Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Trustees of the
Village of Larchmont, N.Y.
held on Monday, December 18, 2017

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

ABSENT:   None

Also present:  Administrator Datino,
              Amanda L. Brosy Esq., representing the Village Attorney’s office.

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

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

RESOLVED, to appoint Giovanni Zapata as a member of the
Architectural Review Board

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

RESOLVED, to appoint Markus Holtby as an alternate member of
the Architectural Review Board.

Chief Poleway gave the following report.

1. The Holidays Season is upon us and residents are reminded to
be aware of their surroundings when shopping and conducting
business in the Village. The holiday season is a time when
busy people can become careless and vulnerable to theft and
other holiday crime. Even though you may be rushed and
thinking about many different things, please remember to
stay alert. The following tips can help residents be more
careful and prepared during this time and should help ensure
a joyous holiday season for all:

   a) If you are shopping locally and park your car - Do not
      leave valuables or electronic devices in your car,
      especially in plain view, as this may entice someone to
      break into your vehicle.
   b) Avoid carrying large amounts of cash. If you are
      carrying cash, make sure it is in a secure place.
   c) If your credit card is lost, stolen or misused. Notify the
      police and the credit card issuer immediately.
   d) Cyber fraud and crimes are also on the rise and
      residents are reminded to be vigilant for scams
designed to steal their money and personal
      information.
As you are aware, Larchmont is a very safe and convenient place to shop and dine during this season, and we certainly encourage people to come to the Village to do so. All we ask is that people use common sense and be alert when you are here in order to ensure that everyone has a safe and positive experience when in Larchmont this holiday season.

Also, police officers will be on daily foot patrols in the business districts in an effort to interact with the public and business owners and create a safe environment for those that are conducting business and shopping. Business owners are reminded to contact the police if they would like an escort while making bank deposits for their businesses at any time during the day.

2. Package theft has become a problem nationwide with over 23 million packages stolen this past year. Here are some reminders to protect yourself from being a victim.

a) Have packages shipped to your work place of a neighbor’s house.

b) Install High Definition security cameras above the front door and around the exterior of your property.

c) Request a required signature for all deliveries.

d) Keep track of your packages on-line.

3. I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that if you are going to drink alcohol – don’t drive. If you are going to consume alcohol, choose a sober designated driver or call a taxi to get home safely. The police department will have additional DWI patrols on duty over the Christmas and New Year weekends to enforce driving while impaired laws to keep all of our motorists and pedestrians safe.

4. Also, as our residents begin to enjoy the holidays, I would like to remind them to stay vigilant in reporting any suspicious activity that may be observed. These are unprecedented times and our world can often be a violent and unpredictable place. So “If you see something, SAY SOMETHING”. If you observe something that may be suspicious, please, do not keep it to yourself - call the Larchmont Police Department at (914) 834-1000 or simply dial 911. – call the 24 hour NYS Terrorism Tips Line at 866 SAFE-NYS (866-723-3697)

This concludes my report for this evening. Thank you and may you and your families enjoy a safe and healthy holiday season.
Chief Caparelli made the following report.

1. The Larchmont Fire Department personnel both career and volunteer have been very busy participating in the latest training opportunities these past few months. For the Career staff, JA, RV have completed their national certification for instructor 1 authorization, Lt TM completed his Instructor authorization for hazmat technician refresher which will enable those individuals to teach these courses here in Larchmont rather than having to send personnel to DES for classes. Other career firefighters have completed the Confined Space/ Trench rescue awareness training in conjunction with other career firefighters around the county to be able to participate in the newly formed Technical Rescue squads of which Larchmont is a part of and will be able to summon in the event we have an event involving confined spaces, trench collapse and other specialized events.

2. The Volunteer staff has been just as involved. Volunteer officers JC Rugiero and Kris Walters have completed Fire Officer 1 training, Firefighters Alex Gerace, Steve Harris, Matt Sherer and others have completed various training classes improving their ability to provide assistance during emergencies here in Larchmont. Other Volunteer firefighters have taken classes to begin their road to certifications which will enable them to participate in emergency responses when needed. This is a great improvement in the number of trained volunteers available to serve the residents of Larchmont. I am very pleased with the progress we have made.

3. The Annual Santa Run will take place on December 24 at 5pm. Santa will make his rounds throughout the Village handing out candy canes and if you would like a particular location visited, please call 914-834-0016 to put your home, street on the list.

4. One alarm of significance I would like to mention, about a week ago, a resident placed coals from a charcoal barbeque in a plastic pail in his garage and went to sleep. The family’s smoke detectors woke them up to find their garage full of smoke and their pails on fire. The damage was minor but the possibility of major damage to the home and loss of life was there. Please take this as a reminder to store fireplace ash and barbeque coals at least 10 feet away from your home in a metal container and have your home heating systems serviced to ensure their proper operation. Ensure your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors have fresh batteries and are working properly. Smoke and carbon monoxide detectors do save lives and don’t be caught unprepared with a dead Battery.

All apparatus and equipment are in service and all Fire Inspections are complete for 2017 and Code Enforcement is ongoing

I would like to wish the entire Board a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukah and a Happy and Healthy New Year.
Trustee Reports

Trustee Fanelli gave the following report.

1. Thanks to the volunteer fire fighters for their efforts on Shop Local Saturday. There were pictures with Santa and volunteers handed out candy canes.
2. On December 2nd was Light Up Larchmont sponsored by the LPFF. Over 1,500 attended and 2,000 cup of hot chocolate were served.
3. The volunteer fire fighters will hold 3rd Annual Bonfire on January 27th from 5-9 PM on Manor Beach. Bad Dads will provide the entertainment.
4. On December 24th, starting at 4:30 PM, the volunteer fire fighters will do the Santa Run. To have Santa come by your home call 834-0016.

Trustee Miller made the following report.

1. The Recreation Committee will meet on January 17th in the Conference Room at Village Hall. Topics to be discussed will be the tennis and paddle clinics and other uses for the Playhouse at Flint Park. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact the Clerk’s office.

Trustee Frouman gave the following report.

1. The Larchmont-Mamaroneck Human Rights Committee and the Mamaroneck Union Free School District will hold the 31st Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration on January 7th at the Hommocks School Auditorium. The speaker will be NY Time Op-Ed columnist and CNN commentator Charles Blow. The topic will be How Martin Luther King’s legacy will help navigate our country’s crisis.

Mayor’s Announcements

Mayor Walsh extended her thanks to all involved with the events prior to Light Up Larchmont on December 2nd. There was a holiday hayride sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and a petting zoo. Also at the Pocket Park there was cookie decorating with the cookies and decorating pens donated by Sugar Mama’s. The Chatsworth Chimes performed and there were carols being sung by a strolling Girl Scout Troop. Thanks to Kathleen Murphy and Tiffany Smith.

The Mayor wished everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and Happy New Year.
On motion of Trustee Frouman, seconded by Trustee Herman, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 15-104.1(a) of New York State Village Election Law, the General Village Election shall be held annually on the third Tuesday in March; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 15-104.1(b) of the NYS Election Law, the Village Election shall be held on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 PM; and be it further

RESOLVED, pursuant to Section 15-104.3 (c) (1), the polling place for the Village Election District 1 (Town Districts 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 & 26) which comprises the Village of Larchmont, shall be at Larchmont Village Center, 119 Larchmont Avenue; and be it further

RESOLVED, pursuant to Section 15-116.1, qualified registered voters who reside within Westchester County may be inspectors of election for Village elections held in Larchmont.

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

RESOLVED, that the Village Administrator is authorized to hire up to four (4) election inspectors at an hourly rate of $20 per hour to inspect the Village Election to be held on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 PM; and be it further

RESOLVED, to authorize the Village Administrator to hire four additional Election Inspectors, if needed, for the Village of Larchmont Elections to be held on March 20, 2018.

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

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, January 22, 2018, at 7:30 PM to take comment on a local law to amend the filming section of the Village Code; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk is hereby directed to advertise said Public Hearing.

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

RESOLVED, to approve the Tax Certiorari settlement w/ 2021 Boston Post Road Realty, LLC, for 2021-27 Boston Post Road (7-7-177) and 2001 Boston Post Road (7-7-130) for the years 2014-2017 in the amount of $30,195.91.
On motion of Trustee Fanelli, and seconded by Trustee Herman, and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED, to approve the Tax Certiorari settlement w/ Hochhauser, 2335 Boston Post Road (7-1-156) for the years 2014-2017, in the amount of $23,039.31.

Mayor Walsh announced resolutions that were approved at a recent work session.

1. 2017 Court Audit to New York State Unified Court System.
2. Approve Terms and Conditions/Retirement Incentive Program & authorize Administrator to execute agreements with interested employees.

On motion of Trustee Fanelli, and seconded by Trustee Herman, as amended and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on November 20, 2017.

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the work session meeting held on November 20, 2017.

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

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

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

RESOLVED, that Abstract Audit Voucher #5, dated December 18, 2017, in the amount of $670,089.63, per copies filed with the Clerk, be paid, subject to confirmation and approval of Trustee Herman.

On motion of Trustee Miller, and seconded by Trustee Herman, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.