poorman and Barton, Administrator H. Porr III, and Treasurer Fels.)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:40 p.m. a motion was made by Trustee Bellitto and second by Trustee Poorman to enter executive session to discuss police personnel matters. Approved unanimously.

At 6:58 p.m. a motion was made by Trustee Underhill and second by Trustee Barton to leave executive session. Approved unanimously.

At 7:00 p.m. the regular meeting was recessed to go to an informational meeting devoted entirely to discussion of the Homestead Option.

At 8:30 p.m. a public hearing was held on the Homestead Option. The regular meeting was reopened at 9:00 p.m.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Marvin reported that we put together a working subcommittee with residents of the Sagamore Road area to discuss the parking solution. She said the next Citizens Advisory Committee meeting will be on November 29th. She said we are going to prioritize things we want to accomplish as a Village.

Mayor Marvin said we are re-canvassing the Civil Service List to fill two openings in our police department.

Mayor Marvin reported that with Chief Downey's help and with the cooperation of our police officers, we have instituted a foot patrol in the business district to address the blatant traffic violations in the downtown district.

Mayor Marvin said we have also pared down our meeting agenda to include only those items that are time sensitive so we can extend the informational meeting past the 8:30 hour so all would have an opportunity to speak. Therefore, we have dispensed with department reports this evening.

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TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Bellitto reported that the next meeting of the parking committee will be held on November 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Bronxville School.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Marvin said she had one correction in the Mayors Report in the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 16th and that was that Library Board member Vicki Manley is the "facilities chair".

On motion of Trustee Underhill, seconded by Trustee Barton, the Board approved the minutes of the the Regular Meeting of October 16, 2006, as amended.

Proposed Local Law No. - 2006 - Taxi Fares

Village Administrator Porr noted that there was a resolution on the agenda that would adopt a proposed local law increasing taxi fares in the Village of Bronxville. A public hearing was held on the proposed local law at the meeting on October 16th. The last time taxi fares were increased was 1990. He said the Board modified the law to bring the senior citizen rate down to \$2.75 from the \$3.50 originally requested by the taxi company.

Mayor Marvin asked the Trustees if they were ready to vote on the local law this evening.

Trustee Underhill said that last month he expressed a great deal of concern about the bad habits of the taxi drivers. He said he approached this fare increase with a great deal of sympathy. Just last week he was forced on the curb by one of the taxi drivers. Trustee Underhill said he cannot vote for the fare increase without sending a strong message for the taxi company and their drivers to "clean up their act." He asked his fellow Trustees and the Mayor to postpone voting on the local law until we can see some improvement in the pattern of behavior of the taxi drivers. Trustee Underhill said he would follow up with Terry Toal, the owner of Bronxville Taxi, in person and with Chief Downey.

Mayor Marvin asked Chief Downey if he could monitor the taxi drivers.

There was a consensus of the Board to monitor the taxi drivers during the next month and to postpone voting on the proposed local law to increase taxi fares until December.

Proposed Local Law No. - 2006 - Senior Citizens Property Tax Exemption

Mayor Marvin asked the Trustees if they were ready to vote this evening on the proposed local law to increase the income levels to qualify for a senior citizens property tax exemption.

On motion of Trustee Bellitto, seconded by Trustee Underhill, the Board voted to table voting on the proposed local law concerning senior citizens property tax exemption until the December meeting.

RESOLUTION - Village Election

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

BE IT RESOLVED the Village Election Day will be held on Tuesday, March 20, 2007 and offices to be filled are one Mayor and two Trustees, each for a two year term.

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RESOLUTION – Shared Services Municipal Grant Program, 2006 Grant Application

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

WHEREAS, the Village of Bronxville is a co-applicant with the Village of Tuckahoe and the Town of Eastchester in the submission of a joint grant application to the New York Department of State for the purpose of purchasing the following Equipment:

- Compost Leaf Shredding Machine \$ 300,000
- Sanitary Sewer Cleaning Machine \$ 180,000
- Sewer Pipe Inspection Vehicle \$ 70,000

WHEREAS, the Village of Bronxville Board of Trustees is in support of such application which will provide this specialized shared equipment and assist these communities in their efforts to continue to provide the high quality of services to their residents in the most economical method, all of which will improve the operations of their respective departments, and

WHEREAS, as stipulated by the Grant requirements 10% of the cost of this equipment shall be the total local share requirement for all three communities;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Bronxville Board of Trustees authorizes the submission of this grant application under the State of New York Shared Services Municipal Incentive Grant, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees supports the efforts of all the applicants in seeking, obtaining and implementing these shared pieces of municipal equipment.

RESOLUTION – Extending Calgi Construction Management Contract

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Bronxville authorizes the mayor to sign an agreement with Calgi Construction Company, Inc. of Mount Kisco, New York to extend the current construction management contract for the Renovation of Village Hall until completion of the project in the spring of 2007 as outlined in the attached document.

RESOLUTION – Cable Plant, PBX, Radio and Card Access & Intercom

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

BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to sign an agreement with On-Demand Communications to provide all labor and materials associated with installing a new PBS (telephone system) and complete cable plant for the modernized Village Hall for a cost not to exceed \$76,856.

RESOLUTION – Bids for Radio and Card Access & Intercom

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

BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Trustees rejects all bids for the Radio and Card

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Access & Intercom System, which were deemed non-competitive as only one submission per system was received from the collective system vendors, Technical Electronics and Diebold Enterprise Security, respectively.

APPOINTMENT

Mayor Marvin announced the appointment of Louis Parks as a member of the Finance Committee for the term expiring in April 2008.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Betsy Harding, Homesdale Road, said she was curious about where Mr. DeBellis, the Village Assessor, was. Mayor Marvin said he was scheduled to attend the meeting this evening but he had a problem with his back. She said she will ask him to attend the meeting on December 11th.

Thomas Wolff, Pondfield Road, inquired about the resolution that was passed extending the contract with Calgi Construction Company. He asked what the maximum total would be as a result of the resolution. Mr. Porr said the total was approximately \$96,000.

On motion of Trustee Underhill, seconded by Trustee Barton, and unanimously carried the meeting was adjourned at 10:07 p.m.

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Harold Porr III, Village Clerk