

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTCHESTER
22 MAY 2012**

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM and present / responding to roll call were Trustees Gattuso, Novak, Perry, Sloan, Steker, Yurkovich, and President Pulia. Also present were Village Manager Matthys and Attorney Durkin.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

A. Birney Farmer, 1124 Newcastle, stated that he asked for help with the seniors at the last meeting and after that he was removed from the list of contractors for foreclosed homes. He stated that he is licensed and bonded and follows the rules and is wondering why he can't get any of the jobs in the Village for lawn maintenance. There are so many unlicensed contractors working in the Village and something should be done about it. President Pulia stated that the Village had received many bids which were done fairly. He suggested Mr. Farmer call Village Manager Matthys to discuss the situation.

Mr. Derek Gordon, 2315 Hawthorn, said that the Village has a reputation on strict code enforcement but lately the uncut grass situation is out of control and this needs to be addressed. President Pulia explained that some of them are foreclosed properties but they try to be fair and send out notices before sending in a contractor to cut the grass.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Trustee Yurkovich made a motion, seconded by Trustee Perry for approval of the Consent Agenda, Item A, C, and E and on the roll call vote the Board unanimously passed said motion. (AYE 7)

Attorney Durkin stated that the April 30, Special Board Meeting minutes needed to be amended to reflect how the vote went on the Budget Amendment. Trustee Yurkovich made a motion seconded by Trustee Gattuso to approve Minutes with changes and the Board passed said motion. (AYE 7)

Trustee Steker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Novak to approve Item D. Trustee Sloan would like to see change orders approved by the Board when the total goes over the limit. Attorney Durkin stated that once something is voted on it can't be voted on again. But if the contract is over \$10,000, the change order must come back to the Board. If it is under \$10,000, change orders do not come back to the Board. Trustee Sloan feels that any change orders that bring the contract over \$10,000 should have to be brought back to the Board. Attorney Durkin stated that the language will need to be changed and then new language presented. Anything under \$10,000 including change orders do not need Board approval. If change orders bring the contract above \$10,000 it has to come back to the Board. Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Novak to approve Item D with new language. (AYE 7)

Trustee Steker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Perry, to approve Item F. Trustee Novak would like to see the \$100,000 brought down to \$75,000. Trustee Sloan would like the 1% stipulated in the agreement and some type of negotiating for the benefit of the Village. Trustee Gattuso feels we are getting a benefit with the current contract and the incentive is standard and we should go forward with it. Attorney Durkin stated that the 1% will need to be added. On the roll call vote the Board passed said motion. (AYE 5) (NAY 2) Trustee Novak and Sloan voted no.

ACTIVE AGENDA:

A. Resolution Approving Insurance Brokerage Services Contract: Attorney Durkin stated that some items need to be signed off on before final approval. What were given to the Board are proposed changes. Trustee Gattuso made a motion, seconded by Trustee Novak to approve resolution and on the roll call vote the Board unanimously passed said motion. (AYE 7)

B. Resolution Approving Fiscal Year 2013 MFT Projects: Ms. Hope Garrett explained that in order to spend maintenance money from MFT projects they need to be approved. This is different from what the village calls MFT Funds, IDOT has their own ledger. The Village is not going over budget but in this case if we do get extra money we will have shovel ready projects approved by IDOT, which gives the Village spending authority from IDOT. Trustee Steker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Yurkovich to waive the requirement for discussion in the COW and on the roll call vote; the Board unanimously passed said motion. (AYE 7) Trustee Steker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Perry to approve the Resolution and on the roll call vote the Board unanimously passed said motion. (AYE 7)

C. Resolution Appointing Village Engineer for Fiscal Year 2013: President Pulia has appointed Christopher Burke Engineering, Ltd. as Village Engineer. Trustee Yurkovich asked if this was discussed in a COW and Attorney Durkin stated that he thought it was discussed but could be voted on to be sure. Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Yurkovich to reconsider and the Board approved said motion. Trustee Yurkovich made a motion, seconded by Trustee Gattuso to waive the requirement to discuss in a COW and on the roll call vote the Board passed said motion. (AYE 6) (AYE 1) Trustee Sloan voted no. Trustee Gattuso made a motion, seconded by Trustee Steker to approve resolution and on the roll call vote the motion passed. (AYE 6) (NAY 1) Trustee Sloan voted no.

D. Resolution Amending the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan: Trustee Sloan made a motion, seconded by Trustee Gattuso to approve the Resolution and on the roll call vote the Board unanimously passed said motion. (AYE 7) The changes were the elimination of what to do prior, during, and after a disaster, schedule of earthquake instances, spelling adjustments, and an appendage change.

E. Resolution Authorizing Professional Auditing Services: Trustee Sloan made a motion, seconded by Trustee Yurkovich to waive discussion in the COW and on the roll call vote the Board unanimously passed said motion. (AYE 7) Trustee Sloan made a motion, seconded by Trustee Novak to approve the Resolution. Village Manager Matthys stated that the fees were held at the 2011 rates and a new management team will be put in place. On the roll call vote the Board unanimously passed said motion. (AYE 7)

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Village Manager Matthys reminded everyone that the Village Hall will be closed on Memorial Day. The 4th of July entries are starting to come in and June 5th is the AARP Drivers Safety Class which has been very successful in the past. Please call Molly Keane for reservations. June 9th is the Relay for Life Cancer Support at Mayfair Park. Thursday is the bid day for the municipal aggregation.

ATTORNEY REPORT:

Nimec sends out a master agreement and the attorney's office has reviewed it and given changes to Nimec and they will pass them along to the successful bidder.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

Chief Padalik reported that there will be a road block campaign over Memorial Day and reminds parents that the legal drinking age is 21. The new website allows you to report crime tips anonymously. Robert Smith, former Westchester police chief passed away and Chief Padalik asked for a moment of silence.

Chief Adams reported there will be about 2 more weeks of fire hydrant testing.

Ms. Anne Burkholder reported on the Village Financial Report for 2011.

Mr. Anthony Saviano reported the new Papa John's in town is targeted to open at the end of June. Permits have been up and they are trying to enforce grass codes. Goodwill should open at the end of June.

Mr. Greg Hribal reported the new website is up and running.

Trustee Novak reported the last e-recycling was on May 12th and June 9th will be the next one. The Westchester Civic Theatre Group will have their first play the weekend of June 9th & 10th and also June 16th and 17th

Trustee Yurkovich reported the next CAB meeting is June 13th.

Trustee Gattuso reported that the applications for the parade are due June 15th

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Pulia congratulated Chief Padalik on NATO preparations. He will be attending upcoming meetings with Com Ed. At the West Central Meeting Westchester was awarded the Green Intelligence Award for all the green projects. There will be a CMAP meeting at the Community Church on May 30th from 6:30-8:30pm.

With no further business to discuss, Trustee Yurkovich made a motion, seconded by Trustee Sloan to adjourn and the board passed said motion and the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM. (AYE 7)

Catherine M. Booth, Village Clerk