Board of Trustees Village of Tarrytown Regular Meeting No. 13 Via Zoom Video Conference April 5, 2021 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT via Zoom Video Conference: Mayor Butler presiding; Trustees: Brown, Hoyt, Kim, McGovern, Rinaldi and Zollo; Village Administrator Slingerland; Assistant Village Administrator Ringel; Village Attorney Kathy Zalantis; Treasurer Hart and Village Clerk Booth

The meeting began with the Pledge to the Flag.

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### SWEARING IN CEREMONY OF LIEUTENANT JOSEPH BAROSA

## PROMOTION AND SWEARING IN CEREMONY OF POLICE DETECTIVE SERGEANT - DARYL STILOSKI

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Rinaldi, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees does hereby promote Daryl Stiloski to the position of Police Detective Sergeant at an annual salary of \$145,392 effective Tuesday, April 6, 2021. This appointment is subject to the provisions of Civil Service and the Village's contract with the PBA, including a probationary period of not less than twelve weeks and not more than fifty-two weeks as mandated by Civil Service Rules and Regulations.

# PROMOTION AND SWEARING IN CEREMONY OF POLICE SERGEANT – PATRICK DUMSER

Trustee Brown moved, seconded by Trustee Rinaldi, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby promote Patrick Dumser to the position of Police Sergeant at an annual salary of \$139,465 effective Tuesday, April 6, 2021. This appointment is subject to the provisions of Civil Service and the Village's contract with the PBA, including a probationary period of not less than twelve weeks and not more than fifty-two weeks as mandated by Civil Service Rules and Regulations.

### APPOINTMENT AND SWEARING IN CEREMONY OF POLICE OFFICER – TRANSFER

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Rinaldi, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby appoint Frank Riley to the position of Police Officer, Grade 5 in the Village of Tarrytown Police Department at an annual salary of \$62,075 effective Tuesday, April 6, 2021. This appointment is subject to the provisions of Civil Service and the Village's contract with the PBA, including a probationary period of not less than twelve weeks and not more than fifty-two weeks as mandated by Civil Service Rules and Regulations. Trustee Brown made a motion, seconded by Trustee McGovern to go into Executive Session to discuss an agenda item at 7:12 p.m. The motion of the Board of Trustees was adopted by vote of seven in favor, none opposed.

Trustee Brown made a motion, seconded by Trustee McGovern to reconvene to the Regular Meeting at 7:42 p.m. The motion of the Board of Trustees was adopted by vote of seven in favor, none opposed.

### **REPORTS**

Trustee Hoyt noted that TEAC is hosting a series of Earth Day events. The first one is going to be a Village Clean-up project, which will be held on April 17<sup>th</sup>. They have also built a 10 foot by 15 foot pollinator garden on the south side of the Warner Library, which will be planted on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. He thanked everyone who participated in the collaboration with the Warner Library. These are great events and a great committee and he thanked TEAC for all their efforts.

Trustee McGovern noted the following:

- This past weekend was our Easter Egg Hunt at Pierson Park and it was a great success with over 200 people participating. It was a beautiful day and everyone was happy to be outdoors.
- The Village Pool is scheduled to open over the Memorial Day weekend. Shortly, you will be able to register online.
- The Fitness Center has been open and she invited people to come in and join.
- Regarding the second Covid vaccine at the Tarrytown/Sleepy Hollow Pop-up, your second shot will be on April 17 at the same time as your first shot on March 20<sup>th</sup>. If you volunteered that day, it would be great for you to come back and volunteer again on the 17<sup>th</sup> as well. Now, everybody 16 and older are eligible to receive the COVID vaccine. The only vaccination that is permitted for people who are 16 and 17 years old is the Pfizer only; the Moderna and Johnson and Johnson are for people 18 and over. Domestic travels no longer requires a mandatory quarantine in New York, even if you are not vaccinated.
- Trustee Kim reported from the Trails Committee, Scenic Hudson has issued an RFP for the multimodal commuter transportation study, relative to alternate modes of getting to and from Edge on Hudson to the both train stations, Phillips Manor and Tarrytown Train stations. The RFP was issued about three weeks ago and we received about eight or nine responses. It's been whittled down to four consultants and a subcommittee of people will be interviewing the four consultants in the coming week or two. The Route 9 active transportation study by the steering committee has been very busy gathering information to apply for community grants from Congressman Mondaire Jones's office.

