

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the
Board of Trustees of the Village of
Larchmont, held on **Monday, Feb. 11, 2013**

PRESENT: Mayor Anne H. McAndrews
Deputy Mayor John Komar
Trustees Lorraine Walsh
Peter Fanelli

ABSENT: Trustee Marlene Kolbert

Also Present: Clerk Finn, Treasurer Brucciani,
Joanna C. Feldman, Esq. representing the Village
Attorney's Office

Mayor McAndrews welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM.

Mayor McAndrews made the following announcements:

Mayor's
Announcements

1. Community Services is seeking volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels. Interested parties are asked to contact the Community Services Office at 381-7840.
2. The Flint Park tennis courts will open on April 1. Permits will go on sale on or about March 1. Visit www.villageoflarchmont.org for details.
3. Mayor McAndrews expressed the Board's condolences to the families of Catherine Fleming and Mary Jayne McKay on their passing.
4. Mayor McAndrews extended the Board's appreciation to the Public Works Department, Police Department, and Fire Department for their efforts during this past weekend's snowstorm. The Public Works Department employees worked tirelessly throughout the weekend to clear as much snow as possible from Village streets and parking lots.
5. As a reminder, Mayor McAndrews announced that snow must be cleared from sidewalks within 24 hours of a storm.
6. She reminded the audience that Election Day is March 19, 2013. Voters will be electing two Trustees and a Village Justice. Voting will take place at the Village Center from 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM.

On motion of Trustee Komar, seconded by Trustee Walsh, and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Kendra Jennings as a member of the Parks and Trees Committee, for a term to expire in April, 2015.

RESOLUTION
Jennings, K.
Parks and Trees Comm.

Police Chief Poleway next addressed the Board on the following items:

Police Chief's Report

1. Since the tragedy at Sandy Hook Elementary School in December, the Larchmont Police Department has been working with neighboring Police Departments and School Districts to be better prepared in the event something happens in the local schools. Towards that goal, training for

Police Department personnel from the three communities will take place at several schools in the area during the February school recess.

2. He also reminded the property owners that snow must be cleared from sidewalks within 24 hours. If not, a court summons may be issued for lack of compliance with Village law. Mayor McAndrews also noted that fire hydrants and storm drains should also be kept clear of snow.
3. Chief Poleway has asked his officers to be vigilant when seeing drivers making illegal U-Turns and to issue summonses when they observe them.
4. He urged everyone to remember the saying "If you see something, say something," and to immediately report any incidents to 1-866-SAFENYS or the Larchmont Police Department at 911 or 834-1000.

Mayor McAndrews thanked Chief Poleway for his report this evening.

Fire Captain's Report

Fire Captain John Caparelli next reported on the following:

1. The Department has responded to 107 alarms to date. No significant alarms were received during the most recent snowstorm.
2. There have been three Mutual Aid Alarms with the Town of Mamaroneck Fire Department.
3. Two new volunteer firefighters are attending Firefighter 1 classes at the Westchester County Fire Training Center, increasing the Village's number of interior certified volunteer firefighters to 23.
4. One new volunteer member added this month, increasing the total number of active volunteer firefighters to 31.
5. Two career personnel completed Hazardous Materials Training last week at the Westchester County Fire Training Center, bringing the total number of career members trained as Hazardous Materials Technicians to 10. This allows the Larchmont Fire Department to respond to such incidents in our sector of the County and beyond as members of Squad 2. Other members of Squad 2 include the City of New Rochelle Fire Department, Pelham Fire Department and the Pelham Manor Fire Department. This squad was established by the Dept. of Emergency Services and the Career Chiefs of Westchester.
6. Upcoming drills for the month of February will include annual CPR/Blood Borne Pathogens Certification, air mask fit testing and personnel rescue rope training.

Captain Caparelli next requested that the Village Board consider the adoption of the 2012 Westchester County Mutual Aid Plan (MAP). This plan includes over 58 Departments from all over Westchester County and is an agreement to make a good faith effort to respond to calls for assistance from neighboring communities through 60 Control in the event mutual aid services are needed.

