

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Board of Trustees held in the Board Room
of the Community Building, 318 Lakeville Road,
Monday, February 10^h, 2020 at 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Adam Hoffman
Deputy Mayor Stephen Lam
Trustee Larry Farkas
Trustee Robert Gal
Trustee Gene Kaplan
Trustee Peter Chang

VIA PHONE: Trustee David Milner

ALSO PRESENT: Patrick E. Farrell, Village Administrator
Margaret Deane, Deputy Treasurer
Angelique Melnyk – Deputy Clerk
Andrea Tsoukalas Curto, Esq., Village Attorney
Patrick McDermott, Superintendent of Public Works
Maria Rudman, 18 Meadow Woods
Bradley Rudman, 18 Meadow Woods
Myra Tran, 20 Old Field Lane
Fred Harber, 20 Rivers Drive

Mayor Hoffman called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 p.m. and lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Fred Harber, 20 Rivers Drive, stood to address the Board regarding a gift of art he would like to donate to the Village. Mr. Harber presented four photographs stretched on canvas that were taken from the balcony during the four seasons. Mr. Harber suggested to the Board the photographs be displayed in the Board Room to which the Board agreed. It was discussed that in the future if another resident or artist would also like to donate a gift of art, Mr. Harber's photographs could be moved to another location agreed upon by the Board.

Mr. Harber voiced his concern regarding residents not abiding by the Village Code which prohibits vehicles from parking on the streets. Mayor Hoffman recommended informing the police when these instances occur. Lastly, Mr. Harber expressed his displeasure with the recent raise in Fitness Membership fees. The Board thanked Mr. Harber for his comments along with his generous donation.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Deputy Mayor Lam moved to approve the Minutes of January 11, 2020 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner was absent for the vote.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Farkas moved to approve the Minutes of January 13, 2020 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner was absent for the vote.

Mayor Hoffman, Administrator Farrell and Attorney Curto had no reports at this time.

Deputy Mayor Lam reported he will be meeting with the CSEA this Wednesday and will report back to the Board with an update.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Kaplan moved to approve the Abstract of Claims as presented for \$247,362.75 and the pre-paid Abstract of Claims for \$255,246.18 (annexed hereto). The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner was absent for the vote.

Treasurer's report is annexed hereto.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Kaplan moved to hold the Sale of Tax Liens on Thursday, April 2nd, 2020 at 10:00 AM. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner was absent for the vote.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Farkas moved to approve the Budget Adjustments as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner was absent for the vote.

Mayor Hoffman announced that there will be a meeting of the Department Heads on Monday, February 24th 2020 at 8:00 a.m. in the Board Room.

Mayor Hoffman set the date for the Budget Work Session for March 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

In regards to the implementation of a paperless computer program, Administrator Farrell stated that due to a large scale consolidation in the industry, it was advised by other villages, including Great Neck and North Hempstead, to purchase and integrate the Granicus program into our 2021-22 budget rather than the 2020-21 budget. This will allow for the Village to avoid any potential issues that may arise during Granicus' transitional period. Currently purchasing the Grancius program would cost the village \$3,000 annually.

On behalf of the Lake Success Nursery Camp, Maria Rudman addressed the Board regarding an e-mail she received requesting that campers no longer use the front entrance of the Police Station but rather the side entrance near the playground. It was stated that having campers dropped off in the lower lot results in traffic congestion which could delay police vehicles from entering and exiting the driveway during an emergency. To increase safety and decreases any disruption in the court, it was also requested that the campers not walk through the court room area during court hours.

A lengthy discussion on alternate entry and exit points that campers could use to avoid passing through the court room area ensued. Myra Tan, 20 Old Field Lane, noted that with the camp having water safety instructors on staff perhaps altering the hours of the pool and court would be a viable solution.

