

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF BRONXVILLE HELD NOVEMBER 12, 2019
AT THE VILLAGE HALL, 200 PONDFIELD ROAD, BRONXVILLE, N.Y.**

PRESENT:	Mary C. Marvin	Mayor
	Robert S. Underhill	Deputy Mayor
	Randolph Mayer	Trustee
	William H. Barton	Trustee
	Mark Wood	Trustee
ALSO PRESENT:	James Palmer	Village Administrator
	James Staudt	Village Attorney

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WORK SESSION & EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:30pm on motion by Trustee Wood, seconded by Trustee Barton, the Village Board convened the Work Session. The Village Administrator went through the agenda.

At 7:45pm on a motion by Trustee Wood, seconded by Trustee Mayer, the Village Board adjourned the Work Session and entered into an Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. At 8:05pm on a motion of Trustee Wood, seconded by Trustee Barton the Village Board closed the Executive Session.

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At 8:03pm, Mayor Marvin re-opened the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Mary Marvin gave a brief report on what she has been working on.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

James Palmer, Village Administrator, gave a brief report on what he has been working on.

Mr. Palmer announced that the Women’s Club was in attendance to present Mayor Marvin with a special award. Mary Westmoreland shared some kind word about Mayor Marvin and presented her with the Award of the Seven Seals.

Mr. Palmer announced that leaf collection is in full swing and requested that residents not place leaf piles in the street. Maintenance of sidewalks are the responsibility of the abutting homeowner and residents are also reminded to keep sidewalks free and clear of snow and ice, and to not shovel snow into the right of way.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Trustee Wood, seconded by Trustee Mayer, the Board approved the minutes of the following meetings:

- Work Session and Executive Session of October 15, 2019
- Regular Meeting of October 15, 2019

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sean Abbott stood up and created unreasonably loud noise and disturbed the lawful assembly of the Village Board. After ignoring repeated requests to sit down and to comply with a lawful order of the Police Mr. Abbott was escorted out of the Board Room.

Betsy Harding, Village resident, asked a few questions about the new DPW building and the status of the project. James Palmer gave Ms. Harding a brief update on the garage improvements with Phase I of the project currently underway. Phase II has not yet been finalized as they are tweaking some of the details.

PUBLIC HEARING

A. Public Hearing for the Village Comprehensive Plan

At 8:37pm, Mayor Marvin re-opened the public hearing for the Village Comprehensive Plan on motion of Trustee Wood, seconded by Trustee Mayer.

Jennifer Colao, Village resident, made a few comments about the plan and if the plan is being used as a guidance or if it will actually be implemented as is. Mayor Marvin responded that the Plan is a guiding document and that individual items such as traffic plans will be further designed before being implemented.

There being no further comments, this public hearing was closed at 8:41pm on motion of Trustee Barton, seconded by Deputy Mayor Underhill.

NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTION – Issuance of Negative Declaration for Comprehensive Plan

On motion of Deputy Mayor Underhill, seconded by Trustee Mayer, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2019 the Village determined that the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan was subject to SEQRA, that Part I and II of a Full EAF was prepared and that the project was classified as a Type I action; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board further declared their intent to be lead agency in the review and circulated the EAF to the appropriate agencies;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Village Board of Trustees have determined that this project will result in no adverse impacts on the environment and therefore, a negative declaration is issued and Part III of the EAF is filed.

B. RESOLUTION – Authorizing the Issuance of Debt Service for the Construction of DPW Improvements

On motion of Trustee Barton, seconded by Trustee Wood, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

On roll call, voting was as follows: Trustee Barton, Trustee Wood, Trustee Mayor, Deputy Mayor Underhill and Mayor Marvin.

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2019, the Board of Trustees adopted a board resolution authorizing Phase 1 construction of the Palumbo Place Municipal Parking Lot and Materials Storage Building, and

WHEREAS, Phase 1 is expected to cost \$910,000 to be funded through debt service,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby approves the following bond resolutions funding \$910,000:

Period of Probable Usefulness (PPU)	Resolution	Amount
Fifteen (15) Years	A	\$910,000
Total		\$910,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes, in compliance with the requirements of law, the Village Administrator and the Village Treasurer to take all actions necessary to effect and record this issuance.