<u>CHANGES AND/OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA</u> – The Mayor and Board of Trustees requested to add a resolution to the agenda regarding Authorization of an Agreement with Cozen O'Connor Legal Firm.

### ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- Budget Update quick review of amendments to prepare for the Budget Adoption on April 19<sup>th</sup>. We do have the budget hearing opening shortly, the Board has proposed to cut \$40,000 out of the budget and also reallocated the monies to cover the pubic activities and things of that nature that includes the Jazz Forum Arts, support provided to the Neighborhood House etc. That gets the budget increase down to 2.95%.
- Lyndhurst Filming Permit segment of RiverWalk down between Paulding/Van Wart and Lyndhurst is open to the public, but the segment on Lyndhurst property will be temporarily closed for a film shoot.
- Announcement/Reminder about Travel Storys App. Trustee Brown noted that it is a really great program. It is an app that has audio tours of Tarrytown. We received a grant from the Bridge Authority for the "Travel Storys" app. It brings you through Tarrytown and other rivertowns and points out some of the highlights of our towns. It is meant for people walking, driving or biking over the bridge for people to come and see Tarrytown. She encouraged people to check it out, use it and promote it on your social media. Administrator Slingerland noted that there

is a lot of neat information and stories about historic sites in Tarrytown and especially in Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow.

- Garbage reminder normal hours to put out garbage for residential is after 7 p.m., and commercial is after 11 p.m.
- Earth Day Clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. up at the Lakes Parking Lot, and Neperan Park will have a clean-up the same day from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Reminder now that warm weather is here and people are looking to get back in shape for the summer, the Fitness Center is open for business and we encourage people to come and join the fitness center.
- Chamber of Commerce today discussed the 4-nights of street closures for May 22, June 12, June 26 and July 24. After discussing it with Chamber of Commerce members in attendance, they requested that the Village hold off on finalizing the plan with regard to the street closures in order to discuss further with members of the Chamber. The Village is going to get some additional feedback on this.

#### <u>PUBLIC HEARING ON THE VILLAGE OF TARRYTOWN'S TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR</u> <u>FISCAL YEAR 2021-2021</u> (closed) (The Public Hearing will be open to the public)

Trustee Hoyt moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo and unanimously carried, that the hearing be opened.

Roll Call –Mayor Butler, Yes, Trustee Brown, Yes, Trustee Hoyt, Yes, Deputy Mayor McGovern, Yes, Trustee Rinaldi, Yes, Trustee Zollo, Yes

Jenny Cogan, Main Street, noted that she is with a community group who created a survey as to what should be prioritized in the budget. Categories included general government support, police department, fire department, safety inspections, health services, transportation, community and economic assistance, culture and recreation, home and community services and employee benefits. They surveyed 40 people, six races represented, ages 16 thru 65. Their findings showed that this community group requested that the most important categories for the budget were health services and community economic assistance and those are the two lowest budget priorities according to the Village's proposed budget with the highest budgets mostly the police department and employee benefits. The community group requests to de-prioritize the police department and safety inspections. She would appreciate the Village Administrator and Treasurer for an invitation to consider proposals moving forward. Survey participants would like to see more community events, more public health, more trails.

Bhavya Redy, Sleepy Hollow resident, noted that she supports Jenny Cogan's comments to collect more data from a wide range of community members on their values before passing this budget. They would like to ensure that the Village budget allocation matches what the community is asking for. It's really great that the Village provides an introduction to the budget with some context, but it would also be helpful to see the information displayed graphically and in Spanish as well. She would like to know what steps the Village will be taking to ensure that the budget is adaptable towards both the new challenges and pre-existing inequities that have come to the forefront since the comprehensive plan was created. So there's much room for creativity investment into community safety and even fun within the Village budget process. For instance, during Covid this past year, the Village experimented with programs like reserving streets for outdoor dining. She hopes that the Village will take this opportunity to ask residents what they actually want.

