

Board of Trustees
Village of Tarrytown
Regular Meeting No. 17
October 5, 2016
8:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Fixell presiding; Trustees: Brown, Butler, Hoyt, McGee, McGovern and Zollo; Village Administrator Blau; Village Treasurer Hart; Village Attorney Silverberg and Village Clerk Booth

REPORTS

Trustee McGovern reported the following:

- Scarecrow Making will be held on Saturday, October 15th at Patriots Park at 10:30 a.m. The Village will decorate the downtown area with these festive scarecrows.
- Window Painting will be held on Wednesday, October 19th on Broadway from 3:30 to 5:30 for children in grades 2nd to 5th.
- Rag-a-Muffin Parade will be held on Saturday, October 22nd at Patriots Park at 2 p.m.
- The Annual Halloween Parade will be held on Saturday, October 29th at 5:30 p.m. For more information and to register a group or float, go to www.tarrytownhalloweenparade.com.
- The new Recreation and Fitness Center, located on the west side of the train tracks, is now opened. At this time, Village residents can register for membership in the fitness center between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. You will receive a picture I.D. card, which will allow entrance into the fitness center. More information can be found on the website, tarrytowngov.com or call the Recreation Department at 631-8347.

Trustee McGee noted that the Friends of the Warner Library are holding their Fall Book Sale on October 15 and 16 (Saturday and Sunday) from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Trustee Hoyt noted that tomorrow, Thursday, October 6th, the Tarrytown Tree Commission will present Best Practices for the Care of Trees at the Warner Library at 7 p.m.

Deidre Dobson Carsto, Tarrytown Tree Warden and member of the Tarrytown Tree Commission, stated that the Tree Commission will be hosting an “Up Close and Personal” presentation on Best Practices for the Care of Trees at the Warner Library, 3rd floor, tomorrow night at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome. There will be a presentation and then the commission members will take questions about trees or tree permits.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Administrator Blau reported on the following:

Sarah Michaels Park is a Village public park located on the corner of Main Street and Cortlandt Street in front of Asbury Park. Many people thought it was a private park for Asbury Park residents because the park was completely fenced in. The fence has been removed and now the park looks more available and accessible to the public. Mr. Blau has seen more people in the park since the fence came down.

Westchester County Force Main Project – Westchester County, Department of Environmental Facilities, which operates the sewage treatment plants is under a consent decree from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation to replace the Force Main, which is a sewer main under pressure. The reason they were under consent decree to replace the sewer main is because this sewer main has broken on a number of occasions. Mr. Blau remembers two times when the sewer main broke, once on McArthur Avenue and swallowed a car and once on Church Street where it created a huge opening in the road. The consent decree has a deadline to get this project done or Westchester County will be subject to severe fines. The work that was done on Church Street and now on Broadway is part of the Force Main project. The Force Main starts down by the railroad tracks, where there is a pump station. The sewage comes in via gravity to the pump station

where it is pumped up the hill and continues through this Force Main to a point on Route 119. This work is strictly a Westchester County project. On Church Street, the County was subject to approval from the Village of Tarrytown Board of Trustees and the Board permitted the work subject to 26 conditions. On Broadway, it is only subject to a permit and permission by the New York State Department of Transportation, which was granted. The Village has made comments and has suggested improvements to the management of the project and also traffic management, but the Village of Tarrytown does not have any control over the project or the process on Broadway and Route 119. The Village held a meeting with the contractor, the County and the State and discussed the current traffic maintenance plan, noting that it needs to be updated and is unacceptable to the Village.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ONLY ON AGENDA ITEMS. SPEAKERS SHALL HAVE THREE (3) MINUTES TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mayor Fixell asked if anyone wanted to address the Board on agenda items. No one appeared.

PUBLIC HEARING – FISHING BUTTONS (tabled)

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

Cathy Ruhland, Chairperson of the Tarrytown Lakes Committee, stated that the Lakes Committee would be happy to have a discussion with the Village Board and do research with respect to fishing at the Tarrytown Lakes. She believes these lakes are tiny and don't stock a lot of fish. In order to have more people fish at the lakes, the Village would have to stock more fish and that can be very expensive. Currently, the parking for people who fish seems adequate. If we open fishing to the general public, there will not be adequate parking and there will be more littering and garbage. She supports to continue to allow people to fish at the lakes for the residents of the Town of Greenburgh and the Town of Mount Pleasant. It seems manageable right now.

