

A Village Board Regular Meeting was held on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. at Village Hall, 9 Fairlawn Drive, Washingtonville, New York.

PRESENT:

Mayor Joseph Bucco; Deputy Mayor Valerie Laudato; Trustees Richard Calore and James Kolar.

ALSO PRESENT:

Department of Public Works (D.P.W.) Superintendent Christopher Martino and Village Police Chief Brian Zaccaro.

ABSENT:

Trustee Laurisa Sampson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Mayor Joseph Bucco led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MOMENT OF SILENCE – VICTIMS OF BUFFALO SUPERMARKET SHOOTING:

Mayor Bucco observed a Moment of Silence in memory of the victims of the Buffalo Supermarket Shooting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAYOR JOSEPH BUCCO:

Mayor Bucco announced that all Village Flags are at half staff in memory of the victims of the Buffalo Supermarket shooting.

The Mayor reported that the culvert replacement project located on Ahern Boulevard and Route 94 will begin on May 24, 2022. Postings will continue on Facebook, the Village Website and robocalls will be sent as the project moves forward.

Mayor Bucco indicated a sewer line has been relocated on Bull Road which enables the Culvert Replacement project to commence.

The Knights of Columbus (K. of C.) Carnival is scheduled for May 26 through May 31, 2022.

The Village of Washingtonville Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday, May 30, between 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

The Community Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, May 21 and Sunday, May 22 2022.

The Village is asking all residents please do not place grass, sticks or other debris in the brown bags put out by the curb. The Department of Public Works (D.P.W.) will not pick them up. The leaves go in the bag and get transported to a farm which uses the compost for cows and goats. Grass has pesticides in it that could hurt the animals.

RESOLUTION – SIGNAGE APPROVAL – ORANGE COUNTY TRANSIT LLC:

Trustee Calore made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Laudato and adopted to authorize the approval of an aluminum blue background sign with orange letters (company colors) for Orange County Transit LLC; said Resolution passed by a unanimous vote of the Village Board. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions.

STOP “N” SHOP – ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS:

Mayor Bucco stated Building Inspector John Terry received an application request from Stop “n” Shop Supermarket and the owner of Brotherhood Plaza regarding installation of electrical charging stations which have digital displays.

The Village Board expressed concerns regarding the utilization of handicapped stations and sounds coming from the unit. The installer states the Village of Washingtonville can stipulate hours of operation.

Trustee Calore made a motion, seconded by Trustee Kolar and adopted to authorize approval of four (4) Stop “N” Shop Electric Vehicle Charging Stations; said Resolution did not pass by a unanimous vote of the Village Board. 0 Ayes, 4 Nays, 0 Abstentions. Mayor Bucco declared said Resolution was not adopted because the Village Board has concerns regarding the utilization of handicap stations and sounds from the charging unit which need to be addressed by the Village Building Inspector.

RESOLUTION – 6 TOWERHILL DRIVE – BUILDING DEPARTMENT REQUEST – PARTIAL FOOTING:

Deputy Mayor Laudato made a motion, seconded by Trustee Kolar and adopted to authorize the approval of a partial underground footing drain at 6 Tower Hill Drive installed from the dwelling to attach to the catch basement in front of the homeowners property in order to prevent water from accumulating on the homeowners property and in the basement; said Resolution is based upon recommendation of Delaware Engineering Firm and passed by a unanimous vote of the Village Board; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions.

RESOLUTION – ORANGE AND ROCKLAND UTILITIES – EXCAVATION OF DECKER DRIVE AND YORK PLACE:

Mayor Bucco stated Orange and Rockland Utilities has requested to excavate eighteen (18) inches wide and eight (8) feet long from the curb to the property owners homes between 80 and 86 Decker Drive (which was recently repaved) due to a transformer shortage. No excavation will be conducted on Decker Drive. Village Building Inspector John Terry will collect permit fees, security deposit, inspection fees and a maintenance deposit from Orange and Rockland. Mayor Bucco also stated that Orange and Rockland Utilities will also excavate on York Place but this street is in need of repaving in the future by the Village.

Trustee Kolar made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Laudato and adopted to authorize the approval of excavation work by Orange and Rockland on York Place, and between 80 and 86 Decker Drive from the curb to where the residents property begins; said Resolution is based upon recommendation of Village Building Inspector

RESOLUTION – ORANGE AND ROCKLAND UTILITIES – EXCAVATION OF DECKER DRIVE AND YORK PLACE – (CONTINUED):

John Terry and submittal of appropriate fees, and passed by a unanimous vote of the Village Board. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions.

