

Minutes of Regular Meeting of  
The Board of Trustees of the  
Village of Larchmont, held on  
**Wednesday, March 18, 2015**

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

**ABSENT:**

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

Mayor McAndrews welcomed all in attendance and called the meeting to order at 7:40.

The Mayor reminded everyone that today is Election Day and that Trustee Komar, Trustee Walsh and Judge Bernstein are up for re-election and are running unopposed. She encouraged all to vote before the polls close at 9:00 PM.

Due to the absence Chief Poleway, Captain Rigano of the Police Department addressed the Board.

**Police Dept. Report  
Capt. A Rigano**

1. The Captain introduced Police Officer Daniel Calapai to the Board. Officer Calapai was hired in July of 2014 and graduated from the Police Academy in December, 2014. Captain Rigano noted that Officer Calapai's parents, grandmother and girlfriend were in the audience.

Mayor McAndrews then administered the oath of office to Officer Calapai.

**Oath of Office  
Calapai, D.  
Police Dept.**

2. Captain Rigano stated that with the warm weather approaching, there will be more people out on the streets. The Captain asked that motorists be aware of pedestrians and bike riders to avoid accidents.
3. There have been problems at Chatsworth Avenue during drop-off and pick-up times with double parking and vehicles being left unattended. Captain Rigano asked that those who are dropping off and picking-up at the school obey all parking laws; if not the Police Department will enforce the laws.
4. The Village has an anti-idling law. If the ambient temperature is at 40 degrees or above, a vehicle may not idle longer than 3 minutes.

Mayor's announcements

Mayor McAndrews made the following announcements.

1. Upcoming Meetings:  
Budget Works Sessions- March 23<sup>rd</sup>, March 30<sup>th</sup> and April 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.  
Reorganization Meeting- April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM  
Regular Meeting April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM
2. In the evening of April 2<sup>nd</sup>, the outside of the Larchmont Library will be lit in blue for World Autism Day. Thanks to Trustee Fanelli and his company for providing the lighting equipment.
3. The power at Village Hall was shut down overnight this past Sunday for the installation of the new generator. All equipment was unplugged and taken off- line. Thanks to Trustee Walsh and Treasurer Brucciani for their efforts in the power down.
4. There was a meeting this morning at Village Hall with Con Ed that discussed tree pruning and the steel poles on Boston Post Road.
5. There will be bids coming up for Board approval. They will be for the water meters, pumps, tanks and Lorenzen Park.
6. On March 16 in the Activities Room in the Library the Board held a Community Meeting for the Palmer Avenue Streetscape Project. The meeting was well attended by residents and merchants and was very productive. No start date has been set for the project to resume. Thanks to Library Director, Laura Eckley for making the Activities Room available.

Fire Chief's Report

Chief Caparelli made the following report.

1. Lt. Andersen and Lt. Augsburg will graduate from First Line Officer's Training tomorrow. They will join the ranks of the Larchmont Fire Department as its newest officers immediately. I am confident they will be an asset to both the Village and the Fire Department in their new capacity.
2. The delivery of the new Rescue 1 has been delayed by a few weeks. There was an engineering issue with the position of some equipment with regards to the air flow to keep the equipment cool. That issue has been solved and production is moving forward. The approx. delivery date is now mid-April.
3. The renovation of the Alarm room is nearly complete. Installation of the dispatch console is the only item remaining. I was able to acquire file cabinets and an additional desk from the NYS Office of General Services Surplus Equipment Division at no cost to the Village. These items will replace older equipment that has been in use for over 25 years.
4. As I have previously reported, the Fire Department has received a grant of \$4,000.00 from the NYS Dept. of State through the support of Assemblyman Steve Otis. These funds will be used for the purchase of two computer tablets that will be used for the fire inspection program, apparatus/equipment inventories and maintenance checks. The tablets will reduce the Department's reliance on paper and will streamline the process of inspections and tracking equipment.

5. Fire Inspections have begun for 2015. I would like to remind merchants and landlords to expect a visit from the Fire Dept. and have their equipment serviced and operational to facilitate positive visit.
6. The Code Enforcement program is ongoing. I would like to remind residents to visit the Village's web site to view the rules and regulations with regards to organic waste and its disposal and please inform your landscapers of the rules and regulations.
7. All equipment and apparatus are in service and operational.

Fire Chief's Report  
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The Mayor asked Chief Caparelli if he had been in contact with the owner of what was the 5 & 10 store on Palmer Avenue. The Chief said he has sent two e-mails and has not received a response. The Mayor stated that the boarding on the windows of the store was to be temporary and that a certified letter should be sent.

Trustee Kolbert made the following report.

Trustee Reports

1. On Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup>, at the Larchmont Temple, from 2- 5 PM, there will be the Green Steps Expo in honor of Bruce Macfarlane. There will be speakers, crafts for kids, green vendors and an opportunity to test drive a Tesla. This event is sponsored by the Committee on the Environment, the Larchmont Temple Social Action Committee and Miller's Bike Shop.

Trustee Walsh gave the following report.

1. The Parks and Trees Committee will soon begin spring tree planting throughout the Village. If anyone would like a tree planted in front of their house or would to donate a park bench contact the Clerk's Office.
2. The Town of Mamaroneck will hold the Bunny Hop 5K on Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup> in Memorial Park starting at 9:00 AM.
3. This weekend at Mamaroneck High School the Annual Shakespeare Festival will take place. This year's performances will be Julius Caesar and Twelfth Night.
4. The St. Patrick's Day Parade will take place in the Village of Mamaroneck on March 22<sup>nd</sup> starting at 1:30 PM.

Trustee Fanelli made the following reports.

