

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Monday, March 6, 2023**

A public hearing and regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on March 6, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Mayor Rosenbaum with the following in attendance:

Randall Rosenbaum	Mayor
Brian Herington	Deputy Mayor
Gary Lewandowski	Trustee
Frank Genese	Trustee
Mary Jo Collins	Trustee
Claire Dorfman	Trustee
Max Frankel	Trustee
Jeff Blinkoff	Village Attorney
Ronnie Shatzkamer	Village Administrator
Suzanne Tangredi	Village Treasurer
Peter Albinski	Building Superintendent
Rich Falcones	Public Works Superintendent

Former Port Washington Fire Department Chief Chris Bollerman led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. There were fifteen members of the public present.

Special Presentation

Former Chief Bollerman presented the changes to the 2023-2024 Port Washington Fire Department contract which includes a cost recovery program for Fire Medic services.

Public Comment

Resident Kevin O'Rourke, 65 Mason Drive, requested an appeal of a tree removal permit denial. On motion of Mayor Rosenbaum, second by Trustee Genese, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn to April 3, 2023 in order for Board members to visit the site.

Mayor Rosenbaum read a statement disavowing rumors printed in an anonymous flyer circulating in the Village regarding St. Francis Hospital and zoning changes.

Several residents spoke regarding the hospital's purchase of properties on Oak Tree Lane. The Mayor and Deputy Mayor Herrington assured residents that there was no proposal for a zone change before the Board and that if any such application was received, the residents would be notified and the process would include several public hearings along with traffic and environmental studies that would take many months to complete. Mayor Rosenbaum noted that he wanted the Village to remain a residential area and will authorized the bidding of a zoning study to protect the few large undeveloped properties that remain in the village.

Public Hearing

On motion of Mayor Rosenbaum, second by Deputy Mayor Herrington, and unanimously approved, the Board entered into Public Hearing at 9:00 pm.

The first hearing was to consider a lot line adjustment between 15 West Gate Road and 12 Hewlett Lane, Port Washington, Charles Chiclacos, attorney, represented both parties. The owner of 15 West Gate is selling 958 square feet to the owner of 12 Hewlett Lane to bring his property mostly into compliance because of accessory structures built too close to the property line.

RESOLUTION NO. 12 - MARCH 6, 2023
RESOLUTION APPROVING A LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT

The following resolution was offered by Mayor Rosenbaum, second by Trustee Genese:

WHEREAS, Charles J. Chiclacos, Attorney, representing Amir and Sharifa Sitafalwalla, owners of 15 West Gate Road, Port Washington, NY (Property A) also known as Section 6, Lot 5304, Lot 1530; and Robert and Laura Landau, owners of 12 Hewlett Lane, Port Washington, NY (Property B) also known as Section 6, Lot 5304, Lots 549 & 213, appeared before the Board to present a final plat entitled "Lot Line Change, 12 Hewlett Land and 15 West Gate Road, Port Washington, NY"; prepared by TS Land Surveying PC, 140 Fell Court, Hauppauge, NY, and

WHEREAS, the owners of Property A have conveyed a portion of the rear yard property to the rear yard of the owners of Property B, the portion being 958 square feet, and

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees is designated as lead agency with respect to this action and the within action is deemed an Unlisted action as defined under SEQRA having no significant impact on the environment and requiring no further action for the purposes of SEQRA, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees acting in its capacity as Planning Board has found the lot line adjustment to be de minimis, without effect to the current R-3 zoning of both properties, and

THEREFORE, the application is approved, and the Village Clerk will present the amended surveys to the Nassau County Department of Assessment for assignment of new lot numbers.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Dorfman	Aye
Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Genese	Aye
Trustee Collins	Aye
Trustee Frankel	Aye
Deputy Mayor Herrington	Aye
Mayor Rosenbaum	Aye

The second hearing was to consider Proposed Local Law A – 2023 "Regulating Signs in the Right-of-Way".

RESOLUTION NO. 13 – MARCH 6, 2023
RESOLUTION ENACTING LOCAL LAW 1 OF 2023

The following resolution was offered by Mayor Rosenbaum, second by Trustee Genese:

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees has determined that it is in the best interests of the Village to adopt Local Law A – 2023 "regulating signs in the right-of way" to comply with the aesthetic of the Village and to prevent driver distraction, this resolution hereby enacts proposed Local Law A– 2023 as Local Law 1– 2023, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined that it is the lead agency for the purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, ("SEQRA"), and has further determined that the consideration of the within Local Law is a Type II Action requiring no further action under SEQRA;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustee hereby adopts Local Law 1 of the year 2023.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Dorfman	Aye
Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Genese	Aye
Trustee Collins	Aye
Trustee Frankel	Aye
Deputy Mayor Herrington	Aye
Mayor Rosenbaum	Aye

The third hearing was to consider Proposed Local Law B– 2023, “Amending Section 172-11 of the Property Maintenance Code”.

