

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTCHESTER
Tuesday, 08 March 2016**

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM and present / responding to roll call were Trustees Calcagno, Celestino, Reda, Yurkovich and President Pulia. Trustees Perry and Steker were absent. Also, present were Village Clerk Miller, Village Manager Matthys, and Attorney Melissa Wolf.

PRESENTATIONS:

A moment of silence was taken in honor of resident Michael Malpier, who recently passed. Mr. Malpier was the Villages' Volunteer Fire Chief in 1954. He also served honorably in the U.S. Navy.

President Pulia presented a rose to all of the women in attendance in recognition of the International Day for Women.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:

Resident Chris Podok has several questions regarding the new monthly utility bill, vehicle stickers, police authority to write tickets on private property, and new business coming to the area. It was noted that the new billing represented a more accurate reading of water usage. Residents are no longer charged for the minimum 9,000 gallons of water.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent items were reviewed by President Pulia for the Open Meetings Act. Trustee Celestino made a motion seconded by Trustee Reda to approve items 7.A-E. 7.A. (Approval of the Record of Bills ending 03-03-16 in the amount not to exceed \$767,676.63), 7.B. (Approval of Minutes of the February 9, 2016 Village Board, and Committee of the Whole Meeting, February 23, 2016 Village Board and Committee of the Whole Meeting, March 1, 2016 Special Board Meeting), 7.C. (Approval of Departmental Monthly Reports: Community Development Department, Police Department, Fire Department and Public Works Department), 7.D. (An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2.38, Entitled "Environmental Sustainability Commission" of the Westchester Municipal Code), 7.E. (A Resolution Adopting the Village of Westchester 401(a) Plan). On the roll call vote, the motion for items 7.A, Record of Bills ending 03-03-16 in the amount not to exceed \$767,676.63, and 7.B - E passed. (AYE 5).

ACTIVE AGENDA

8.A. Trustee Yurkovich made a motion seconded by Trustee Calcagno to waive the COW for item 8.A (A Resolution Amending the Village of Westchester Security Benefit 457(b) Plan). On the roll call vote, the motion for item 8.A passed, (AYE 5). Trustee Yurkovich made a motion seconded by Trustee Reda to approve item 8.A (A Resolution Amending the Village of Westchester Security Benefit 457(b) Plan). On the roll call vote, the motion to approve item 8.A passed. (AYE 5).

MANGER'S REPORT:

Manager Matthys noted their efforts were toward the budgeting process. She expressed thanks for CPS Inc who donated an AED device to the Village. The annual Senior Breakfast will be hosted at the St. Joe's Resource center, Friday, 3/11. Approximately 70 residents have RSVPed.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

None.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Reda – None

Trustee Celestino – The ESL committee has been reduced by 2 members. Their next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 3/10.

Trustee Calcagno – None

Trustee Yurkovich – None

Chief Stelzer/PD – He is currently working through his 90 day plan, conducting interviews with officers. Detectives have made several arrests related to burglaries in the Village. The Chief noted he has had a great 1st month.

Chief Adams/FD – The Chief recently attended the MABIS conference in Bloomington. The focus was on the handling of "active shooters". He acknowledged a thank-you card received from the family of Volunteer Fire Chief Michael Malpier, who died at the age of 96. Training sessions have been conducted with surrounding Villages, e.g. Hillside, Broadview, Bellwood. MABIS celebrated their 20 year anniversary 2/20. He reminded residents to change their time and "Spring ahead", also, change fire alarm batteries.

Maureen Potempa/Finance Director – Noted vehicle stickers will be available March 1st. The Village Admin office has noted a steady flow of residents coming in, as captured by a time lapse video, since the new invoicing for Utility bills and vehicle sticker. She also addressed concerns that were noted on Facebook regarding Utility bills. She complimented PW who found a leak not previously identified by a private plumber.

Greg Hribal- IT Director –The DEA will host their annual “Drug Take Back” event, April 30th. Drop off will be in the lobby of the Police Department/Village Hall. The follow-up ETSB meeting is scheduled for 3/09 at Superior Ambulance to discuss consolidation of 911 centers. The Debt Recovery program has collected \$286k to date, \$113k pending for 2016 to date.

Robert Lewis/PW Director – Noted a sanitary sewer collapse on Bristol that is too deep for PW equipment. Quotes are pending... approximate cost \$10k. Two quotes are expected 3/09. Director Lewis provided a handout identifying streets on the Northeast side of town that he felt would benefit from the “Grind and Overlay” project. If approved, they would begin the design process assessing the infrastructure.

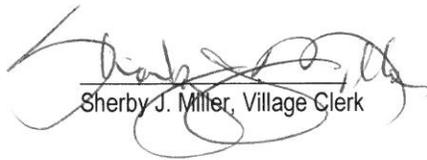
Melissa Headley/Business Development Director – A Public Hearing is scheduled for 3/24 on the Cell Tower at Mayfair Park. 2) Per Village Code, any non-conforming sign needs to be removed by May 1, 2016. Reminders have been sent out, 11 businesses are affected, original letters went out in 2010. Her office also sent out information on the Façade Her department issues 35 permits for the month and completed 94 Inspections.

Clerk Miller – None.

President Pulia – None.

ADJOURN

With no further business to discuss, Trustee Yurkovich motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Trustee Calcagno. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM. The motion was passed by acclamation. (Aye 5).



Sherby J. Miller, Village Clerk