

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 12, 2012

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND FIRE SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 27, 2012 BOARD 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 from the February 27, 2012 be and hereby are approved.

REPORTS

Police Commissioner Schwarzfeld discussed the police report with Chief Mosiello. The Commissioner commented on two big drug arrests on page ten in the report. The Chief noted that the person arrested was not a resident. It was someone who worked at the address. The bail bond was seventy five hundred dollars. The report of a suspicious person in a yard turned into an arrest. There was also a serious drunk driving arrest but fortunately no one was hurt.

Police Commissioner Schwarzfeld said that even if you're home you should keep the back door locked.

The Chief noted that there was a good productivity level in the department. The Police Commissioner said that there were eighty five summonses given for overnight parking and there were one hundred fifteen summonses given out in January. He asked the Police Chief if the people were getting the message. Chief Mosiello said that the same people were on the midnight tour so he assumed that people were getting the message not to park their cars on the street overnight. Trustee Sellier noted that his sons were getting the message.

Trustee Sellier asked if the person arrested in Pelham was the same person who has been committing crimes in Pelham Manor. DNA testing was discussed.

Chief Mosiello said that there was a suspect apprehended in New Rochelle and that was also being investigated. Trustee Sellier asked if the Police Chief would follow up on this issue let the Board know what happens.

The Mayor and Board thanked Chief Mosiello for his report.

Mayor O'Connor noted that a water leak at Thirty Hillcrest Drive set off alarms. Fire Chief Ruggiero said that the month was a little slower than usual which was good because the Department had a lot of inspections to do. Some of the inspections that were

done were at the developments down the hill and the school. The entire Fairway and BJ's complexes had to be inspected. The inspections are done four times a year. The Chief commented that false alarms have decreased dramatically.

Trustee Annunziata asked if the stores got violations and was told that they do get violations and they are given time to correct the problem. The Chief said that the problems usually get squared away pretty quickly.

Mayor O'Connor said that the Fire Department got to his house quickly to respond to a cooking fire.

The Mayor and Board thanked the Chief for his report.

There were no comments or questions on the Village Clerk's report.

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

RESOLVED, That the reports be and hereby are approved by the Village Board of Trustees.

PARK USE REQUEST

REQUEST FROM HUGUENOT MEMORIAL CHURCH REQUESTING PERMISSION TO USE WEIHMAN PARK FOR ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

The Mayor noted that the Village received a letter from Huguenot Memorial Church requesting the use of Weihman Park on Saturday, March 31, 2012 from ten o'clock in the morning until one o'clock in the afternoon for the annual Children's Easter Egg Hunt.

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

RESOLVED, That the request from Huguenot Memorial Church to use Weihman Park be and hereby is approved.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ABSTRACT OF VOUCHERS NUMBERS 17571-17613

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 17571-17613.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Michael Grubiak, district representative for Senator Jeff Klein, said that the State budget passed. He said that EPIC, a drug prescription plan for low income Senior Citizens, was restored in the budget. The STAR rebate was also restored and the MTA payroll tax was repealed. The repeal will apply to schools, small businesses and municipalities. He said that he would send the information to the Village Board tomorrow.

Jim Apicella, 587 Manor Lane, spoke about student parking on Pelhamdale Avenue. He said that it was now going past Manor Lane and he estimated that there were probably seventy to eighty cars parked along the street. He said that the parking problems in the past seem to have been resolved as long as Pelhamdale remains available.

Manager Pierpont said that parking is allowed on both sides of the street and is limited for the first few blocks during school hours. If cars are parked illegally they get a ticket.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

RESOLVED, That the Board be and hereby is authorized to conduct an Executive Session to discuss the following:

Personnel Matters

No action was taken in Executive Session.

RESUMPTION OF REGULAR MEETING

1)

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

RESOLVED, That the following appointment of a hearing officer be and hereby is approved.

WHEREAS, a member of the Police Department has sought to appeal the denial of his application for benefits pursuant to Section 207-c of the General Municipal Law, and

WHEREAS, a hearing is required to be conducted pursuant to the applicable collective bargaining agreement ("the Agreement") to hear the appeal, and

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides that the hearing may be held before a hearing officer designated by the Mayor and the Board of Trustees;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Anthony Grant is hereby appointed as the hearing officer effective immediately at the rate of one thousand two hundred fifty dollars per hearing day plus reasonable expenses incurred, and is authorized to conduct the requisite hearing pursuant to the Agreement, with full authority to require testimony under oath, order the production of documents, prepare a complete record of the proceedings, and prepare findings and recommendations as soon as practicable thereafter for submission to the Mayor and Board of Trustees for its review and final determination on the issues raised by the appeal.

2)

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

RESOLVED, That a member of the bargaining unit represented by the Police Benevolent Association of Pelham Manor is hereby suspended without pay effective March 12, 2012 pending the trial of charges pursuant to Section 5711-q of the Unconsolidated Laws.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Clerk