

Minutes of the Work Session Meeting of the
Board of Trustee of the
Village of Larchmont, New York
Held on Wednesday, January 4, 2017

PRESENT: Mayor Lorraine Walsh
Deputy Mayor Carol Miller
Trustees John Komar
Malcolm Frouman

ABSENT: Trustee Peter Fanelli

Also Present: Administrator Datino

On motion of Trustee Komar, seconded by Trustee Frouman, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

Whereas, US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Reports and NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) documents estimate that Wastewater Infrastructure cost needs over the next twenty years are in excess of 30 billion dollars in New York State; and

Whereas, these US EPA Reports and NYS EFC documents further estimate that Drinking Water Facilities Infrastructure cost needs over the next twenty years in excess of 30 billion dollars in New York State; and

Whereas the Construction Industry Council of Westchester and Hudson Valley and the Construction Advancement Institute of Westchester and Mid-Hudson Valley launched a Clean Water/Jobs Coalition campaign and released a report in October of 2016 entitled *The Water Infrastructure GAP for New York State's Future: Clean Water Infrastructure Needs for Communities in Westchester County and the Hudson Valley* which identified over 250 million dollars in current clean water (wastewater and drinking water) infrastructure project needs and a billion dollars in total clean water infrastructure project needs over the next five years in the local communities of the Westchester/Hudson Valley Region; and

Whereas, investments in clean water infrastructure projects protect our water bodies, purify our drinking water, enhance community quality of life, create thousands of jobs and enhance the local economy; and

Whereas, local municipalities cannot take on this challenge alone and need clean water grants and low-interest financing to make these investments possible; and

Whereas, under the leadership of Governor Cuomo and the State Legislature the *Water Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2015* was enacted and to date has allocated 425 million dollars state-wide in clean water infrastructure grant funds, of which 250 million dollars has been awarded including close to 35 million dollars to communities in the Westchester and Hudson Valley region; and

Whereas, this Clean Water grant program will allocate its remaining 175 million dollars in clean water grant funds state-wide in 2017 which will leave a zero balance in the account while many projects have not been funded and the need remains in the billions of dollars;

Whereas, it is critical that the Water Infrastructure Improvement Act be reauthorized and new/increased funds be appropriated state-wide in the NYS 2017-2018 budget in order for communities in Westchester County and across the State of New York to meet their clean water infrastructure needs today and into the future.

Therefore, be it Resolved, that the Village of Larchmont joins the Westchester Municipal Officials Association Clean Water/Jobs Coalition call for Governor Cuomo and the State Legislature to appropriate 800 million dollars in the NYS 2017-2018 Budget for the Clean Water grant program state-wide and in doing so reauthorize the Water Infrastructure Improvement Act.

On motion of Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Frouman, and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED, that a rental fee of \$500 and a deposit fee of \$500 be required for the rental of the Flint Park Playhouse on February 4, 2017 by a Village resident.