Administrator Slingerland noted that he is the Chairman of the Westchester County COAD, Community Organizations Active in Disaster. This is a county-wide organization for not-forprofits. The loss of food stability is something that's affecting the entire country. The loss of stability for rent assistance and things of that nature. In terms of food, we have coordinated countywide efforts through feeding Westchester to feed 1,000's of people. The Village of Tarrytown, itself, through Rotary and through other community organizations, has organized over \$140,000 in donations. There was also an organization of food donations by Michael Schenker and Ann Richards and other groups like them to get food directly to the people in need. With regard to rent assistance, the Community Housing Action Council, run by Rose Noonan had an anonymous donor provide them with money for people who were in low to moderate income brackets for assistance with their rent and mortgage payments. With regard to Main Street closures during Covid, not only was it fun, but it was also a matter of supporting the businesses as much as possible to stay in business. We look forward to when the Music Hall can reopen, they are the anchor for our downtown and that will help all the other local, small business to stay vibrant.

Lissette Mendez-Boyer, Grove Street, noted that we should reconsider how the Village budget helps with health services and community and economic services for our families, especially the elderly and people from backgrounds that are vulnerable.

Steve Turkin, Sleepy Hollow resident, noted that the Village should support the community members that are struggling the most, first and foremost with the Village budget. He echoed to learn about how to best serve the underrepresented and less fortunate residents. The Village must be willing to change outdated ways of leading. The general budget plays a huge role in shaping the community of Tarrytown. The Village must further reallocate funds for departments such as Recreation and Parks, Community and Economic Assistance and Social Service Programs because they will help build a community of care and success. We should rethink who and what are defined as public safety. Because we have seen what is currently in place has deeply systemic issues.

Trustee Zollo moved, seconded by Trustee Kim and unanimously carried, that the hearing be closed.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby close the hearing, with the adoption of the Budget scheduled to take place on Monday April 19, 2021.

Roll Call –Mayor Butler, Yes, Trustee Brown, Yes, Trustee Hoyt, Yes, Deputy Mayor McGovern, Yes, Trustee Rinaldi, Yes, Trustee Zollo, Yes

#### <u>CONTINUATION OF A PUBLIC HEARING – CHAPTER 305 ZONING – NEW ARTICLE</u> FOR THE STATION AREA OVERLAY (SAO) ZONE (continued)

The Board will not hear public comment on this hearing tonight and instead continue the hearing to the regular Board of Trustees meeting on May 3, 2021.

Trustee Hoyt moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby continue the public hearing on the draft proposed Station Area Overlay (SAO) Zone law for further review to the Monday, May 3, 2021, Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees at 7:00 p.m. for ongoing consideration and public discussion to be held either via in-person meeting, or Zoom Video Conference, depending on the State's directives about gatherings under NY on Pause.

Roll Call –Mayor Butler, Yes, Trustee Brown, Yes, Trustee Hoyt, Yes, Deputy Mayor McGovern, Yes, Trustee Rinaldi, Yes, Trustee Zollo, Yes

#### OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ONLY ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA, OTHER THAN PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS. SPEAKERS SHALL HAVE THREE (3) MINUTES EACH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

(The Board of Trustees noted that there will be a one-hour time limit for Opportunity for the Public to Address the Board Only on Agenda items.)

Dolf Beil, Main Street, noted that Stan Friedlander has a PhD in economics from MIT. He was an economics professor at CCNY. He was an advisor on the Council of Economic Advisers to Lyndon Johnson, he was an economic adviser to Governor Mario Cuomo. He became the Chairman of the Planning Board in 1973. Clearly, he is a recognized urban planning expert. He has served the Village of Tarrytown for 48 years. He doesn't know any justification for replacing him as Chairman. He does not think it is the right thing to do.

Howard Smith, Main Street, noted that he was saddened to learn that the Board does not intend to renew Dr. Friedlander's appointment as Chair of the Planning Board, in spite of his desire to remain in that role because his knowledge and experience are really unparalleled by anyone else on the Planning Board. From the outside, it has the appearance of a combination of age discrimination and cancel culture retaliation for his opposition to the 29 South Depot Project and our politics by the forces who seem to be more mindful of the interests of developers than those are the folks who actually live in and vote in our community. He thinks the Board should reappoint Dr. Friedlander to continue to serve as Chair for the remainder of the 2021 term.

Amy Wessan, Main Street, noted that she felt the timing of Dr. Friedlander's removal from the Board to be very questionable. He was a wonderful asset for 48 years. He has kept all of the values of this Village in mind and in his heart. He's maintained the historic look, the environmental issues and the beauty of many buildings and structures. She wonders who was behind this decision and why and what benefit does that do right now. She asked the Board to reconsider and re-appoint Dr. Friedlander.

