

Board of Trustees
Village of Tarrytown
Regular Meeting No. 6
February 20, 2018
8:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Fixell presiding; Trustees: Brown; Butler, Hoyt, McGee; McGovern and Zollo; Village Administrator Slingerland; Village Attorney Zalantis and Village Clerk Booth

The meeting began with the Pledge to the Flag.

REPORTS

Mayor Fixell noted that he signed the Mayor's letter to the Administration in Washington along with 236 Mayors to not repeal the U.S. Clean Power Plan. The Mayors represent 51 million people across 47 states that believe that emissions rules are needed to protect their cities from climate change.

Trustee Butler noted that the third Public Workshop for the Comprehensive Plan for the entire Village and Zoning guidelines for the Station Area will be held on Tuesday, February 27th from 5:30 – 8 p.m. at the Warner Library.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Slingerland reported on the following:

- We have a contract out to bid for the engineering work on improvements made to the H-Bridge based on the Bridge NY grant.
- We are planning to schedule a workshop meeting with the Board of Trustees regarding the Comprehensive Plan implementation and Zoning guidelines.
- We have received official approval for a grant for improvements to the Old Croton Aqueduct. We will discuss that at the next Work Session. There is a match that the state is not allowing regarding design work in the contract. Administrator Slingerland is going to propose a three-way agreement between the Village, Scenic Hudson and the New York State Parks Department whereby each entity would not be responsible for more than \$10,000. Trustee Brown asked Administrator Slingerland to explain some of the work that will be taking place on the Old Croton Aqueduct. Administrator Slingerland noted that he has worked with Village Engineer Dan Pennella and received comments from TEAC to make improvements and better accessibility to the pathway beginning at John Paulding School to Route 119. We have identified many areas along the pathway where there are obstructions. We plan to make necessary landscaping improvements; install handicap ramps and better signage.
- He requested the Board of Trustees to adjourn to executive session to discuss a potential legal matter.
- He met today with Village Engineer Dan Pennella, Supt. of Public Works Howard Wessells and a contractor who has better technology to investigate leaks in our water system. We are hoping to receive a proposal from the contractor within a few weeks. Over the past summer, we had a leak detection company investigate our water system for leaks for the second time over the past two years. They detected several leaks which reduced the total of the unmetered water by 4%. We also have an agreement and are reaching out to New York City's staff to work with their consultant to analyze our water system to see what areas can be improved to reduce some unmetered water. We are also looking to do a system wide replacement of all water meters and build a financial structure for the Village to repay the debt. The estimated cost to replace all the water meters in the Village will be in excess of \$1 million. The maintenance of the Village's water system is especially important due to the fact that New York City is planning a number of shutdowns of the water system. They are doing maintenance to the Delaware water supply pipeline, which hasn't been shut down or maintained for the past 80 to 100 years. In addition, the Village of Tarrytown is shutting down our high service water tanks, which supplies water to all the high pressure areas of the Village. We are maintaining the water

system pressure and flow through pumps. This is necessary work to ensure proper operation of the public water system. The Village asks for everyone's cooperation to conserve as much water as possible. Mayor Fixell noted that one of the advantages of installing new water meters will be that residents will be able to monitor water usage on a real time basis. If you do have a water leak, you will be able to see it right away instead of waiting for your quarterly water bill to find out.

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.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE 2017 TARRYTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT SERVICE AWARD (PENSION) PROGRAM ANNUAL REPORT REGARDING QUALIFYING POINTS RECEIVED

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown hereby acknowledges receipt of the Tarrytown Volunteer Fire Department 2017 annual report of points achieved by respective members of the Fire Department that qualify towards the Village's contribution to the Fire Department members' service award program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such report shall be posted for public inspection and comment for 30 days prior to the Board of Trustees' consideration of approving the report to be submitted to the pension fund underwriter, subject to final sign-off by the Mayor.

