

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES
January 14, 2013

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND FIRE SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor O'Connor led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance and notified those in attendance where the fire exits were located.

MINUTES

Mayor O'Connor asked if there were any comments or questions on the minutes from December 17, 2012.

Trustee Schwarzfeld noted that the word property was missing from a sentence in the public comments attributed to resident Tony Marrella. The sentence was about residential and commercial property.

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

RESOLVED, that the minutes from December 17, 2012 be and hereby are adopted as amended.

REPORTS

Police Commissioner Schwarzfeld discussed the monthly report with Chief Mosiello. The Commissioner commented that it was a busy month. He said that there were four larcenies from unlocked cars. Overnight parking summonses increased and the number of aided cases increased substantially.

Chief Mosiello commented on some arrests. One arrest was at the public storage units. There were twenty seven storage units that were in auction, but the police got the suspect on five counts for entering five of the units.

Police Commissioner asked about the man convicted of car jacking in the Village and was told that he received a sentence of twenty years to life in prison. He committed two robberies in Pelham Manor and some in New York City. The Chief congratulated the detectives on an excellent job.

Trustee Vandenberg noted that Police Officer Tillstrand was involved with two arrests and asked how the officer was doing. The Chief said that he was doing great and that he was back to a normal work schedule.

Mayor O'Connor spoke about the recent robberies from storage units in some apartment garages. He said that the police are working hard and look forward to solving the crimes.

Trustee Vandenberg asked the Chief if "blunt" was a new term for marijuana and was told no.

The Chief explained that the tobacco is taken out of a cigar and packed with marijuana. Chief Mosiello said that there were twenty seven aided cases. Most came from the shopping center.

Trustee Sellier commented on the number of people being robbed from unlocked cars and thought that the police could put stickers on cars as friendly reminders to lock the cars.

Trustee Schwarzfeld thought that having the police go from car to car was not the most efficient use of their time.

Trustee Sellier withdrew his idea from further consideration.
The Mayor and Board thanked Chief Mosiello for his report.

Fire Commissioner Sellier discussed the monthly report with Chief Ruggiero. The Chief said that the department was particularly busy this evening. He commented that it was the fifth time that the apparatus had been out of the fire house tonight. There were more mutual aid cases than usual. A car fire, chimney fire and bathroom fire were all in the Village of Pelham. The fire in Pelham Manor at One Hundred Thirty Plymouth Street was in the wall. The dimmer switch melted and caught fire according to the Fire Chief.

The Mayor and Board thanked Chief Ruggiero for his report.

Mayor O'Connor asked if there were any comments or questions on the Village Clerk's report. There were no comments or questions.

Trustee Annunziata discussed the Treasurer's report with the Village Treasurer. The cost of street cleaning for the month of November was thirty four thousand dollars. It consisted of debris from Hurricane Sandy.

The treasurer commented that twelve thousand cubic yards of material had been removed from streets in the Village. This is the equivalent of six thousand tons of material which includes materials such as wood and trees. The Village collected one thousand six hundred tons for all of last year. The Department of Public Works did a great job. The State arranged and paid for removal of debris. Now, just Christmas trees are being collected.

The Mayor said that all tonnage was hauled by Village employees to Spring Road.

The Treasurer commented that FEMA reimbursement is still in the hands of Congress. Reimbursement, if any, will be determined by Congress. It was noted that in the past the Federal government has contributed seventy five percent and the State and Local governments each contributed twelve and one half per cent toward the storm costs.

Trustee Annunziata asked how much over budget the Village was and was told that the Treasurer would have a better idea when he has the December report.

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

RESOLVED, that the reports be and hereby are approved.

CITIBANK SIGNAGE

The sign was reviewed by the Village's planning consultant and meets the sign design criteria. There were no objections to the new signage.

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

RESOLVED, That the signage for Citibank be and hereby is approved.

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT ELECTION INSPECTORS AND VOTING MACHINE TECHNICIANS

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

RESOLVED, That the following people have been appointed Election Inspectors for the March 19, 2013 Village Election at the rate of eighteen dollars and seventy-five cents per hour.

- 1) John Gassler
- 2) William Hintzen
- 3) Adelaide Mottola
- 4) Ida Petro

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees may provide for alternative inspectors, and technicians, who shall assume the same office of inspector or technician upon the inability or refusal of an inspector or technician to assume or perform his/her duties and or any clerical help which may be deemed necessary.

RESOLVED, That the two voting machine technicians, Sebastian DiChiario and Anthony Barsanti be and hereby are authorized to receive a fee of fifty dollars for each machine and one hundred seventy-five dollars for the day.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ABSTRACT OF VOUCHERS NUMBERS 18570-18644

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 18570-18644.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Mayor asked if there was any comment from the public.

Ann Rende, 4472 Boston Post Road, agreed that the DPW did a herculean job, but said that she has had a street light that has been out since way before the storm. She said that it is a safety issue and asked if some one could look into it.

Manager Pierpont said that it needs a new fixture which has been ordered. He told Mrs. Rende that when they come in she would be at the top of the list.

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 taken in Executive Session.

RESUMPTION OF REGULAR MEETING

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

RESOLVED, That a member of the bargaining unit represented by the Police Benevolent Association of Pelham Manor be and hereby is terminated, with no back pay, effective January 15, 2013 based on the outcome of the trial of charges pursuant to Section 5711-q of the Unconsolidated Laws of New York.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Clerk