Board of Trustees Village of Tarrytown Regular Meeting No. 8 One Depot Plaza Tarrytown NY 10591 March 6th, 2023 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT in person: Mayor Brown presiding; Trustees: Hoyt; Kim; McGovern; Mitchell and Rinaldi. Village Administrator Slingerland; Village Attorney Zalantis; Village Treasurer Morales; Village Clerk Gilligan and Deputy Clerk Fasman

REGULAR MEETING: 7:00 P.M.

The meeting began with the Pledge to the Flag.

BOARD MISCELLANEOUS AND LIAISON REPORTS

Trustee Kim reported that TEAC will be hosting many activities in the month of April.

Trustee Hoyt reported an update from the Police Department. Last week several catalytic convertors were stolen from vehicles parked in both commuter parking lots and private parking lots in one day. Within 48 hours an arrest had been made. This individual along with another are allegedly involved in up to nine thefts in both Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow. The investigation is ongoing. Because of the swift and professional Police work, we hope this will limit further thefts in our community. The Tarrytown Police Department would like to remind everyone in the community that if you see anything suspicious, please contact the Police Department. On another note, there was a fatal fire over the weekend across the river. As a fellow firefighter, our hearts go out to the family. Members of Riverside Hose provided mutual aid and Trustee Hoyt thanked the members men and women from Riverside Hose for responding.

Trustee Mitchell reported that he attended services at Shiloh Baptist Church on February 19th, and Foster Memorial Zion Church on February 26th. It was great opportunity to meet the congregations, and great fellowship. He also attended a Sunday supper at Maker's central and he advises everyone to attend if they get a chance. It's held one Sunday each month.

Trustee Rinaldi stated that he worries the Fire Fighters and Police Officers don't have resources available when they experience trauma like a fatality. Are there any programs to help them with the trauma? Trustee Hoyt replied that Westchester County has resources available and the Chief of the Department can always call someone in to speak with the first responders as well.

Deputy Mayor McGovern reported that the Village Easter Egg Hunt will be held on April 1st. We are doing it in conjunction with Sleepy Hollow and it will be held at Patriot's Park this year. AS it stands now, there will be three times for three different age groups. Additionally there will be a DJ and a photo booth. More information will follow as it firms up.

Mayor Brown reported that spam calls were going out last week that appeared to be coming from the Village. She reminded everyone that the Village will never call and ask you for personal information or payments of any type to be given over the phone. If you get these types of calls please try to get the number they called from and let the Tarrytown Police of Village Administrators office know.

CHANGES AND/OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Administrator Slingerland requested a brief Executive Session after the conclusion of the Regular Board Meeting to discuss personnel.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Slingerland reported that everyone has been working on the Village Budget, and it will be released to the board of Trustees on March 17th. We are confident we will be able to comply with the two percent tax cap which included carryover from prior years as well as development and construction that has added value to our tax base. We are coming in with a very tight budget, always thinking of the services we provide and weighing the benefits or impacts on the taxpayer. The tentative budget will be posted on our website. Mayor Brown encourages everyone to look at the budget, jot some questions down and come to the public hearings.

PRESENTATION: TREE COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT

Martin Hauser from the Tree Commission came this evening to present their annual report. Mr. Hauser is always surprised to hear that many people do not realize there is a Tree Commission in the Village, why there is one and what it does. He thought it was best to first read Section 281 of the Village Code titled Trees. After reading the code, Mr. Hauser then stated the members of the Tree Commission who are Dan Pennella Village Engineer, Lou Martirano and/or William McGuire from the Department of Public Works, Redmond Tso a certified arborist, Peter Bartlett our Tree Warden who is also a certified arborist, David Aukland who is our liaison to the Planning Board, Ron Tedesco our Secretary, and Ann O'Brien, and Kathy Ruhland. As a special note, Tarrytown is required to have a Tree Commission in order to be eligible to receive the designation of a Tree City by the National Arbor Day Foundation. This designation entitles us to receive grants for tree plantings. Mr. Hauser's entire Tree Commission presentation can be found attached to these minutes. At the conclusion of his presentation, Deputy Mayor McGovern stated that was one of the best reports she has hear and understand exactly what was done in the past year.

ASSEMBLYMEMBER MARYJANE SHIMSKY

Assemblymember MaryJane Shimsky thanked the Board and everyone who makes Tarrytown a great place to allow her to speak this evening. She enjoyed hearing the Tree Commission presented and felt it highlighted two very important topics, the importance of caring for the environment, and the passion of all our volunteers. She continued by stating that the State Legislature is doing their due diligence with the Governors \$227 billion dollar budget, and we are also dealing with many article seven proposals. Some of the proposals concern housing and she knows some of her communities have been very energetically discussing those proposals. Other discussions have to do with education and it looks like we are on a positive path to do some good economic impacts for our school districts. We have also been working on various legislative initiatives and she passed her first bill which was assigning the state Health Department the task of designing and implementing a program that prepares bars and nightlife establishments for using Narcan to help prevent overdoses. Many people are seriously at risk and she is proud to carry a bill that she hopes will save a lot of lives. Once the budget is passed hopefully on April 1st, we go into the lawmaking part of the year, and will spend a few months taking care of bills that the legislators and their communities have expressed interest in passing. Deputy Mayor McGovern asked if there was any talk about renaming the bridge. Assemblymember Shimsky stated that a bill has been introduced, and she notes that a lot of people were unhappy with the way the renaming process went. While she understands the concern, she would prefer to focus on the condition of the roads and bridges in the Hudson Valley at this time. Trustee Rinaldi thanked Assemblymember Shimsky for the legislation that was passed as he knows it will save lives. Narcan has already saved thousands and thousands of lives. Mayor Brown noted that Tarrytown takes housing affordability very seriously, and she believes that the nuts and bolts of affordable housing should be left to the local municipalities. She hopes the Governor trusts that we will have these discussions, and she recognizes that we know our communities best. Assemblymember Shimsky replied that many communities in this area have been discussing this and she recognizes that it is not a one size fits all, we are all different. Many people are sympathetic to the fact that we do need more housing in our state and we are beginning to have a real affordability crisis. At the same time, you need to make sure you approach the problem with local conditions of the community in mind. That is what you are here to do, and there are things we can do to help you along and we are here to do that. Mayor Brown thanked Assemblymember Shimsky for representing us, and said she looks forward to her

