

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

February 27, 2012

PRESENT: Mayor O'Connor  
Trustee Sellier  
Trustee Annunziata  
Manager Pierpont

ABSENT: Trustee Schwarzfeld  
Trustee Vandenberg

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND FIRE SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor O'Connor opened the meeting and led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance. He notified those in attendance where the fire exits were located.

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MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 13, 2012 MEETING

Mayor O'Connor asked if there were any comments or questions on the minutes. There were no comments or questions.

After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

RESOLVED, That the minutes of the February 13, 2012 meeting be and hereby are approved.

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Mayor O'Connor mentioned that Trustee Schwarzfeld and Trustee Vandenberg had unavoidable conflicts and were unable to attend the Board meeting tonight.

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REPORTS

Mayor O'Connor discussed the Village Treasurer's report with the Treasurer. The Mayor said that he caught up with Trustee Vandenberg who had some questions on the report. The first question, on page eight, was about why the fire supplies item was nine hundred fifty one per cent over budget. The Treasurer explained that the Fire Department received a fifty thousand dollar grant for turnout gear. There is revenue that offsets this expenditure.

Trustee Annunziata asked if the Village had received the grant money yet and was told yes.

It was noted that, so far, the snow budget is doing well. A certain percentage of the salaries for workers in the Department of Public Works is allocated to the snow budget.

Trustee Sellier commented that it can still snow in March.

Trustee Annunziata asked if overtime for the Department of Public Works is budgeted for snow removal and was told that thirty thousand dollars in overtime was budgeted, but not all of that money is designated for snow removal. The Treasurer also noted that not all snow removal is done on overtime.

The Treasurer said that this is fungible. Other things, like streetlight replacement or tree pruning, are being done instead of plowing snow. He noted that many streetlights had been replaced recently and let the Board know that the entire amount allocated for snow removal will not be going to the bottom line.

Mayor O'Connor said that on page twenty six of the report, on the revenue side, the low interest rate environment was not good.

The Village Treasurer said that the Village has been chasing this down, but it has been getting ahead of us. He said that the Village is very limited in what it can invest in. He said that government bonds were one of the few things in which municipalities can invest.

Mayor O'Connor said that the Village is generally tracking close to budget and it seems like it will be quite close.

The Treasurer said that it will be quite close, but thinks that the Village will be within fifty basis points of what was budgeted.

Mayor O'Connor asked if there were comments on the Department of Public Works report.

Manager Pierpont said that in December one hundred twenty six shade trees had been planted as part of the Town of Pelham /New York Power Authority Program.

The Mayor noted that quite a few streetlights had been replaced during the month.

Mayor O'Connor asked if there were any questions on the Code Enforcement report.

Trustee Sellier commented that the Code Enforcement Officer was back in the saddle after a serious injury.

Trustee Annunziata asked about the warning that six homeowners received and was told that the attached houses along Boston Post Road were notified and given time to remove graffiti from a common wall located along the Post Road.

After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

RESOLVED, That the reports be and hereby are approved.

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#### SIGNAGE FOR CHASE BANK

Robert Strecker, an architect from Core States, appeared before the Board to speak and answer questions about signage for Chase Bank.

Mayor O'Connor asked if there was a color version of the proposal. He said that the Board was pretty familiar with the location.

Mr. Strecker said that the vacant retail space is underneath the storage facility. The proposal calls for two halo lit building mounted signs, a third sign facing Pelham Parkway and two free standing sign panels. One of the Storage Post signs facing Pelham Parkway will have to be relocated. On the free standing signs only the letters are illuminated. He said that AKRF, the Village's planning consultant, approved that type of illumination. The ground mounted sign at the drive through will be illuminated and there will be a clearance sign and a Chase sign above the ATM. Traffic will go behind Omni Fitness, under the breezeway, make a right turn and exit by the shopping center road.

Mayor O'Connor said that AKRF had reviewed this plan and the lack of halo lighting was originally a problem. He commented that the issue seems to have been resolved.

After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

RESOLVED, That the signage for Chase Bank be and hereby is approved.

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FUNDRAISING 5K RUN FOR HUGUENOT MEMORIAL CHURCH'S YOUTH MISSION

Mayor O'Connor said that he had one item to discuss that was not on the agenda. He said that Huguenot Memorial Church would like to hold a 5K Run as a fundraiser for its youth mission. He said that it would be held on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> for an hour from eight o'clock in the morning until nine o'clock. He said that they would stay off the main roads. He said that the youth mission is a very useful program for both the recipients and participants. Mayor O'Connor said that the police chief has been given, and signed off on, a route map. He said that the Village will be able to provide police protection. There will be no markings on the roadways and there will be plenty of directional people around during the Run.

After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

RESOLVED, That using Village roads for a fundraising 5K Run for Huguenot Memorial Church's Youth Mission be and hereby is approved.

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ABSTRACT OF VOUCHERS NUMBERS 17522-17570

After discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

RESOLVED, That the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to sign Abstract of Vouchers Numbers 17522-17570.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Apicella, 587 Manor Lane, commented that it was nice to have a Board member that wasn't an attorney. Other than Trustee Annunziata all current Board members are attorneys. He asked the Mayor if there was a Village Attorney and was told the position is vacant at the moment. He was assured that the Village Attorney will also be an attorney.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action was taken in Executive Session.

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ADJOURNED

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

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Clerk