Administrator Slingerland noted that the Board is not removing Dr. Friedlander from the Planning Board. The question has been more a matter of the Chairmanship. Since December, the position of Chairmanship has been open. And in the absence of an appointment by the Board of a new person, Dr. Friedlander was carried over in that position. In the meantime, Dr. Friedlander's term on the Planning Board will continue through December of 2022. That has not changed. Ron Tedesco has been on the Planning Board and frequently serves as acting Chairman to the Planning Board. Attorney Zalantis noted that the Chairmanship is a one-year term, so every year a Chairperson is appointed.

Mark Fry, Ossining NY, noted that he has known Dr. Friedlander since 1981 and have found him to be absolutely incredibly well qualified. He is probably the preeminent Planning Board Chairperson in Westchester. He's in awe of his ability to understand complex, interrelated zoning and planning considerations. He has always encouraged public input and balanced all of the interests in a fair and impartial way. He thinks this certainly appears to be a question of politics. He believes there are a couple of people on the Board of Trustees who do not agree with his particular position on a couple of developments. However, he thinks Ron Tedesco has done an extraordinary job as Vice Chairman and he has always found Ron to be the one person who has read everything and has a quiet approach. He asked the Board of Trustees to reconsider this decision.

Paul Stone, Hudson Harbor, noted that he doesn't see any rationale in the resolution as to why Dr. Friedlander is not being reappointed as Chairperson. He asked the Board to provide reason why they are moving in a different direction and why the members have lost confidence in Dr. Friedlander. He thinks it's very inappropriate, it's not good government. He believes Dr. Friedlander has served admirably for many, many years. It seems like a very unceremonious way to end his tenure and not fair to him and not fair to the Village.

David Barnett, Main Street, noted that he also was very disappointed and surprised to learn that Stanley Friedlander, an Urban Planning Expert, with a PHD in Economics from MIT is being removed from his Chairmanship of the Tarrytown Planning Board after 48 dedicated years of service. The Village has been very lucky to have someone with Dr. Friedlander's credentials who's willing to devote so much time and energy to the betterment of Tarrytown. What are the reasons that led to this decision? What's the urgency? After decades of dedicated service, he hopes he's wrong in thinking it was his opposition to the proposal at 29 South Depot that lead to his demotion. If so, that would be totally inappropriate. This is a new low bar for this Board. If you disagree with certain members of the Board of Trustees, don't voice your opinion or else you will be silenced or demoted. He hopes his hunches are wrong and wants an explanation why this is happening.

Mike Love, Main Street, noted that Dr. Friedlander has been a huge benefit and an exemplary example of setting the bar for what has been good for Tarrytown. He asked if the Board has tabled the one-way on Main Street idea. Out of the eight studies, seven of them promote eastbound traffic up Main Street, which ultimately benefits the development. The one-way idea would devastate Main Street. Why would you want to ruin Main Street, with anchors like the Music Hall and the Greek restaurant? This would devastate the side streets.

Richard Slingerland, noted that there was a discussion item on a study that had started last spring when Mayor Fixell was on the Board. The intent was to look at the possibility of whether we could save money in the short term by closing Main Street and making it one way to allow the businesses to put out their tables and things along the roadside. Because of other complications with the project, as well as traffic and public safety, that didn't move forward. We received a more formal version of that report now, which the Board considered and had a presentation on it at the last Work Session. However, the Board is not moving forward on this anytime in the near future. We are discussing alternative ways with the Chamber that could work better, both in the short and long term and be more cost effective and efficient that would serve the businesses and benefit the community and the taxpayers as well.

Trustee Brown noted that the idea about possibly closing Main Street came last spring when we were all trying to figure out how we could best help the businesses during the pandemic. The

study just came out, but everything is tabled and we are not considering it at this time. We did not consider this idea to ruin anything, it was to help the businesses to create community for Tarrytown when there was no place to go. The Board works for the betterment of Tarrytown to the best of their abilities. Regarding Dr. Friedlander, she is dismayed to hear people making anything that we do here nefarious and the only thing that's making this conversation political is the people who are suggesting that it is. This is not punitive because he didn't agree with us, not at all. This Board doesn't act like that. She bristles at that accusation because it couldn't be further from the truth.

Jeanie Michal, Hamilton Place, noted that many people have spoken up about the three major projects that are coming at us, South Depot Plaza, Broadway by CVS and the YMCA on Windle Park. The public has had deep trust in Dr. Friedlander. He shared many of the same concerns as the public. She doesn't say that there's anything nefarious in it, but a lot of us did put our trust in him. She asked the Board to reconsider this and would like to get an understanding of why the change is being made.

