

Meeting was Scheduled for January 23, 2017 but was Postponed due to Inclement Weather

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees of the
Village of Larchmont held on
Monday, January 30, 2017

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

ABSENT:

Also Present: Dep. Clerk Rilley, Attorney Staudt, Treasurer Brucciani, Administrator Datino

Mayor Walsh welcomed everyone in attendance and called the meeting to order at 7:38PM.

The Mayor made the following announcements.

1. Condolences to Chris and Beth Belisle on the passing of Chris's mom, Barbara.
2. Congratulations to former Mayor Anne McAndrews whose daughter Lisa gave birth to a 9 pound boy, Thomas Francis on January 15.
3. 1,756 days after leaving office, former Mayor Josh Mandell's portrait is finally hanging in Village Hall.

Mayor Walsh said there have been vacancies on the Planning Board and recently 3 people have come forth stating interest in joining. Unfortunately, one of them is a resident of the unincorporated area which makes that person ineligible to join. The two other candidates have been interviewed by Trustee Komar and Planning Board Chair, John Parkinson, Jr. and one will be appointed tonight.

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

RESOLVED, to appoint Allan Kassenoff as a member of the Planning Board.

Next the Mayor presented a proclamation to Sid Ings who after thirty five years, the last fifteen as president, is retiring from the Larchmont/Mamaroneck Junior Soccer League. Mayor Walsh also gave Mr. Ings a scarf knitted by Recreation Director, Joyce Callahan, in the colors of his favorite "football" team, Manchester United.

Bari Suman, the Athletic Director at Mamaroneck High School said that Mr. Ings is an advocate for kids and he has always passed his passion for his sport on to them.

Mr. Ings said thirty five years ago he came here to work for a three year term and at a social gathering a member of the Board of Trustees said "with an accent like that, you must know about soccer, how would you like to coach?" and that was thirty five years ago. He then thanked everyone who he worked with and added it was all a team effort.

Chief Poleway made the following report.

1. There are two new stop signs at the intersection of Stuyvesant and Mayhew Avenues. In August of 2016, the Traffic Commission approved the placement of these signs after repeated and prolonged complaints of motorists driving through the area at unsafe speeds. Motorists are reminded that NYS Vehicle and traffic Law 1172 (a) which relates to stop and yield signs states: Except when directed by a police officer, every driver of a vehicle approaching a stop sign shall stop at a clearly marked stop line. The police department has been and will continue

to enforce stop sign violations at this location. Also, for the safety of all, please make sure that you obey all the vehicle and traffic laws while driving in Larchmont and always make a complete stop at stop signs and check for vehicle and pedestrian traffic before proceeding.

2. If you have a Burglar Alarm System installed in your home or business it must be registered with the Larchmont Police Department, as required under the Local Law 4-2016, enumerating the required fees and fines set forth in Chapter 85 of the Larchmont Village Code. If you recently installed an alarm system, an Application to Operate an Alarm System must be filed with the Larchmont Police Department along with a \$75.00 initial application fee. The alarm must also be renewed annually at a fee of \$35.00. Renewal notices are being mailed out this week so residents and business owners with alarm systems should expect to receive this notice shortly.

Please note that non-registered (non-permitted) alarm systems are subject to penalties upon EACH false alarm dispatch, as it is unlawful to continue to operate an alarm system without a valid registration, pursuant to Alarm Ordinance, section 85-3. Failure to pay false alarm fees, permit/renewal fees or other charges shall become a lien upon the property the alarm device or system services and will be collected in the same manner as real estate taxes.

In order to ensure the accuracy of our records, please notify us if you are moving, no longer have an alarm system or if it has been disconnected so your account can be closed. If you are a new resident at a location with an existing alarm system, you must notify the Larchmont Police Department so that records can be updated to reflect accurate information for your location. It is very important to your safety and well-being to have your house number clearly displayed for proper alarm response and 911 emergencies. It is imperative that your displayed number is the correct number for your location. If you should have any questions or concerns on any alarm related issues, you can contact the Police Clerk.

3. There have been several reports of larcenies from vehicles that have been parked in driveways over the last several weeks. Residents are reminded to lock their vehicles and refrain from leaving valuables or electronic equipment when parked overnight.

4. Law enforcement fatalities nationwide rose to their highest level in five years in 2016, with 135 officers killed in the line of duty, according to data compiled and released recently by the [National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund](#). Firearms-related incidents were the number one cause of death in 2016, with 64 officers shot and killed across the country. This represents a significant spike—56 percent—over the 41 officers killed by gunfire in 2015. Of the 64 shooting deaths of officers last year, 21 were the result of ambush-style attacks—the highest total in more than two decades. Public safety is a partnership and, too often, the service and sacrifice of our law enforcement professionals is taken for granted. We must never forget that 900,000 law enforcement officers nationwide risk their lives every day for our safety and protection. And last year, 135 of those men and women did not make it home to their families at the end of their shift. Already this year there have been 12 line-of-duty deaths with 6 of those occurring as a result of gunfire. As we begin the new year, let us all resolve to respect, honor, and remember those who have served our communities so well and sacrificed so much in the name of public safety.