bringing home the bacon. Assemblymember Shimsky stated that once they get past the initial budget resolutions we will be able to talk about some of the fiscal needs our communities have and hopefully be able to help with some of those. We look forward to doing what we can.

ANNOUNCEMENT: TRUSTEE LIAISON POSITIONS

Mayor Brown reported that the Board of Trustees has spent a lot of time organizing themselves on how to work best with the committees, and make sure people are marching in the same direction respecting and honoring our Comprehensive Plan the best we can. The liaisons as they stand at this moment using the word theme per our Comprehensive Plan are:

Leading the theme of Mobility is David Kim as the liaison to the Transportation and Mobility Council

Leading the theme of Culture, Community and Education are Trustees McGovern and Mitchell serving the Recreation Advisory Council, the Seniors, Placemaking Committee and the Library.

Leading the theme of Built Environment with the Housing Affordability Task Force is Mayor Brown.

Leading the theme of Natural Environment, Open Space is David Kim who will be the liaison to TEAC and the Tree Commission.

Leading the theme of Safety and Security is Trustee Hoyt will be the liaison to the Police Department and TVAC. As for the Fire Department we need to have further discussions with them on how best to communicate the needs for that department.

Leading the theme of Communication, we are starting a Communications Committee this year, and Trustees Phillips-Staley and Trustee Rinaldi will be the liaisons.

Mayor Brown concluded by stating they would also look to form and Economic Development Committee which would focus on bringing businesses to the community, and how to market the Village for tourism.

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

Dolf Beil from White Plains and a taxpayer on Main Street wished to express his thoughts on Dr. Stanley Friedlander. He feels his credentials are exceptional and there is no one with better qualifications. He clearly has foresight and knowledge about our Village. There is the perception that his stand on 29 South Depot Plaza caused him to be demoted and caused Paul Birgy to be canned. He thinks everyone would agree including the Cornell Study that it is an environmentally sensitive area. Mr. Beil stated that changes still need to be made to the Village website, a Planning Board Chair needs to be reappointed, and three committees need attention, the Library, Placemaking and THMA. He would like to work with the appropriate person to get things cleaned up and done correctly. Mr. Beil continued by talking about the two million dollars in the budget last year and how it couldn't be removed. He's assuming it is because it is a last minute thing. Since there are two weeks before the budget is presented, he has listed the capital items the Board might consider for inclusion in the budget. Three in particular are the Eastview Pump Station, the Crest Water pressure and dredging the marina. He feels it is important to consider these items in a way that involves the public. Mr. Beil also encourages the Board to consider allowing more time for the public to examine the budget over a period of time.

John Callahan from Crest Drive thanked the Tree Commission for their hard work. He asked if someone planted a tree in Tarrytown in honor of the queen of England. Was that approves? Mayor Brown replied it was not a Village project, it was a gift. Mr. Callahan asked where the tree was so he could go walk his dog. If we understand history, there is a good argument

made against honoring someone like her. He implores the Board to look into this as it is brutally offensive to the Irish.

Deputy Clerk Fasman explained that there is a process if someone wants to plant a tree in honor of someone they can buy a plaque and put it on a tree in the Village. That's what this person did.

SCHEDULE BUDGET HEARING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 – 2024

On a motion made by Trustee Mitchell, and seconded by Trustee Kim the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 6-0

Mayor Brown noted that last year we tried to make the budget more user friendly, and this year we are going to continue on that track on making the budget easier to understand. Deputy Clerk Fasman noted that moving forward after the budget hearings, we will be obtaining software called ClearGov that will allow us to produce a digital budget book that people will be able to dive into and it's much more understandable with charts, graphs and narratives. This should be in place by June 1st. Administrator Slingerland stated that on March 20th we will give a presentation about the tax increases and where money is planned to be spent. The Public Hearing on the budget will continue on April 3rd. At the April 12th Work Session we will be finalizing everything and the budget adoption is scheduled for April 17th. If anyone has any comments between March 17th and April 10th you should communicate them to the Board or the Administrators office and we can consider them and make any changes that may be necessary.