C. RESOLUTION – Awarding Phase I Improvements for the DPW – VA 19-04 to Casale Inc.

On motion of Trustee Barton, seconded by Deputy Mayor Underhill, the following resolution was approved;

WHEREAS, the Village circulated bids for Phase I of the DPW Improvements which include demolition of the existing salt storage shed and yard, construction of a new parking lot and construction of a new salt storage dome; and

WHEREAS, on Friday October 4th the bids for the three companies that submitted responses were publicly open and read; and

WHEREAS, the low bidder, Tony Casale Inc. submitted a bid of \$810,000 and his bid was reviewed by our Consulting Engineer and recommended for award;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby awards the bid for Phase I of the DPW improvements to Tony Casale, Inc. in the amount of \$810,000 and authorizes the Village Administrator to enter into a contract with Tony Casale, Inc. for the scope of the work defined in the bid.

D. RESOLUTION – Awarding of Fiscal Advisory Services

On motion of Deputy Mayor Underhill, seconded by Trustee Wood, the following resolution was approved, Trustee Mayer recused himself from this vote:

WHEREAS, the Village has worked with Capital Markets Advisors since 2007, and

WHEREAS, the team of advisors the Village has used since 2014 has left Capital Markets, and

WHEREAS, the Village has issued an RFP, reviewed the responses, and

WHEREAS, the team of advisors at Fiscal Advisors & Marketing Inc. offered the Village comparable quality services, at a competitive rate,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Village Administrator to take administrative actions necessary to execute a one year contract with Fiscal Advisors & Marketing, Inc.

E. RESOLUTION – 2019 Small Claims Litigation

On motion of Trustee Wood, seconded by Trustee Barton, the following resolution was approved:

WHEREAS, Small Claims Assessment Review petitions having been filed by each property owner identified on the annexed schedules to this resolution, challenging real property tax assessments on the Village's 2019 Final Assessment Roll.

TYPE	Address	Original AV	Disposition	Change	Refund (Village)	Refund (School)	Total Refund
Decision	27 Studio Lane	1,805,000	1,805,000	0.00	NONE	NONE	NONE
Decision	19 Masterton Road	5,814,200	5,814,200	0.00	NONE	NONE	NONE
Decision	87 Tanglewylde Ave.	4,393,900	4,393,900	0.00	NONE	NONE	NONE
Decision	39 Prescott Ave.	3,336,200	3,336,200	0.00	NONE	NONE	NONE
Settled	6 Leggett Road	1,958,200	1,850,000	108200	\$ 355.22	\$ 1,481.68	\$ 1,836.90
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TOTAL				108,200	\$ 355.22	\$ 1,481.68	\$ 1,836.90

WHEREAS, petitioner's court challenges are now pending in the Supreme Court, Arbitration Division,

WHEREAS, the Village and the property owners have reached a mutually agreeable resolution;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby authorizes the Village Assessor to execute those proceedings marked “Settled” on behalf of the Village and School reducing the assessments to no less than the amounts shown on a schedule of decisions identified herein:

F. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Village Treasurer to Perform Justice Court Audit for 2018-19

On motion of Trustee Mayer, seconded by Deputy Mayor Underhill, the following resolution was approved:

WHEREAS, the Village Treasurer is the auditor for the Justice Court, and

WHEREAS, consistent with past practice, has accepted responsibility for completing the annual examination required by the Uniform Justice Court Act,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Bronxville Board of Trustees appoints the Village Treasurer to prepare the 2018-19 required examination and submit it to the NYS Office of Court Administration.

G. RESOLUTION – Acknowledging the Justice Court Examination for the Fiscal Year Ended May 31, 2019

On motion of Deputy Mayor Underhill, seconded by Trustee Barton, the following resolution was approved;

WHEREAS, the Uniform Justice Court Act requires that the Village Board of Trustees of Trustees, as the Auditing Board of Trustees of the Village, examine the records of the Justice Court, at least once per year, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has delegated that responsibility to the Village Treasurer, as Accountant for the Justice Court, and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer has completed such examination for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2019 and provided a copy of the report (attached) to the Trustees, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has examined this report and has determined that the fines therein collected have been turned over to the proper Village officials,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Bronxville Board of Trustees acknowledges that the required examination was conducted, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded along with a copy of the report to the NYS Office of Court Administration.

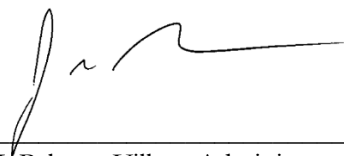
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PUBLIC COMMENT

Sean Abbott, of the Bronxville Surrealist, made a few comments. The meeting was abruptly adjourned at 9:03pm on motion by Trustee Mayer, seconded by Trustee Wood due to the disruptive behavior of Mr. Abbott and the Village Board's inability to conduct their meeting as a lawful legislative body.

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The next Village Board of Trustees Meeting is scheduled for December 9, 2019.



James M. Palmer, Village Administrator