

**MINUTES OF  
REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Monday, October 7, 2019**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on October 7, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by Mayor McNamara with the following in attendance:

Robert McNamara	Mayor
Brian Herrington	Deputy Mayor
Randall Rosenbaum	Trustee
Gary Lewandowski	Trustee
Jay Beber	Trustee
Frank Genese	Trustee
Kate Hirsch	Trustee
Jeff Blinkoff	Village Attorney
Ronnie Shatzkamer	Village Administrator
Suzanne Tangredi	Village Treasurer
Peter Albinski	Building Superintendent
Robert Rockelein	Code Enforcement Officer
Richard Falcones	Superintendent Public Works
Steven Lawniczak	Village Engineer

Ms. Tangredi led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. There were approximately five members of the public present.

**Special Presentation**

Village Historian Rhoda Becker with assistance from Trustee Beber put together a Village History display comparing important Village landmarks from the earliest days of the Village to now.

**Approval of Minutes**

On motion of Mayor McNamara, seconded by Trustee Genese, the minutes of the September 3, 2019 regular meeting/public hearing were unanimously approved.

**Treasurer's Report**

The claims were unanimously approved on motion of Deputy Mayor Herrington, seconded by Mayor McNamara.

**Resolution No, 043 - October 7, 2019  
RESOLUTION REGARDING A TAX CERTIORARI SETTLEMENT  
WITH TWO MIDDLENECK REALTY**

The following resolution was offered by Mayor McNamara, seconded by Trustee Beber:

**RESOLVED**, that the certiorari settlement recommended by Spellman, Gibbons, Polizzi, Truccale & Trentacoste, LLP, regarding Two Middleneck Realty, Section 6, Block B05, Lots 114,210 and 215 is approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Petitioner will receive a refund of \$30,000 for the tax years 2006/2007 through 2012/2013. The first payment of \$15,000 was made on July 15, 2018. The second payment was due on July 15, 2019 following the submission of a voucher along with a Judgement and Stipulation.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Genese	Aye

Trustee Rosenbaum	Aye
Trustee Beber	Aye
Trustee Hirsch	Aye
Deputy Mayor Herrington	Aye
Mayor McNamara	Aye

### **Resolution No, 044 - October 7, 2019**

#### **RESOLUTION REGARDING A TAX CERTIORARI SETTLEMENT WITH EAST HILLS SUBARU**

The following resolution was offered by Mayor McNamara, seconded by Trustee Beber:

**RESOLVED**, that the certiorari settlement recommended by Spellman, Gibbons, Polizzi, Truccale & Trentacoste, LLP, regarding East Hills Subaru, Section 6, Block B05, Lot 124 is approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Petitioner will receive a refund of \$7,500 for the tax years 2010/2011 through 2012/2013. The refund was due on July 15, 2019 following the submission of a voucher along with a Judgement and Stipulation.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Genese	Aye
Trustee Rosenbaum	Aye
Trustee Beber	Aye
Trustee Hirsch	Aye
Deputy Mayor Herrington	Aye
Mayor McNamara	Aye

#### **Architectural Review Committee Report**

Mr. Albinski reported on the recommendations from the September 24, 2019 meeting. The application of 137 Boulder Road for a 2-story rear addition and rear covered porch and 23 Bonnie Heights Road for a new one family residence were approved with conditions. The application of 21 Country Club Drive for additions and alteration had no action taken. On motion of Trustee Rosenbaum, seconded by Deputy Mayor Herrington, the Board unanimously approved the recommendations of the Architectural Review Committee.

#### **Public Works Superintendent Report**

Mr. Falcones reported that the new truck will be ready in about three weeks. Once delivered he will put the old truck up for bid on several state auction sites.

#### **Engineers Report**

Mr. Lawniczak reported that because of poor soil conditions on Dogwood La., the drainage originally planned for would not be adequate. He designed a new system that added drywells to the drains. The road contractor, Stasi Industries, priced the new work out at \$42,420 (a \$12,300 credit for the previous design will be given). Stasi has given the Village a very good price on gutter work for Hemlock Rd and Brook La. Part of the Hemlock gutters are on the original plan but because of the pricing the Engineer recommends adding another 668 feet of work at an additional cost of \$21,376.

