

Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees

A special meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, August 9, 2011, at Lawrence Village Hall, 196 Central Avenue, Lawrence, NY 11559.

Those members present were: Mayor Martin Oliner
Deputy Mayor Joel A. Mael
Trustee Edward I. Klar
Trustee Michael A. Fragin
Trustee C. Simon Felder

Also present were: David E. Smollett, Administrator
Abraham Farber

Mayor Oliner opened the meeting at 3:30 pm.

NEW BUSINESS

Item 1 – Abstracts

Trustee Fragin moved to approve the following abstracts:

- General Fund Abstract #'s 632-636, 637-640
- Recreation Fund Abstract #'s 44-48, 49
- Sewer Fund Abstract # 42
- Trust Fund Abstract # 234
- Payroll Abstract #'s 2295-2296

Trustee Felder seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Discussion regarding a request for speed bumps from the residents of New McNeil Ave.
- Discussion regarding work by Stasi Brothers pertaining to the cut they made in the road at 92 Washington Ave.
- Long Island American Water pipe replacements – Trustee Klar raised issue of LIAW refusal to replace old underground pipes due to \$20,000 fee charged by the Village to break open the street. Mayor Oliner explained that these would be negotiated.

- LIAW – President of LIAW, Mr. William Varley, invited to attend the next Board meeting.
- NYC Department of Environmental Protection – Trustee Fragin reported on his meeting with officials at NYC DEP regarding the possibility of having Lawrence interconnect into NYC water system to provide NYC water to Lawrence residents. NYC DEP officials said that it could possibly be done but it would take at least ten years to effectuate due to NYC DEP's major reconstruction of the Delaware aqueduct.
- A request for a partial refund by Alan Lazar, for his banquet hall rental fee of \$500.00 due to air conditioning problems at his affair.
Board action: Trustees Klar moved to approve and Trustee Fragin seconded. All in favor.
- Jeff Ziff Golf Membership refund – Trustee Klar said he will research this matter.
- Trustee Klar instructed that all country club refunds are to be reviewed by him.
- The BOT asked that the bi-weekly payroll abstracts be provided to them at the time of payroll.
- Trustee Klar requested a schedule of phone lines and cell phones.
- Gas pump at the golf course - Trustee Fragin proposed implementing keycards and installing a surveillance camera to monitor users. Request was made for Village Administrator to get quotes for systems and surveillance cameras.
- Discussion regarding authorizing payment to individuals who were not employees of the Village and who did not have consulting agreements. No action taken.
- Board action: Trustee Klar made a motion to cancel referral fees for new golf club members as of July 29, 2011. Seconded by Trustee Mael. All in favor.
- Trustee Felder raised the issue of hazards to pedestrian safety along Central Avenue due to speeding cars and illegal U-turns.
Board action: Mayor Oliner moved to investigate the possibility of hiring a dedicated enforcement officer, possibly in conjunction with the Village of Cedarhurst. Seconded by Trustee Felder. All in favor.
- Board action: Trustee Fragin made a motion to authorize and seek to hire third parking enforcement officer for 12pm-8pm shifts including Sundays. Seconded by Mayor Oliner. All in favor.

- Trustee Felder inquired about installing additional crosswalks and signage to improve pedestrian safety. Board instructed David Smollett to provide recommendations.
- Trustee Klar questioned house numbering project on curbs in front of all Lawrence addresses , in that (1) this project was never approved by the Board (2) it was a total waste of Village funds in that (a) the numbers were not painted in appropriate positions in front of each house, (b) were painted on the top of curbs so could not be seen, and (c) were not painted using phosphorescent paint so that, even if had they been painted in the right locations, they would be visible by reflecting at night. Discussion ensued as to whether they were authorized and that the original trial was inexpensive and beneficial.
- Trustee Mael recommended mapping out address numbers on Lawrence Avenue and other streets in the Village which are out of sequence and approach the homeowners to re-number their addresses in sequence. Building department to analyze.

At 5:00 pm, on motion by Trustee Fragin, seconded by Trustee Klar and adopted unanimously, the Board convened in executive session to discuss collective bargaining agreements and pending litigation.

At 5:30 pm the Board returned to public session

Board action: Trustee Fragin made a motion which was seconded by Mayor Oliner to engage in Contract services with Laurel Solutions, Inc. for services at annual rate of \$90,000 paid monthly at 1/12th per month

All in favor.

Motion to adjourn made by Trustee Fragin and seconded by trustee Klar. All in favor.

This is to certify that I, David E. Smollett, read the preceding minutes and they are in all respects a full and correct record of such proceedings.

David E. Smollett, Administrator
Clerk/Treasurer