Joseph Durso, Member of the Tarrytown Lakes Committee, stated that his concern is to maintain the quality and viability of the lakes and its eco system. He guarantees that the lake's eco system could not support the general public to fish at the lakes. He supports to include residents from the Town of Greenburgh and the Town of Mt. Pleasant to fish at the Tarrytown Lakes. Since there has been police enforcement at the Tarrytown Lakes, the number of people who illegally fish has gone down. If we opened fishing to the general public, the enforcement would become a greater problem. There would be more littering and garbage and it could become a safety issue for people who want walk or run the lakes trail.

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 table the public hearing until further notice.

APPOINTMENT OF WATER & SEWER MAINTENANCE WORKER II

Trustee Hoyt moved, seconded by Trustee McGovern, 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 provisionally appoint Filip Michalski to the position of Water & Sewer Maintenance Worker II at an annual salary of \$62,752.00 effective October 11, 2016. Said appointment is subject to all Westchester Civil Service rules and regulations.

APPOINTMENT OF (3) LABORERS

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Brown, that the following resolution be approved. Motion carried, all voting "aye" with the exception of Trustee Butler who abstained for the reason that out of 100 applicants and that the position of laborer is an entry level position in DPW, he believed we should have hired residents of Tarrytown and Trustee McGee recused herself because her sons were both on the hiring list.

Approval: 5-0-2

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees does hereby appoint Dennis Montaruli, William Logan and *Julio Sosa to the position of Laborer, Step 1, effective October 6, 2016, at an annual salary of \$47,450.00, subject to all civil service rules and regulations.

*Julio Sosa never reported to work, therefore, appointment is rescinded.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

Trustee McGovern 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 Jim Desimone as a member of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Council for a term to expire December 1, 2017.

FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

Trustee Butler 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 following Fire Department membership changes recommended at the September 20, 2016 Board of Fire Wardens meeting: Membership: Matthew D. Cova has been elected to active membership at Riverside Hose; Michael Coffey Jr. has been transferred to active membership at Washington Engine Company; Jephthe Perez and Meg Kling have been removed from active membership at Riverside Hose Company. Drivers: Andrew Wilgermein has been approved as a driver for Riverside Hose and Patrick Derivan Jr. and Melissa Ojito have been approved as members of Marine 5/Marine 31.

PAINTING OF SENIOR CENTER BUILDING

Trustee McGovern 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 and direct the Village Administrator to execute an agreement with Peter Gisondi & Co., Inc. of White Plains, New York, to paint the exterior of the Senior Center Building.

SENIOR CENTER MECHANICAL SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Butler, 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 Collado Engineering, P.C. of White Plains, New York for the upgrading of mechanical systems and the enlargement of the generator at the Senior Center.

FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES AGREEMENT

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 and direct the Village Administrator to execute an agreement with Capital Markets Advisors, LLC (CMA) of Hopewell Junction, New York for financial advisory services for the Village.

REJECT SOLE BID FOR NEW FIRE TRUCK FOR CONSOLIDATED FIRE COMPANY

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo, that the following resolution be approved. Motion carried, all voting "aye" with the exception of Trustee Hoyt who abstained for the reason that he is a member of Consolidated Engine Company. Approval: 6-0-1

WHEREAS, one (1) bid was received on July 8, 2016 for a new fire truck for Consolidated Engine Company and is listed below:

- Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Inc. \$684,060.00

and

WHEREAS, the replacement of the fire truck for Phenix Hose Company is included in the five-year Capital Plan for the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Board has been furnished information that the Village could receive a considerable cost saving should the Village bid both fire trucks and award the bid for both fire trucks to one bidder.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby reject the sole bid received for a new fire truck for Consolidated Engine Company.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board does hereby authorize the Village to bid the purchase of a fire truck for Consolidated Engine Company and Phenix Hose Company.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2016

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Butler, that the following resolution be approved. Motion carried, all voting "aye" with the exception of Trustee Zollo who abstained. Approval: 6-0-1

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 September 19, 2016 as submitted by the Village Clerk.

APPROVAL OF AUDITED VOUCHERS

Trustee Butler moved, seconded by Trustee McGovern, 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. 6 of Audited Vouchers to be paid in the following amounts:

General	\$	330,866.21
Water		65,721.24
Sewer Fund		0.00
Capital		177,887.63
Library		11,469.12
Trust & Agency		<u>2,606.38</u>
Total	\$	588,550.58

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. SPEAKERS HAVE FIVE (5) MINUTES BEFORE YIELDING TO THE NEXT SPEAKER; THEN THREE (3) MINUTES FOR ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Mayor Fixell asked whether anyone wished to address the Board on any matter. No one appeared.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Butler moved, seconded by Trustee Hoyt, and unanimously carried, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Carol A. Booth
Village Clerk