

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING:

FEBRUARY 16, 2021

A Village Board of Trustees Regular Meeting took place on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. held on a Virtual Zoom Meeting.

PRESENT:

Mayor Bucco, Deputy Mayor Lang, Trustee Laudato, Calore & Sampson.

ALSO PRESENT:

Washingtonville Police Chief Zaccaro.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG – TRUSTEE CALORE:

Trustee Calore led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR BUCCO:

Thanking all residents for patience as DPW continues to move snow off streets. Relevying of Water Bills to Taxes; 1st 3 Quarters of yr. relevied if not paid.

NEW BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION – 17 CLINTON DR – MAYOR BUCCO:

Owner request. purchase; green area behind house. 80X90 ft & extend driveway curb cut by 12ft wide; property is 90X120 ft; met w/John Terry, Chris Martino; property surveyed; needs to extend back; not requiring retaining wall; planting trees; required to maintain it; no sheds or any type of bldg. going on; Board approves.

DISCUSSION – 61 EAST MAIN ST – MAYOR BUCCO:

Proposed site plan; in middle is existing house; residential; 2 bed apt; green area 40 ft setback / park area; must go in front of ZBA & PB; must go to state; on state highway. RT94 there is a crosswalk; traffic light; traffic study would be beneficial. PL: Traffic study would be good; unsure of parking areas; pocket park; stay involved to limitations; architectural review board of how we want bldg. to look brow w/94; a lot of open space; turn it perpendicular; would not be distraction; a lot of empty spaces in village; I give permission to develop plan & get on agenda; letter sent to them about board feels; All of Board approves; move to engineer.

RESOLUTION – TO APPOINT POLICE REFORM COMMITTEE – MAYOR BUCCO:

Trustee Calore made a motion, seconded by Trustee Sampson for approval of appointment of the following as the Police Reform Committee, "Village Board of Trustees, Chief Zaccaro, Sgt. Cirigliano & Conflitti; Lisa Stivers; Natalie Powell, Elijah Sampson, James Kolar, Nikki Munoz, Rich Calore Jr., Lynn Imperato, John Hastings, Colleen Doyle". 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

RESOLUTION – REHIRING OF DISPATCHER CHERYL WEISSER:

Deputy Mayor Lang made a motion, seconded by Trustee Calore for approval of the Re-Hiring of Cheryl Weisser for the position of a "Part-Time Dispatcher" at an hourly rate of \$21.20 per hour. 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

DISCUSSION – PUBLIC HEARING – MARCH 1, 2021 – MAYOR BUCCO:

Local Laws Regulation Open Burning & Renal Properties; March 16th no mtg.

DISCUSSION – 3 UNDERWRITERS – MAYOR BUCCO:

Discussing if we want Bldg. Dept to extend #; owner contacts them; not slowing down inspections; bldg. dept. busy; if we want more electric underwriters than we have; not pressing right now; discuss w/John & come back; table it until next mtg.

DISCUSSION – 4 WAY STOP – CHIEF ZACCARO:

Intersection at Ahern Blvd & Toleman Rd; needs traffic study. Traffic light: better than 4-Way stop; more dangerous w/cars from Taft towards Town; study on accidents, tickets issued & present info. to board next month or present that to board in couple of days through email.

DISCUSSION – STOP SIGN – HOPKINS CT – MAYOR BUCCO:

Have a stop sign leaving Woodfield; dangerous; ask Zoning Board. Board agrees that Stop Sign should be investigated for that area.

BZ: Warning Sign, Slow down, stop ahead, Stop Sign, all great ideas. We need to check if there are speed limit signs on roads.

We can put a police officer there to keep radar; car counting & move radar sign over to area; meet w/Chris Martino.

DISCUSSION – DPW CONTRACT – MAYOR BUCCO:

Trustee Calore & I went on line item; just clarifications; call into business agent; we plan on talking on Thursday; time not set yet; I will forward you that time.

RESOLUTION – VILLAGE INSPECTORS:

Deputy Mayor Lang made a motion, seconded by Trustee Sampson to authorize the following individuals, "Russell Hallock, Karen Alben, Beth Martin, Barbara Becker & Linda Amato" to be named Village Inspectors for the Village Election to be held at the Village Hall, 9 Fairlawn Drive, Washingtonville, New York on March 16th, 2021, between the hours of 12:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M. 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Bill: Mult. Dwelling; 26 Units; 52 Units Total; Dawn Sulka; senior housing & apt available; Stipulation ZBA on; ZBA/PBA Mtg. Info. regarding 17 Clinton Dr.; hold on widening driveway upon curb cut; go ahead for prop. have addition but Village willing to sell property. Should 61 East Main St. Proj. go to PB prior to ZBA?

JB: Procedure attorneys will take care of.

Celina Rofer: People Driving on Ahern; 25/30 mph & speed regulated by stop signs; no warning to slow down from Hopkins; warning for park up ahead until road is dedicated; sign warning them upon oncoming traffic.

Chief will investigate that.

JB: Street lights at foot of hill.

Scott Congesty: Prior app.? Any feedback from Attorney? VB not against it. Mayor will reach out to him in few days.

Bill: Will neighbors have to agree to sale of green area of 17 Clinton? What will area be used for?

JB: No, He just shows he wants to plant trees.

Dawn Sulka: Once 61 East Main St applicant submits plans, will there be public hearing & does bldg. usage need change from med office to resid.?

RC: Not med office.

Bill: Green area on Clinton Dr sold to homeowner; made basketball Ct; neighbors asked to sign off on sale of green area; what restrictions will be put in writing about what the land can be used for; there was complaints about bldgs. On Clinton Dr.

JB: He said to me this is plan, could not put a basketball court in; planting grass & trees; whatever agreed on is happening.

RC: Not medical, residential in area. Not zoned for that.

JB: Owns property Solar Array is on; do not know if they started.

Mr. Casazza: Flags for solar array; contract w/WCSD; bus students to out-of-districts schools; contracted w/ind. & location near schools for busses stored & solar array going in back & hidden; land near solar array require zoning change & I wanted to give board heads up I will proceed w/appropriate process to PBA & recommend what I would need as far as variances as far as from ZBA &/or Zoning Changes from Village; 1 bldg. for maintenance he would be connected to Village Water & Sewer System & he has 8-10 buses; 5 acres/maybe 10; driveway into parcel & parking for people to drive buses; area for parking autos for people who are going to take buses out & do routes; in application to PBA.

(Regarding Installation of Water Meter to Serve 2 South Street, 113-1-18)
Bldg. behind Nailed It; 1 meter; owned by same party; contacted water dept.; meter installed; violation of code; each supply connected as close to Village Water Main; water main on opposite side of route 208 from Nailed It; Chap 297, Board can approve connection distance to St. line, if meter is in appropriate location for Nailed It & it is separately metered for tax parcel if anyone does not pay water, meter can be shut off or relevied to taxes. Sewer separate, BI requested removal of water meter unless board approves location, sewer line runs in front of bldg. in rear, connecting sewer no issue; a sewer line runs in front of bldg. & rear of Nailed It & runs out of driveway providing access to Nailed It & bldg. next to bank, sewer line, where does water meter go? Not appropriate we dig street & curbing to run water line to other side of Route 208 when it could be separated where it enters bldg., is issue sewer or water meter? Issue was both.

PL: BI did a lot of work on it.

Mr. Casazza: Water meter installed; Village Board decide location is reasonable for connection; issue of sewer connection; discuss w/Mr. Terry; meter installed & we got water installed & got notice from Mr. Terry & I don't agree w/water; water meter not released to you in Section 169; code says each bldg. supplied w/water habits must have its own sep. connect. directly w/main except 2 or more bldgs. located on same premises not this case which are owned by same person made subject to written app. of owner & consent Board be supplied for same connection doesn't comply here b/c it's 2 diff. owners but when we talked to water dept. & requested meter nobody advised us.

PL: Day phone call came in, meter in for back bldg. at extent not our meter, could put own meter in for back bldg., water goes through Nailed It Hardware & bills back bldg. for water usage. Only option. Meter; basement of Nailed It Hardware.

Mr. Casazza: Meter taken out & proper meter installed; make agreement w/other property as to how bldg. is done; not surprise to Karin; I will advise my client that Village meter needs removal & replacement.

Mr. Beasley: Is development of 61 East Main a Flood Zone? Was there water retention design for roof square footage?

JB: Delineation, 100 yr. flood plain elevation. Proposal, engineered, same procedure as Chase Bank. Developer Moishe Halpin. Owner of property James Casazza.

Mr. Beasley: Buses hard to hide, topsoil needs concrete.

JB: Environmental issues; only approval is solar phone; proposed does not mean going through; done correct.

Tom DeVinko: Diff. bldgs. require potential zoning code changes; some not regulated for particular zone; we go through ZBA, if approved we are putting property/business in zone;

JB: Not considered another bldg. moratorium; mtgs. similar to 1 zone; permissible in another zone to clean up so ZBA/PBA are not in positions w/minor variances issues, backyard variances, etc. to help w/process would be to develop comp. plan over nxt. 15-20 yrs. & hire planner to assist; need somebody to have committee; planning residence & so forth that whole process; work itself out & have plenty of public hearing; proposed plan at 61 East Main Street is going to get worse from there.

RC: Zoning is Office Residential. 1 exemption allows multi-family.

JB: Comp. plan by bringing in members of public, ZBA, PBA, people w/stake in community.

Scott Congiusti: East Main; Water Restrictions in Summer. Change of 28 kitchens & 28 more bathrooms pulling from supply & feeding into sewer plant.

JB: We upgraded plant; 100,000 gallons; last comp. plan was 1995.

Dawn Sulka: Is this the size of accessory apt. It is a small apt. Submitted 2 concepts.

No further questions.

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Calore made a motion, seconded by Trustee Sampson to adjourn the meeting.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

SOPHIA FOLEY

ASSISTANT CLERK