WHEREAS, the Village Administrator plans to submit the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023 – 2024 to the Village Clerk for release to the public by the close of business at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 17, 2023; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with State law, timetables must be followed in order to fully consider the tentative budget, including its adoption by before May 1 each year; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown to proceed in this process;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown hereby schedules the Budget Hearing at the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees on Monday, March 20, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, One Depot Plaza, Tarrytown, New York for the presentation of the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 6/1/2023 – 5/31/2024, which is planned to be in compliance with and not require an override of the New York State 2% local government tax cap; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice is hereby given pursuant to New York State Village Law Section 5-508 (3) that the annual compensation to be paid to the Board of Trustees is as follows:

Mayor \$4,800

Trustees \$2,400

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to advertise and publish the necessary and appropriate public notices as required by law.

AUTHORIZING THE INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT (IMA) WITH WESTCHESTER COUNTY FOR THE CDBG GRANT TO FUND THE PURCHASE OF A NEW SENIOR BUS

On a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGovern, and seconded by Trustee Mitchell the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 6-0

WHEREAS, the Village of Tarrytown applied for a grant through the CDBG program administered by Westchester County, as part of the Urban County Consortium of

municipalities working together, and was successful in being awarded a grant to fund the purchase of a new Senior Bus.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown hereby authorize the Village to enter into the Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) with Westchester County for the CDBG grant to fund the purchase of a new Senior Bus, and authorizes Village Administrator Richard Slingerland to execute the agreement, and authorizes the Village to take any other necessary and appropriate actions that are necessary to effect this agreement, based on the review and acceptance of the Village Attorney, Village Treasurer and Village Clerk.

RE-APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER OF THE PLANNING BOARD

On a motion made by Trustee Mitchell, seconded by Trustee Rinaldi, with Trustee Kim voting nay the following resolution was approved. Approved: 5-1

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby reappoint Dr. Stanley Friedlander as a member of the Planning Board for a term to expire in December of 2027.

APPOINTMENT JOSEPH CLEWELL LABORER

On a motion made by Trustee Rinaldi, and seconded by Deputy Mayor McGovern the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 6-0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown hereby authorizes the appointment of Joseph Clewell to the position of Laborer (pursuant to the contract between the Village and the CSEA) in the Department of Public Works at an annual starting salary of \$54,389.00 effective Tuesday, March 7, 2023, on a provisional basis and subject to all applicable civil service rules and regulations, including a probationary period of not less than 12 weeks and not more than 52 weeks.

APPOINTMENT TWO PART-TIME LABORERS FOR THE PARKS DEPARTMENT

On a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGovern, and seconded by Trustee Mitchell the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 6-0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown hereby authorizes the appointment of David Rivera and James McCoy as 20-hour per week Part-Time Availability Laborers in the Parks Department to perform garbage collection and landscaping maintenance along the RiverWalk and other parks in the Village, as well as other related duties, from May through August, at an hourly wage of \$18.00 per hour effective Monday, May 1, 2023.

APPOINTMENT TWO TEMPORARY LABORERS FOR THE PARKS DEPARTMENT

On a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGovern, and seconded by Trustee Mitchell the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 6-0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown hereby authorizes the appointment of Malik Jones and Brandon Gallagher as Temporary Laborers in the Parks Department to perform landscaping maintenance on the RiverWalk and other parks in the Village, as well as other related duties, from April 3 through November 3, at an hourly wage of \$20.00 per hour effective Monday, April 3, 2023.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING OF FEBRUARY 21ST, 2023

On a motion made by Trustee Hoyt, and seconded by Deputy Mayor McGovern the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 6-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown hereby approves the minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting held on Tuesday, February 21st, 2023 as submitted by the Village Clerk.

APPROVAL OF AUDITED VOUCHERS

On a motion made by Trustee Rinaldi, and seconded by Deputy Mayor McGovern the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 6-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby approve Abstract No.16 of Audited Vouchers in the total amount of \$270,819.31 as presented by the Village Treasurer, to be paid in the following amounts:

General	\$ 109,814.38
Water	\$ 10,977.87
Sewer Fund	\$ 262.05
Capital	\$ 135,220.26
Library	\$ 7,672.84
Trust & Agency	\$ <u>6,871.91</u>
Total	\$ 270,819.31

Roll Call: Trustee Hoyt; Yes; Trustee Kim; Yes, Trustee Mitchell; Yes Trustee Rinaldi; Yes, Deputy Mayor McGovern; Yes, Mayor Brown; 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