Susan Crucy Burkhart, Miller Avenue, noted that someone who has given 48 years of service to the Village deserves to be honored. Maybe this is a good time to consider term limits on various committee boards and chairmanship positions should be for one to three years and then must step down, not asked to step down. Because what happens is we get complacent, in some cases that might be the best thing, but in other cases, it might not be. So maybe term limits for all of the volunteer boards might be the answer and you won't be in a situation where you're looking at someone with 48 years and it's a sour note that he's leaving on.

Barbara Burnett, Main Street, noted that she is appalled that the public had no idea that Mr. Friedlander is being demoted. In a democracy, people are encouraged to speak out and have opinions. Once this is compromised, we're doomed. She thinks the public has a right to know why this is happening.

Assistant Administrator Ringel noted that the Village received three quotes to install permanent speed humps in the Miller Park neighborhood and they should be installed by the end of the month, weather permitting.

#### AUTHORIZATION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH COZEN O'CONNOR LEGAL FIRM

Trustee Hoyt moved, seconded by Trustee Kim, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby authorize and direct the Village Administrator to execute an agreement with Cozen O'Connor, the law firm who has been retained by Allied World Insurance Company to represent the Village of Tarrytown in the matter of Jose Carneiro v. Village of Tarrytown.

#### APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON OF THE PLANNING BOARD – Amended

Trustee Kim moved, seconded by Trustee Brown that the following resolution be approved as amended: Motion carried, Trustees Brown, Kim, Rinaldi and Mayor Butler voting "aye" and Trustees Hoyt, McGovern and Zollo voting "no" Approved: 4-3

Trustee Brown noted that she has known Dr. Friedlander since 1998. Her public service actually started because Stan called her when she was trying to work on saving open space in her neighborhood, so she thanked Stan for that. She has a lot of respect for Stan and is fond of him. She would never want to do anything to show disrespect for him and she is sorry that it has come to this. Since she has been on the Board, she has been advocating just for what Susan just spoke about, term limits for our chairmanships in order for boards to remain fresh. It is the will of the Mayor to appoint Chairs and when Mayor Butler's will is to advocate this change, that's why she is voting yes. This appointment should have taken place back in December, but we didn't because we were talking about 29 South Depot and we didn't want to mix up the two issues. We didn't want it to look like we were holding anything against Dr. Friedlander. Mayor Butler had conversations with Stanly about this change and how it can be done amicably and gracefully and she is sorry that it had to come to him feeling like he's being pushed out when it didn't have to go that way. Dr. Friedlander is still going to be on the board and she hopes he'll continue to give us his wisdom and help us to move into the future. She supports the Mayor's choice, Ron Tedesco for Chairman of the Planning Board who has also given his lifetime of dedication to our Village and who's earned the chairmanship of this board. She votes yes.

Trustee Hoyt noted that his vote is in no way any disrespect to Ron Tedesco. He is on other Boards with Ron and deeply respects him and Mayor Butler. But in this particular vote, he must vote no.

Trustee Kim votes to affirm the appointment of Ron Tedesco as the Chairperson of the Planning Board because he is a well-regarded member of the Planning Board by all members of the Planning Board. Recently we have experienced a bit of discord and caustic comments between members and he believes that Ron Tedesco is the person who can bring some level of harmony as well as deliberate without a lot noise outside of the real issues that are part of the Planning Board, so he votes affirmative to appoint Ron Tedesco.

Trustee Rinaldi noted that this is a difficult situation and he doesn't know either Dr. Friedlander or Ron Tedesco, but he agrees with Trustee Kim with regard to what the Planning Board needs right now, and what kind of leadership is going to best serve the Board at this point. Ron Tedesco seems to have the ability to be more uniting and to be able to bring together the people with fundamental disagreements. He votes to affirm the appointment of Ron Tedesco as Chairperson of the Planning Board.

Trustee Zollo voted no, he supports Dr. Friedlander. He doesn't think that his legacy should be defined by what has happened recently. He respects Ron Tedesco, who is supremely qualified, but so is Stan. For the 18 years he has been on the Board of Trustees, he doesn't remember removing a Chair from a Board. He votes no.