RESOLUTION – BUILDING DEPARTMENT REQUEST – 17 CLINTON DRIVE:

Mayor Bucco stated John Sheehan of 17 Clinton Drive is requesting to purchase green area behind his home. The homeowners submitted an appraisal and survey, and there may be a preexisting culvert drainage in the back area.

Trustee Calore made a motion, seconded by Trustee Kolar and adopted to authorize the approval of a request from Mr. Sheehan, 17 Clinton Drive to purchase green area behind the property at 17 Clinton Drive based upon stipulations such as no building is allowed in this green area, only plantings and Village Attorney approval.

JOHN DILLON – 22 HALLOCK DRIVE - RAISING OF LAND:

Mayor Bucco stated that John Dillon of Orange County Transmissions has submitted a request to utilize one or more Village owned lots on Cardinal Drive to mitigate extra land fill needed for his project at 22 Hallock Drive (installation of two pole buildings which needs land to be raised). These lots cannot be sold or built upon per F.E.M.A. restrictions.

Trustee Kolar made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Laudato and adopted to authorize utilization of Village owned Lots on the Moodna Creek side of Cardinal Drive at a fee of \$20,000 per lot usage for the allowance of two (2) – three (3) years to complete the project; said Resolution passed by a vote of 3 Ayes, 1 Nay, 0 Abstentions.

RESOLUTION – WASHINGTONVILLE PBA – NY STATE UNION OF POLICE ASSOCIATIONS – FULL AND PART TIME DISPATCHER UNION MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT:

Mayor Bucco made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Laudato and adopted to authorize the approval of the Washingtonville PBA New York State Union of Police Associations Full and Part Time Dispatcher Unit Memorandum of Agreement for the period of March 1, 2022 through February 29, 2024; said Resolution passed by a unanimous vote of the Village Board; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions.

WASHINGTONVILLE PBA – NY STATE UNION OF POLICE ASSOCIATIONS – FULL TIME POLICE OFFICERS UNIT MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT:

Trustee Kolar made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Laudato and adopted to authorize the approval of the Washingtonville P.B.A. New York State Union of Police Associations Full Time Police Officers Unit Memorandum of Agreement for the period of March 1, 2022 through February 29, 2024; said Resolution was passed by a unanimous vote of the Village Board. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions.

WASHINGTONVILLE – UPSEU PART TIME POLICE OFFICERS UNIT MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT:

Trustee Kolar made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Laudato and adopted to authorize the approval of the Washingtonville UPSEU Part Time Police Officers Unit Memorandum of Agreement for the Period of March 1, 2020 through February 28, 2023; said Resolution passed by a unanimous vote of the Village Board. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions.

NEW YORK STATE - OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:

Mayor Bucco stated New York State is offering a Low Income Household Water Assistance Program based upon the amount of unpaid water and wastewater bills owed by applicants. For further information, please utilize the following site: <https://otda.ny.gov/LIHWAP>.

RESOLUTION – SIGNAGE – 7 EAST MAIN STREET – COMPUTER GUY STORE:

Deputy Mayor Laudato made a motion, seconded by Trustee Kolar and adopted for the approval of a twenty-four (24) by seven (7) feet sign for the Computer Guy Store located at 7 East Main Street based upon documentation submitted to the Building Department; said Resolution passed by a unanimous vote of the Village Board. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions.

PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS:

There were no public comments on Agenda items.

PUBLIC COMMENT – NON-AGENDA ITEMS (CONTINUED):

Audience member Sean Hegarty questioned if the Village is working on Woodfield Parks and Recreation, and Mayor Bucco responded discussions are in place. Mr. Hegarty also questioned did the Town of Blooming Grove clarify what the Village taxpayers money is being utilized for in the Town? Mayor Bucco responded it is only the beginning and the meeting that took place with the Town of Blooming Grove was productive and is still a work in progress.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Deputy Mayor Laudato made a motion, seconded by Trustee Calore and adopted to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters; said Resolution passed by a unanimous vote of the Village Board. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING:

Trustee Kolar made a motion, seconded by Trustee Calore and adopted to adjourn the Executive Session, and resume the Village Board of Trustees Regular Meeting; said Resolution passed by a unanimous vote of the Village Board. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions.

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Calore made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Laudato and adopted to adjourn the May 17, 2022 Village Board Regular Meeting; said Resolution passed by a unanimous Vote of the Village Board. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
CHRISTINE SHENKMAN
VILLAGE CLERK**