Tina Bellino first wished to reiterate that she was not comparing Tarrytown to California, she was simply illustrating that permits went up almost 100 fold in under five years. Many constituents expressed disdain with the ADU proposal, but it fell on deaf ears. Tarrytown has accrued approximately 54 million dollars in debt according to the NYS Comptrollers website while Sleepy Hollow has roughly 14 million, and Irvington 18 million. That debt was approximately 5.6 million when Paul Janos was Mayor. For those residents who thought the Board had their best interests in mind, the deck soared tenfold and far exceeds our neighbor's debt. Now we face higher taxes when new construction brings more students to our schools, more traffic to our deteriorating roads, more trash to our sanitation department, and more calls to our Fire Department and first responders. All this while NYS is trying to pass the Good Cause Eviction Law which will make it harder for landlords to evict a tenant. Ms. Bellino quoted a landlord advocacy group that stated they were concerned this legislation would prohibit landlords from emptying properties to sell or take back simply because they no longer wanted to rent them. In addition, there is concern about capping rent increases in an inflationary environment. Increasing debt, disregarding concerned residents and pushing through their agenda does not seem to faze this Board. Who is representing the Tarrytown taxpayers adamantly against the imminent tax hike this Boards decision will certainly cause? Twenty five Mayors and Supervisors signed a letter to Hochul calling ADUs a recipe for disaster, a nightmare in the making and a blank check for developers. The same concerns were expressed week after week by your constituents in Tarrytown. No elected official in good conscience can support such an unreasonable approach to community growth. We believe that a fast track approval process that circumvents local authority will create perverse incentives for developers and will deprive Villages with valuable leverage needed in negotiations. Preserving Tarrytown needs a Board of Trustees not willing to drink the Governors Kool Aid, rather Trustees actually passing out the Kool Aid. At the conclusion of Ms. Bellino's statement, Mayor Brown stated that Ms. Bellino's concerns about the NYS Laws are valid and she should send them to her NYS Representative. AS for the Governor's proposal, Mayor Brown stated that she signed a letter along with other Westchester Officials that there are some good and not so good things in the bill, and they hope she reconsiders. As for Sleepy Hollows debt, Mayor Brown stated that there is an election in March in Sleepy Hollow and one of the candidates is stating that Sleepy Hollow is in more debt than Tarrytown. Ms. Bellino replied that she got this information off of the State Comptrollers website. Ms. Bellino stated that she appreciates whet the Mayor said about writing a letter to the Governor, as what she is proposing is virtually impossible for Tarrytown to sustain. Her only issue with the ADUs was because so many people are dead set against it. To pass it

when you didn't have because Hochul hadn't insisted on it go through this year's feels as if those voices were not heard. A lot of the people who spoke are renters who do not pay taxes. When the impact hits you directly you feel that the people you are entrusting to run your Village will hear your pleas.

Dolf Beil stated that the Comprehensive Plan was taken over by the Board in December. Four years ago we spent a quarter of a million dollars rethinking the plan. In another four years we will have to spend that again. In the three months you have taken it on, he hasn't heard anything about the Comprehensive Plan. The items he feels that are relevant are facilitate open communication, access, and institute quarterly symposium. None of that has happened. If you can't hold a quarterly symposium he suggests that the committee structure be revamped and use committees. He would think the 20 million dollar budget is probably on par or bigger than other issues and he encourages the Board to think about a Financial/Budget committee in the future. If that cannot be done, return peoples time behind the podium from three minutes to fifteen minutes. People want to communicate and they feel shut out. As for the committees, he feels they should provide quarterly reports. There are many committees that have never been heard from. All meetings should be posted on the Tarrytown link and be open to the public. Add more committees and a good one to start with is financial. Mayor Brown stated that we are trying to institute a new communications committee, and communications would include holding symposiums. In addition, we heard comments about the Affordable Housing Committee, and are taking steps to widen that committee to make it more diverse and more representative. Mr. Beil stated that he volunteers for the new communications committee.

John Callahan from Crest Drive thanked the Police for their report. Let's not forget to support all first responders, and on another note, the tree commission report was excellent. Mr. Callahan asked if the tax is capped at two percent. Administrator Slingerland replied it is at two percent, there is a growth factor, and then we have carryover from last year. Mr. Callahan thanked the Board for keeping it reasonable. Mr. Callahan stated that the war in which we fought the British over was due to a one percent tax increase. Mr. Callahan continued by referencing a comment that Trustee Phillips-Staley made at a prior meeting where she would stand on a street and show people ADUs. He encourages her to walk down South Lake Street in Spring Valley. The house where the fire took place recently was a two family home with three meters. This tells him it was an ADU. This is something the Board should look into. Mr. Callahan continued by stating that Trustee Rinaldi made a comment earlier about Fire Fighters welfare and he appreciates that, but he thinks his concern was focused on the after effects of some of the things they might have to deal with. He implores the Board to look more closely into the impact of ADUs and if the Board wants to help Fire Fighters, then start by supporting policies that keep them safe in the first place.

John Stilosky from Wildey Street first stated that there was an old electric but that ended up getting towed to New Hampshire and cost \$15,000 to remove the electric part because it was not usable. We should just go with a regular van. Regarding Asbury Terrace, the minutes reflect that we are all liars regarding the scam sale and screwing over the faith based groups and having Sadie McKeown as Committee Chairperson of the Housing Committee. The Mayor and Board see no merit to our claims. Exhibit A of the court documents dictate that it cannot be sold to a for profit, and it is clear it was sold to a for profit. Exhibit O states that rents will be raised 90 percent on all apartments. They lied to HUD about the number of apartments, leaving out 20 units in the non-section eight. These residents in non-section eight apartments will see a 90 percent increase. This is a fact on the court documents. Who investigated this in Tarrytown? Can they read English? How does the village attorney not see an issue? Remember, you all said there was no merit. The Village has a liaison assigned to the Asbury Board. Is she ok with letting people down and 90 percent rent increases and have people eligible for affordable housing making \$112,000 which was to be incorporated to 30-40 percent AMI? You have failed the people and faith groups such as Shiloh Baptist, Foster Memorial, Transfiguration, Temple Beth and First Reform. They were robbed of a building in their control to watch over the people in need. Maybe the Board never notified the faith groups as required by the by-laws. All of this is in black and white in the court documents. AS Trustee Rinaldi said, a lie and a lie does not make it the truth and to cover up such an issue makes all as guilty as anyone involved. Trustee Rinaldi you run with the liars, but then again I expect nothing less from someone who wants to dress down our police with water guns. Administrator Slingerland responded to Mr. Stiloski's comments by stating the Village does not and has not had any authority over the sale of Asbury Terrace. The Attorney General indicated that it had no objection to the sale, and the sale was approved by the court. The Village had nothing to do with the sale of Asbury Terrace. We looked into the accusation that Sadie McKeown was personally profiting or benefiting from her work with

the village, and we found no basis to the claim. The Village has continuing confidence in her contributions to the Village on affordable housing issues. If anyone has further questions regarding the sale of Asbury Terrace, they are referenced in court documents that are part of the package that was submitted and approved by New York State. People may contact or submit inquiries to the Attorney General's Office since this is not within the Village of Tarrytown's jurisdiction and we have no authority over it.

