

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 24, 2014

PRESENT: Mayor Sellier
Trustee Schwarzfeld
Trustee Vandenberg
Trustee Winston
Attorney McLaughlin
Manager Pierpont

ABSENT: Trustee Annunziata

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND FIRE SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Sellier led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance and notified those in attendance where the Fire Exits were located.

ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO POLICE OFFICER THOMAS RYAN

Thomas Ryan is twenty eight years old and has been a police officer in the City of Mount Vernon since 2012. He lives in Yonkers and has two children.

Mayor Sellier asked Police Commissioner Vandenberg if he would swear in the Village's new Police Officer.

Police Commissioner Vandenberg administered the Oath of Office. All those in attendance congratulated Police Office Ryan.

MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 10, 2014 REGULAR MEETING

The Mayor asked the Board if there were any comments or questions on the minutes.

Trustee Vandenberg noted that the comment attributed to him on the third page, paragraph three, should reflect that the power is electric not natural gas.

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

RESOLVED, That the minutes from March 10, 2014 be and hereby are approved as amended.

REPORTS

The Treasurer said that on page fourteen of the report it showed that both accounts 8120 and 8140 for Sanitary Sewer and Storm Sewers were over expended for repairs that needed to be done. When the budget is discussed, an increase in these accounts has been recommended.

Mayor Sellier asked about the mapping of the system and was told that the first phase, which cost thirty thousand dollars, has been completed. A video and a report were done. The Treasurer said that he hasn't seen the video yet, but has been told that the tributary to the New Rochelle district isn't as bad as anticipated.

I/I (Inflow and Infiltration) was discussed briefly. This is the extraneous material that gets into the system. Westchester County has permits that are coming up for renewal. New York State Department of Environmental Conservation wants to see what the County is doing to reduce extraneous material.

Approximately ten percent of the system has been mapped. It would cost about three hundred thousand dollars to map the entire system.

Manager Pierpont said that the Village will continue to map the system. He wants to look at what the Village has and review where we are.

Mayor Sellier spoke about sales tax revenue. The Village received a quarterly payment of one hundred ninety five thousand dollars. He asked the Treasurer if it was usual for sales tax revenues to be higher during the last part of the year.

The Treasurer said that January and February were about two percent higher than last year. The revenue increased by ten thousand dollars to seven hundred thirty five thousand dollars.

The Department of Public Works report was discussed. Not as much recycling was reported during February. The department incurred two hundred eighty six hours of overtime because of snow and ice cleanup. The personnel line in the budget has been exceeded because of the winter.

Mayor Sellier asked if the pothole patching program was progressing perfectly and was told the worst potholes had been fixed.

The DPW is now focusing on cleaning up the parks. Spring Clean up, where unbagged leaves are collected from the streets, is from March 15th until April 15th.

Trustee Schwarzfeld asked about the leaf schedule and was told that DPW started this week and will immediately start again if there is enough material. They will make two or three complete trips around the Village.

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

RESOLVED, the reports be and hereby are approved.

RESOLUTION TO SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015

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

RESOLVED, That a Public Hearing to consider the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 will be held by the Board of Trustees in the Village of Pelham Manor on Monday, April 14, 2014 at 8:15 p.m. at the Village Hall, 4 Penfield Place, Pelham Manor, New York.

Copies of the Tentative Budget are available at the office of the Village Clerk, 4 Penfield Place, and may be inspected there by any interested person on weekdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

The Mayor and Board of Trustees serve without compensation.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO ACCEPT A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY TWO THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS TO BE USED FOR VIDEO RECORDING EQUIPMENT TO VIDEOTAPE INTERVIEWS AND INTERROGATION

This grant for thirty two thousand nine hundred twenty dollars is available through an agreement between the Westchester County District Attorney's Office and the New York

State Division of Criminal Justice. The video recording equipment will be used in the Detective Division to videotape interviews and interrogation.

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

RESOLVED, that the Village Manager be and hereby is authorized to accept a grant in the amount of thirty two thousand nine hundred twenty dollars and sign the agreement with the Westchester County District Attorney's office.

RESULTS FROM SURPLUS EQUIPMENT BID

The results from the bid on some surplus Village equipment are listed below. The sale of Village equipment is awarded to the highest bidder in each category. This was part of a regular replacement program. This equipment was ready to be replaced.

'08 Chevy Suburban Chicago Motors	'09 Ford Crown Victoria Grace Quality	'10 Ford Crown Victoria Chicago Motors
\$9,807	\$4,325	\$5,407
'09 Crown Victoria (salvage title) Mt. Vernon Auto	4 Trailer Leaf Vacuums Mt. Vernon Auto	2 Leaf Boxes Mt. Vernon Auto
\$1,100	\$300	\$100

8 Light Bars
Mt. Vernon Auto

\$25.00

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

RESOLVED, That the highest bidder in each category be and hereby is awarded the surplus equipment.

REQUEST FROM REV. G. JACOB BOLTON, HUGUENOT MEMORIAL CHURCH, TO HOLD 5K/3.1 MILE RUN ON SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2014 TO SUPPORT MISSION TRIPS FOR THE AREA'S YOUTH

Reverend G. Jacob Bolton asked the Board for permission to again hold its 5K/3.1 mile run starting from Weihman Park. This run will help to sponsor two mission trips for the area's youth. There will be one trip to Nicaragua and a second domestic trip to Philipsburg, Pennsylvania.

Mayor Sellier said that this great program that has been going on for many years.

Trustee Vandenberg said that it is a great program and he knows has been in existence for at least sixteen or seventeen years which is as long as he has been in Pelham. He said that it is a fantastic opportunity for teenagers to travel, be with friends, and do good things.

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

RESOLVED, That Huguenot Memorial Church be and hereby is granted permission to hold its annual 5K/3.1 Mile run, starting at Weihman Park, on Saturday, April 26, 2014.

SHORE PARK USE REQUEST

Diana Skrelja, 921 Split Rock Road, requested permission to use Shore Park for a family gathering on Saturday, May 3, 2014 from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. with a rain date of Sunday, May 4, 2014.

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

RESOLVED, that Diana Skrelja be and hereby is granted permission to use Shore Park on Saturday, May 3rd or Sunday, May 4th for a family gathering.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ABSTRACT OF VOUCHERS NUMBERS 20094-20152

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 20094-20152.

Maggie Klein, editor of The Pelham Weekly, asked the Board if there were any comments on the Tentative Budget.

Mayor Sellier said that the proposed increase is low. The Homestead, or residential, rate is one point five four percent and the Non Homestead, or commercial, rate is two point two three percent.

It is very conservative. This is a bare bones budget but will do what is necessary to maintain services. It is conservative, but realistic. It is a very lean budget and it certainly complies with the budget cap. He said that we can live with it, but it's a tight budget.

Trustee Vandenberg said that the contribution for pensions has gone down a little.

Mayor Sellier said that the pension issue is a long running problem by the State of New York that is ignored by politicians.

Trustee Winston said that the Village Manager does a great job of finding revenue where he can. He gave the example of issuing a temporary permit for storing buses.

Gianni Magnani, 435 Carol Place, asked about the snow and heat lines in the budget and was told that overall the budget was still ok. Utilities have cost a lot because it was very cold. The Manager said that he would have to take a close look at consumption. He said that line would be over expended this year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action was taken in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Clerk