Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Trustees of the
Village of Larchmont, N.Y.
held on Monday, November 19, 2018

PRESENT: Mayor Lorraine Walsh
Carol Casazza Herman
Trustees Peter Fanelli
Malcolm Frouman
Sarah Bauer

Also present: Dep. Clerk Rilley, Attorney Staudt,
Administrator Datino, Treasurer Siegrist

Mayor Walsh welcomed all in attendance and called the meeting
to order at 8:13 PM.

The Mayor said that on November 1st in Constitution Park there
was a Candlelight Vigil held for the recent shootings that was
attended by over 300 people. Thanks to the Board, local clergy,
volunteers and the community for the support.

Chief Poleway gave the following report.
1. The holiday season is upon us and with the increase of online
shopping, many residents are having packages delivered to
their homes. As these shipments increase so do the
opportunities for criminals to steal your merchandise from
your doorstep. When you increase opportunities, which is
natural during the holiday season, we can expect to see a rise
in the incidents of theft. According to package theft statistics,
each year more than 23 million Americans have their packages
stolen.

There are certain steps that can be taken to minimize the risk
of having your merchandise stolen:
   a) Have Packages Delivered to Your Workplace or a trusted
      friend’s or neighbor’s house. If you know you’ll either be
      out of the house or on vacation at the time of a scheduled
      delivery see if a neighbor or friend can either pick it up and
      hold it for you or put it in a designated hiding spot.
   b) Install a Front Door Security Camera to Prevent Package
      Theft. Security cameras pointing at your front door,
      hallway or driveway is better than no camera at all. A
      security camera will serve as a great deterrent for
      criminals and it helps to prevent package theft, especially
      visible HD security cameras.
   c) Require a Signature on Delivery. To prevent your package
      being stolen off the porch, ask for signature delivery. If
      your package is delivered by UPS, consult your sender and
      require a delivery confirmation signature.
   d) Track it. Tracking systems used by shipping companies are
      getting smarter. Using online tracking is one of the easiest
      and most convenient ways to keep an eye on any
      shipment. Most websites even include a specified time of
      drop off rather than just the day and will also notify you of
      any delays or if the item is being held at a local facility for
      pickup.
e) **Leave a Note.** Simply leave a note for the delivery person with instructions to either hide it somewhere specific or in a less conspicuous spot such as a side door or behind a planter or garbage can.

f) **Require a Signature.** Requiring a signature guarantees nothing will be left out in the open; the delivery person will leave a note saying they attempted to deliver so that you can choose whether to have them try again or pick it up from the specified location.

g) **Have the Post Office Hold it.** You can ask your local post office to hold any deliveries there until you can pick them at your own convenience. With this option they will often text or email you to let you know it’s ready for pickup. The only caveat being if they have it for too long they will ship it back the sender, so don’t delay too much.

2. With Thanksgiving quickly approaching, I would like to remind everyone that if you are going to drink alcohol – please do not drive. Historically, the Wednesday before Thanksgiving and the Thanksgiving weekend are some of the most active times for our bars and restaurants. College students return home and relatives travel into the Village for family gatherings and this often creates environments where the consumption of alcohol occurs. So, if you are going to consume alcohol, don’t drive, choose a sober designated driver or call a taxi to ensure safe travel. For the well-being of everyone - please don’t drink and drive. The police department will have additional DWI patrols on duty over the Thanksgiving weekend to enforce driving while impaired laws and to keep all of our motorists and pedestrians safe.

3. As we enter into the holiday season, there will be an increase of police officers on foot patrols in the business districts in an effort to interact with the public and business owners and create a safe environment for people that are conducting business and shopping within the village. 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.

4. Since October 1st, the police department has responded to: 45 burglar alarms, 19 motor vehicle accidents, 21 aided cases, and 250 other calls for service. There were also 11 Vehicle & Traffic Law Arrests and 6 Penal law arrests resulting in multiple felony and misdemeanor charges.

5. I would like to remind everyone to stay vigilant in reporting any suspicious activity that may be observed over the upcoming holiday season. If you observe something that may be suspicious, please, do not keep it to yourself – call 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.
At this time I would like to present to the Board our two newest police officers Anthony Cappadora and Nicholas Field.

To fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Police Officer Lauren Brown, I am pleased to present Police Officer Anthony Cappadora. Officer Cappadora is 25 years of age and resides in Bethpage, New York. He holds a Bachelor’s degree in Criminal Justice from Farmingdale State College and was employed by the New York State Park Police and held the rank of Police Officer. The Chief pinned the badge on Officer Cappadoa and Mayor Walsh administered the oath of office.

To fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Police Officer Michael Della Vecchia, I am pleased to present Police Officer Nicholas Field. Officer Field is 26 years of age and resides in Hauppauge, New York. He holds a Bachelor’s degree in Criminal Justice from Farmingdale State College and was employed by the New York State Park Police and held the rank of sergeant. The Chief pinned the badge on Officer Filed and Mayor Walsh administered the oath of office. Chief Poleway introduced members of Officer Field’s family who were in attendance.

