

Inc. Village of Lawrence, January 12, 2012

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, January 12, 2012, at Lawrence Village Hall, 196 Central Avenue, Lawrence, New York 11559.

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

Also present were: David E. Smollett, Village Administrator
Abraham Farber, Deputy Treasurer
A. Thomas Levin, Village Attorney

Mayor Oliner opened the meeting at 8:07 pm.

GOOD & WELFARE

1. Speed Bumps – New McNeil Ave: Trustee Fragin asked if any response had been offered from the administration to the residents regarding their July petition. Village Administrator Smollett said he had visited the site and was researching how best to implement a solution that would not adversely affect snow plows during winter. However, he has not contacted the residents. Trustee Felder recommended contacting neighboring Villages to see how they resolved the issue.

2. Post Office Parking Lot: Trustee Mael described a problem that he had raised over 1 year ago and has not been rectified of the lot always being full even when the Post Office is relatively empty . Mayor Oliner requested that Administrator Smollett follow up on this matter.

3. Request by individual that Village conduct 90 day Community Health Challenge: Trustee Klar noted the commercial nature of the request and moved to close discussion of the matter. No further comments.

4. John Cameron and Alan King of Cameron Engineering - Report: (Note: This section pertains to “William Street Update” in “Old Business.” Mayor Oliner requested that it be addressed at this point in the meeting.) John Cameron and Alan King of Cameron Engineering provided clarification regarding the original report they had submitted pertaining to William Street. They explained that the original report had been commissioned and completed solely to analyze traffic flow and provide recommendations based on their findings. Any such recommendations would require further analysis including a topographic survey to determine feasibility of implementation. However, Cameron reiterated that in fact turning William street into a two way roadway was still the best solution.

Trustee Mael noted that no mention of any follow up requirements appeared in the report and that no caveats were included regarding implementation. Trustee Klar further noted that, in fact, the original report was used as the basis for a BOT resolution on the matter as there was no indication of any further analysis requirements.

Mr. Cameron apologized for the confusion and said that a follow up study could be completed quickly. Trustee Mael requested that the study be completed at no additional cost to the Village.

5. Lawrence Association President Ronald Goldman:

- Renewed request for consideration of term limits for trustees
- Questioned whether BOT was aware of who placed a job posting for Village CEO as reported by Nassau Herald

6. Flooding issues: Mayor Oliner discussed flooding issues in the Village and said that anyone with flooding problems should contact him or Mike Ryder and they will try to resolve the problem. Mayor Oliner also suggested that the Village should consider a moratorium on all new swimming pools in the Village. Trustee Fragin asked some questions on the proposition.

7. Construction and debris along 878 median between Central Avenue and Broadway: A resident of Doughty Blvd reported on piping, machinery, sand mounds and debris that have occupied the median of 878 across from Doughty which are unsightly and present a danger to residents of Doughty. The resident claimed to have

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left many messages for the Administrator and the Mayor which were never returned. Mayor Oliner requested that Building Department Superintendent Mike Ryder investigate the scene and find out who is responsible for the debris and which governmental entity has jurisdiction over the area.

NEW BUSINESS

Item 1 – Approval of abstracts – General Fund #645, Recreation Fund #54, Sewer Fund #47, Payroll #'s 2306 & 2307

Board Action: Trustee Klar moved to approve payroll abstracts 2306 & 2307. Trustee Fragin seconded. All in favor.

Invoice abstracts were tabled.

Item 2 – LY&CC software and hardware system upgrade request – Item was tabled pending receipt by BOT of additional bids on the hardware (server and workstation).

Item 3 – Close Mauzone Trust Account and transfer balance of \$10,517.63 to LY&CC operating account

Board Action: Trustee Klar moved to close the Mauzone Trust Account and transfer balance of \$10,517.63 to LY&CC operating account as the account was no longer needed and the funds belonged to the Country Club. Trustee Fragin seconded. All in favor.

Item 4 – Appoint Danielle Schochet as Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Mayor Oliner appointed Danielle Schochet as Secretary to the BOT.

Board Action: Trustee Fragin moved to approve the appointment with a start date of January 17, 2012 at an annual salary of \$42,500.

Trustee Klar seconded. All in favor.

Item 5 – Appoint Michael Fay as Maintainer for DPW; Start Date effective immediately upon certification by NC Civil Service; Annual salary of \$28,000

Board Action: Mayor Oliner appointed Michael Fay as Maintainer for the DPW. Trustee Klar moved to approve the appointment, at an annual salary of \$28,000,

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effective upon certification of eligibility by the Nassau County Civil Service Commission. Trustee Mael seconded. All in favor.

Item 6 – Surplus Village Vehicles

Administrator Smollett recommended that the Village dispose of two Village vehicles that are out of commission. One is a 1996 Chevy Blazer (VIN # 1GNNDT13W4T2236018) and the other is a 1992 Chevy 2500 Pickup truck (VIN # 1GTGK24K3ME546206). He also raised the possibility of giving the vehicles to the Lawrence Cedarhurst Fire Department (LCFD) for fire emergency practice.

Board Action: Trustee Mael moved to declare the vehicles surplus, and approve of disposal of the vehicles by conveyance to the LCFD. Trustee Fragin seconded. All in favor.

Item 7 – Golf Refund Request

Administrator Smollett presented refund request for a member who had accrued \$1,250 on account as a referral commission and subsequently paid \$110 in cash for certain items he was unaware could be paid for with the accrued cash on account.

Board Action: Trustee Klar moved to approve the refund of \$110 and adjust the “Cash on Account” by the same amount. Trustee Mael seconded. All in favor.

Item 8 – Approve purchase of new copy/scanning equipment

Item tabled pending further research of leasing options.

Item 9 – Approve extension of Lawrence Cedarhurst Fire Department (LCFD) contract through March 2012 at current rate of \$44,705.

Board Action: Trustee Klar moved to approve the extension of the contract. Trustee Fragin seconded. All in favor.

Item 10: - Approve Adam Thomas, LY&CC Greens-keeper, to attend New England Turf Conference held February 6, 2012 - February 10, 2012 at cost to Village not to exceed \$1,250.

Board Action: Trustee Klar moved to approve. Trustee Mael seconded, with the understanding that Mr. Thomas will be entitled to compensating vacation time for

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attendance at the conference during February which is Mr. Thomas' designated vacation time. All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

1. FEMA Update – Administrator Smollett said that the Administration is continuing to provide documentation to FEMA coordinator. Trustee Fragin raised issue regarding request from the Fire Department for reimbursement for time spent by volunteer fire personnel in the Village during emergencies such as Hurricane Irene. Mayor Oliner asked Administrator Smollett to research how other jurisdictions handle this matter.

2. Country Club Fire Insurance Update – Administrator Smollett reported on the amount approved by the Insurance adjuster to date totaling \$327,258.46.

3. Sewer Treatment Plant Transition Update – Mayor Oliner reported that the transition is going smoothly and SPDES license has been transferred by DEC to Nassau County.

4 William Street Update – Report from Cameron Engineering – Discussed above, G&W # 4.

APPROVE MINUTES: September 12, November 1 - Tabled

Trustee Klar moved to enter Executive Session for the purpose of seeking legal advice. Trustee Fragin seconded. All in favor.

The Board convened in executive session, and returned to public session at 10:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30PM.

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