DPW:

1. The previous monthly report was submitted on February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The DPW responded to 4 snow and ice events since that time bringing an additional 20" of snow for a total of 52" this season. Snow piles have been removed from the parking lots, business area and catch basins, road crews continue to patch potholes throughout the Village.
2. DPW and Water Department personnel responded to several homes where pipes had frozen during the severe cold in addition to 3 water main repairs. Village personnel continue to investigate possible water leaks at additional locations. There were 18 streetlights and 3 traffic lights repaired during this period.

Trustee Reports  
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3. There were 4 sanitary sewer backup events, no overflow to storm drains or catch basins happened during any event. Semi-annual sewer cleaning has been completed.
4. On March 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM in the Courtroom at Village Hall, the Larchmont 125<sup>th</sup> Committee will announce the winner of the Larchmont 125<sup>th</sup> Logo Contest.
5. Anybody interested in becoming a sponsor for this year's Larchmont Run should go to the front page of the Village's website.
6. There is space available in the Flint Park Day Camp. Contact the Recreation Department. The camp runs from July 6<sup>th</sup> to August 14<sup>th</sup>.

Trustee Fanelli congratulated Trustees Komar and Walsh on being re-elected this evening.

Public Hearing  
Tax Cap

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

**RESOLVED**, that the Public Hearing to consider a local law Authorizing a Property Tax Levy in Excess of the Limit Established in General Municipal Law was opened.

Mayor McAndrews said that with the mandatory New York State tax cap of 2% local communities have had to in the past, adopt a local law to exceed the cap. Larchmont was one of those communities. This year the Village may not need to exceed the cap. There will be no vote at this meeting and the public hearing will be adjourned to the meeting on April 20, 2015.

Trustee Komar added that the governor is holding the Village hostage. Things have become one-sided with unfunded mandates from the Federal, State and County governments, it leaves the Village with little control over infrastructure demands like roads and parks.

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

**RESOLVED**, to close the public hearing and adjourn it to April 20, 2015.

Treasurer Brucciani was next to speak to the Board.

**RESOLUTION**  
Auth. Treasurer to  
Transfer funds for  
Flint Park Project

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

**RESOLVED**, to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$20,769.99 from the General Fund to the Capital Fund for the Flint Park Expansion and Improvement Project.

**RESOLUTION**  
Auth. Treasurer to  
Transfer funds for  
DPW machinery

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

**RESOLVED**, to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$14,615.54 from the General Fund to the Capital Fund for Public Works Machinery, Apparatus and Equipment.

Treasurer Brucciani then addressed the Board on the 2015-2016 Tentative Budget. The current budget process is going well. The budget, with the exception of salaries, benefits, debt services and insurance has been rolled over from last year's and currently is at 1.995%.

2015/16 Tentative Budget Discussion

Mayor McAndrews thanked Treasurer Brucciani for his work on this year's budget.

John McGarr of the Finance and Budget Committee was next to speak. Mr. McGarr said that with help of Trustee Komar and Treasurer Brucciani, the Budget Committee was able to meet with the Police and Fire Departments prior to the budget meetings which made developing the budget go smoother. He thanked both Chief Poleway and Chief Caparelli for their availability.

Trustee Kolbert thanked Mr. McGarr and other Budget Committee members, Michael Gottfried and Paul Silverman.

The Mayor then announced resolutions that were adopted in recent works sessions.

Work Session  
Resolutions

1. Agreement with Woodard & Curran- Spill Response & Investigation Activities
2. Agreement with NYC Runs- Larchmont Run on June 19, 2015

Mayor McAndrews said there are committees in the Village that need new members and alternates. They are the Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning Board and the Board of Architectural Review. Other committees seeking new membership, Recreation, Beautification and the Budget and Finance Committees along with the Board of Assessment Review and the Coastal Zone Management Commission. Anyone interested should e-mail Mayor McAndrews at [mayor@villageoflarchmont.org](mailto:mayor@villageoflarchmont.org).

Volunteer Committees

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

**RESOLUTION**  
Approve minutes  
2/23/15

**RESOLVED**, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 23, 2015.

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

**RESOLUTION**  
Approve minutes 2 sets  
1/5/15

**RESOLVED**, to approve both sets of minutes of the work session held on January 5, 2015.

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

**RESOLUTION**  
Approve minutes  
1/19/15

**RESOLVED**, to approve the minutes of the work session held on January 19, 2015.

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

**RESOLUTION**  
Approve minutes  
2/5/15

**RESOLVED**, to approve the minutes of the work session held on February 5, 2015.

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

**RESOLVED,** that Abstract Audit Voucher # 9, dated March 18, 2015, in the amount of \$225,178.64, per copies filed with the Clerk, be paid, subject to confirmation and approval of Trustee Walsh.

Referring to the bills, Trustee Walsh stated that this winter the Village spent \$40,000 on salt and ran out. She added that the State Legislature has \$250 million and the State Senate \$500 million in this year’s budget for stormwater issues. The Governor has nothing. She encouraged everyone to write State Senator George Latimer, State Assemblyman, Steve Otis and Governor Cuomo for more funding for local communities.

On motion of Trustee Komar, seconded by Trustee Fanelli, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM to count the votes of the election held this day.

At 9:28 PM Mayor McAndrews reconvened the meeting and welcomed Town of Mamaroneck Supervisor, Nancy Seligson who arrived during the adjournment.

**Election Results**

Mayor McAndrews announced the results of the election as follows:

**Trustee**

Lorraine Walsh            49 Votes  
John Komar                50 Votes

**Village Justice**

Jerry Bernstein            50 Votes

Mayor McAndrews thanked the voters and congratulated Trustees Walsh and Komar and Judge Bernstein.

Supervisor Seligson congratulated the candidates and thanked them for their service.

On motion of Trustee Komar, seconded by Trustee Walsh, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 9:33 PM.