Deputy Mayor McGovern noted that she has deep respect for both gentlemen. She doesn't like the timing of this and doesn't appreciate the way it's being done, so she votes no.

Mayor Butler noted that to be clear this is about the appointment of Ron Tedesco. He had several conversations with Dr. Stanley Friedlander about the direction we were taking. This decision goes back to December. The 29 South Depot Plaza project has nothing to do with this decision. It is with a heavy heart that he had to make this decision, but at this time there is discord on the Planning Board. He has great respect for Stan and he has great respect for Ron Tedesco. We will be honoring Dr. Friedlander with a proclamation very soon for his 48 years of dedicated service. This is not a demotion and he doesn't understand where that came from. He believes we need new leadership. He thinks Ron is a stabilizing individual at this time for the Planning Board. He hopes that Dr. Friedlander will stay on the Planning Board not only until his term expires, but also going forward in the future. He votes yes to appoint Ron Tedesco.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby appoint Ron Tedesco as Chairperson of the Planning Board for a term to expire in December of 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees in the Village of Tarrytown does hereby approve the Mayor's appointment of Ron Tedesco as the Chairperson of the Planning Board for a term to expire in December of 2021.

#### APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER OF TEAC

Trustee Hoyt moved, seconded by Trustee Kim, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby appoint Andrew Billo to TEAC, to replace and fill the unexpired portion of the term of James Carsey, to expire in December of 2021.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

Trustee Rinaldi moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo that the following resolution be approved: Motion carried, all voting "aye" with the exception of Trustee Hoyt who recused himself. Apprved: 6-0-1

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby approve the following Fire Department membership changes recommended at the March 16, 2021 Board of Fire Wardens meeting. <u>Members</u>: Josephine "Jonah" Thayer has been approved for active membership at Conqueror Hook & Ladder and Gianluca Queirolo has been approved for out-oftown active membership at Riverside Hose. Bryan Puff has been removed from active rolls at Consolidated Engine.

## APPOINTMENT OF (2) TEMPORARY LABORERS IN THE PARKS DEPARTMENT

Trustee Zollo moved, seconded by Trustee Brown and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved as amended: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby appoint Thomas Farrell and Joseph Clewell as Temporary Laborers in the Parks Department to perform landscaping maintenance on the RiverWalk and other parks in the Village at a salary of \$18.00 per hour effective Tuesday, April 6, 2021 and shall be subject to all applicable civil service rules and regulations.

### APPOINTMENT OF (1) TEMPORARY LABORER IN THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Trustee Hoyt moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby appoint John Gandy as Temporary Laborer in the Highway Department as a fill in, or part time auto mechanic at a salary of \$18.00 per hour effective Tuesday, April 6, 2021 and shall be subject to all applicable civil service rules and regulations.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT – UPDATES TO POLICE RULES AND REGULATIONS

Trustee Zollo moved, seconded by Trustee Kim, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

WHEREAS, the Village of Tarrytown Police Department has been reviewing its Departmental General Orders as well as the Rules and Regulations, and

WHEREAS, during its review, the Village of Tarrytown Police Department has determined there are some differences between the Departmental Orders and the Rules and Regulations, and all concerned are advised that these changes are intended to coincide with the Police Department's general orders, which were derived from NYS Accreditation procedures. This is intended so that the rules and regulations and general orders would all be updated and would all meet the accreditation requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby approve an update of the policies and procedures for the Police Department Rules and Regulations of the Tarrytown Police Department regarding Chapter XVI – Personnel/Citizen Complaints.

### SUPPORTING RESOLUTION FOR COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING – THOMAS T. BASHER PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE – RIVERVIEW AVENUE, TARRYTOWN, NY

Trustee Hoyt moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

WHEREAS, the Thomas T. Basher Pedestrian Bridge is a key pedestrian pathway connection for residents in the Tappan Landing and Miller Park area of the Village of Tarrytown to walk to the Village waterfront parks and to the train station; and

WHEREAS, in March, 2020, this pedestrian bridge was inspected by AI Engineers and the pedestrian bridge was cited with defects including replacement of an expansion plate and areas of timber erosion, etc.

WHEREAS, the pedestrian bridge had a follow-up inspection by the Village Engineer on April 1, 2021, which revealed further deficiencies to be detailed in an engineer's report which is not yet finalized.