Trustee Farkas stated that staffing issues combined with the cost of running the pool for an extra hour per day may not be feasible. In regards to the Court, Patrick McDermott, Superintendent of Public Works, reminded the Board that traffic violations, tickets and court dates are automatically preprogrammed setting court dates weeks in advance which would not make altering court hours a viable option. Mayor Hoffman stated that he the older campers will continue to be dropped off in the upper parking lot while the younger campers, the 3-4 year olds only, would be granted permission to be dropped off in the lower parking lot. In

regards to scheduling issues on Mondays, it was agreed that Joe Barone would open the pool area at 9:30a.m. so that camp counselors and water safety instructors could safely walk campers through the pool area when necessary. Mrs. Rudman also requested metal detectors be installed in the police building. Mayor Hoffman stated that the police and court windows are made of bullet proof glass for to safety reasons and that the installation of metal detectors is not needed.

Mrs. Rudman requested that prior to the approval of purchasing replacement playground equipment, that the mothers of the children who use the playground are consulted for their input. Mrs. Rudman also offered to make a contribution on behalf of the camp to go towards the cost of the equipment. Trustee Farkas stated he would set up a meeting with Maria and Myra on Friday morning to walk through the playground and discuss the new equipment, condition of the older equipment and answer any further questions they may have.

On behalf of the Department of Public Works, Patrick McDermott, submitted to the Board a proposal by Island Fence in the amount of \$17,000.00 to redo the backstop, minimizing the size and allowing for a 16' overhang.

Trustee Farkas seconded by Mayor Hoffman moved to approve the proposal submitted by Island Fence for the purchase and installation of a backstop and dugout in the amount of \$17,417.00 subject to confirmation that the specs from Island Fence match that the specs on the proposal submitted by Piil Fence Company. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner was absent for vote.

Trustee Farkas requested Patrick McDermott to inquire about potential installation dates for the new backstop, aiming for the end of March.

Trustee Milner phoned into the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Deputy Mayor Lam moved to approve the proposal submitted by Playsafe Playground Systems of NY, Inc. in the amount of \$19,809.14 to make modifications to the existing playground with monies to be used from the \$100,000 designated for recreation use. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner was unable to vote.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Farkas moved to approve the proposal submitted by Castle Industries in the amount of \$2,000 to rebuild the pillar at the entrance of Lake Road and Lakeville Road. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner was unable to vote.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Farkas moved to approve a budget not to exceed \$25,000 to be taken out of the Renovation Fund to create a second entranceway to the gym and locker rooms. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner was unable to vote.

A discussion on colors for the new awning ensued. Patrick McDermott noted that Walnut seemed to blend best with both the color of the community building and the roof.

Patrick McDermott discussed installing a 160 linear foot fence in the pool area at a cost of approximately \$15,000 behind the planters. This fence would divide the eating area and the pool area prohibiting entry into the pool area during the off season and when the camp room is being utilized. Installing a fence would also create an alternate entrance/exit for the campers. Mayor Hoffman asked Trustee Farkas to discuss the fence with the Park Commission and bring their thoughts, concerns and schematics back to the Board for further

discussion.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Kaplan moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

Be it RESOLVED the Board amends Chapter 119 of the Lake Success Code entitled "Traffic Signs" by adding a new "STOP" sign, one to be located at Westminster Road in front of the property line of 66 and 68 Westminster Road heading southbound, and one to be located in front of 69 Westminster Road heading northbound.

On the call of the roll: Mayor Hoffman voting aye; Deputy Mayor Lam voting aye; Trustee Kaplan voting aye; Trustee Gal voting aye, Trustee Farkas voting aye; Trustee Chang voting aye; Trustee Milner unable to vote.

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Kaplan moved to approve the hiring of Suburban Eats, Andy's Italian Ices and Mr. Softee as food/desert vendors for the 2020 Block Party on the Village Green. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner unable to vote.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Kaplan moved to approve the partial payment of \$500.00 to Andy's Italian Ices as deposit for Ice Truck for the 2020 Block Party on the Village Green. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner unable to vote.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Farkas moved to approve the hiring of Terrapin and the Allmost Brothers as musical entertainment for the 2020 Block Party. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner unable to vote.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Farkas moved to approve a partial payment of \$500 to Terrapin and \$500 to The Allmost Brothers as a deposit for the 2020 Block Party. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner unable to vote.