An unnamed spectator in the audience stated to the Board that he is not happy that his grandfather has been blamed and he is not the one who sold the building.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 pm on a motion made by Mayor Brown, and seconded by Trustee Hoyt with all voting aye: 6-0

Kristine Gilligan Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF TARRYTOWN TREE COMMISSION Annual Report to the Board of Trustees 6 March 2023

§ 281-1

Legislative intent.

There is a direct relationship between the number of trees planted in a community and the health and safety and welfare of that community. Trees provide shade, add color, control water and air pollution, stabilize the soil and prevent erosion. The destruction of shade trees causes increased municipal costs for proper drainage control and impairs the benefits of occupancy of existing residential properties. In order to provide protection against the indiscriminate destruction of trees, this chapter establishes minimum standards for tree protection.

8 281-2

Powers and duties of Superintendent of Public Works.

[Amended 9-16-2019 by L.L. No. 9-2019]

The Superintendent of the Department of Public Works or their designee shall have supervision over all trees planted or growing within the lines of all public streets and places of the Village and the planting, removal, care, maintenance and protection thereof pursuant to the provisions of this chapter. The Superintendent of Public Works or their designee shall have the right to trim, spray, preserve and plant such trees as may be necessary to preserve symmetry or to remove or cause to be removed any tree or part thereof that is in an unsafe condition or that, by reason of its nature, is injurious to sewers or other public improvements or is infected with any injurious fungus, insect or other pest. The Superintendent of Public Works shall meet with the Tree Commission on an annual basis to provide the Commission with a tree planting and tree maintenance plan for the land within the lines of all public streets and places. Where there is any doubt as to whether a tree is in an unsafe condition or is causing an unsafe condition or is infected with any injurious fungus, insect or pest, the Superintendent of Public Works or their designee shall consult with the Tree Warden prior to removal of any tree. In this situation the final decision is by the Tree Warden.

§ 281-3

Tree Warden.

The Board of Trustees shall select an individual with knowledge of the planting and maintenance of trees to serve as the Tree Warden for the Village of Tarrytown. The Tree Warden shall represent the Tree Commission and shall have the powers, rights and responsibilities as provided for in this chapter and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Trustees.

P 281-5 Tree Commission.

A.

The Board of Trustees shall create a Tree Commission which shall consist of seven members, including the Building Inspector, the Superintendent of Public Works, the Tree Warden, a member from the Environmental Advisory Council and three members selected from the residents of the Village of Tarrytown. A quorum shall consist of at least three members present. There shall be a liaison between the Tree Commission and the Planning Board. The Board of Trustees shall also select a Chairperson for the Commission who shall serve as liaison to the Village Administrator. The Chairperson shall be responsible for communicating to all departments.

This may be the logical time to introduce the members of the Three Commission. I am Martin Hauser, Chair of the Commission. In addition to Dan Pennella, the Village Engineer, the Superintendent of Public Works, Lou Martirano, is represented by William McGuire, DPW General Foreman. Our Certified Arborist is Redmond Tsao, Our Tree Warden is Peter Bartlett, who is also a certified arborist. Our Liaison with the Planning Board is David Aukland. Ron Tedesco, our long-time Secretary and Anne O'Brien, former Chair of the Commission, serve as members from the community. Cathy Ruhland is our Liaison with the Tarrytown Environmental Advisory Council and now serves as our Secretary.

[Amended 9-16-2019 by L.L. No. 9-2019]

B.

The voluntary members of the Tree Commission, excluding the Tree Warden, shall serve for three-year terms, such terms to be on a staggered basis. The members of the Commission shall receive no compensation for their services as members but may, in the discretion of the Board of Trustees, be permitted the necessary and actual expenses which shall be incurred in the performance of duties under this chapter.

C.

All determinations and decisions made by the Tree Commission shall be by a majority vote. The Commission is hereby authorized and empowered to obtain the assistance, when necessary, of persons especially qualified by reason of training or experience in tree planting, preservation and landscaping. Should the Commission seek assistance, based upon an appeal permitted under § 281-11 of this chapter, all costs thereof shall be borne by the party seeking said appeal. Assistance requested by the Commission not related to the appeal process shall be borne by the Village.

D.

The Tree Commission shall meet, at a minimum, on a monthly basis. Said meetings shall be regularly scheduled and advertised on the Village Calendar. At the meeting, the Commission shall review the tree permits that are pending, have been issued and denied by the Tree Warden, the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Planning Board. The Tree Commission shall review site plan/zoning variance applications currently pending before either the Zoning Board of Appeals and/or the Planning Board and issue recommendations to either Board with respect to any aspect of said application that may impact trees, shrubs and/or related plantings. The Commission shall also hear any appeals based upon the denial of a permit by the Tree Warden. The Commission may have regular meetings or on a more frequent basis. A special meeting may be convened should either the Chairperson or two other members of the Commission deem such a meeting to be necessary.

