

**MINUTES OF
PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Monday, February 3, 2020**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on February 3, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Deputy Mayor Herrington with the following in attendance:

Brian Herrington	Deputy Mayor
Randall Rosenbaum	Trustee
Gary Lewandowski	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 Lawniczac	Village Engineer

The assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing

The public hearing portion of the meeting was opened on motion of Trustee Genese, seconded by Trustee Rosenbaum.

The hearing was to consider proposed Local Law C-2020, Amending Chapter 227 "Vehicles And Traffic", Chapter 227-18 "Limited Time Parking", Schedule XIII to allow limited time parking (2 hours) on Ridge Drive West from Northern Blvd. north to Peachtree Lane on both sides of the street. The hearing was adjourned to March 9, 2020 pending notification of all affected neighboring properties

RESOLUTION NO. 10 – February 3, 2020

**RESOLUTION CONTINUING PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW C-2020,
AMENDING CHAPTER 227 "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC", CHAPTER 227-18 "LIMITED TIME
PARKING", SCHEDULE XIII**

The following resolution was offered by Trustee Rosenbaum, seconded by Trustee Genese:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Local Law "C" of the Year 2020, regarding a two-hour time limit on parking on Ridge Drive West from Northern Blvd. to Peachtree Lane, both sides, 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, March 9, 2020 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 Genese	Aye
Trustee Rosenbaum	Aye
Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Hirsch	Aye
Deputy Mayor Herrington	Aye

See the stenographic record for details.

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Trustee Rosenbaum, seconded by Trustee Hirsch, the minutes of the January 6, 2020 regular meeting and public hearing were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

The claims were unanimously approved on motion of Trustee Genese, seconded by Trustee Rosenbaum.

Public Comment

Residents of John Bean Court asked Nassau County to put a traffic light at the intersection of their road and West Shore Road as increased traffic on West Shore makes it difficult to enter and exit onto John Bean. As West Shore Rd. belongs to the County, they asked Legislator Delia DiRiggi-Whitton for assistance. The Deputy Mayor met with residents and the Legislator. The residents came before the Board to inform them of this issue. The Board will take it under consideration.

Jennifer Schulteis of Farmview Road complained about traffic volume, failure to stop and speeding on her road and the surrounding area. Deputy Mayor Herrington recognized the problem and informed her that the Village will be doing a large-scale traffic study in the near future. Trustee Genese said the Village will seek more traffic enforcement by the police. Ms. Schulteis also asked for more communication between the police and Village so the community can be better informed about incidents. She also asked about the viability of extending Port Washington Police Dept. into our Village which would be precluded by the rules of their district. A resident suggested limiting cut through traffic by street signage similar to those in Roslyn Estates. The Board will look into it.

Mr. Schned of Oak Tree Lane asked if the Village intended to allow St. Francis Hospital to purchase Oak Tree Lane as the hospital has made offers to buy the homes on both sides of the street in order to pursue expansion plans. As no application has been received from the hospital, the Village really can't speak to the plan but at this time Oak Tree Lane is not for sale.

Architectural Review Committee Report

Mr. Albinski presented the recommendations from the January 28, 2020 meeting. The application of 7 Ridge Drive West, for a new one family residence, had no action taken. The applications of 1045 Northern Blvd for material changes to an office/retail building; 4 Hunters Lane for a new house; 41 Crabapple Road for a new house; 11 Brook Lane for additions and alterations; 6 The Spur for front porch and interior and exterior alterations; 79 Farmview Road for a new house; 18 Dogwood Lane for a new house; and 45 Drake Lane for a new house were all approved with conditions. 522 Manhasset Woods Road for driveway gates and 115 Northwoods Road for a change to the portico rooftop railing were approved as submitted.

On motion of Trustee Genese, seconded by Trustee Lewandowski, the Board unanimously approved the recommendations of the Architectural Review Committee as follows:

Trustee Genese	Aye
Trustee Rosenbaum	Aye
Trustee Lewandowski	Aye
Trustee Hirsch	No on 79 Farmview, Aye for the rest
Deputy Mayor Herrington	Aye

Public Works Superintendent Report

Mr. Falcones spoke with Brandon Lynch of National Grid regarding their offer to split the cost of repaving Country Club, Greenbriar, Hewlett and Brookside with the Village after their completion of

changing the old steel pipeline to PVC. They agreed to cover half the engineering costs as well. Mr. Falcones will get an agreement in writing which can then be voted on by the Board.