RESOLUTION NO. 14 – MARCH 6, 2023
RESOLUTION ENACTING LOCAL LAW 2 OF 2023

The following resolution was offered by Trustee Genese, second by Deputy Mayor Herrington:

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees has determined that it is in the best interests of the Village to adopt Local Law B – 2023 “amending section 172-11 ‘Property Maintenance’” to clarify acts and events that result in violations this resolution hereby enacts proposed Local Law B– 2023 as Local Law 2– 2023, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined that it is the lead agency for the purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, (“SEQRA”), and has further determined that the consideration of the within Local Law is a Type II Action requiring no further action under SEQRA;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustee hereby adopts Local Law 2 of the year 2023.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Dorfman	Aye
Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Genese	Aye
Trustee Collins	Aye
Trustee Frankel	Aye
Deputy Mayor Herrington	Aye
Mayor Rosenbaum	Aye

The fourth hearing was to consider proposed Local Law C – 2023,”Amending chapter 235 of the Code “Telecommunications Facilities’”. After discussion, on motion of Mayor Rosenbaum, second by Deputy Mayor Herrington, the Board unanimously moved to adjourn the hearing to April 3, 2023.

The fifth hearing was to consider Proposed Local Law D – 2023, “Adding section 85-3(H) ‘Building Construction’ permitted hours of construction”.

RESOLUTION NO. 15 – MARCH 6, 2023
RESOLUTION ENACTING LOCAL LAW 3 OF 2023

The following resolution was offered by Mayor Rosenbaum, second by Trustee Genese:

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees has determined that it is in the best interests of the Village to adopt Local Law D – 2023 “Adding section 85-3(H) ‘Building Construction’ permitted hours of construction” to clarify the Village Code, this resolution hereby enacts proposed Local Law D– 2023 as Local Law 3– 2023, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined that it is the lead agency for the purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, (“SEQRA”), and has further determined that the consideration of the within Local Law is a Type II Action requiring no further action under SEQRA;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustee hereby adopts Local Law 2 of the year 2023.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Dorfman	Aye
Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Genese	Aye
Trustee Collins	Aye
Trustee Frankel	Aye

Deputy Mayor Herrington Aye
Mayor Rosenbaum Aye

The next hearing was to consider Proposed Local Law E - 2023, "Amend 158-2(P) 'Noise' referring to federal holidays".

. RESOLUTION NO. 16 – MARCH 6, 2023
RESOLUTION ENACTING LOCAL LAW 4 OF 2023

The following resolution was offered by Deputy Mayor Herrington, second by Trustee Frankel:
WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined that it is in the best interests of the Village to adopt Local Law E – 2023 "Amend 158-2(P) 'Noise' referring to federal holidays" to clarify the Village Code, this resolution hereby enacts proposed Local Law E – 2023 as Local Law 4 – 2023, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined that it is the lead agency for the purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, ("SEQRA"), and has further determined that the consideration of the within Local Law is a Type II Action requiring no further action under SEQRA;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustee hereby adopts Local Law 4 of the year 2023.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Dorfman	Aye
Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Genese	Aye
Trustee Collins	Aye
Trustee Frankel	Aye
Deputy Mayor Herrington	Aye
Mayor Rosenbaum	Aye

The final hearing was to consider Landmark Designation for two properties within the Village: Flower Hill Cemetery and the Sands Barn. On motion of Mayor Rosenbaum, second by Trustee Genese, in order to ensure there was proper notification to all parties and to add Elderfields Preserve to the list of properties to be considered for Landmark status, the hearing was unanimously adjourned to April 3, 2023.

On motion of Mayor Rosenbaum, second by Deputy Mayor Herrington, the Board unanimously adjourned the public hearing portion of the meeting at 9:30 pm.
See the transcript for further detail.

Regular Meeting
Approval of Minutes

On motion of Deputy Mayor Herrington, seconded by Trustee Genese, the minutes of the February 6, 2023 regular meeting were amended and approved by all those who were in attendance.

Treasurer's Report

The monthly claims, were unanimously approved on motion of Mayor Rosenbaum, seconded by T Deputy Mayor Herrington. Trustee Frankel abstained from the claim from The Art of Landscaping.

Building Inspector's Report

Mr. Albinski reported on the Architectural Review Committee's meeting of February 27, 2023. The following applications were approved with conditions: 26 Sycamore Drive for roof mounted solar panels and 32 Woodland Road for a second-floor rear addition and 110 Pinewood Drive for roof mounted solar panel shingles. 140 Crabapple Road for additions and alterations was approved as submitted.

On motion of Mayor Rosenbaum, second by Deputy Mayor Herrington, the Board approved the recommendations of the committee with Trustee Lewandowski abstaining.

