

BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
November 10, 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.

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MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 27, 2014 REGULAR MEETING

The Mayor 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 October 27, 2014 Regular Meeting be and hereby are approved.

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REPORTS

Police Commissioner Vandenberg discussed the police report with Chief Mosiello. The Commissioner asked about the status of a burglary that occurred on James Street on October 22, 2014 was told that the detectives were working on it. It was similar to a burglary on the Fourteenth but different from the burglary during the summer. There was a foot chase at Five Below on October 29, 2014. Some of the stores have been giving the police a lot of work. The Commissioner was concerned about the chase and taser incident and asked the Police Chief if a written protocol was in place. The Chief said that that a written procedure was in place. Commissioner Vandenberg asked if the suspect was badly injured and the Chief said that he was not.

It was noted that there were only fifteen aided cases during the month.

Police Commissioner Vandenberg asked if the police officers had EMT training and was told that the officers are trained in CPR and AED. The Chief noted that the second suspect from the robbery at Danny's Cards and Gifts was arrested. One more suspect still has to be apprehended. There were two arrests at the Library last week. Someone grabbed a tablet/iPad and ran and the second arrest was for public lewdness in the Library. That incident happened a while ago, but the police arrested the man last week.

The Board thanked Chief Mosiello for his report.

Fire Commissioner Schwarzfeld reviewed the fire report with Chief Ruggiero. The Chief said that it had been a routinely busy month with forty seven calls and a number of aided cases. Mutual aid was given to the City of Mount Vernon during the Artuso Bakery fire. The Chief asked if all the Board members received their invitations to the Annual Fire Inspection dinner which will be held on Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup>.

The Board thanked Chief Ruggiero for his report.

The Village Clerk said that fifty- six building permits were issued. One permit was for six point one

million dollars. That permit was for Dave & Busters. Thirty eight dog licenses were also issued.

The Board thanked the Village Clerk for his report.

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

RESOLVED, that the reports be and hereby are accepted.

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APPOINTMENTS TO THE PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

David Jeffries was appointed to the Planning Board, but did not sign the Oath of Office within the requisite thirty days. Tom Morrissey is an active member in the community. The Mayor recommended that he be appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

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

RESOLVED, That David Jeffries be and hereby is appointed to the Planning Board and Thomas Morrissey be and hereby is appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

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PELHAM MANOR SHOPPING PLAZA/RPAI: SIGNAGE (MONUMENT/PYLON SIGNS)

The monument/pylon signs in Pelham Manor Shopping Plaza are higher than allowed by the Tenant Sign Design Criteria. They should be approximately thirty nine inches installed and they are forty three and a half inches. Mr. Perin from RPAI, the owner of Pelham Manor Shopping Plaza, has requested that the Board consider modifying the Tenant Sign Design Criteria to allow the signs.

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

RESOLVED, That Tenant Sign Design Criteria be and hereby is modified to increase the height of the pylon/monument signs to forty three inches to accommodate the signs in Pelham Manor Shopping Plaza.

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KINETIC SPORTS CLUB: RIGHT OF WAY SIGNS ONLY

Manager Pierpont wanted to be clear that the only signs the Board was considering tonight were signs in the Public Right of Way. Kinetic has been working on a package of signs for months, but the only ones being considered at this time are monument signs in the Right of Way. There are two signs one taller and one shorter. They are referenced in the memorandum from the Village's planning consultant AKRF.

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

RESOLVED, That the Kinetic Sports Club be and hereby is granted approval for signs in the Public Right of Way only as outlined in the memo by AKRF.

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MANOR MARKET SITE PLAN AMENDMENT

Manor Market/Urstadt Biddle applied for a permit for a storage area and replacement of a deteriorating retaining wall. Originally the site plan called for grasses above the wall. Now six foot tall evergreen trees and six to seven foot tall columnar eastern white pines are planned. A landscape architect was consulted about the appropriate fastigiata white pine which would keep its branches, be fast growing and would keep its columnar shape. These trees would be placed on top of the wall.

Robert Walder, 590 Monterey Avenue, said that he and Mr. Pierpont have had extensive e-mails on this issue. He proceeded to discuss the height of the new wall, which is several feet lower than the old wall, the inability of six foot trees to properly screen the property for at least nine years, the desire for Norway Spruce trees in the range of fourteen to sixteen feet, and the preference for a higher retaining wall and a nicer fence.

Manger Pierpont noted that the top of the parking lot is twenty inches higher than the top of the new retaining wall.

The Board considered various height scenarios for screening: evergreen, white pine, Norway spruce at various heights and various price ranges. Approximately twenty trees are involved in this plan.

Mayor Sellier asked if the Board's decision could be delayed for two weeks. Manager Pierpont said that from Urstadt Biddles's perspective the trees were not as important as the refuse area. They want to open the store and Manor Market needs the refuse area.

Trustee Schwarzfeld suggested that Urstadt talk with Mr. Walder.

Mayor Sellier said that this issue would be resolved at the next Board meeting.

The Village Manger will arrange a meeting with Urstadt Biddle and Mr. Walder.

Mayor Sellier said that this may be some sort of compromise. He asked how high the curb is from the reveal and was told four inches and the fence will be on top of it.

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ABSTRACT OF VOUCHERS NUMBERS 20878-20912

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 20878-20912.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

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

Personnel Matter

No action was taken in Executive Session.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

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ADJOURNMENT

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

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Clerk