5. Finally, I would like to remind everyone to stay vigilant in reporting any suspicious activity that may be observed. If you observe something that may be suspicious, please, do not keep it to yourself but report it immediately to the Larchmont Police Department at (914)-834-1000 or simply dial 911.

Chief Caparelli gave the following report.

1. The Volunteer staff sponsored the second annual Bonfire at Manor Beach on January 28, 2017 from 5-7 pm. There was music, hot chocolate and cider for all attendees. It was a well-attended event by residents and fire department personnel alike. I would like to thank all the Volunteer firefighters who helped make this a successful event and it looks like it has now

become an annual tradition. I would also like to thank Trustee Fanelli for his help in making this event a success.

2. With the coastal storms making their way into our area each week, I would like to remind all residents to remain indoors during these events. Wandering about along the coast to see the forces of nature is not advisable. Please be extremely careful of downed wires and trees. All downed wires should be considered energized, live, and should not be approached or touched. Allow the DPW and Con Edison crews time to do their work and deem the area safe before moving about. If you should experience a power outage and have a portable generator, only operate gasoline powered generators outdoors at least 10 feet from a window or door. Fireplaces should be operated with caution, the high winds may cause smoke and embers to back up in your chimney and enter your home. All homeowners should take precautions against flooding. Move all items off of lower levels or basement floors that are subject to flooding. Ensure your sump pump is operational. Clean out any drains in driveways and outdoor stairwells. Should your basement become flooded, be aware that lower level electrical components such as wires, outlets and utilities can energize the water in your basement making it extremely hazardous to enter. If you smell gas, or need assistance call the fire department immediately at 914-834-0600 or 911. Con Ed has advised us that customers may call 1-800-75-coned or go on the web at www.coned.com to view service restoration information or outages in their area.

3. There was one fire alarm that I would like to mention. A resident had contractors working on their air conditioning system last Friday and the workers were using a torch to connect piping to the home. The flame or sparks from the torch made their way into a crevice in the wall and ignited a fire inside the wall allowing it to travel up to the second floor and along the floor joists undetected for some time. Luckily, the residents were home, smelling smoke, they called the fire department. The fire extended to the second floor and was extinguished quickly with the home sustaining moderate damage. The Larchmont Fire Department was assisted by firefighters from neighboring departments during this event. I would like to thank the Town of Mamaroneck, New Rochelle, Pelham and Pelham Manor Fire Departments for their assistance. Residents experiencing events such as this should beware of cleaning companies approaching them unsolicited. The Fire Department does not summon crews to do restoration work after a fire.

All apparatus and equipment is operational and ready for service
Fire Inspections and Code Enforcement efforts are ongoing.

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

RESOLVED, to approve the tax certiorari settlement with 144-146 Larchmont LLC for the years 2010-2016 in the amount of \$5,523.86.

Trustee Fanelli gave the following report.

1. Thanks the volunteer fire fighters for their efforts in the bonfire at Manor Park. Additional thanks to Rick Vetere for bringing down 40 dead Christmas trees for fire wood and the pro fire fighters for making the trucks available to extinguish the fire.

Trustee Miller made the following report.

1. The Friends of the Library program, the Watanabee Concert has been postponed.
2. The Spelling Bee will take place on April 2nd, from 4-6 PM at the Larchmont Temple. Anyone interested should register.
3. There was a Recreation Committee meeting on January 20th and the next meeting will be held on February 10th. Anyone interested in joining should contact Village Hall.
4. Sign-up for Flint Park Day Camp will be on Friday, March 10th from 9- 10:30 AM and Saturday, March 11th, 10 AM-Noon. On those days residents will be able to purchase tennis permits.

Trustee Frouman gave the following report.

1. Coastal Zone Management Commission that oversees the Local Waterfront Revitalization is seeking a new member. The commission is made up of eleven members serving three year terms and meets the 4th Monday of the month. For more information go to the Town of Mamaroneck's web site or contact Elizabeth Paul at the Town Conservation Department.

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

RESOLVED, to accept the list of overdue taxes of seventeen parcels, in the aggregate amount of \$112,433.90 for fiscal year 2016-2017.

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

RESOLVED, to authorize the 2016-2017 Tax Lien Sale to be held on March 6, 2017 at 10:00 AM in the Courtroom, second floor in Village Hall with notices to be published in the Journal News on February 8th, February 15th and February 22nd.

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

RESOLVED, to hire Election Inspectors for the Village of Larchmont elections to be held on March 21, 2017, at a rate of \$20.00 per hour.

Next Doug Perry of Power Home Remodeling addressed the Board on approval of applications of four solicitor's permits. Mr. Perry said his representatives would be in the Village one week a month and requested the permits be valid for a year. The Mayor stated one year would be too long and six months is more appropriate. Mr. Perry agreed.

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

RESOLVED, to approve the application of Power Home Remodeling for 4 sales people to solicit in the Village of Larchmont, Monday through Friday, 12:30 PM- 6:30 PM; Saturdays 12:00 PM- 3:00 PM, no Sunday soliciting, for a six month period of time pending Police Department background checks.

A representative from Synergy Management was next to address the Board about an application for a solicitor's permit. This company has been issued permits in the past.

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

RESOLVED, to approve the application of Synergy Management for 1 sales person to solicit in the Village of Larchmont on behalf of Verizon FiOs, Monday through Friday, 2 PM- 7 PM; Saturdays 11 AM-5 PM, no Sunday soliciting, for a three month period of time pending Police Department background checks.

Mayor Walsh said that the funds used for the Lorenzen Park Renovation Project were from donations by Fields for Kids and a grant from DASNY, the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York. The Village has yet to receive the funds from DASNY and in order to pay vendors working on the project, the following Supplemental Appropriation resolution is needed.

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

WHEREAS, the Village Board adopted a Capital Budget for the 2016-2017 fiscal year, those projects with a funding source identified as "gift" would only move to construction if the gift funds were received; and

WHEREAS, Larchmont-Mamaroneck Fields For Kids Inc. (FFK) is a non-profit organization, with a mission to advocate and raise money for the adequate number of safe and up-to-date playing

fields for students participating in school-related and community-run sports programs in area; and

WHEREAS, through their efforts FFK has raised and gifted \$1,268,879 to the Village to be used toward the renovation and improvements of Lorenzen Park, a project that has been discussed and supported by the Village Board and prior Boards; and

WHEREAS, New York State Assemblyman Steve Otis secured grant to be used toward the improvements of Lorenzen Park, said grant will reimburse the Village for incurred costs of construction in a dollar for dollar amount not to exceed \$250,000; and

WHEREAS, the construction is substantially complete and payments to the contractor are necessary to close out the contract, since the grant funds will not be available for approximately 6 months it is necessary to transfer money from the Village's undesignated fund balance to fulfil the contractual obligations and apply the grant proceeds back to the fund balance upon receipt; and

WHEREAS, the combined funding of both the gift and grant will cover the entire cost of construction for the project; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the \$1,268,879 gift proceeds donated by the Larchmont-Mamaroneck Fields For Kids be credited to the Capital Fund Budget Account "Lorenzen Park"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that \$250,000 be transferred **From:** the General Fund "Undesignated Fund Balance" **To:** the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Capital Fund Budget Account "Lorenzen Park", through accounts and budget entries to be determined by the Village Treasurer.

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

WHEREAS, rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (MSRB) require written annual agreements between bond advisors and their clients; and

WHEREAS, for many years the Village utilized the financial advising services of the Long Island firm of New York Municipal Advisors Corp. (NYMAC), said firm having merged with Capital Markets Advisors, LLC; a few years ago; and

WHEREAS, Capital Markets Advisors, LLC, has advised the Village on bond refunding and securing long term debt which resulted savings to the Village over the term of the issues; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Village Administrator to execute the 2016/17 Financial Advisory Services Agreement between the Village of Larchmont and Capital Markets, LLC, of Great Neck, N.Y., for an annual fee of \$2,500, in substantially the same form as attached hereto, for a term of one year; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village Administrator is, herein, authorized to undertake all administrative acts required pursuant to the terms of the Agreement

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

WHEREAS, the County of Westchester and its municipalities have participated in an inter-municipal agreement which allows for shared services related to high speed data telecommunications; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Larchmont has previously participated in the program, the most recent agreement expired on December 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Westchester County now desires to enter into a new agreement under similar terms commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the agreement will provide voice, video and data transmission services at no cost, additional technical IT services for networking are available at rates determined by Westchester County; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department recommends continuing the program and has indicated the value of the services which are at no cost to the Village; and

WHEREAS, participation requires the execution of the attached Inter-municipal Agreement with the County of Westchester; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Village Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Cablevision Lightpath Telecommunication Services Inter-municipal Agreement in substantially the same form as attached hereto; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village Administrator is authorized to undertake any administrative acts required under the terms of the agreement.

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

WHEREAS, a resignation of a laborer has created a vacancy in the water department; and

WHEREAS, the Village Administrator, DPW General Foreman and Water System Operator unanimously recommend George Lopano as qualified to fill the position of Water Laborer; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Village Board appoints George Lopano to the Village of Larchmont Department Water Department as Laborer, at a starting annual salary of \$43,344 and said appointment is subject to Civil Service Rules and a probationary period of 52 weeks.

Mayor Walsh announced resolutions approved at recent work sessions.

1. NYS Clean Water Grant Funding
2. Approval of Rental Fees- Flint Park Playhouse
3. Approve Night Parking for Vehicles Lot #3 re: bus trip-1/21/17
4. Appoint Melinda Pantal, Secretary- Land Use Boards/ Building Department

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on December 19, 2016.

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the work session meeting held on January 4, 2017.

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the work session meeting held on January 9, 2017.

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

RESOLVED, that Abstract Audit Voucher #9, dated January 30, 2017, in the amount of \$1,488,839.52, per copies filed with the clerk, be paid, subject to confirmation and approval of Trustee Miller.

On motion of Trustee Komar, seconded by Trustee Fanelli, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:39 PM.