

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 25, 2016

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.

The Mayor noted that over the past weekend the village had the largest snowfall this season. Pelham Manor had over two feet of snow.

Trustee McLaughlin said that the employees in the Department of Public Works always do their work admirably and with a smile and great skill. He said that the Board wanted to collectively thank them for keeping the village a clean and safe place this past weekend.

Mayor Monachino Lapey said that John Pierpont is the head of DPW and he was on top of it with communication. The e-blasts were extremely helpful. People, particularly the senior community, were very thankful to receive them. The Village has two sidewalk plows. Unfortunately, one broke down during the height of the storm and Mr. Pierpont got that word out to people. The Mayor encouraged people to sign up for the e subscribe feature on the Village website.

The Mayor also commended Police Chief Carpenter on the Active Shooter Program. She said that she received a nice letter from Mayor Volpe from the Village of Pelham. It was a very demanding and rigorous prep session and, according to Mayor Volpe, Pelham Manor shined during this session.

The Mayor asked about the plates on the road and was told that Con Edison's plates should be gone by the end of the week.

MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 11, 2016 REGULAR MEETING

The Mayor noted that there were two corrections to the January 11, 2016 Minutes. On page two in the fifth paragraph in the reports section, the word under should be used – to stay under the tax cap. On page two in the section following the reports, which talks about the confirmation of the new Planning Board Chairman, the first sentence should have the word aware inserted – well aware.

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

RESOLVED, That the minutes from the Regular Meeting on January 11, 2016, be and hereby are approved as amended.

REPORTS

The Village Treasurer said that on page thirty one of the report it reflects that the Mortgage Tax came in well below half and then sprinted in the finish and it will now come in over the budgeted revenue. The Treasurer reported that he had meetings with the Police Chief and Fire Chief on the budget. He also commented that the Village is now spending funds from the snow budget.

The Department of Public Works report reflects November which was a big leaf month. The leaf composting program went through the roof and forty nine street trees were planted in November.

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

ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO NEW POLICE OFFICER PAUL J. CIMAGLIA

Mayor Monachino Lapey said that the Police Department is down service people. She said that the Police Chief has excellent judgment and a scrupulous eye and the new police officers are worth the wait.

She said that Paul Cimaglia is twenty seven years old and a life- long resident of Mount Vernon. He holds an Associates degree in communications from Westchester Community College. He started his career in the City of Mount Vernon Police Department in 2013.

Mayor Monachino Lapey administered the Oath of Office. All in attendance congratulated Police Officer Paul J. Cimaglia.

ACTION ON NEGATIVE DECLARATION REGARDING A FILL PERMIT ALONG CANAL ROAD

Mayor Monachino Lapey said that she thinks the Board would like to defer action on the Negative Declaration and refer the matter to the Planning Board for review.

Manager Pierpont said that he thought that was perfectly legitimate.

Trustee Schwarzfeld said that he would like to see this addressed quickly and have the Planning Board get back to the Board of Trustees before the next meeting if they've had a chance to meet and review the Negative Declaration.

Trustee Cataldi DeLillo said that she thought that it was great that the Planning Board was being utilized for this review.

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

RESOLVED, That the Negative Declaration be and hereby is referred to the Planning Board for review.

ACTION ON FILL PERMIT FOR PROPERTIES ALONG CANAL ROAD

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

RESOLVED, That the action on the fill permit for properties along Canal Road be and hereby is deferred until after the Planning Board reviews the Negative Declaration.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ABSTRACT OF VOUCHERS NUMBERS 22303-22353

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 22303-22353.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Maggie Klein, editor of the PelhamPlus, asked about the January Twenty First deadline for the developers of the Canal Road properties and was told that they moved closer but not close enough.

The Mayor said that the parties are inching closer.

Trustee Schwarzfeld said that they moved by two million dollars.

Steve Lipken, the Pelham Post, asked who the developers were and was told that it is the same four property owners in the Urban Blight Area.

The four property owners are Amincor Other Assets, Inc., 15 Canal Road LLC, 6 Canal Road LLC (Adi Altmark) and 5 Canal Road (Virus).

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