E.

The Tree Commission reserves the right to refuse permits for tree destruction if it feels that the best interests of the public are not served by the proposed development. It may further revoke any permit if the work is not proceeding according to permit and in an orderly and diligent manner.

The Tree Commission shall have control over payments to and disbursements from the Village Tree Fund, created in § 281-13 herein below.

I might add that the establishment of a Tree Commission is one of the requirements for Tarrytown being named a "Tree City" by the National Arbor Day Foundation. This designation qualifies us to receive grants for tree-planting for which we would otherwise be eligible.

I'd like to begin with a postscript from 2021, As part of the Village Veterans Day observance on November 11th of that year we planted a small grove of three Canadian Redbud trees behind the Veterans Monument in Patriots Park, to honor our veterans and to add additional beauty to the

park. These trees were purchased with a grant from the New York State Forestry Council.

As the year began, we started work on revising the Village Tree ordinance with a view toward increased clarity and a more accurate reflection of the way that the TC and other Village Departments work together.

In the interests of continuing education, the members of the TC read *The Hidden Life of Trees*, by Peter Wohlleben, recommending it to the Village, and ensuring that copies were on hand in the Warner Library.

The TC began investigating possible grants, including a long-desired grant for a tree inventory of the Village. We strategized about our goal of planting 100 trees per year on Village property, and continued a survey of Main Street for possible planting sites.

In February, we continued to investigate grant money, including a community forest grant program, with grants ranging up to \$300,000. Board of Trustees liaison Robert Hoyt offered his support for our efforts. The TC began reviewing a proposed revision of the Village Tree Ordinance prepared by David Aukland. The NYSDEC requested that an overgrown area on the Upper Lakes be cleared, in view of the three pipes that empty into the lake at that point. The work was done later in the year, and the area was replanted in the fall.

In March, we planned the Annual Arbor Day Celebration, which again, is one of the requirements for our desgnation as a "Tree City." We also began preparations for a tree giveaway of 200 trees to be given to residents to plant on their property. We decided on 100 deciduous trees (red maple and white oak) and 100 evergreen trees (Serbian spruce and Douglas fir). These were to be procured for us by Assistant Village Administrator Alissa Fasman. Volunteers would be requested from TEAC to help wrap tyhe saplings in newspaper and bags for distribution. DPW General Foreman William McGuire took up the task of identifying locations for the 100 trees that we hope to plant in 2022. Our Arborist, Lisa Montana, having resigned after many years of faithful service, we began the search for a replacement. The TC members edited the first draft of the new Tree Ordinance. Our Secretary, Ron Tedesco, prepared an article entitled "Fourteen Useful Tips on Creating and Maintaining Your Landscape" for publication in the TEAC Newsletter.

The Annual Arbor Day Event took place on April 29th in Patriot's Park, with first-graders from Paulding School in attendance. The Mayor read a proclamation and singer-musician Bill Hurst led us all in a rousing rendition of Woody Guthrie's "This Land Is Your Land." Parks Foreman Anthony Ross and his crew planted an American Hornbeam toward the north end of the park. Tedesco, O' Brien and myself conducted an additional survey of Main Street, photographing possible locations for tree plantings. Village Attorney Kathy Zelantis was given the draft of the new Tree Ordinance for a preliminary review. Our spring tree giveaway took place on Ducky Derby Day, the trees being given out by Alissa Fasman, my son Ashlyn, and myself All 200 trees found homes.

In May, DPW General Foreman William McGuire selected over 30 sites for planting, toward our goal of 100 trees. McGuire met with Tree Warden Peter Bartlett to select additional possible locations. Alissa Fasman provided the TC with an interactive, color-coded map of possible tree locations for our perusal during the summer prior to the fall tree planting season.

The NYSDEC's Trees for Tribs program aims to reforest New York's tributaries – small creeks and streams that flow into larger rivers and lakes – by planting trees and shrubs along these

waterways. Having decided to apply for a Trees for Tribs grant, the TC began discussing which of the possible sites for planting would best benefit from planting. It was decided to ask for volunteer help with the planting from TEAC.

Through their membership in the National Arbor Day Foundation, Tedesco and O'Brien provided the TC with ten deciduous and ten evergreen saplings.

In June the TC discussed the desirability of applying for a grant for Sarah Michaels Park, but the discussion was deferred until a conceptual plan for the park has been completed.

Representatives from NYSDEC visited Tarrytown to suggest possible locations for the Trees for Tribs saplings. David Aukland, AlissaFasman, myself, and TEAC chair Rachel Tieger accompanied them. It was decided to plant in the recently cleared area of the Upper Lake. TEAC agreed to provide volunteers to plant the saplings.

The TC supported the plans for the Downtown Streetscape Renewal Program, being present at the public hearing to introduce the project and signing off on the species of trees selected for planting.

With Fasman's assistance, the TC reviewed the color-coded interactive map in order to further our goal of planting 100 trees on Village property. McGuire and Bartlett agreed to do a walk-thru of the proposed locations in the fall as work began.

In July, 29 locations were proposed for planting street trees, to be done by the end of September.

TC members discussed the Village Zoning Code, requiring one tree to be planted for every 10 parking spaces on parking lots. It was noted that the Village is in violation of its own Zoning Code.

The TC began planning for its second tree giveaway, to be held in the fall.

In August, it was agreed that 51 trees would be planted on sidewalks and in public parks, including Patriots Park, Neperan Park, Wilson Park, and the Riverwalk. The trees were scheduled for delivery by the end of September.

It was decided that the the planting of 200 Trees for Tribs saplings at the Upper Lake would take place on 14 October, with volunteers from TEAC and the community doing the planting.

Village Attorney Zelantis provided the TC with a second draft of the new Tree Ordinance for the Village after completing her review of our work.

The fall tree giveaway was scheduled for Saturday, October 1st. Bartlett and Tedesco volunteered to hand out the trees. Volunteers from TEAC agreed to assist TC members with wrapping the saplings in wet newspaper and recyclable bags at Village Hall on the day prior to the giveaway.

Secretary Ron Tedesco provided the TC with a detailed update on the Spotted Lantern Fly.

In September, at the suggestion of Tarrytown resident Mark Nattier, the TC planted a 10' native oak tree in Wilson Park in memory of Her Late Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain and Ireland. A small plaque commemorates the planting.

The TC asked Tree Warden Peter Bartlett to recommend a suitable tree or trees to be planted at the Riverfront roundabout. Given the location near the river, desirable specimens should tolerate full sun, salt, and high winds. Bartlett suggested a sweet gum tree, which we will order and plant in the spring.

The TC began consideration of Trustee David Kim's suggestion to look for planting sites on North Broadway in the area around Horsefeathers Restaurant and C-Town Market.

In October, Mai Mai Margules of TEAC did a presentation for us on "Keystone" native trees, these being trees that support the most pollinators and other native fauna. Of these, oaks are the most desirable, attracting a wide range of pollinators.

Red Tsao wa selected as the new arborist for the Tree Commission. Tsao serves as a consulting arborist with Save-A-Tree, and is highly qualified to assist us in our work.

A sub-committee of the TC was selected to review the third draft of the new Tree Ordinance and report back to the Commission in November.

The fall tree giveaway on October 1st was a great success. Ron Tedesco and Tree Warden Peter Bartlett gave away 50 balsam fir and 150 white spruce trees to Village residents, including one of each to the Mayor. The weather that day was exceptionally uncooperative. Fortunately, Alissa Fasman was able to provide a tent, which made the event possible.

The Trees for Tribs planting took place on October 14th. About 200 native shrubs and trees were planted at a site on the Upper Lake opposite the Tarrytown Water Pump station on 401 Neperan Road. The area was prepared in advance for planting by the DPW. Volunteers from TEAC and the community planted the saplings.

Thus, the total for 2022 was 254 trees and shrubs planted on Village property and 400 trees given away to home owners to plant on private property.

For all this we owe a huge debt of gratitude to the DPW for their unfailing collegiality and support, to the members and volunteers of TEAC for being there whenever we needed extra hands, and especially to Assistant Village Administrator Alissa Fasman for expertly handling the logistics for all our projects and generally serving above and beyond the call of duty.

At the end of the month, I wrote an article on "Environmentally Responsible Christmas Trees" for the November edition of the TEAC Newsletter

In November, Red Tsao was introduced to and welcomed by the Tree Commission. The subcommittee on the new Tree Ordinance presented a copy of the document with changes highlighted in purple and points still to be decided in yellow. Since no agreement wa forthcoming on these points, it was agreed that we would think about them for a month and try again to come agreement at our December meeting.

Our December meeting was a work session and holiday dinner at Horsefeathers Restaurant. Cathy Ruhland was introduced to and welcomed by the members as our new liaison with TEAC, It was decided that the new Tree Ordinance would be accompanied by a list of suggested trees for homeowners to plant to replace trees taken down. Three lists would be collated: Recommended trees from NYSDEC and Cornell University, and the list of "Keystone Species" from the National Wildlife Federation. The combined list would be reviewed by our two arborists with a

view to removing species currently threatened by insects or disease and those that do not tend to withstand winter storms. The list would include basic information about each tree: habitus, light and water requirements. At that point, dinner was served and our work for 2022 concluded,

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Hauser, Chair & Ron Tedesco, Past Secretary Village of Tarrytown Tree Commission

2022 AMBULANCE COMPANY SERVICE CERTIFICATION FORM SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM

Village of Tarrytown Tarrytown Volunteer Ambulance Corp.

DEADLINE: MARCH 31, 2023

INSTRUCTIONS

New York State General Municipal Law requires that the list of members of the Ambulance Company indicating those who earned a year of Service Credit during 2022, those who did not earn a year of Service Credit in 2022, those who were granted Prior Service Credit (years of Service Credit earned prior to the program's effective date) in 2022, and those who waived participation must be certified under oath by the President, Secretary and Chief (or comparable officers). Once complete, the entire 2022 Data Request Package should be sent to the Village of Tarrytown for approval.

CERTIFICATION

We certify under oath that the attached list includes all Active Members of the Ambulance Company during the 2022 calendar year and indicates the points earned by each volunteer in accordance with the Service Award Program Point System which will be used to determine who will be credited with a year of service. We further certify that any prior service credit reported on the listing was earned during 2022 in accordance with the provisions of the Service Award Program.

Ambulance Company President

Date

Ambulance Company Secretary

Date

Ambulance Company Chief

Date

CERTIFICATION (GREEN)

2022 SPONSOR APPROVAL FORM

SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM

Village of Tarrytown Tarrytown Volunteer Ambulance Corp.

DEADLINE: MAY 1, 2023

This form is to be signed by either the clerk (along with a copy of the certified resolution) or by all members of the Village of Tarrytown governing board once the certified points listing has been reviewed and approved by the Board. Once this form has been completed, the entire Data Request Package should be returned to the Ambulance Company so that the list can be posted for at least 30 days as required by New York State Law.

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APPROVAL		
By resolution of the Village of Tarrytova ambulance workers of the Tarrytown a copy of the certified board resolution	Volunteer Ambulance Corp. has be	
Clerk	Date	
If a copy of the certified resolution governing board sign below. The \ ambulance worker Service Award if workers of the Ambulance Compar	fillage of Tarrytown herein appro Program list of all 2022 active vo	oves the volunteer
Governing Board Member	Date	

APPROVAL (BLUE)

2022 Service Award Program Ambulance Records

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	Ramon		12/21/1984	M	1	70	11 Independence Street	Tarrytown, NY 10591	Active
	Mary		1/11/1960	ъ.	5	28.5	48 Benedict Avenue	Tarrytown, NY 10591	Active
	Joseph		6/2/1957	M	4	0	17 S. Eckar St., Apt. B	Irvington, NY 10533	Active Left-
	John		2/26/1995	¥	1	0	27 Pine Close	Sleepy Hollow, NY 10591	Agra 1.05
	Sharon		9/17/1966	4	7	50.25	173 Read Avenue	Crestwood, NY 10707	Active
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24 Young	Alaric	Ġ	11/13/1946	M	14	N/A * Note: Not eligib	500 Benedict Avenue ble to earn points; please upda	N/A 500 Benedict Avenue Tarrytown, NY 10591 * Note: Not eligible to earn points; please update address or notify of death only. *	Entitled 12/2011
Сатеу	Norah		9/4/1990	Ŀ	9		117 Grove Street	Tamytown, NY 10591	Vested/Left 2019
Connelly	Ellen		4/16/1987	Ľ.	æ	d	15 Bridge Street	Tamytown, NY 10591	Vested/Leff 2012
Croll	Susan	۵	11/15/1963	tL.	11	d	590 Bedford Rd #3	Pieasantville, NY 10570	Vested/Leff 2015
28 D'Angelo	Thomas		1/20/1986	W	9		15 Church Street	Croton-on-Hudson, NY 10520	Vested/Left 2019
29 DeSanctis	Daniel		4/24/1989	W	7	0	40 Lake Terrace	Tarrytown, NY 10591	Vested/Leff 2015
30 Dubinsky-Wilkowski	Martha	Ś	9/28/1962	压	11	0	73 Carrollwood Drive	Tarrytown, NY 10591	Vested/Left 2011
31 Hartog	Lloyd	ъó	4/17/1963	Σ	13	0	101 Stephen Drive	Tamytown, NY 10591	Vested/Left 2014
32 Hilario	Artel		2/1/1993	×	7	0	68 Wildey Street	Tarrytown, NY 10591	Vested/Left 2019

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Last name	First name	Ē	MI Date of Birth Gender		Accrued Service Credit	2022 Points Earned	Mailing Address	Office State of Clocks	
33 Hoyt	Robert	Ϋ́	12/25/1963	Σ	18		3 Hillside Street	Tarrytown, NY 10591	Vested/Left 2018
34 Hoyt, III	Robert		8/25/1987	×	မ	O	3 Hillside Street	Tarrytown, NY 10591	Vested/Left 2013
35 Husband	Michael		9/23/1959	W	20	d	17 Wood Court, Apt D	Tarrytown, NY 10591	Vested/Left 2019
36 Irizarry	Lydia		8/5/1958	F	9	Q	P.O. Box 8663	Tarrytown, NY 10591	Vested/Left 2004
37 Lawson	Cathleen	,	8/18/1973	LT.	၃	0	710 Worburton Avenue, #6L	Yonkers, NY 10701	Vested/Left 2006
38 Scogna	Deborah		3/22/1960	ᄄ	8	ଦ	99 MacArthur Lane	Tarrytown, NY 10591	Vested/Left 2019
39 Semeraro	Lori		4/11/1971	ĽL.	12	0	205 Martling Avenue	Tarrytown, NY 10591	Vested/Left 2010
40 Tucal	Richard	ᅹ	8/22/1969	Σ	6		35 Lolt Avenue	Tarrytown, NY 10591	Vested/Left 2010
41 Wilgermein	Anabel		6/2/1968	L.	7	0	330 S. Broadway, #F1	Tarrytown, NY 10591	Vested/Left 2010
42 Wilson	Gregory	Ö	11/10/1961	Σ	12	0	22 Grandvlew Avenue	Suffern, NY 10901	Vested/Left 2013
43 Wilkowski	Michael	Α̈́	11/4/1962	Σ	12	0	73 Carrollwood Drive	Tarrytown, NY 10591	Vested/Left 2012
44 Yamamoto	Kai		4/29/1974	Σ	9	Q	48 Windle Park	Tarrytown, NY 10591	Vested/Left 2009