The faulty speed sign is being repaired under warranty.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Lawniczac prepared a punch list for Middle Neck Road. It has not been forwarded to the County as it was pending for Board approval. Deputy Mayor Herrington will follow up.

Administrator's Report (Given by Mr. Blinkoff)

The Board declined to pass a resolution appointing election inspectors for the March 18, 2020 village election. A special meeting will be scheduled by February 6 to comply with election law. A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Herrington, Second by Trustee Genese to approve the annual contract for Village accountants Cullen & Dykman. The motion was carried unanimously. The Board approved the purchase of seedling from the DEC nursery in order to provide a free tree giveaway in commemoration of Arbor Day.

RESOLUTION NO. 11 – February 3, 2020

APPROVING AN INCREASE IN BUDGET LINE FOR VILLAGE ELECTIONS

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that as the March 18, 2020 Village Election will be a contested one; and **FURTHER** that upon recommendation by the Nassau County Board of Elections the Village will be best served by renting two scanner machine and one ballot marker machine for handicapped use from the County at a cost of \$800; and

FURTHER these machines must be picked up and delivered by a County approved mover at a cost of \$500; and

FURTHER the machines can only use ballots printed by an approved County printer at a cost of \$250;

FURTHER, it is the recommendation of the Board of Election that four election inspectors (poll workers) be hired to man those machines at a total cost of \$500.

THEREFORE, the above costs totaling \$2,050 are approved.

The Board of Trustees was polled as follows:

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

Attorney's Report

Mr. Blinkoff reported on the Zoning Board of Approval hearing held on January 15, 2020.

Trustee's Report

Trustee Hirsch reported that the Manhasset Bay Protection Committee is raising their dues.

Trustee Genese reported on the Port Washington Fire Dept. LOSAP fund change to be administered by Firefly Admin., Inc.

On motion of Trustee Genese, second by Deputy Mayor Herrington, the Board unanimously moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Firefly Admin., Inc. for Port Washington Fire Department LOSAP investment services.

Trustee Genese reported on the NCVOA meeting which concerned hazard mitigation plans. They County has hired a consultant who will work with the County and Villages to make sure we are all FEMA compliant.

Trustee Rosenbaum reported on a PWOEM meeting with the Sands Point and Port Washington Police. Two separate burglary gangs have been apprehended. He informed the Board that Sands Point has installed a license plate reader.

Old Business

The Board continued their discussion of speed and traffic control on Ridge Drive East. Trustee Rosenbaum suggested that we see if the speed sign can be reprogrammed to track speed of below and above 30 mph as it is factory set to record speed between 20 and 40 mph. Mr. Falcones will investigate. An RFP for a traffic study on the road was submitted to several consultants but only one response came back at \$5,500. The Board agreed that it is unacceptable to award a contract to a single bidder. The consensus of the Board is that the Village instead invest in a larger traffic study covering several problem areas in order to create a "master plan" type study. Mr. Lawniczac will work with Ms. Shatzkamer to ensure an adequate number of bids are received. Deputy Mayor Herrington will work with Village personnel to determine which are the most problematic areas of the Village.

Trustee Genese noted that trucks are not obeying the no commercial traffic on Middle Neck Road signs. Deputy Mayor Herrington will reach out to the 6th precinct to get more enforcement presence on Middle Neck Road as well as Farmview.

The Board discussed the garbage contract and a committee to explore a separate recycling day. Rhoda Becker volunteered to head up the committee. Trustee Hirsch pointed out various provision of the contract that would allow the Village to appoint an inspector and that the Village could bring suit against Meadow Carting for failing to comply with the contract terms.

New Business

The Village received a request to add signage reading "traffic coming from the right/left does not stop" at the intersection of Ridge Drive East and Sycamore Drive. On motion of Trustee Genese, seconded by Trustee Rosenbaum the Board unanimously approved installation of the signage. The Board discussed a request by the Board of Elections to make Flower Hill an early voting site. They deferred the discussion to the March meeting so they could gather more information. NYCOM asked villages to pass a resolution to be sent to Albany opposing amendments to the new criminal justice reform laws. Mr. Blinkoff recommended that the Board take their time and do more research into how these laws would affect local village courts. The Board deferred the matter until the March meeting.

On motion of Trustee Rosenbaum, second by Trustee Hirsch, the meeting was adjourned at 9:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie Shatzkamer
Village Administrator