

Inc. Village of Lawrence, June 14, 2012

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, June 14, 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 C. Simon Felder

Trustee Edward I. Klar

Trustee Michael A. Fragin

Also present were:

David E. Smollett, Village Administrator

Abraham Farber, Deputy Treasurer

Danielle Schochet, Secretary to the BOT

Mayor Oliner opened the meeting at 8:05 pm.

GOOD & WELFARE

1 . Lawrence Association: Ms Jackie Hendel raised the following issues:

a) Questioned if there is a Village Ordinance for residents to trim bushes on the sidewalks. Mayor Oliner responded that the Village has been giving residents warnings and summonses. Trustee Mael asked Michael Ryder to have someone drive around the Village on a weekly basis to check the shrubs and give summonses for untrimmed bushes.

b) Noted that trucks are making illegal left turns from William Street onto Central Avenue. Mayor Oliner said that the Administration will monitor the situation over the next three months as per the original implementation. Ms. Hendel also noted that vehicles exiting the parking lot of 360 Central Avenue can only make a right onto William Street as per a traffic sign and cannot exit left via Central Avenue. Mayor Oliner asked Administrator Smollett to check the sign.

Trustee Mael queried whether the Cameron Engineering report recommended placing pylons down the center lane of William leading out to Central Ave. Mayor Oliner asked Administrator Smollett to check

the report and ensure it is being followed in all respects. He also asked Michael Ryder to take pictures and send to Cameron to be sure that the signs are correct. Trustee Mael suggested that meter maids observe the intersection half hour a day at different times to see how many trucks and cars actually make left turns from William onto Central.

2. Trustee Fragin: Reported that he attended the SCN Security Conference hosted by Mayor Oliner at the Lawrence Yacht and Country Club on June 13th and that it was well attended, well run and is a credit to the Village. He thanked the Administration and staff for their work in organizing the event.

3. Trustee Felder: Stated that it is very difficult to make the Southwest bound right hand turn from the 878 onto Central Avenue. He advised that he had spoken to an engineer who recommended making a cut into the median on the right hand side of the 878 approaching Central Ave in order to accommodate right hand turns. Mayor Oliner said he will take this under advisement.

Trustee Fragin outlined 3 major problems with the 878/Central Ave intersection as follows:

- a): Lights at Doughty and Central are improperly synced.
- b): Bus stop in middle of intersection
- c): Parking at Northwest corner of Central forces westbound traffic from Doughty to Central into one lane

All of the above present traffic hazards.

Mayor Oliner asked Administrator Smollett to make an appointment with Shila Shah-Gavnoudias, Commissioner of Nassau County Dept. of Public Works and also with NYS Dept. of Transportation to address these issues.

4. Trustee Mael: Nassau County has changed a number of street signs at several intersections including Washington Ave, Muriel, Margaret Avenue, Briarwood and Sealy where they intersect with Broadway. Nassau County changed the "No turn on red when pedestrians present" signs to "No turn on Red" signs. This is causing traffic to divert onto other narrower streets as motorists seek to avoid these lights, thus

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creating possible hazards. Trustee Mael said he had been advised by Village Attorney Tom Levin and Administrator Smollett that these signs are under the jurisdiction of Nassau County Department of Public Works and that in order to change them back the Board should vote to petition the County to do so and also contact County Legislator Howard Koppel for help in this matter. Mayor Oliner advised that he has a scheduled meeting with Commissioner Shah-Gavnoudias to discuss other streets in the Village and he will discuss this issue with her.

Board Action: Trustee Mael moved that the Board vote to petition Nassau County DPW to change back the signs. Trustee Klar seconded the motion. All in favor.

5. Trustee Fragin: Asked why the Marina dump is still there as well as the concrete barriers and debris. Mayor Oliner asked Michael Ryder to contact the owner of the debris to remove it. Also, any soil that was retained by the Village should be tested.

6. Tzvi Werzberger - Resident of Doughty Blvd – Raised the issue of recent parking tickets issued to cars parked on Doughty Blvd between the hours of 3AM – 5AM. He said that in his four years of residence on the street, tickets had never been issued for this and residents thought that Doughty Blvd was exempt from the parking restriction due to the fact that most homes on the street are two-family homes with limited driveway space to accommodate residents' vehicles.

Trustee Felder said he had reviewed the Village code and found two locations that were exempt including Doughty Blvd extension south of Broadway. However this does not include the section that had been ticketed.

Board Action: Trustee Fragin moved to schedule a public hearing at the BOT meeting on July 12, 2012 to amend the Village code to provide exemptions for parking on Doughty Blvd. with respect to parking restrictions between 3am-5am and two hour parking limitations. Mayor Oliner seconded. All in favor.

Date for the next BOT meeting was re-scheduled from July 5, 2012 to July 12, 2012.

7. Lawrence Association: Ronald Goldman thanked the Mayor and Board of Trustees for: allowing the Association to use the Country Club for Association meetings; responding to the insect problem; hosting the SCN security conference. He

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also invited the trustees to attend the upcoming Association meeting scheduled for September 12, 2012.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 5/3/12 BOT Meeting

Mayor Oliner moved to approve the minutes from the 5/13/12 BOT meeting. Trustee Fragin seconded. All in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Item 1 – Approval of abstracts – General Fund #652, #653 & #654, Recreation Fund #61, #62, #63 & #64, Sewer Fund #53 & #54, Trust Fund #242 and Payroll # 2316, #2317 & #2318.

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to approve the abstracts. Trustee Fragin seconded. All in favor.

Item 2 –Continuation of Public Hearing for Lawrence-Cedarhurst Fire Department (LCFD) fire protection contract.

