

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
September 12, 2016

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

ABSENT: Trustee Senerchia

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. She noted that Trustee Senerchia was not in attendance because he was attending a function for his brother.

The Mayor spoke about the 9/11 remembrance hosted by the Town of Pelham. She said that it blended emotion with forward thinking and said that it was extremely well done.

Mayor Monachino Lapey wanted to acknowledge that the Police Department made a second apprehension and commended the department for adjustments and stepped up enforcement which led to the apprehension.

MINUTES FROM THE PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING ON AUGUST 22, 2016

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

There were no comments on the minutes.

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

RESOLVED, that the minutes from the Public Hearing and Regular Meeting on August 22, 2016 be and hereby are approved.

REPORTS

Police Commissioner Annunziata discussed the monthly report with Chief Carpenter. The Commissioner reported that this morning on Esplanade and Francis Street the person suspected of the burglaries in Pelham Manor was arrested.

The Police Chief said that there was surveillance from Esplanade to Francis Street. The suspect was hiding in the bushes in front of a house on Francis Street. The suspect was interviewed all day by the police and charged with trespass which is a felony. Chief Carpenter reported that over five hundred man hours were spent trying to catch this person. No one knew the police were out there, because they were in plain clothes. The rest of the month was less dramatic, but busy.

Yasmin Gorski, 677 Wolfs Lane, asked the Chief if the helicopters she heard early this morning were part of the police investigation and was told no. The helicopters were due to an armed robbery at the store Five Below. Two armed suspects got some cell phones and pocketbooks but were not successful at getting into the safe.

The Mayor and Board thanked the Police Chief for his report.

Fire Commissioner McLaughlin discussed the monthly report with Chief Ruggiero. The Fire Chief echoed the Mayor's comments on the 9/11 service. He said that it was very well done. It was noted that the Fire Chief recited the Fireman's Prayer and Joe Durnin acted as the Master of Ceremonies.

The Fire Commissioner said that it was a quiet month.

The Chief said that it was a month with steady work. There were five or six calls for help on the Hutch, but no I-95 calls this month. There were personal injury auto accident, motor vehicle accident or leaking fuel calls.

Trustee Annunziata asked who calls and was told that it could be a passerby. The call may be routed to Westchester County and then the Village will be notified by the County. If a person calls the police department, that department will call the Fire department. The Chief said that the Village gets a lot of PIAA and MV calls.

The Mayor and Board thanked Chief Ruggiero for his report.

The Village Treasurer said that this report was for the end of Fiscal Year 2015/2016. The Village performed well this year and moved toward the goal of adding to the Village's fund balance. The second report was for the month of June. This was the first month of the new fiscal year and it's too early to see a trend. The Treasurer said that tax receipts are coming in as they usually do.

The Village Clerk said that the building department was busy. There were sixteen letters for house closings, dog licenses, vital statistics and notices of violation. The notices of violation are written notices. The Village Clerk said that he likes to talk to people to try to correct the problem before the notice is sent.

The Mayor thought that was a fair approach to getting the problem resolved.

The DPW Superintendent said the new LED streetlights are being installed by the Department of Public Works. Approximately twenty to twenty five lights are being put up per day. Two hundred lights have been installed.

The Mayor mentioned that the new lights were reduced from 4,000 kelvin to 3,000 kelvin. This reduction is compliant with AMA guidelines.

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

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

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO SIGN 2016-2017 SNOW AND ICE AGREEMENT WITH NYS DOT

This is an agreement that the Village executes every year with New York State. It is for a lump sum amount no matter how much, or how little, snow we get. The Village receives approximately seven thousand dollars. This is for plowing the Boston Post Road.

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

RESOLVED, That the Village Manager be and hereby is authorized to sign the 2016-2017 Snow and Ice Agreement with NYS DOT.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO SIGN JACKSON LEWIS
RETAINER AGREEMENT

Alex Betke is an attorney that has been working on various projects for the Village. He just changed law firms. This agreement will allow the Village to continue working with him at his new location.

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

RESOLVED, That the Village Manager be and hereby is authorized to sign the Jackson Lewis Retainer Agreement.

REQUEST FOR A STREET CLOSING

Elizabeth Lavin, 419 Fowler Avenue, requested that Fowler Avenue between Witherbee Avenue and Colonial Avenue be closed for a block party on Saturday, September 18, 2016 from four o'clock in the afternoon until eight o'clock in the evening.

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

RESOLVED, That the street closing request from Elizabeth Lavin be and hereby is approved.

PARK USE REQUEST

Bertrand Sellier, 650 Ely Avenue, requested the use of Shore Park for a picnic on behalf of the Democratic Party on Saturday October 1, 2016 in the afternoon. This was a change from the date, September 18, 2016, that was originally requested. If there are no other large groups that are scheduled to use Shore Park on that date, the Board is in favor of granting this request.

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

RESOLVED, That Bertrand Sellier, on behalf of the Democratic Party, be and hereby is granted permission to use Shore Park on Saturday, October 1, 2016 for a picnic.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ABSTRACT OF VOUCHERS
NUMBERS 23036--23104

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 23036-23104

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Mayor asked if there were any comments or questions from the public.

There was no public 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:

Real Property Matter

ACTION TAKEN IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

RESOLVED, That The Village Manager be, and hereby is, authorized and empowered to do such things and execute such documents as are approved as to form by the Village Attorney and are necessary for the donation to be accepted and for the deed of dedication to be recorded for the purpose of accepting this property as an unconditional gift under the authority of Village Law 1-102.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Clerk