#### **Administrator's Report**

Ms. Shatzkamer reported on the NYCOM Fall Training School classes and network opportunities she and Ms. Tangredi benefitted from and thanked the Board for supporting their attendance. The Flower Hill Women's Club has gifted the Village with two picnic tables for the park, plaques have been attached acknowledging the donation. There has been a change in NY State Election Law

allowing employees to take 3 hours off at the beginning or end of election day in order to vote. She also informed the Board that she has accumulated enough credits to obtain A Master Municipal Clerk certification from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks. There are currently only 22 MMC's in New York State so this would be an honor for the Village. The Board agreed to support her application.

### **Attorney's Report**

Mr. Blinkoff reported on the September 11, 2019 Board of Zoning Appeals hearing.

### **Trustee's Report**

Trustee Hirsch attended the Manhasset Bay Protection Committee meeting where it was agreed to increase dues by \$300 annually.

Trustee Genese will be unable to attend the Port Washington Fire Dept. LOSAP meeting. Deputy Mayor Herrington will attend in his place on October 17 at 1 pm at Town Hall.

### **Mayor's Report**

The Mayor met with several residents who were concerned that the recycling efforts in the Village were sub-par. He will be meeting with the Manager of Meadow Carting and asked for Trustee volunteers to join him.

### **Old Business**

The Village has not yet been served in the Extenet matter although a complaint has been filed in federal court. The Board authorized Trustee Beber to go ahead and print Do Not Solicit stickers.

### **New Business**

On motion of Trustee Rosenbaum, second by Deputy Mayor Herrington, the Board unanimously approved seeking PILOT payments from tax exempt properties in the Village. The Board discussed the feasibility of a rental registration law. Many issues were raised. Ms. Shatzkamer will amend the proposed law and report back to the Trustees at the next meeting.

#### **Resolution No, 045 - October 7, 2019**

#### **RESOLUTION INTRODUCING LOCAL LAW K-2019, AMENDING CHAPTER 172, "PROPERTY MAINTENANCE" AND HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING**

The following resolution was offered by Trustee Rosenbaum, seconded by Deputy Mayor Herrington:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Local Law "K" of the Year 2019, regarding a streamlined process for remediation of abandoned properties, has been introduced; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees hold a public hearing on said proposed Local Law at the Village Hall in the Incorporated Village of Flower Hill at the address of One Bonnie Heights Road, Manhasset, New York at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, November 4, 2019 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 of Trustees was polled as follows:

Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Genese	Aye
Trustee Rosenbaum	Aye
Trustee Beber	Aye
Trustee Hirsch	Aye
Deputy Mayor Herrington	Aye
Mayor McNamara	Aye

**Resolution No, 046 - October 7, 2019**

**RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN ITEMS OF PROPERTY TO BE SURPLUS AND OF NO VALUE TO THE VILLAGE AND AUTHORIZING REMOVAL FROM INVENTORY AND TRANSFER TO AUCTIONEER FOR DISPOSAL**

The following resolution was offered by Mayor McNamara, seconded by Trustee Lewandowski :

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Flower Hill is the owner of certain items of property, more particularly a 2006 International Dump Truck and a 1999 Stow-R-2000 Econo-roll "roller"; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that the aforesaid items of property are no longer of any value to the Village , do not serve a useful function, and are not required for the continued effective operation of the business of the Village ; and **WHEREAS**, the Village has entered into an Agreement with Auctions International, Inc., for the disposal of surplus property; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board is of the opinion that these items are indeed surplus property and that same should be sold in accordance with the laws made and provided at aforesaid auction:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:** SECTION 1. That the items listed above are in fact surplus property, of no value to the Village, and are no longer needed for the effective functioning of the Village and conduct of Village business. SECTION 2. That said items may be removed from the Village 's inventory of fixed assets and shall be sold at auction pursuant to the agreement with Auctions International, Inc.

The Board of Trustees was polled as follows:

Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Genese	Aye
Trustee Rosenbaum	Aye
Trustee Beber	Aye
Trustee Hirsch	Aye
Deputy Mayor Herrington	Aye
Mayor McNamara	Aye

On motion of Trustee Beber, second by Lewandowski, the meeting was closed at 8:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie Shatzkamer  
Village Administrator