The Larchmont Fire Department has participated in this MAP, in practice or in its current written form, for many years. This new plan amends and restates the previous County MAP, streamlines and clarifies language, incorporates current firefighting standards and has been approved by the NYS OFPC, Westchester County Fire Advisory Board, and local Fire Chiefs. It was his recommendation that the Village of Larchmont renew its commitment to participate in this MAP and continue providing assistance to neighboring communities while ensuring additional resources from beyond the Village's borders are available if needed to help protect the residents of Larchmont.

Following a brief discussion, on motion of Trustee Komar, seconded by Trustee Fanelli, and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED, that the Village of Larchmont approves participation by the Larchmont Fire Department in the Westchester County Fire Mutual Aid Plan ("Plan"), as amended from time to time, and further certifies to Westchester County, through its Commissioner of Emergency Services, that it shall comply with provisions of the Plan; and be it further

RESOLUTION
West. Co. Fire Mutual Aid Plan – Approve Larchmont Fire Department’s participation in plan

RESOLVED, that there are no resolutions in effect that restrict outside service and training by the named Fire Agency; and be it further

RESOLVED, that there are currently no limitations, conditions or restrictions on the Fire Agency from providing prompt assistance, and the Commissioner of Emergency Services shall be notified in writing if any such limitations are imposed subsequent to the adoption of this Resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the named Fire Agency shall respond to all calls for assistance from another Fire Agency through the Westchester County Emergency Communications Center a/k/a "60 Control"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village of Larchmont hereby acknowledges and accepts its financial responsibility pursuant to applicable law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be filed with the Westchester County Commissioner of Emergency Services.

The vote on the above resolution was as follows:

AYES: Mayor Anne McAndrews
Trustee John Komar
Trustee Peter Fanelli
Trustee Lorraine Walsh

NAYS: None

Abstained: None

Captain Caparelli next reported that the Larchmont Fire Department has been awarded the SAFER Grant through the AFG Division of FEMA in the amount of \$519,774. This grant is specifically geared to restoring staffing levels lowered by layoffs or attrition. The funds from this grant will cover the salary and benefits for three new employees for a period of two years, or three years if that employee has served in the U.S. Military. This grant will allow the Village and the Fire Department to fill vacant positions created by recent retirements of personnel and be prepared for future retirements while reducing costs in the interim.

RESOLUTION
Approve and accept FY 2012 Fire Department SAFER Grant

Following a discussion, on motion of Trustee Fanelli, seconded by Trustee Walsh, and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED, to approve and accept the FY 2012 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant awarded to the Village of Larchmont by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in the amount of \$519,774; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Larchmont authorize the submittal of their memorandum dated January 28, 2013, to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), clarifying the Village of Larchmont’s position regarding safe staffing levels in its Fire Department and future commitments to such staffing levels.

The vote on the above resolution was as follows:

AYES: Mayor Anne McAndrews
Trustee Peter Fanelli
Trustee Lorraine Walsh
Trustee John Komar

NAYS: None

Abstained: None

Carolyn Lee and Kate Verni appeared on behalf of the Recreation Committee to request approval to hold the Sprint for Flint 5K and One-Mile Fun Run on Friday, June 14, 2013. The one-mile run would start at 6:00 PM in Flint Park, with the 5K beginning at 6:45 PM. The costs associated with this event would be covered by sponsorships.

On motion of Trustee Komar, seconded by Trustee Fanelli, and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED, to approve the request of the Recreation Committee to hold the Sprint for Flint 5K and One-Mile Fun Run on Friday, June 14, 2013.

Carolyn Lee and Patricia Delamora of the Mamaroneck Schools Foundation next requested permission to hold the run portion of the Mamaroneck Schools Foundation’s Junior Triathlon in Larchmont on September 28, 2013, from 6:00 AM to 11:00 AM. The Mamaroneck Schools Foundation will pay all expenses associated with having this portion of the event go through Larchmont.

On motion of Trustee Walsh, seconded by Trustee Komar, and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED, to authorize the Mamaroneck Schools Foundation to hold the run portion of their annual Junior Triathlon in Larchmont on September 28, 2013, from 6:00 AM to 11:00 AM, with all costs associated with this run to be paid by the Mamaroneck Schools Foundation.

