

Minutes of the Regular Hearing  
of the Board of Trustees of the  
Village of Larchmont, N.Y.  
**held on Monday, November 15, 2021**

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

**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 read the following statement:

Nov 4 - we issued a statement explaining our reasoning behind giving notice to withdraw from the cable TV sharing agreement and the Board of Control

The statement and sharing agreement are both posted on the Village website so people should take the time to read them

There are some misconceptions out there, people seem to be conflating the Board of Control with LMC Media. These are two completely separate entities. LMC Media is an independent not-for-profit organization. The Board of Control is an entity which is made up of one member from each of the municipalities, the purpose of which is to manage the municipalities' relationship with the cable companies.

All funds received by the BOC are supposed to be distributed to the municipalities and there is no legal framework to support most of the actions that the BOC undertakes. We have no agreement in place that would allow for funds to be distributed in any other way. We have no statement of purpose or mission beyond managing the cable franchise relationship and we have never established written processes, procedures or safe guards in our relationship to LMC. We have expressed our desire and intention to work with our partners in the BOC on a way forward over the next year. We hope that will be successful.

Furthermore, our decision to provide funding to LMC has no bearing on our relationship with the BOC. We welcome having conversations relating to the funding of LMC and how the Village franchise fees should be spent – but the current structure of the BOC doesn't allow for that. The Village needs to be in control of its revenue and how it uses those funds. We welcome further discussion with our residents which is why we are pushing to change the process.

On motion of Trustee Post, seconded by Trustee Brennan, and unanimously carried, it was: **RESOLVED**, to appoint Kayvan Heravi as a member of the Planning Board for a 3 year term effective December 15, 2021.

The Mayor thanked Alexa Sewell who is leaving the Planning Board for all her efforts.

On motion of Trustee Post, seconded by Trustee Brennan, and unanimously carried, it was: **RESOLVED**, to appoint Karen Hall as a member of the Parks and Tress Committee for a term of two years.

Lt. Knudsen gave the following report from the Police Department.

1. An estimated 1,000 were in attendance at this year's Ragamuffin Parade.
2. Halloween this year had no incidents reported.
3. Vehicles continue to be towed in Lot 3 on Saturday mornings because of parking where the Farmer's Market takes place.
4. An unlocked car with the key fob left inside was stolen and found in Newark, NY and had been involved in a shooting.

5. Officers will be taking part in training this month: Taser 11/18 & 19<sup>th</sup>, EMS 11/30 and a class titled New Age Policing is being taught at the Academy.
  6. Officer Jared Penella and PEO Dylan Jewell have left the PD.
  7. Coffee with a Cop returns on December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10AM to 12PM at Sunshine Coffee Roasters.
  8. Bike thefts continue at the train station. Residents are urged to lock their bikes up.
- Lt. Knudsen wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Trustee Fanelli gave the following report.

1. The Ragamuffin Parade was a big hit. Thanks to Joyce Callahan, DPW, PD, FD, local merchants and LMC Media.
  2. The Volunteer Fire Department Inspection Dinner was a great success. Thanks to the board, Administrator Datino and Chief Caparelli.
  3. December 4<sup>th</sup> is Light up Larchmont at Constitution Park.
  4. Congratulations to Trustees Brennan and Post on their elections.
  5. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer firefighter should contact Theresa Fanelli at [thersa777@mindspring.com](mailto:thersa777@mindspring.com)
  6. Paddle permits are available on the Village website.
- Trustee Fanelli wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Mayor Walsh added that on December 5<sup>th</sup> Chabad of Larchmont will have a menorah lighting in Constitution Park.

Trustee Brennan made the following report.

1. The Larchmont Environmental Committee urges residents instead of having leaves blown, to have them mulched instead by using a lawn mower.

Trustee Bauer gave the following report.