Trustee Kaplan seconded by Mayor Hoffman moved to approve the revised 2020 Fields of Green proposal in the amount of \$77,825.00. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner unable to vote.

Trustee Kaplan seconded by Mayor Hoffman moved to approve the 2020 Classic Valet contract as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner unable to vote.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Kaplan moved to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED that the General Village Election will be held on June 16, 2020 between the hours of 12:00 noon and 9:00 p.m. at the Village Hall/Community Building, 318 Lakeville Road, Lake Success, New York.

On the call of the roll: Mayor Hoffman voting aye; Deputy Mayor Lam voting aye; Trustee Kaplan voting aye; Trustee Gal voting aye; Trustee Chang voting aye; Trustee Farkas voting aye. Trustee Milner was absent for the vote.

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Dennis Cannon and Manizhe Soleymani be appointed as Election Inspectors and Denice Cannon as an Alternate Inspector for the Village's General Election on June 16, 2020, and that they will be paid a fee of \$90.00 for this service. Be it further resolved that the Village Administrator has the authority to appoint alternate inspectors should the need arise.

On the call of the roll: Mayor Hoffman voting aye; Deputy Mayor Lam voting aye; Trustee Gal voting aye; Trustee Kaplan voting aye; Trustee Chang voting aye; Trustee Farkas voting aye. Trustee Milner was unable to vote.

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Chang moved to approve the 2020 option year with Weikel Sportswear for Public Works and Golf Uniforms. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner unable to vote.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Chang moved to approve the 2020 option year with Santelli & Sons for Tree Trimming on the Lake Success Golf Course. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner unable to vote.

A discussion regarding the purpose of the Village Census ensued. The Board agreed to remove the "Special Needs" column and Emergency Contact line on the Village Census.

Trustee Kaplan seconded by Mayor Hoffman moved to approve a refund in the amount of \$5,875 and fitness membership authorized by the Golf Commission. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner unable to vote.

In regards to Agenda Item 6K, seasonal membership and transfer of membership, Mayor Hoffman stated the Village does not offer seasonal memberships. Transfer of memberships can be brought to the Board and discussed or approved on an individual basis.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Deputy Mayor Lam moved to approve carpet cleaning by Steam Authority in the amount of \$635.00. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner unable to vote.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Kaplan moved to approve the refinishing of the ballroom in an amount not to exceed \$4,700.00. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner unable to vote.

In regards to Agenda Item 6S, Administrator Farrell informed that Board that to stay in accordance with New York State Law and NYCOM the Village will be offering absentee ballot applications and absentee ballots in both English and Spanish.

Trustee Kaplan seconded by Mayor Hoffman moved to approve the agreement between Eligo Club North America, LLC and The Inc. Village of Lake Success. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner unable to vote.

Trustee Milner informed the Board that the House Committee hopes to schedule their first meeting of the

year within the first or second or second week in March.

Trustee Farkas seconded by Mayor Hoffman moved to approve the changes the presented the 2020 Park Rules and Regulations along with an increase in membership fees from \$55 to \$75 for an individual membership and increase from \$225 to \$300 for a family of four or more. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner unable to vote.

Attorney Curto advised the Village add the identical disclaimer found on the Fitness and Golf membership applications.

Trustee Farkas seconded by Mayor Hoffman moved to approve the hiring of Denise Hernandez as Recreation Director for the 2020 season with compensation of \$7,000 base pay and a \$3,000 completion sum. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner was unable to vote.

Trustee Farkas seconded by Mayor Hoffman moved to approve the hiring of Jilian Weihs as Recreation Director for the 2020 season with compensation of \$7,000 base pay and a \$3,000 completion sum. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Milner was unable to vote.

Mayor Hoffman motioned to move into Executive Session at 9:38 p.m.

Mayor Hoffman reconvened the regular meeting at 10:25 and reported no action has taken place.

Mayor Hoffman adjourned the meeting at 10:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Patrick E. Farrell,
Administrator/Treasurer