

Minutes of the Regular Hearing
of the Board of Trustees of the
Village of Larchmont, N.Y.
held on Monday, October 18, 2021

PRESENT: Mayor Lorraine Walsh
Trustees Sarah Bauer
Brigid Brennan
Peter Fanelli

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

Mayor Walsh welcomed all in attendance and called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

Mayor Walsh announced that she has appointed Trustee Sarah Bauer to be Deputy Mayor replacing Trustee Carol Casazza Herman who resigned last month.

Mayor's appointment
Bauer, S.
Dep. Mayor

Trustee Bauer thanked Mayor Walsh for the appointment and looks forward to working with her and the Board.

The Mayor said at the September meeting, members of the Fire Department who were hired and promoted over the last year and a half, came to the meeting to take their oath of office. Due to the pandemic, that ceremony was unable to occur till last month. Tonight members of the Police Department are here tonight to do the same.

Lt. Juan Sanchez and Lt. Ronald Knudsen introduced the recently hired and promoted members of the Police Department. They are: Joseph Aboudi, Jacob Mizrahi, Natalie Messina, Michael Genkerell and Sgt. Lisa Pompilio. Lt. Knudsen gave a brief history each officer's education, previous work experience and hometown.

Police Dept.
Oaths of Office
Aboudi, J.
Mizrahi, J.
Messina, N.
Genkerell, M.
Pompilio, L.
Knudsen, R.

Mayor Walsh added also taking the oath of office this evening will be Lt. Knudsen, who was promoted this year. The Mayor then administered the oath of office to the members of the Police Department.

Lt. Knudsen gave the following report on behalf of the PD.

1. Residents are asked to lock their cars and take the key fobs with them. Too many vehicles are being stolen because they being left unlocked with the key fobs inside. Also please secure bicycles too.
2. Several reports of identity theft in the Village. Residents should check their on-line activity.
3. Saturday 10/23 is the Ragamuffin Parade with a new start time of 3PM.
4. On Halloween, 10/31, there will be extra patrols in the Village for the trick and treaters.
5. The PD will resume Coffee with a Cop on 12/2 at Sunshine Coffee.
6. Light Up Larchmont will take place on 12/4 next to the Fire Department.

Police Report
Knudsen, R.

Fire Chief's Report

Chief Caparelli made the following report.

1. The Fire Department responded to over 250 alarms within a 36 hour period during Hurricane Ida with flooding being the majority of calls for assistance. Thus far in 2021 we answered over 1010 calls for assistance with still two months to go. This year we will set a new record for alarms answered by the fire department with 1002 being the next closest total.
2. Annual hose testing has begun this week. Most of the work will take place in the parking lot of the LSC. Brown water alerts will be sent out to all residents and if you experience brown water, please wait until the water clears before doing laundry.
3. Annual Hydrant flushing is underway and the same goes for the brown water but it may affect different parts of the Village as the crews move around to different areas. This is a necessary function of the water distribution system to ensure reliability of water pressures and gallons per minute in case of a fire.
4. New volunteer fighter, Michael Nathanson, resident of the village of Larchmont has completed the BEFO (Basic Exterior Firefighter Operations) training which started August 24, 2021. Michael will move on to FFI training after some alarm response experience.

Code Enforcement:

I have been enforcing: Housekeeping in the rear areas of businesses and in lots

1. Property maintenance Code 263-15 Responsibility of Owner for overgrown trees and shrubs blocking traffic safety devices (stop signs, one way signs and do not enter signs). Please have your landscaper trim back your trees and/or shrubs blocking traffic safety devices.
2. Sidewalk defects and their repair
3. We are just beginning the new permits for Outdoor dining thru 2022 so they will start coming in with questions and changes to last year's dining setups.
4. Finally, the CPSC offers tips to keep you safe....

ISO (Insurance Services Office) creates ratings (PPC Public Protection Classifications) for fire departments and their surrounding communities. These ratings calculate how well-equipped fire departments are to put out fires in that community. ISO provides this score, often called the "ISO fire score," to home owner's insurance companies. Insurers then use it to help set homeowners insurance rates. The better equipped your fire department is to put out a fire, the less likely your house is to burn down. That makes your home less risky, and therefore less expensive, to insure.

According to ISO's Fire Suppression Rating Schedule (FSRS), four main criteria comprise a fire rating score (1-10):

Fire Chief's Report
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- 50% comes from the quality of your local fire department, including staffing levels, training and proximity of the firehouse.
- 40% comes from availability of water supply, including the prevalence of firehydrants and how much water is available to put out fires.
- 10% comes from the quality of the area's emergency communicationssystems (911).
- An extra 5.5% comes from community outreach, including fire prevention and safety courses.

The ISO has conducted its review of the Larchmont Fire Department and the water distribution system two weeks ago. This review is conducted every 3-5 years and our last review was in 2017 where the Village was given a rating of Class 3. We hope to obtain a Class 2, thus lowering rates for a substantial number of policies due to our hydrant testing program, in its third round of flushing and repairs to the distribution system, increase in training of our firefighters and fire officers, better record keeping and new mutual aid agreements with the City of Rye, City of New Rochelle and the TOM all were factored into our latest review. 0.71% of all communities in the US surveyed receive a score of 1.

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Dep. Treasurer
Cazzorla 2021 Audit

Deputy Treasurer Cazzorla reported that today the audit begun and is going smoothly. Staff preparations has made the process easier.

Trustee Reports

Trustee Fanelli gave the following report.

