

A Village Board Work Session Meeting was held on Monday, May 15, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. at Village Hall, 9 Fairlawn Drive, Washingtonville, New York.

PRESENT:

Mayor Thomas DeVinko; Deputy Mayor Susan Walski; Trustee Donna Jacaruso; Trustee Steve Presser and Trustee Vernon Coleman.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Mayor Thomas DeVinko led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Thomas DeVinko expressed thanks and gratitude to Leo of Metro Sound Pros Inc. for loaning the Village of Washingtonville an audio sound system.

RESOLUTION – ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEMBERS:

Trustee Jacaruso made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walski and adopted to appoint Patrice Gesner and Bill Carroll to the Zoning Board of Appeals; said Resolution passed by a unanimous vote. 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions.

RESOLUTION – ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD MEMBERS:

Trustee Jacaruso made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walski and adopted to appoint Jeffrey LaDeau, Steven Tolli, Ann Mammoliti and Ted Ulloa to the Architectural Review Board; said Resolution passed by a unanimous vote. 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions.

RESOLUTION – CODE OF ETHICS BOARD MEMBERS:

Trustee Jacaruso made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walski and adopted to appoint Jacqui Budakowski, Pat Mitchell, Joely Zarra, Jaime White and Kenneth Schwartz to the Code of Ethics Board; said Resolution passed by a unanimous vote. 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions.

OATH OF OFFICE – VILLAGE TRUSTEES:

Village Clerk Christine Shenkman administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Village Trustees Steve Presser and Vernon Coleman and expressed congratulations to both Trustees.

OATH OF OFFICE – VARIOUS BOARDS:

Village Clerk Christine Shenkman administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Zoning Board of Appeals members Patrice Gesner and Bill Carroll, Architectural Review Board members Jeffrey LaDeau, Steven Tolli, Ann Mammoliti and Ted Ulloa, and Code of Ethics Board members Jacqui Budakowski, Pat Mitchell, Joely Zarra, Jaime White and Kenneth Schwartz and expressed congratulations to all.

PUBLIC HEARING – LOCAL LAW NUMBER 2 – REVISING AND EXTENDING A SIX-MONTH MORATORIUM PROHIBITING THE REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CERTAIN LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS IN THE VILLAGE OF WASHINGTONVILLE:

Deputy Mayor Walski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Jacaruso and adopted to open the Public Hearing regarding Local Law Number 2 – Moratorium as referenced above.

There being no audience or Village Board comment:

Trustee Jacaruso made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walski and adopted to close the aforestated Local Law Number 2 – Moratorium Public Hearing.

Mayor DeVinko stated a meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Washingtonville, New York was convened on May 15, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

The following Resolution was duly offered and seconded to wit:

Resolution Adopting Revision and Extension of Village Land Use Moratorium.

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Washingtonville, New York (“Village Board”) previously adopted Local Law 1 of 2022 establishing a six-month moratorium prohibiting the review and approval of certain land development applications in the Village of Washingtonville; and

WHEREAS, the newly established Village Board has retained a new Village Planner to assist the Village Comprehensive Plan zoning amendments and has also retained new legal counsel; and

WHEREAS, the newly established Village Board has reviewed such Local Law and desires to amend and extend the land use moratorium in the Village of Washingtonville.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village Board as follows:

Section 1. All “WHEREAS” paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference as though set forth in full.

Section 2. The Village Board hereby adopts Local Law Number 2 of 2023, “A Local Law Revising and Extending a Six-Month Moratorium prohibiting the Review and Approval of Certain Land Development Applications in the Village of Washingtonville” as attached hereto as Schedule “A.”

Section 3. The Village Clerk is hereby directed to enter said Local Law into the minutes of said meeting and in the Local Law book of the Village of Washingtonville, and to give due notice of the adoption of said Local Law by filing the Local Law in the Office of the Secretary of State in the State of New York.

Section 4. The Mayor and any officer, employee or consultant as directed by the Mayor is hereby authorized to take any and all actions necessary to carry out the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 5. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Mayor Thomas DeVinko	Aye	
Deputy Mayor Susan Walski	Aye	
Trustee Donna Jacaruso	Aye	
Trustee Steve Presser		Abstain
Trustee Vernon Coleman		Abstain

PUBLIC HEARING – LOCAL LAW NUMBER 2 – REVISING AND EXTENDING A SIX-MONTH MORATORIUM PROHIBITING THE REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CERTAIN LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS IN THE VILLAGE OF WASHINGTONVILLE – (CONTINUED):

The Resolution was thereupon duly adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Audience member William Palmer expressed congratulations to the new Trustees and volunteer Board members.

UTV AND TRAILER – DASNY GRANT – POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Mayor DeVinko reported that a \$50,000 Grant was received through DASNY for the purchase of a UTV and trailer. Village Police Chief Brian Zaccaro is working on the Grantee Questionnaire for DASNY.

CHIPS FUNDING:

Mayor DeVinko explained the 2023-2024 New York State Budget provides funding to support the repair, rehabilitation and modernization of local roads and bridges. The Village of Washingtonville has approximately \$403,997 in funding for the CHIPS, PAVE NY, EWR AND POP New York State Programs to be utilized. Work needs to be done on Ahern Boulevard, North Street, Lincoln Drive, Emerson Drive, Seacord Lane, portion of Peacock Circle and Mockingbird Lane and Cardinal Drive extension. The work would be done in-house with the Town of Blooming Grove if possible, and road repairs will be determined in the near future.

NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES CORPORATION POTENTIAL GRANTS:

Mayor DeVinko stated the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (NYSEFC) announced that \$425 million dollars will be available for water infrastructure projects this year through the Water Infrastructure Investment Act (WIIA) and Intermunicipal Grant (IMG) programs. This compares to \$279 million dollars awarded in 2022. The increase in funding is a result of the passage of the Environmental Bond Act last November. The Mayor further indicated that Grant funds could be utilized to rehabilitate two Highgrove development wells.

F.E.M.A. BULL ROAD PROJECT STATUS:

Mayor DeVinko announced that approximately \$430,000 in funding was received from FEMA for Bull Road projects. The Village is trying to determine where the funds were allocated in the Budget.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE – SHIVON CHAMORRO:

Mayor DeVinko reported that Shivon Chamorro of LeVonne Inspirations (Florist) has volunteered to be part of the Village of Washingtonville Beautification Committee.

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES – MOBILE UNIT:

Mayor DeVinko stated the mobile unit of the Department of Motor Vehicles will be at the Village Hall parking lot at 9 Fairlawn Drive, Washingtonville on Tuesday, May 16 from 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. and 1:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M. for all your motor vehicle needs except for written examinations.

RESOLUTION – SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING – AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 34 OF THE VILLAGE CODE (SMOKING POLICY):

Trustee Jacaruso made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walski and adopted to schedule a Public Hearing regarding amendment of Chapter 34 of the Village Code (Smoking Policy) to be held on Monday, June 5 at 7:00 P.M.; said Resolution passed by the following vote. 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Abstentions. Trustee Presser and Trustee Coleman abstained from voting.

RESOLUTION – UPGRADE WOODFIELD PUMP LIFT STATION:

Trustee Jacaruso made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walski and adopted to authorize Nannini & Callahan Excavating to upgrade Woodfield Pump Lift Station submersible pumps at a cost not to exceed \$25,657.00 per Delaware Engineering plans; said Resolution passed by the following vote. 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Abstentions. Trustee Presser and Trustee Coleman abstained from voting.

RESOLUTION – REHABILITATION OF WELL NUMBER 3:

Deputy Mayor Walski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Jacaruso and adopted to authorize Layne Christensen Co. to redevelop Well Number 3 at a cost not to exceed \$42,000; said Resolution passed by the following vote. 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Abstentions. Trustee Presser and Trustee Coleman abstained from voting.

RESOLUTION – JULY 4 EVER FIREWORKS:

Trustee Jacaruso made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walski and adopted to authorize July 4 Ever Fireworks Inc. to perform a Fireworks Display for the Village of Washingtonville at a cost of \$8,900; said Resolution passed by the following vote. 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Abstentions. Trustee Presser and Trustee Coleman abstained from voting.

RESOLUTION – SIGN INSTALLATION – CHILDTIME LEARNING CENTER:

Trustee Jacaruso made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walski and adopted to authorize the installation of a new three (3) foot by seven (7) foot monument non-illuminated sign with a height of six (6) feet using solar light fixtures for Childtime Learning Center at 16 Weathervane Drive; said Resolution passed by the following vote. 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Abstentions. Trustee Presser and Trustee Coleman abstained from voting.

RESOLUTION – RESTORATION OF MAYOR'S SALARY:

Trustee Jacaruso made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walski and adopted to restore the previous salary of the Mayor position to \$15,000; said Resolution passed

RESOLUTION – RESTORATION OF MAYOR’S SALARY – (CONTINUED):

by the following vote. 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Abstentions. Trustee Presser and Trustee Coleman abstained from voting.

RESOLUTION – MEMORIAL DAY PARADE:

Deputy Mayor Walski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Jacaruso and adopted to authorize an expenditure not to exceed \$6,000 for a D.J., tents, chairs, Porta Potty, Band and Food for the Memorial Day Parade; said Resolution passed by the following vote. 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Abstentions. Trustee Presser and Trustee Coleman abstained from voting.

RESOLUTION – AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL PLANNING SERVICES:

Deputy Mayor Walski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Jacaruso and adopted to authorize an Agreement for Professional Planning Services between the Village of Washingtonville and Nelson, Pope and Voorhis, LLC; said Resolution passed by the following vote. 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Abstentions. Trustee Presser and Trustee Coleman abstained from voting.

ANNOUNCEMENT – KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CARNIVAL:

Mayor DeVinko announced that the Knights of Columbus Carnival will be held on Thursday, May 25 through Monday, May 29.

ANNOUNCEMENT – VILLAGE WIDE GARAGE SALE:

Mayor DeVinko announced the Village-wide Garage Sale will take place on Saturday, May 20 and audience member and volunteer Joely Zarra indicated a map will be created of all participants in the Garage Sale.

ABSTRACT – WARRANTS:

Deputy Mayor Walski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Jacaruso and adopted to authorize Budget Transfers and amendments as necessary to effect necessary transfer of funds and to pay Warrants; said Resolution passed by the following vote. 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Abstentions. Trustee Presser and Trustee Coleman abstained from voting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Audience member Joely Zarra stated she is going to sealcoat her driveway and would like to coordinate dates with the Village for the work to be done. Ms. Zarra also asked if the Village would contribute to the cost of the work since there is a right of way in place and the Village utilizes her driveway as well.

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Jacaruso made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Walski and adopted to adjourn the Monday, May 15, 2023 Village Board Work Session Meeting; said Resolution passed by a unanimous vote of the Village Board.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

CHRISTINE SHENKMAN

VILLAGE CLERK