1. The Library will have crafts out front for Light up Larchmont on December 4<sup>th</sup>.

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

<b>RESOLUTION</b>						
<b>CONSIDERING CLOSING CAPITAL PROJECTS</b>						
<b>RESOLVED</b> , that the following capital projects be closed and the remaining funds returned to the General Fund as of May 31, 2021:						
						<b>FYE 2021</b>
<b>Year</b>	<b>Acct</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Revenues</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>		<b>Balance</b>
2016-12	1997-1620-500-10	VH Capital Improvements	70,500	9,132		61,368
2018-7	1997-1680-500-01	Computer Equipment	15,800	-		15,800
2019-2	1997-1680-500-01	Computer Equipment	6,000	-		6,000
2019-3	1997-1680-500-01	Server Upgrade	8,500	-		8,500
2018-2	3197-3120-500-09	Body Armor Replacement	10,000	6,784		3,216
2019-20	3197-3120-500-11	Police Relocation of Base Radio	5,000	1,786		3,214
2018-8	3197-3120-500-12	2018-19 Dash Cam/LPR	18,350	-		18,350
2018-19	3197-3120-500-13	Duty Firearms	15,500	-		15,500
2019-4	3197-3120-500-12	2019-20 Dash Cam/LPR	18,350	-		18,350
2018-10	3197-3120-500-14	2018-19 IP Cameras	13,800	-		13,800
2019-7	3197-3120-500-14	2019-20 & 19-20 IP Cameras	27,600	13,090		14,510
2020	3497-3410-500-10	Fire Rescue Ropes	4,000	3,939		61
2019-19	3497-3410-501-03	Ventilation Fans	4,000	2,022	1,978	
2019-19	3197-3120-500-14	Thermal Imaging Cameras	10,500	11,644	(1,144)	834
2019-20	7197-7140-500-113	Pinebrook Park Staircase	83,000	45,389		37,611
		<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>217,114</b>
<b>AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED</b> , that the following capital projects be closed and the remaining deficit balances are closed and funded by a General Fund transfer to Capital as of May 31, 2021:						
						<b>FYE 2021</b>
<b>Year</b>	<b>Acct</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Revenues</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>		<b>Balance</b>
2016-10	7197-7140-500-08	Constitution Park	825,778	932,583		(106,805)
2019-1	7520-8510-500-01	Historic Property Survey	15,000	21,000		(6,000)
2019-5	3120-500-17	In-Car Mobile Computers	26,100	27,756		(1,656)
2019	3120-500-18	Body Armor Replacement	10,000	11,072		(1,072)
		<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>(115,533)</b>

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

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees (the Board) of the Village of Larchmont (the Village) had resolved to accept its share of the federal funds being distributed under the American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund in the following schedule:

- \$310,883.65 received in the summer of 2021
- \$1,267.27 also distributed in the summer of 2021
- \$312,152.90 to be distributed in the summer of 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village expects to incur significant costs associated with the sanitary sewer repair associated with the Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Study in addition to the funding already provided through bank anticipation loans; now therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**: that the Board of Trustees authorizes that all ARPA funds detailed above received in the General Fund be appropriated to the Capital Projects Fund for expenditures incurred in the repair of sanitary sewer infrastructure for the Village.

Mayor Walsh announced resolutions adopted at recent work sessions.

1. Appoint Police Chief, Christopher McNerney- 10/21/2021

The Mayor said on November 1, 2021, the Board approved a statement regarding the Tri-Municipal Cable TV Sharing Agreement (CATV). Mayor Walsh asked if anyone in attendance would like to comment on the statement to please come forward. Those who did were:

Judy Silberstein, former publisher Larchmont Gazette

Miriam Curnin, former Mayor of Larchmont

Phil Alden, Lions Club

Matt Sullivan, Executive Director, LMC Media

Jimena Fancella, Commercial Property owner

Jeff Megan, Board President, LMC

Sunny Goldberg, Co-Founder, LMC-TV

On motion of Trustee Bauer, seconded by Trustee Fanelli, and unanimously carried, it was: **RESOLVED**, to approve the minutes of October 18, 2021.

On motion of Trustee Fanelli, seconded by Trustee Post, and unanimously carried, it was: **RESOLVED**, to approve the minutes of the work session of October 21, 2021.

On motion of Trustee Brennan, seconded by Trustee Bauer, and unanimously carried, it was: **RESOLVED**, to approve the list of bills dated, November 10, 2021, in the amount of \$367,401.90.

On motion of Trustee Brennan, seconded by Trustee Fanelli, and unanimously carried, it was: **RESOLVED**, to approve the list of paid invoices dated, November 10, 2021, in the amount of \$67,508.00.

On motion of Trustee Brennan, seconded by Trustee Fanelli, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 8:42PM.