1. 130th Anniversary of Larchmont began on Friday evening with the Chamber Orchestra of New York performing at Kenny Hall. On Saturday was Big Trucks Day and Larchmont Day. Sunday was the Ice Cream Social. Thanks to all the staff and volunteers.
2. The Arts Festival was held on October 2nd with 732 local artists participating. Thanks to the Arts Committee, FD Event Team and DPW.
3. On Saturday 10/23 is the Ragamuffin Parade with a new start time of 3PM.
4. Light Up Larchmont a joint effort between the Police and Fire Departments will take place on 12/4. On that same day, the Chamber of Commerce will also be holding holiday events.

Mayor Walsh thanked Trustee Fanelli for all his work putting on a show.

Mayor's comments
Draft resolution
Joint Sanitation

The Mayor stated that on tonight's agenda is a draft resolution regarding the Joint Sanitation Commission, who has been meeting to discuss the structure on funding operations that was created in 1938. The Village has been working with the Town Board to change from the outdated ways, to the latest methods. This draft resolution calls for the Village to cover 41% of the budget and the Town 59%. The Commission has a tentative meeting scheduled for November 16th.

Trustee's comments
Draft resolution
Joint Sanitation

Trustee Bauer said it is important to look at alternatives to the outdated.

Trustee Fanelli said the Village and Town are neighbors and friends and we should want what's best for both communities. The time for action is now and Larchmont is ready to take the next step.

Trustee Brennan said she agrees with all the comments here tonight.

Mayor Walsh added it is the Town's responsibility to Village residents to find economical ways to what works best.

Gottfried. M.

Michael Gottfried of 16 Ocean Avenue addressed the Board on this matter. He asked if the draft budget has been published. The Mayor replied she has not received the draft budget but when she does, it will be published. He requested that at upcoming work sessions when this topic is discussed, residents be allowed to speak.

RESOLUTION

Amend Village financial
Contributions Joint
Sanitation Comm. In 2023

On motion of Trustee Bauer, seconded by Trustee Fanelli, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved with the redline changes:
WHEREAS, the Town of Mamaroneck (the "Town") and the Village of Larchmont (the "Village") currently handle the collection and disposal of solid waste and other refuse cooperatively by operation of the Larchmont-Mamaroneck Joint Garbage Disposal Commission (the "Commission"); and
and
WHEREAS, the Commission was established by State Legislation in 1938 for the primary purpose of constructing and operating an incinerator; and
WHEREAS, in or about 1968 the operation of the incinerator was terminated; and
WHEREAS, in or about June of 1973 the respective governing bodies of the Town and the Village passed resolutions (the "1973 Resolutions") adopting a plan for the Commission to perform the collection and other functions which had previously been performed by their own separate Sanitation Departments; and
WHEREAS, the function performed by the Commission has evolved over time into primarily a collection and off-site disposal operation; and
WHEREAS, the annual Commission budget is funded primarily with funds provided to the Commission by each of the two municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the governing bodies of the Town and the Village are in active discussions regarding an updated permanent arrangement for conducting and funding the functions now being performed by the Commission; and

WHEREAS, these discussions and/or the implementation of their conclusions will not be completed before the Commission’s 2022 budget season; and

WHEREAS, the Town and the Village, by adoption of this resolution, are providing for their respective financial contributions to fund the Commission’s budget for the interim calendar year of 2022.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any prior statutes, resolutions or agreements, the Larchmont Mamaroneck Joint Garbage Disposal Commission budget for calendar year 2022 shall be funded forty-one (41%) percent by the Village of Larchmont and fifty-nine (59%) percent by the Town of Mamaroneck.
2. The Town and Village Boards (collectively the “Boards”) will continue to work on a mutually agreeable updated arrangement for handling solid waste and other refuse with a goal of commencing an updated arrangement on January 1, 2023.
3. The interim funding contribution agreement described in paragraph “1” above shall remain in effect for the entirety of calendar year 2022.
4. Following adoption of this resolution by the Boards, the Boards will have a series of joint meetings to explore alternatives and advance discussions for a permanent alternate arrangement.
5. On or before June 16, 2022, at a joint meeting, the Boards will discuss the status of agreement on a permanent alternate arrangement and an anticipated timetable for completion of discussions and implementation of a permanent alternate arrangement.

Mayor Walsh announced resolutions adopted at recent work sessions.

1. Approve List of Bills. 8/31/2021
2. Approve Resolution concerning Native Plants 9/13/2021
3. Approve Modifications to Village Code §245-13E(9) & Seasonal Public Space Use Permit Fees 10/4/21

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of August 16, 2021.

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of September 13, 2021

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the work session held on August 31, 2021.

Work Session Resolutions

RESOLUTION
Approve **m**inutes
8/16/2021

RESOLUTION
Approve **m**inutes
9/13/2021

RESOLUTION
Approve **w**ork session
minutes 8/16/2021

RESOLUTION

Approve work session
minutes 9/13/2021

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the work session held on September 13, 2021.

RESOLUTION

Approve work session
minutes 9/27/2021

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the work session held on September 27, 2021.

RESOLUTION

Approve work session
minutes 10/4/2021

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

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the work session held on October 4, 2021.

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

RESOLVED, to approve the List of Bills, dated October 18, 2021, in the amount of \$110,209.35.

On motion of Trustee Brennan, seconded by Trustee Post, and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED, to approve the List of Bills previously paid from 9/17-10/13/2021, in the amount of \$669,119.92.

Mayor Walsh thanked Trustee Brennan for her efforts on the bill lists and taking the assignment from Trustee Herman who recently resigned.

On motion of Trustee Fanelli, seconded by Trustee Post, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned