

Minutes of Regular Meeting of
The Board of Trustees of the
Village of Larchmont, held on
Monday, January 12, 2015

PRESENT: Mayor Anne H. McAndrews
Deputy Mayor John Komar
Trustees Marlene Kolbert
Peter Fanelli

ABSENT: Trustee Lorraine Walsh

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

Mayor McAndrews welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM.

On behalf of the Board the Mayor conveyed condolences to Trustee Lorraine Walsh and her husband, Michael Berger and their family on the death of his mother. Also further condolences were added to Rabbi Jeffrey Sirkman and his family on the passing of his wife, Susan.

Condolences
Walsh, L.
Sirkman, J.

Next Mayor McAndrews asked John Savage, coach of the Mamaroneck High School Field Hockey team to speak. The team was invited to the meeting for winning the 2015 NYS Championship.

Coach Savage said from the beginning of the year each member of the team made the commitment to work to improve each day and their efforts were rewarded. He thanked the Village for its support of the field hockey program with making field space available.

The Mayor added that their focus and enthusiasm will do them well later in life.

Then Trustees Fanelli, Komar and Kolbert presented each team member with a certificate from the Village.

Mayor McAndrews presented to Coach Savage, Asst. Coach Trish Miller and MHS Athletic Director Bari Suman, who was unable to attend, plaques.

The team then presented the Board magnets with the championship logo on it.

The Mayor made the following announcements.

Mayor's Announcements

1. On January 10th and 11th the Larchmont-Mamaroneck Human Rights Committee sponsored events in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day at the Larchmont and Mamaroneck Libraries. A proclamation signed by Mayor McAndrews, Town Supervisor, Nancy Seligman and Village of Mamaroneck Mayor, Norm Rosenblum was given to longtime Village resident Jane Orans.

Fire Chief's Report

Chief Caparelli gave the following report.

1. 21 Alarms to date and there were 910 total alarms for 2014
2. The Career staff sponsored Santa in the Park on December 20, 2014 in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce, LPD and the Village Board. The event was a big success and we look forward to an even bigger event next year, I would like to thank the Chamber of Commerce, the LPD and the Career staff for making this event enjoyable for all.
3. The Volunteer staff sponsored the annual Santa Run on Christmas Eve. The event was also a big success and I would like to thank the Volunteer staff for making this event enjoyable for all.
4. The Fire Inspection program has been completed for 2014. It will begin again in March for 2015. I would like to thank the business owners and landlords for their cooperation during the inspections and for their compliance.
5. The new Rescue 1 is currently in production. Expected delivery date is March 2015.
6. Two new firefighters are graduating from ff1 on January 23, 2015 making our total interior volunteer firefighting staff 18
7. The ISO is making a return visit to recertify our rating on January 23, 2015.
8. Lt. Sternemann officially retired from the Larchmont Fire Department on January 9, 2015 after 33 years of service. We wish him well in his future endeavors.
9. All equipment is operational and all apparatus are in service.

Trustee Fanelli thanked Chief Caparelli for his work with the volunteer members.

RESOLUTION

Public Hearing

Opened- Local Law

Parking fines increase

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

RESOLVED, the Public Hearing to consider a local law increasing fines for parking in excess of time limits on certain streets and for parking without displaying a valid meter or parking license in certain off-street parking lots was opened.

Carol Miller Co-Chair and Jay Rubin of the Traffic Commission addressed the Board on the proposed local law.

Miller, C.
Rubin, J.
Traffic Comm.

Ms. Miller and Mr. Rubin stated they were in favor of the proposed local law. The Traffic Commission has been reviewing the overcrowding parking problems at the train station lots and on nearby streets for over a year. They concluded that those who park without permits at the station and streets are willing to pay a \$25 fine instead of a permit fee.

Ms. Miller added that an increase in fines would be a deterrent to those who choose park without a permit in the lots and overtime on the streets.

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

RESOLVED, the Public Hearing to consider a local law increasing fines for parking in excess of time limits on certain streets and for parking without displaying a valid meter or parking license in certain off-street parking lots was closed.

RESOLUTION
Public Hearing
Closed- Local Law
Parking fines increase

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

RESOLVED, to adopt Local Law No. 1-2015, increasing fines for parking in excess of time limits on certain streets and for parking without displaying a valid meter or parking license in certain off-street parking lots.

RESOLUTION
Adopt
Local Law No. 1-2015
Increase parking fines on
certain streets & lots

Next Jerry Faiella of GJF Consultants spoke to the Board about the proposed local law to establish the position of Village Administrator. Mr. Faiella’s company was hired by the Village last year to study if there was a need for an administrator.

Faiella, J.
GJF Consultants

Discussion
Local Law
Aditor

Mr. Faiella said his study concluded that the Village was in need of administrator. He added that with the complexities facing local governments at this time, it is essential to have an experienced professional to guide it. The tax cap, stormwater requirements, grants and union contracts Mr. Faiella named as just a few areas where the Village would benefit from an administrator.

Mr. Faiella thanked the Board, Attorney’s Staudt and Feldman, Treasurer Brucciani and Dep. Clerk Rilley for their assistance in his study.

Library Board of Trustees Chair, Pamela Dubitsky spoke to the Board about the proposed local law. Ms. Dubitsky was seeking clarification on the language stating the administrator’s authority over the library. She said under the New York State Regents the library is independent.

