

**MINUTES OF
WORK SESSION
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 11, 2017**

The work session of the Board of Trustees was held on January 11, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor McNamara with the following in attendance:

Robert McNamara	Mayor	
Brian Herrington	Deputy Mayor	
Randall Rosenbaum	Trustee	
Jay Beber	Trustee	
Kate Hirsch	Trustee	
Frank Genese	Trustee	
Jeffrey Blinkoff	Village Attorney	
Ronnie Shatzkamer	Village Administrator	
Robert Rockelein	Code Enforcement Officer	
Scott Hislop	Highway	Superintendent

Mr. Blinkoff guided the Board through a discussion of the current Code sections relating to building permit renewal and extensions including creating a local law to permit amnesty for outstanding permits and legalizations. Mr. Blinkoff recommended language amendments to section 85-5 to give the responsibilities of approvals and revocations to the Building Superintendent. The Board discussed which type of permits would be included as well as fees and asked for Building Superintendent Lawrence's input on how the amnesty program worked in Sea Cliff. Mr. Blinkoff will incorporate the suggestions and discussions into a document for discussion at the Feb. 6, 2017 regular meeting.

Mayor McNamara started a conversation on Village goals for the new Board. He reviewed the past successes of the long term planning committee and asked for input on new goals.

Trustee Lewandowski relayed his goals via email which included the need for zoning modifications, ARC code review, walking/biking path extensions, planning and zoning for the Vincent Smith School property and a continuation of the tree legacy that began with the late Trustee Reichenbach.

The Board agreed to include zoning modification discussions on height and grading concerns as well as bulk of buildings in the R-3, 4, 5 and 6 zones as a goal. The next step will be to ask the Building Superintendent to look at the code and make recommendations.

Trustee Lewandowski will be assigned the ARC code review. Ms. Shatzkamer will take responsibility for the goal of moving the pedestrian path extensions and DOT projects along. Mayor McNamara will speak with Rob Seiden, Planning Board chair about the Vincent Smith zoning and set up a meeting next week. Deputy Mayor Herrington will be the Social Media liaison. Trustee Hirsch will reach out to Tree Committee member Zach Menkes to assume responsibility for the tree committee and furthering Karen's legacy.

The Mayor reviewed the existing Boards and committees and asked the Board where they would like to serve. Trustee Herrington asked to be relieved of his Hempstead Harbor representation as it conflicts with the Manhasset Bay Committee. Trustee Genese is considering taking it on. The Mayor will join the Ethics Committee and Gabriella Morizio will be moved to alternate. The Budget Committee is comprised of Mayor McNamara, Deputy Mayor Herrington and Trustee Rosenbaum. Trustee Rosenbaum will continue to represent the Village with the Roslyn Fire Depts. And their LOSAP Board; Trustee Genese will do the same for Port Washington. Mayor McNamara will represent the Village with The Manhasset-Lakeville Water District; Trustee Hirsch is assigned to Port Washington and Trustee Beber to Roslyn Water.

Legislative issues involving the State will be handled by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor. The Board continued their discussion of goals. Deputy Mayor Herrington wants to see more progress in communications perhaps via a resident survey seeking what they would like to see from the Village; continuing the goals of clean water and septic upgrades; creating a list of priorities for seeking funding from Albany; and holding a community event in the park.

Trustee Beber will continue to work on communications with Trustee Hirsch. He would like to do more mailings in the coming year and asked for an increase in the budget line for communications.

Trustee Rosenbaum has concerns about property maintenance in the Roslyn part of the Village and allowing permits to stay open too long; he volunteered to help the Village purchase a new internet phone system. He also would like the Village to explore lowering the speed limit to 25MPH village-wide.

Trustee Genese asked that the website updates be done in a timely manner. He noted that the entrances to the Village are not attractive and we should look to the DOT for improvements and that there also seems to be a problem keeping outdoor lighting to stay within the property lines of homes.

Trustee Hirsch asked that the Village continue to address speeding issues and property maintenance. She volunteered to be editor of the newsletter and will work with Trustee Beber on communications.

Mr. Rockelein would like to see the building generator better maintained; some furniture repair in the Village Hall and continue with our previous IT goals. Mr. Hislop will begin putting together a list of roads to be repaved this spring. Ms. Shatzkamer will continue working on records management goals and would like to see septic inspection legislation.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 pm on motion of Trustee Rosenbaum, second by Trustee Beber.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie Shatzkamer
Village Administrator