WHEREAS, the Village Engineer's recommendation is to rehabilitate the pedestrian bridge.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village is in full support of maintaining and rehabilitating the Thomas T. Basher Pedestrian bridge, a community connector and amenity.

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Administrator is authorized to take the necessary and appropriate actions to submit a funding request to Congressman Mondaire Jones for Community Project Funding to rehabilitate the pedestrian Bridge.

<u>REVOCATION OF VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC AMENDMENT – ALTERNATE SIDE</u> <u>PARKING LEGRANDE AVENUE</u>

Trustee Hoyt moved, seconded by Trustee Rinaldi, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby revoke the Vehicle and Traffic Code, Section 291-19, which was approved on December 7, 2020.

The following should be revoked and removed from the Vehicle and Traffic, Section 291-19 of the Village Code as follows:

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[LeGrande Avenue North Mondays & Wednesdays From a point 325 feet east Between the hours of of Croton Avenue easterly 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. for a distance of 70 feet.]

#### BROADWAY POLLINATOR PLANTINGS

Trustee Hoyt moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby authorize the Village to place pollinator plantings in pots in the Business District (Broadway and Main Street, where room is available) and directs the Village Administrator to take the necessary and appropriate actions to coordinate this planting project with TEAC and DPW.

# PATRIOTS PARK POLLINATOR PLANTINGS

Trustee Hoyt moved, seconded by Trustee Kim, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby authorize TEAC's proposal for a pollinator garden to be planted immediately west of the statue commemorating the Capture of Major Andre at Patriots Park and directs the Village Administrator to take the necessary and appropriate actions to coordinate this planting project with TEAC and the Tarrytown Parks Department. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Council has endorsed this planting project.

#### LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR POLLINATOR GARDEN IN THE VILLAGE R.O.W. WITH ROHIT SAREEN OF 203 RIVERVIEW AVENUE

Trustee Kim moved, seconded by Trustee Hoyt, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby authorize the Village Administrator to enter into and sign a license agreement with Rohit Sareen of 203 Riverview Avenue to allow him to plant a 10' x 15' pollinator garden on a Village-owned unused space within the Village Right-of-Way (R.O.W.) adjacent to his property at 203 Riverview Avenue. He will plant and maintain this garden without any assistance from the Village, and may be required to remove it at his own expense, should the Village of Tarrytown ever have a public need for the use of this property.

# DECLARATION OF SURPLUS – DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Trustee Hoyt moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby declare the following Department of Public Works vehicles as surplus and ready for disposal by auction: These vehicles are therefore deemed surplus and should be removed from insurance coverage.

- 2003 Chevrolet Pick-Up Truck, VIN: 1618
- 2007 Chevrolet Pick-Up Truck, VIN: 9480

## <u>APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING</u> <u>OF MARCH 15, 2021</u>

Trustee Kim moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held on Monday, March 15, 2021 as submitted by the Village Clerk.

## APPROVAL OF AUDITED VOUCHERS

Trustee Zollo moved, seconded by Trustee Kim, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby approve Abstract No. 18 of Audited Vouchers in the total amount of \$794,393.29 to be paid in the following amounts:

General	\$ 468,045.61
Water	\$ 50,115.51
Sewer Fund	\$ 1,368.21
Capital	\$ 211,862.28
Library	\$ 58,997.13
Trust & Agency	<u>\$ 4,004.55</u>
Total	\$ 794,393.29

Roll Call –Mayor Butler, Yes, Trustee Brown, Yes, Trustee Hoyt, Yes, Deputy Mayor McGovern, Yes, Trustee Rinaldi, Yes, Trustee Zollo, Yes

# OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA. SPEAKERS HAVE THREE (3) MINUTES BEFORE YIELDING TO THE NEXT SPEAKER

Paul Gomez, Franklin Courts, noted that the public hearing on the SAO is coming on May 3, 2021. He thinks it's very important, as a resident for over 30 years and currently lives here, he wants to see responsible development; he doesn't want to see overpopulation. He is sad to see that Mr. Friedlander is no longer going to be the Chair of the Planning Board. These types of things are very concerning to him. He would like to see the neighborhood organically develop and to continue to be protected and nurtured and to continue to grow in that way. He would like the Board to listen to the voice of the residents when considering development of the Village of Tarrytown.

# ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Trustee Hoyt, seconded by Trustee Zollo, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:12 p.m. by vote of seven in favor, none opposed.

Carol A. Booth Village Clerk