Mayor McAndrews read the amended section of the local law assuring Ms. Dubitsky that the Library will remain as it is.

Discussion
Local Law
ADMINISTRATOR
Con't.

The Mayor then read all the amended and new sections of the proposed local law.

Finance and Budget Committee members, Chair, Paul Silverman, John McGarr and Michael Gottfried addressed the Board on the proposed local law.

Mr. Gottfried said he thinks the administrator should not have authority over the treasurer. Keeping the treasurer independent would prevent any conflict of interest.

Mr. McGarr added that the Village Attorney should also be able to act independent of the administrator. Both the Attorney and the Treasurer should report directly to the Board. He then spoke about the added section that states no elected official may become the administrator. Mr. McGarr believes that a 2 year period should pass after an elected official's term ends, before they may become the administrator.

Mr. Silverman thanked the Board and Attorney Staudt for listening to the Budget Committee on this matter. He added many longtime residents are in favor of the local law.

A discussion began on the time length to be included to the added section 14.8 of the proposed local law. Trustee Kolbert was in favor of a 6 month time period while Mayor McAndrews, Trustees Komar and Fanelli thought 90 days would be sufficient.

RESOLUTION
Public Hearing
Closed- Local Law
ADMINISTRATOR

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

RESOLVED, that the Public Hearing to establish the position of Village Administrator/Clerk was closed.

RESOLUTION
Hold Public Hearing
Local Law
ADMINISTRATOR
2/2/15

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

RESOLVED, that Public Hearing to establish the position of Village Administrator/Clerk be held on February 2, 2015, at 7:45 PM in the Courtroom, 120 Larchmont Avenue.

RESOLUTION
Approve list of overdue
Taxes-Fiscal year
2014-15

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

RESOLVED, to approve the list of overdue taxes for an aggregate amount of \$75,673.44 in the current year, Fiscal Year 2014-2015.

RESOLUTION
Auth. Treasurer to hold
Tax Lien Sale- 10:00 AM
3/2/15

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

RESOLVED, to authorize Treasurer Brucciani to hold the Tax Lien Sale on Monday, March 2, 2015 at 10:00 AM, in the Courtroom, 120 Larchmont Avenue.

Trustees reports

Trustee Kolbert gave the following report.

1. Condolences to Rabbi Jeffrey Sirkman and his family on the passing of his wife, Susan. The Sirkman's had known each other since second grade.
2. On March 22 at the Larchmont Temple the Green Steps Expo will take place in honor of Bruce MacFarlane.
3. Violinist Kensho Wantanbee will perform at the Larchmont Temple at 4:00 PM, with refreshments at 3:30 PM. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Trustee Kolbert said that the Library will be modernizing and everyone should go to the Library and look at the plans.

Trustee Fanelli made the following report.

DPW:

1. The previous monthly report was submitted on December 13, 2014. Leaf collection was completed with eight Village-wide passes completed since starting on October 9th. Road crews continue to patch potholes and pick up organics for recycling.
2. The DPW has removed 4 trees and several hanging limbs from Village trees. They also responded to 3 snow and ice events this period.
3. Work continues at Village Hall for the new generator that was delivered on January 9th. The contractor replacing the gasoline tank at the Village Yard has been on hold due to inclement weather.
4. There were 2 streetlights and 1 traffic light repaired during this period. Three water leaks were reported and have been repaired. Village personnel continue to investigate possible water leaks at two separate locations.

Recreation:

1. Paddle courts are opened. Go to the Clerk's office to get a permit.

Trustee Fanelli added that on January 22nd there will be a press conference to announce the Village's 125th Anniversary celebration for 2016. There will be competition to come up with a logo for the anniversary.

Mayor McAndrews announced resolutions that were adopted at previous work sessions:

1. Leads On-line software for the Police Department in the amount of \$2,700.
2. Employee Deferred Compensation Plan- Nationwide

Work Sessions Resolutions
Leads On-Line Software
Police Department
Employee Derferred Comp.
Nationwide

RESOLUTION

To hold **E**lections on
3/18/15 from 7 AM to 9 PM
at **V**illage Center

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

RESOLVED that the Village of Larchmont will hold
elections on March 18, 2015, from **7:00 AM to 9:00 PM** in
the following location:

Larchmont Village Center, 119 Larchmont Avenue, for all
voters residing in VILLAGE DISTRICT 1 (Town Districts
6, 7, 8, 9, 10 & 26) which comprises the Village of
Larchmont.

RESOLUTIONS

Hire 4 **E**lection **I**nspectors
for **E**lections to be held on
3/18/15

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

RESOLVED, to hire four Election Inspectors for the
Village of Larchmont Elections to be held on March 18,
2015.

RESOLUTIONS

Auth. Dep. **C**lerk
to hire additional
4 **E**lection **I**nspectors if
needed for **E**lections
to be held on 3/18/15

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

RESOLVED, to authorize the Deputy Clerk to hire four
additional Election Inspectors, if needed, for the Village of
Larchmont Elections to be held on March 18, 2015.

RESOLUTION

Approve proposal of
GEO Designs-light posts
Palmer **S**treetscape

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

RESOLVED, to approve the proposal of GEO Design for
engineering services for alternate foundations of light posts,
Palmer Avenue Streetscape Project.

On motion of Trustee Kolbert, seconded by Trustee Komar,
the meeting adjourned at 9:50 PM.