

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
October 26, 2015

PRESENT: Mayor Monachino Lapey
Trustee Schwarzfeld
Trustee Annunziata
Trustee McLaughlin
Trustee Cataldi DeLillo
Attorney Cornachio
Manager Pierpont

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND FIRE SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Monachino Lapey led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance and notified those in attendance where the fire exits were located. Mayor Monachino Lapey made two brief announcements. She said that the Board of Trustees and all the Village staff lost one of its own. Danny Greenhill was employed by the Village for twelve years and was in a motorcycle accident. The Mayor asked if any of the Board members wanted to say something. Trustee McLaughlin said that he went to the memorial and spoke with his family. He was impressed by their strength and faith. He said that he spoke with his wife who said that his presence is still here. Trustee McLaughlin said that we mourn his loss and our hearts go out to his family. Trustee Annunziata said that it was a terrible loss and Trustee Cataldi DeLillo thanked him and all Village employees for their service.

The Mayor also noted that the Village Code is now on line.

MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 12, 2015 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 Regular Meeting on October 12, 2015 be and hereby are approved.

REPORTS

Fire Commissioner Schwarzfeld discussed the report with Chief Ruggiero. He said that it was a typically busy month that had no fires. The Commissioner asked for the meaning of a still alarm and was told that it could be a funny odor in the basement or a report that something is flickering in a house.

Commissioner Schwarzfeld said that 919 West Street had five false alarms and was told that a new business is in the building and that the fire department is working with them to fix the problem. The Chief said that this happens with many new businesses and it should be corrected shortly.

The Fire Chief commented that the department had very good training sessions with Con Edison. The training was on gas emergencies and some new procedures that are being put in place. All crews got this training. The Chief also said that while there were no fires in Pelham Manor, there were mutual aid calls to Pelham, Yonkers, Greenville, New Rochelle, Greenburgh and Mount Vernon. The tower ladder was used at the Gramatan Avenue fire in Mount Vernon. The Mount Vernon and Yonkers losses were about twenty million dollars.

Mayor Monachino Lapey asked if the department responded to the school bus fire at the high school.

The Chief said that they did not go to that fire. He said that they normally send a driver and engine and supplement the sprinkler system inside the building. The department is usually dispatched and there is a dual response, but Pelham Manor was not dispatched. The Chief said that he would follow up with Westchester County on why they were not dispatched to this call in Pelham.

Trustee Cataldi DeLillo asked if the volunteers and paid firefighters get the same training.

Chief Ruggiero said that the paid firefighters get more training because they're full time. Volunteers need more repetition because they occasionally miss training or don't do something as often as full time employees. The Chief was asked the number of volunteers that are certified for interior firefighting and the Chief said that two volunteers are certified. He said that it's not easy to get the certification.

The Board thanked the Chief for his report.

The Village Treasurer reported that expenditures were tracking as expected. He said that page twenty two shows that the sales tax came in on the money. Page twenty seven shows building permit revenue running ahead of schedule and that the mortgage tax is probably not going to hit its revenue number this year. The Village gets two mortgage tax payments each year. The Village normally gets the second payment in December.

Trustee Annunziata asked about sales tax revenue and was told that the sales tax revenue is stable. It is one to two percent ahead of last year. It is distributed on a per capita county-wide basis.

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

RESOLVED, that the Fire and Village Treasurer reports be and hereby are approved.

REQUEST FROM DPW WORKERS TO PLANT A TREE IN MEMORY OF CO-WORKER DANIEL GREENHILL

Salvatore Paci and Nicholas Parisi from the Department of Public Works presented a petition that asked that the department be allowed to plant a tree and place a plaque in memory of Daniel Greenhill who died on October 20, 2015. Mr. Paci said that he was a co-worker and a friend outside of work and expressed his sadness at the loss.

Manager Pierpont said that he had the pleasure of knowing Dan for twelve years. He said that he was an honorable person and a nice person who represented his community well. He said it's very difficult to realize that he's not going to be coming back.

The Board thought that the tree planting was a great idea.

Sal Paci thanked the Board, Manager Pierpont and the office staff for their help with paperwork.

Mayor Monachino Lapey said that she thought their friend would be honored.

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

RESOLVED, that the DPW workers be and hereby are granted permission to plant A tree and place a plaque in memory of co-worker Daniel Greenhill.

PROCLAMATIONS FOR PELHAM CIVIC ASSOCIATION’S PERSONS OF THE YEAR –
JEANETTE AND ANTHONY SENERCHIA AND KEN SHIRREFFS

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Pelham Civic Association, one of Westchester County’s largest and most active volunteer organizations, has announced that it will honor Jeanette and Anthony Senerchia as 2015 Persons of the Year, and

WHEREAS, Jeanette and Anthony Senerchia are the proud parents of their daughter Taya, and

WHEREAS, Jeanette and Anthony Senerchia have worked tirelessly to raise awareness about ALS, and

WHEREAS, Jeanette and Anthony Senerchia are responsible for the world-renowned “Ice Bucket Challenge” which to date has raised over two hundred twenty million dollars for ALS research, and

WHEREAS, Jeanette and Anthony Senerchia have established the Anthony Senerchia Jr. Charitable Foundation, a non-profit foundation dedicated to funding research to treat and cure ALS and assisting families stricken with ALS, and

WHEREAS, Anthony Senerchia, who was diagnosed with ALS, grew up in Pelham and is a member of the Senerchia family that owns a local business and has been involved in volunteer efforts in the community for many years

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the Village of Pelham Manor hereby recognizes and thanks Jeanette and Anthony Senerchia on the occasion of their selection by the Pelham Civic Association as 2015 Persons of the Year, and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Proclamation be presented to Jeanette and Anthony Senerchia.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Pelham Civic Association, one of Westchester County’s largest and most active volunteer organizations, has announced that it will honor Ken Shirreffs as 2015 Person of the Year, and

WHEREAS, Ken Shirreffs is a long time member of the Pelham Civic Association, and

WHEREAS, Ken Shirreffs has served as a Pelham Civic Board member and is one of the most successful Chairmen of the Civics Needy Cases/Good Neighbor Program, and

WHEREAS, Ken Shirreffs is a member of the Pelham Zoning Board of Appeals, and

WHEREAS, Ken Shirreffs, in addition to his national and global volunteerism, has elevated the Pelham Civic Association’s fundraising to a record breaking level – particularly through the Pelham Civic Golf outing, and

WHEREAS, Ken Shirreffs has enabled the Pelham Civic Association to expand its many programs and help countless individuals and families in need

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the Village of Pelham Manor hereby recognizes and thanks Ken Shirreffs on the occasion of his selection by the Pelham Civic Association as 2015 Person of the Year, and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Proclamation be presented to Ken Shirreffs.

RESOLUTION FOR OFFICES TO BE FILLED IN THE MARCH 15, 2016 ELECTION

WHEREAS, the next general Village Election for officers in the Village of Pelham Manor will be held on March 15, 2016 and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees must designate by resolution and publish the offices which are to be filled in such election and terms thereof,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Board of Trustees designates the following offices as vacant at the end of the current official year to be filled at the Village Election to be held on March 15, 2016 for the following terms:

Trustee	Two Years
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Trustee	One Year (to fill an unexpired term due to resignation)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ABSTRACT OF VOUCHERS
NUMBERS 22002-22054

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 22002-22054.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Monachino Lapey asked if there was comment on any issue.

There was no comment.

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 Matter

No action was taken in Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Clerk