That concludes my report for this evening and I would be glad to answer any questions. At this time I would like to extend a happy and health Thanksgiving to you and your families.

Lt. Doherty made the following report for the absent Chief Capparelli.
1. LPFFA and the PBA will be sponsoring the 4th Light Up Larchmont on December 1st, from 3-6PM in Constitution Park. There will be music, Hot Chocolate and donuts, games, Santa and the lighting of the tree. Thanks to the Chamber of Commerce and the Larchmont Music Academy.
2. A reminder for the holidays, if you plane to deep fry your turkey do it outside not inside.
3. The Fire Department has responded to over 900 calls this year.

Lt. Doherty on behalf of the Fire Department wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Mayor Walsh stated due to the delay in the start of this evening’s meeting, Item #6 on the agenda, “Presentation of the Recreation Committee and Traffic Commission- Bike Lanes” was done during the work session. It will be rescheduled for a future meeting.

On motion of Trustee Frouman, seconded by Trustee Herman, and unanimously carried, it was: **RESOLVED**, to authorize the Village Attorney to execute the tax certiorari settlement with Gabriel Brandi, 1901 & 1903 Palmer Avenue, 6/346 & 6/348 for the years 2012-2018, in the total amount of $43,589.95.

On motion of Trustee Fanelli, seconded by Trustee Bauer, and unanimously carried, it was: **RESOLVED**, to authorize the Village Attorney to execute the tax certiorari settlement with Park Plaza Larchmont Inc., 5 East Avenue, 6/2/791, for the years 2012-2018, in the total amount of $53,070.67.
On motion of Trustee Frouman, seconded by Trustee Herman, and unanimously carried, it was:

**RESOLVED**, to authorize the Village Attorney to execute the tax certiorari settlement with Addison Realty LLC, 17 Addison Street, 6/13/333, for the years 2012-2018, in the total amount of $38,776.45.

Treasurer Siegrist gave the following report.
1. In December the process will begin for the preparation of the 2019-20 tentative budget for the filing date of March 20, 2019.

Trustee Fanelli made the following report.
1. Halloween Window painting took place on October 19th. Thanks to the store owners.
2. This year’s Ragamuffin Parade had over 1,800 participants. Thanks to the merchants, the volunteer fire fighters, Joyce Callahan, Carol Miller and Carolyn Lee.
3. The Annual Fire Department Inspection and dinner was well attended. Thanks to the paid and volunteers.
4. December 1st will be Light Up Larchmont in Constitution Park from 3-6PM. This event is co-sponsored by the LPFFA and the PBA.
5. The Historic View of Larchmont Stroll took place on November 11th. 100 people walked the Village to see and learn about the history behind the murals recently painted. After the stroll a reception was held at the Village Center. Thanks to Audrey and Tibalt Decker.

Mayor Walsh added that there is an app that when held up to the murals will explain the history behind the mural, the Village and the building.

Administrator Datino gave the following report.
1. Sixty thousand dollars of sidewalk repairs were done last month from the Village’s 60-40 program.
2. Con Edison has removed all the road plates that had been in the Village since the summer.
3. Residents are asked to use calcium chloride instead of salt on their sidewalks when it snows. Salt damages the concrete.

Mayor Walsh added that property owners are responsible to clear their sidewalks of snow within 24 hours after the storm is over.

Next the Mayor announced resolutions adopted at recent work sessions.
1. Authorize Administrator to offer position of Deputy Treasurer.
2. Authorize Administrator to Execute Collective Agreement with the LPFFA for June, 2018 to May, 2022.
3. Approve Salary of Village Treasurer.
Next Syrette Dym and Frank Grant of 52 Wendt Avenue addressed the Board about the view from their home of the mural on the wall behind Winetasters garage. Some of the items they stated were:
1. Street Art or graffiti.
2. Percentage of funds raised by the artists
3. Residents being consulted on the murals before placement
4. Artists disposing of paints in storm drain

A discussion began between Mayor Walsh, Mr. Grant and Ms. Dym. Mr. Grant produced pictures of the views of the mural from their house and gave them to the Board.

The Mayor thanked them both for their comments on behalf Board.

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on October 15, 2018, with Trustee Frouman’s changes to Page 6, Item 1, line 3, adding “Local” before “Summit”.

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the work session held on October 15, 2018.

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the work session held on October 29, 2018.

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

RESOLVED, that Abstract Audit Voucher #6, dated November 19, 2018, in the amount of $477,959.89, per copies filed with the Clerk, be paid, subject to confirmation and approval of Trustee Herman.

Mayor Walsh wished all a Happy Thanksgiving and to remember that Saturday, November 24th is Small Business Saturday in Larchmont. The volunteer fire fighters will be driving Santa around on Rescue 1, there will be pony rides at Playhouse Park, carolers and at Anderson’s Book Store crafts for children. Please support local merchants.

On motion of Trustee Bauer, seconded by Trustee Herman, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 9:03 PM.

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