

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Trustees of the
Village of Larchmont, N.Y.
held on Monday, June 19, 2017

PRESENT: Mayor Lorraine Walsh
Deputy Mayor Carol Miller
Trustees Malcolm Frouman
Carol Casazza Herman

ABSENT: Trustee Peter Fanelli

Also present: Dep. Clerk Riley, Attorney Staudt, Administrator Datino

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

The Mayor made the following announcements.

1. Condolences to Doris Patt Smith and her family on the passing of her husband, Ted. Doris has been a longtime volunteer in the Village having served on the Traffic Commission and currently on Parks and Trees Committee.
2. Congratulation to Administrator Datino on being appointed to the Board of New York State City County Managers Association.

Mayor Walsh then asked Anthony Catalano and Steve Lauria of the Village's consulting engineering firm, Woodard & Curran to speak about the award their firm was given by the American Council of Engineering Companies for the Lorenzen Park Project. Mr. Catalano said the ACEC award was given in the Special Project category. He added the Lorenzen Park Project presented many challenges especially with the environment. He and Mr. Lauria, along with Mayor Walsh, then presented the award to Robert Cox of Fields for Kids.

Next the Mayor introduced Paul Pedrozo, Max Bobby, Sam Brause and Pablo Garza who represented Mamaroneck High School at the Westchester County Mobile App Bowl and received the First Place Creativity Award. The winning app was developed to aid senior citizens by using music to remember simple tasks. Mayor Walsh presented each member of the team a certificate of achievement.

Mayor Walsh then introduced another MHS student, Leah Roffman who won first place at the Westchester Future Filmmakers Festival. Ms. Roffman's film titled "Unaware" competed against 73 student filmmakers projects to win the top prize. The Mayor then presented Ms. Roffman with a certificate of achievement.

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

RESOLVED, that a Public Hearing is hereby scheduled by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Larchmont to be held in the Court Room in Village Hall on Monday, July 17, 2017, at 7:30 PM to take comment on a local law to clarify and confirm the zoning district designation of Village tax lot Parcel No. 6-2-63; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Village staff is directed to refer all proposed Local Laws listed above to other governmental entities in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Lt. Olsen gave the following report in Chief Poleway's absence.

1. On June 3rd twelve vehicles in the Manor were entered overnight and various items of property were removed. All of the vehicles were unlocked and two of the vehicles contained keys and were stolen. One of the stolen vehicles was observed by Sergeant Carney with two male occupants inside. As Sergeant Carney attempted to stop the vehicle, the suspects fled and a brief pursuit ensued. The suspect operating the stolen vehicle was unable to negotiate a turn

and the vehicle became inoperable, at which time a foot pursuit ensued. The two suspects were subsequently taken into custody. The suspects were two seventeen year old Bronx men and they were charged with Criminal Possession of Stolen Property 3rd, Grand Larceny 3rd, Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle, Unlawfully Fleeing a Police Officer, and Criminal Mischief 4th. The suspect operating the vehicle was additionally charged with Reckless Driving and multiple Vehicle and Traffic Law violations. The two suspects were arraigned and remanded to the Westchester County Jail in lieu of \$2,500 bail. This incident once again highlights the need to lock your vehicles when parked anywhere in the Village. Also, please refrain from leaving valuables, electronic equipment and car or house keys inside your vehicle, especially overnight.

2. Larchmont police officers are continuing to encourage bicycle safety through the Skull Patrol. As you are aware, it is a program designed to encourage kids to wear bike helmets properly and it provides opportunities for positive interactions between police and school age children in our village. Patrol Officers have been rewarding kids who are wearing their helmets properly by giving them "tickets" for donated items and they can be redeemed from local businesses within the Village. Our officers have handed out over a hundred(s) tickets and this program continues to be well received by the kids. The redeemed tickets will eventually be collected and entered into a raffle for four new bikes and it will be held at the end of summer.

3. As of June 1st, the use of gas powered leaf blowers within the confines of the Village of Larchmont is strictly prohibited. Village Code section 195.5 subsection (b) specifically states that between June 1st and September 30th "no person shall operate any gas powered leaf blower within the Village of Larchmont". Failure to obey and comply with these statutes is punishable by a court appearance ticket and a fine. For those residents that do not personally mow or maintain their lawn, please speak to your gardener or landscaper to ensure that they are aware of this law and in this way, compliance can be attained. Chief Poleway recently met with the Environmental Committee and they are going to launch an educational campaign soon to bring awareness to this issue.

4. Over the last 5 weeks the police department has responded to 50 burglar alarms, 30 motor vehicle accidents, 19 aided cases, and 322 other calls for service. There were also 21 arrests during this period.

5. See something – Say something – Recent events continue to reveal the need to report observed suspicious activity. I would like to remind everyone to stay vigilant in reporting unusual or suspicious activities by calling the 24 hour NYS Terrorism Tips Line at **866 SAFE-NYS (866-723-3697)** or call the Larchmont Police Department at (914) 834-1000 or simply dial 911. This concludes my report for this evening. Are there any questions?

Chief Caparelli made the following report.

1. The Volunteer staff participated in the annual Chatsworth School Fair and the FASNY Spring Fair this past month. Both events were very successful and their participation was greatly appreciated by both organizations. A group of the volunteer staff attended the 111th annual Conference and Fire Expo at the Turning Stone Resort in Verona, NY this past weekend. Along with the trade show, exhibits and speakers, volunteers, Alex Gerace, Hernan Checchi and Dylan Jewell, attended the hands on training offered as part of the conference. The training consisted of live fire, rescue and flashover simulator exercises. This training enhances the readiness of these volunteers to better assist the efforts of the Larchmont Fire Department during emergencies here at home. This month the Volunteer staff will be participating in the annual VMFD Parade on June 28, 2017. Please come out and support all the departments participating.

2. Two firefighters from the Volunteer staff Hernan Checchi and Matt Ciccarelli, will be graduating from FF1 training this month. They will add to the number of interior trained firefighters bringing the total to 14 of interior certified Volunteers.

3. In 2009, Mayor Mandell and I filed for and were successful in obtaining a DHS/FEMA grant for MDT's for the fire apparatus. These computers enabled the apparatus operator and the incident commander to access information while enroute as well as on the scene of an

emergency. Information such as alarm location, emergency contact numbers, location of utilities, hazards to firefighters and other pertinent information is contained in the laptops with internet access available if necessary. In the six years since receiving the grant, technology has advanced. Therefore, I have applied for a new MDT grant with the Dept. of Homeland Security for new MDT's for the apparatus. The grant if successful, will equip the apparatus with the latest Tough Tablets with the latest software to make accessing data more efficient and readily available to the first responders at emergency scenes. The total amount applied for is \$ 18,574.56 for 4 tablets with installation and related hardware.

4. The building at 1912 Palmer Avenue that was severely damaged by a fire last November has been taken down and the process has begun to replace the building with a new structure. Hopefully soon we will see a new building going up in its place.

5. I would like to remind all residents to inform your landscapers to place yard waste at the curb the night before your second trash day pick up. That's Wednesday night for residents East of Boston Post Road and Thursday night for residents West of BPR. I will be reminding residents if the yard waste is out on the wrong day.

6. Finally, all residents should ensure they have a working smoke detector as well as a working C/O detector in their home. Detectors do save lives so be prepared.

All apparatus are in service and all equipment is operational.

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Larchmont hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the Clerk of this body:

Title	Name	Social Security Number (Last 4 digits)	Registration Number	Standard Work Day (Hrs/Day)	Term Begins/Ends	Participates in Employer's Time Keeping System (Y/N)	Days/Month (Based on Record of Activities)
ELECTED OFFICIALS							
None							
APPOINTED OFFICIALS							
Village Assessor	Daniel T. Whittemore			7	04/03/2017-04/02/2018	N	4.26

Trustee Herman gave the following report on behalf of Trustee Fanelli, who is absent this evening.

1. The Summer Concerts for 2017 are as follows:

July 4th Dixie Dandies- Manor Park 7PM

July 6th The Renovators- Flint Park 6PM

July 13th People vs Larsen- Flint Park 6 PM

July 20th Bad Dads- Flint Park 6 PM

July 27th Random Assembly- Constitution Park 7 PM

Mayor Walsh reminded everyone that the final concert will be held in Constitution Park.

Trustee Miller made the following report.

1. The Sprint to Flint was held this past Friday with over 800 runners participating. Thanks to Carolyn Lee and all the volunteers.

Administrator Datino asked all residents to check their irrigation systems to make sure the rain sensors are in operational order.

Mayor Walsh added in the past, power outages would cause sprinkler panels to error. Today back-up batteries can be installed to prevent such issues.

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

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Larchmont recognizes the social, cultural and economic importance of having an operational movie theater in Larchmont's downtown; and

WHEREAS, the Larchmont Playhouse, previously operated by Bow Tie Cinemas, has been closed; and

WHEREAS, the empty building is being offered for sale,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Village of Larchmont Board of Trustees supports the acquisition, renovation and operation of the former Larchmont Playhouse as a fully-functioning movie theater venue.

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

WHEREAS, the recent retirement of a police sergeant created a vacancy which is funded in the 2017/18 Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department's Command Staff has interviewed qualified candidates within the Larchmont Police Department ranks and have unanimously recommended Detective Jonathan Dispenza to be promoted to Sergeant; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Village Board authorizes the Village Administrator to offer the conditional promotion to the Detective Jonathan Dispenza; and be it further

RESOLVED, said promotion is effective July 3, 2017, with salary and benefits as identified in the current Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Village and the LPBA and said permanent status is subject to Civil Service Rules which includes successful completion of a probationary period of 52 weeks.

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

WHEREAS, the Village of Larchmont owns and maintains its own water distribution utility, recently the Village Board has approved several capital projects to rehabilitate or replace equipment and facilities that dates back to the 1920s; and

WHEREAS, the Village's water mains were constructed from the 1890s through the 1950s, the age and material of the water mains makes them susceptible to leaks, undetected leaks can cost the Village Water Fund hundreds of thousands of dollars each year; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the new water meters and data collection system allows the Water Department the ability to generate reports that identify the quantity of water in and out of the system, using this information it has been determined that there is a significant amount of lost water attributable to leaks in the water mains; and

WHEREAS, the Village Water Department staff performs on-going leak detection in conjunction with their other duties, that include water testing, service calls, utility mark outs and maintenance of the sanitary sewer stations; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends retaining a firm that specializes in leak detection to expedite the identification of leaks in the system so repairs can be made promptly; and now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Village Administrator is authorized to execute a professional services agreement, in substantially the same form as the one attached hereto, with Specialty Pipeline Services, 30 Scenic Hills Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 for the services outlined in the proposal, for an hourly rate of \$100.00 and work hours subject to available budget appropriations.

The Mayor announced resolutions that were adopted at recent Board work sessions.

1. Local Law No. 6-2017/ Payment in Lieu of Off-Street Parking
2. Local Law No. 7-2017/ Blasting and Explosives
3. Approve Minutes of the work session meeting held on June 1, 2017

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on May 15, 2017.

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the work session meeting held on June 5, 2017.

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the work session meeting held on June 12, 2017.

On motion of Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Herman, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.