Sally Maca and Elizabeth Poyet of the Larchmont Environmental Committee next appeared to request that the Board schedule a public hearing in connection with a proposed local law to encourage the use of reusable checkout bags and prohibit the use of plastic bags for retail checkout of purchased goods.

Mayor McAndrews explained that the local law to be considered at this public hearing would be similar to the statute recently adopted in the Village of Mamaroneck. Ms. Poyet added that the intent of this law would be to encourage the use of reusable bags when shopping rather than using the “point of sale” plastic bags which often end up in the environment.

Following further discussion, on motion of Trustee Walsh, seconded by Trustee Komar, and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED, to schedule a public hearing for Tuesday, March 19, 2013, at 7:30 PM in the Village Hall Court Room to consider a local law to encourage the use of reusable checkout bags and prohibit the use of plastic bags for retail checkout of purchased goods.

RESOLUTION
Sprint for Flint 5K and
One-Mile Fun Run
6/14/13

RESOLUTION
Approve request by
Mamaroneck Schools
Foundation to hold
Junior Triathlon Run in
Larchmont on 9/28/13

Trustee Fanelli reported on the following:

1. Many activities have recently been undertaken by the Public Works Department, including playground resurfacing, tree removal from Village property, repairs to storm drain catch basins, and repairs to 13 streetlights in the Village. Additionally, the Reservoir nature trails have been restored. During this most recent snowstorm, 100 tons of salt were used.
2. Flint Park Camp Registration will take place on March 20 and March 21 in the Flint Park Playhouse, from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM.
3. The Flint Park Tennis Courts will open on April 1, 2013. Permits will go on sale on March 1.

Trustee Komar reported on the following:

1. He thanked the Public Works Department for the wonderful job they did plowing the Village this weekend during and after the snowstorm.
2. Regarding the SAFER Grant, Trustee Komar stated that he believes the grant is a wonderful opportunity for the Village, but wanted to make three points clear:
 - a) Additional manpower will be an enhancement to the existing staffing, but it should be noted that the Village is sufficiently staffed now. Several employees currently on the career staff are getting ready to retire. This grant money will afford three new individuals with an opportunity to be trained so that, hopefully, they can step into full-time positions when the time comes.
 - b) The Village has 23 certified volunteer interior firefighters.
 - c) The Village has a strong mutual aid component because they work with, and support, the Town of Mamaroneck when mutual aid is required.

Trustee Walsh reported on the following:

1. There are many programs that are being held at the Sheldrake Environmental Center over the coming weeks, including a Presidents' Week vacation camp, Spring Break vacation camp, June mini camp, and a Summer nature camp. Additionally, on Earth Day in April, they will be holding a Compost Bin Day and workshop, as well as a Reservoir clean-up. Details appear on their website, www.sheldrakecenter.org.

Mayor McAndrews thanked Trustee Walsh for helping to get the Sheldrake nature trails back into shape after a water main break at the Reservoir.

Mayor McAndrews advised that the Village has received an amended proposal from Woodard and Curran to prepare a Hazard Mitigation Plan for the Village, in accordance with the requirements of FEMA grants the Village has received for this purpose and for the installation of a new generator at Village Hall.

On motion of Trustee Fanelli, seconded by Trustee Komar, and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED, to accept the amended proposal from Woodard and Curran, dated January 25, 2013, in the amount of \$58,500, to prepare a Hazard Mitigation Plan for the Village of Larchmont, with 75 percent of this money to be reimbursed through the FEMA grant that has been received for this purpose.

RESOLUTION
Woodard & Curran
Accept amended
proposal for preparation
of Hazard Mitigation Plan

On motion of Trustee Komar, seconded by Trustee Walsh, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the meetings of December 10, 2012 and January 14, 2013, were approved.

On motion of Trustee Fanelli, seconded by Trustee Komar, and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED, to approve Abstract Audited Voucher No. 9, dated February 11, 2013, in the amount of \$118,383.79, per copies filed with the Clerk, be paid, subject to confirmation and approval by Trustee Walsh.

On motion of Trustee Walsh, seconded by Trustee Komar, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.