Public Works Superintendent's Report

Mr. Falcones reported that the updated road condition map will be available next month.

Administrator's Report

RESOLUTION NO.17 - MARCH 6, 2023 RESOLUTION APPOINTING ELECTION INSPECTOR FOR GENERAL VILLAGE ELECTION

The following resolution was offered by Mayor Rosenbaum, second by Trustee Lewandowski:

WHEREAS pursuant to Article 15 section 15-116 of the New York State Election Law the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Flower Hill, is authorized to appoint individuals to serve as Inspectors of Elections for General Village elections;

WHEREAS, the General Village Election will be held on March 21, 2023;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby appoints the following person to serve as Alternate Inspector of Election at the General Village Election:
Susan Ben-Moshe

In the event that any of the above cannot serve, any other qualified individual may be appointed, and

RESOLVED, that each of these individuals are duly qualified to serve as Inspectors under New York State Election Law; and

RESOLVED, that the compensation paid to the Inspectors shall be two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for each Inspector; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all Inspectors must file a Constitutional oath with the Village Administrator prior to the assumption of his or her duties.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Dorfman	Aye
Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Genese	Aye
Trustee Collins	Aye
Trustee Frankel	Aye
Deputy Mayor Herrington	Aye
Mayor Rosenbaum	Aye

Ms Shatzkamer gave an updates on the status of the new software purchased by the Village and the bond redemption process for work done on Country Club Drive.

Attorney's Report

Mr. Blinkoff reported on the Zoning Board of Appeals hearing held on February 15, 2023.

Mayor's Report

The Mayor reported that he attended a meeting protesting the Governor's Housing Compact along with several other community leaders and elected officials. He reminded the audience that March 21 is Village Election Day.

Old Business

RESOLUTION NO. 18- MARCH 6, 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN RFP

The following resolution was officered by Deputy Mayor Herrington, second by Trustee Genese: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Flower Hill hereby authorizes Village Administrator Ronnie Shatzkamer to issue an RFP for a Land Use Planning Study.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Dorfman	Aye
Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Genese	Aye
Trustee Collins	Aye
Trustee Frankel	Aye
Deputy Mayor Herrington	Aye
Mayor Rosenbaum	Aye

New Business

RESOLUTION NO. 19 – MARCH 6, 2023

RESOLUTION INTRODUCING PROPOSED LOCAL LAWS AND AUTHORIZING PUBLIC HEARING

The following resolution was offered by Mayor Rosenbaum, second by Trustee Dorfman:

BE IT RESOLVED, that proposed Local Law F of the year 2023 "Amend 58-8(B) 'Zoning Board of Appeals', 'Variances' to permit USPS Priority Mail" and proposed Local Law G of the Year 2023, "Amend Fee Schedule of Attachment 1 of Village Code Chapter A243, adding a fee schedule for Wireless Telecommunication Facilities" have been introduced; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hold public hearings on said proposed Local Laws at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 3, 2023 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Administrator publish or cause to be published a public notice in the official newspaper of the Village of said public hearing at least three days prior thereto.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Dorfman	Aye
Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Genese	Aye
Trustee Collins	Aye
Trustee Frankel	Aye
Deputy Mayor Herrington	Aye
Mayor Rosenbaum	Aye

RESOLUTION NO. 20 – MARCH 6, 2023

RESOLUTION SETTING A DATE FOR A SPECIAL MEETING FOR PRESENTATION OF THE TENTATIVE BUDGET TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The following resolution was offered by Mayor Rosenbaum, second by Trustee Frankel:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Administrator will present the 2023-2024 Tentative Budget to the Board of Trustees on Monday, March 27, 2023 commencing at 6:00 pm at the Village Hall, 1 Bonnie Heights Rd., Manhasset, NY; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Administrator shall post notice of this meeting Village Hall and the Village newspaper of record.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Dorfman	Aye
Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Genese	Aye
Trustee Collins	Aye
Trustee Frankel	Aye
Deputy Mayor Herrington	Aye
Mayor Rosenbaum	Aye

RESOLUTION NO. 21 – MARCH 6, 2023

RESOLUTION TO HOLD THE ANNUAL VILLAGE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AND BUDGET HEARING

The following resolution was offered by Mayor Rosenbaum, second by Trustee Lewandowski:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Flower Hill shall conduct the annual Village Organizational Meeting and 2023-2024 Budget Hearing on April 3, 2023 commencing at 7:30 PM; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Administrator shall post notice of this meeting at Village Hall, in the Village newspaper of record and on the Village Website.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Dorfman	Aye
Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Genese	Aye
Trustee Collins	Aye
Trustee Frankel	Aye
Deputy Mayor Herrington	Aye
Mayor Rosenbaum	Aye

On motion of Trustee Frankel, seconded by Trustee Lewandowski , the Board moved to close the meeting at 9:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronnie Shatzkamer
Village Administrator