STANDARD WORKDAY AND REPORTING RESOLUTION

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Butler, that the following resolution be approved: Motion carried, all voting "aye" with the exception of Mayor Fixell and Trustee Hoyt who recused themselves. Approved: 5-0-2

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby establish the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the time keeping system records or the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the Clerk of this body:

Title	Name	Registration No.	Standard Work Day Hrs/day	Term Begins/ Ends	Participates In Employer's Time Keeping System (Y/N)	Days/Mo. (based on Record of Activities)
Elected Officials						
Mayor	Drew Fixell	3307136-6	6	12/1/17 - 12/1/19	N	10.82
Village Justice	Kyle C.	37497898	6	4/1/15 – 12/1/19	N	8.67
Acting Village Justice	George Hlapatsos	3828304-0	6	12/1/17 – 12/1/18	N	3.67
Appointed Officials						
Village Clerk	Carol A.	4054920-6	7	4/1/16 –	Y	N/A

	Booth			12/1/18		
Court Clerk	Megaly Hernandez	3720414-6	7	N/A	Y	N/A

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all the names/titles listed in this resolution are not Tier 1 members of the New York State Retirement system; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Clerk has received a three-month record of activities from all the persons whose names/titles in this resolution who do not participate in the employer's time keeping system; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Clerk so file a copy of this resolution and an affidavit of posting with the New York State Comptroller's Office within 45 days of adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Clerk shall publicly post the resolution on the Village Website for at least 30 days after adoption.

PERSONNEL COMPLAINT PROCESS – POLICE DEPARTMENT

Trustee Zollo 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 approve an amendment of the policies and procedures for the Police Department Personnel Complaint Process that are a part of the Rules and Regulations of the Tarrytown Police Department.

VIDEO SYSTEM REPLACEMENT

Trustee Hoyt moved, seconded by Trustee McGee, 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 Stratagem Security for the Village of Tarrytown Video System Replacement at One Depot Plaza, based on the provisions and prices of the New York State Office of General Services (OGS) Contract # PT65393, Award # 20191, Group # 77201, including indoor and outdoor cameras for the Village Hall, the Police Department and the Court Office, for a total estimated amount of \$97,271.79.

SIDEWALK CAFÉ PERMIT – MARCH 11, 2018

Trustee Zollo 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 authorize Sidewalk Café Permit holders to set up their sidewalk cafés on March 11, 2018, weather permitting, subject to compliance with their 2018 Tarrytown Sidewalk Café Permit and all related requirements, including having fully paid their fees and submitted the required insurance.

SCHEDULE BUDGET WORK SESSION

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Brown, 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 schedule a Budget Work Session on the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 as an agenda item at the Work Session on Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at 6:15 p.m. at Village Hall, One Depot Plaza, Tarrytown, New York.

SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING – TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019

Trustee Zollo 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 schedule a public hearing for Monday, March 19, 2018 in the Municipal Building, One Depot Plaza, Tarrytown, New York, to hear and discuss the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON FEBRUARY 5, 2018

Trustee McGee 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 the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held on February 5, 2018 as submitted by the Village Clerk.

APPROVAL OF AUDITED VOUCHERS

Trustee Zollo 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. 15 of Audited Vouchers to be paid in the following amounts:

General	\$ 466,844.52
Water	198,497.92
Sewer Fund	0.00
Capital	257,428.38
Library	8,169.91
Trust & Agency	<u>4,466.27</u>
Total	\$ 935,407.00

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

Tomas Diaz, Sleepy Hollow resident, presented the Board with literature about “smart meters” and noted that there are controversies regarding “smart meters.” Generally, people view smart meters as an upgrade, better technology and more efficient. However, there are many issues going on for years and there are many organizations internationally and within the United States who have been warning people of these issues. The main issue about “smart meters” is that the meter uses microwave transmitters to transmit the information, which is a burst that takes a few seconds; however, the meter does not shut off and continues to send these microwave frequencies. This is a health concern, especially for people who have health issues, vulnerable children and for the elderly. The “smart meters” are notorious for over-charging. The other issue is privacy. The information records when and where you use your electricity and when you are not home. They are also notorious for catching on fire or blowing up. He noted that his handout has additional information for the Board to review.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Butler moved, seconded by Trustee McGovern, and unanimously carried, that the meeting be adjourned to Executive Session to discuss a potential legal matter at 8:19 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Butler moved, seconded by Trustee McGovern, and unanimously carried that the Executive Session be adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Carol A. Booth
Village Clerk