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to carry over the public hearing to the BOT meeting scheduled for July 12, 2012. Trustee Felder seconded. All in favor.

Item 3 – Approve Tennis Pro’s Contract

Contract was not completed at time of the meeting. Item tabled.

Board Action: Trustee Klar moved to pay Golf pro Peter Procops and Tennis pro Mark Harrison all moneys owed to them based on previous year’s contract. Mayor Oliner seconded. All in favor.

Item 4 – Approval to solicit bids for actuarial study for OPEB (other post employment benefits) required for GASB and annual audit.

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to authorize the Administration to solicit bids to conduct an actuarial analysis of Village OPEB costs required under GASB. Trustee Fragin seconded. All in favor.

Item 5—Public hearing for proposed Local Law to amend code to allow permitting for social gatherings.

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Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to open the hearing. Trustee Fragin seconded. All in favor.

Administrator Smollett presented the proposed public law (Exhibit A).

Board Action: Trustee Mael moved to continue the public hearing to the next Board Meeting on July 12, 2012. Mayor Oliner seconded. All in favor.

Village Attorney Levin to re-draft the law prior to the July 12, 2012 BOT meeting.

Item 6—Approve engineering proposal for assessment of the storm water drainage system

Michael Ryder explained the different proposals. Trustee Felder asked Michael Ryder to contact the Army corps of engineers and consult with them on seeking a solution to the flooding problems in the Village. He also recommended contacting other municipalities with similar flooding problems to discuss how they handled the issues.

Trustee Mael noted that the proposals did not contain any practical recommendations nor did they indicate that any such recommendations would follow the studies.

No further action taken.

Item 7—Update on seasonal insect infestation. Retaining service of Clarke’s Entomologist

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to retain the services of Clarke’s Entomologist as per Clarke’s proposal. Trustee Klar seconded. All in favor.

Item 8—Request for traffic signs:

a) “Stop” sign on Harborview South

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to approve sign. Trustee Klar seconded.

Discussion ensued. Trustee Mael asked Administrator Smollett to canvass the residents of Harborview South to receive their input on the matter.

Mayor Oliner withdrew the motion and asked that the item be placed on the agenda for the 7/12/12 BOT meeting.

b) “No Parking from here to corner” sign at Pearsall and Causeway

It was noted that a sign was already placed at the location based upon Mr. Ryder's authorization. Mr. Ryder advised that he had authorized placement of the sign as an emergency measure due to the hazard of potential traffic accidents at that intersection.

Board Action: Trustee Klar moved to approve the sign. Trustee Fragin seconded. All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Williams Street Update of new signage installation.** All signs installed except for one truck sign which was sent back for typo reprint.
2. **Update on 4th Pct. Meetings regarding 5k and 2k standard routes.** Sgt. Moulds (4th Pct) & Captain Gluck (Aux. Police) are finalizing recommended standard routes for BOT review.
3. **Update on soliciting quotes for videotaping BOT meetings.** Received one quote for \$300 per meeting and soliciting additional ones.
4. **Update on Tide Gate on Rock Hall Road.** There were no immediate grants available for the tide gate. The recommended contractor, Doug Meese, was awarded the job and the tide gate was ordered by the contractor.

Mayor Oliner and the BOT thanked Trustee Klar for his devoted service to the Village. Trustee Klar thanked the mayor and BOT and expressed that it was his pleasure to serve as Trustee.

Mayor Oliner asked Administrator Smollett to write a letter to the Memorial Day Parade Committee asking for an explanation of the deviation this past Memorial Day from the traditional parade route that had been followed in the past.

There being no further business, Trustee Fragin moved to convene in Executive Session to discuss matters that may lead to the hiring, firing or discipline of one or more

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employees and separately, matters dealing with pending litigation. Mayor Oliner seconded the motion. All in favor.

The Board convened in executive session at 10:55 PM.

Executive Session Minutes

Kosher Caterer RFP

Board Action: - Trustee Fragin moved to accept the bid from Catering by Michael Shick pending approval of a final signed Agreement between Catering by Michael Shick and the Village. Trustee Klar seconded. All in favor.

Board Action: - Trustee Fragin moved to authorize Mayor Oliner to negotiate a contract with Chap-a-Nosh on the same terms as those submitted by Catering by Michael Shick. Trustee Klar seconded. All in favor.

Board Action: - Trustee Fragin moved to authorize the Administration to solicit bids from additional kosher caterers on the same terms as those submitted by Catering by Michael Shick, in the event that an Agreement is not reached with Chap-a-Nosh. Trustee Klar seconded. All in favor.

The Board returned to public session at 12:05 AM. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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

Exhibit A

Item #5

Bill L1201A

A local law to amend the Code of the Village of Lawrence, in relation to waivers of off-street parking regulations.

Section one. The Code of the Village of Lawrence is hereby amended, by adding thereto a new section, to be section 200-19.1, to read as follows:

"§ 200-19.1. Parking Waiver. Upon being notified of any gathering of persons for an event at or on any property under circumstances which may make such action appropriate, the Village Administrator is authorized to modify or suspend temporarily any or all of the parking regulations in Chapter 200, Article III, of this Code in order to prohibit or limit on-street parking in the vicinity of the property during the periods immediately preceding, during and following the event. The Village Administrator also is authorized to post appropriate temporary signage with respect to applicable parking prohibition or limitation, and any person parking in violation of any such parking restriction shall be guilty of a violation of this chapter."

Section two. If any part of this local law shall be adjudged to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate any other part of this local law, or the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, section, chapter, or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.

Section three. This local law shall take effect immediately upon adoption and filing pursuant to the Municipal Home Rule Law.