

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MARCH 22, 2018

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Garden City in the County of Nassau, New York, was held at the Village Hall, 351 Stewart Avenue in said Village on March 22, 2018 at 8:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Brian C. Daughney, Trustees John A. DeMaro, Theresa A. Trouvé, Robert A. Bolebruch, Stephen S. Makrinos, John M. Delany, Louis M. Minuto and Mark A. Hyer.

Also Present: Ralph V. Suozzi, Village Administrator
Karen M. Altman, Village Clerk
Kenneth O. Jackson, Chairman, Board of Police Commissioners
Kevin E. Ocker, Chairman, Board of Commissioners of Cultural and Recreational Affairs
Joseph DiFrancisco, Superintendent of Public Works
Irene Woo, Village Treasurer
Ausberto Huertas, Jr., Superintendent, Building Department
Peter A. Bee, Bee Ready Fishbein Hatter & Donovan, LLP

Attendance: Approximately 60

The Clerk reported that due notice of this meeting had been served on each member of the Board.

Mayor Daughney called the meeting to order and called upon Kevin Ocker, who spoke about the Emergency Tree Removals due to Winter Storm Riley, Ralph Suozzi who advised that Payroll and Personnel will be combined into one office and the transfers of funds on the agenda are necessary in order to set up the office and Kenneth Jackson who reported on his agenda item with regard to the request for attendance at the Police Conference. Joseph DiFrancisco spoke about the water tower meeting and Irene Woo reported on the budget for the snow removal.

Mayor Daughney called for citizens comments on Agenda items.

Mayor Daughney stated that the next item on the agenda was a public hearing with regard to Proposed Local Law to Amend Section 200-16.1(A)(3) of the Code of the Village of Garden City, (b) Special Permit Application to construct multi-family residence project at 555 Stewart Avenue, and (c) Site Plan Review for multi-family residence project at 555 Stewart Avenue. Mayor Daughney called for a motion to open the public hearing. Trustee DeMaro made a motion to open the public hearing which was unanimously approved.

(A tape recording of this hearing has been typed under separate cover and constitutes a part of these minutes.)

There being no further public comment, on motion of Trustee Minuto and unanimously carried, the public hearing pursuant to the proposed local law was held open to be continued on April 12, 2018 at 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Daughney stated that the next item on the agenda was approval of the minutes of the last meetings of the Board of Trustees.

The minutes of the special meeting (budget) held on March 6, 2018 were reviewed, and on motion of Trustee Makrinos were approved as presented.

The minutes of the special meeting (Board of Assessment Review) held on March 8, 2018 were reviewed, and on motion of Trustee Makrinos were approved as presented.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on March 8, 2018 were reviewed, and on motion of Trustee Makrinos were approved as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSENT CALENDAR

FINANCE

1. Appropriation of Termination Reserve. Requested authorization to appropriate \$88,744.69 from Account OA.8670.0000 - Reserve for Compensated Absences to Account OA.9000.1220 Termination Payout for payment from the Reserve maintained for that purpose for Richard E. Arnold (Fire Department \$64,364.72) and Arthur J. Burdette (Fire Department \$24,379.97). This is to fund the contractual termination payments due to employees who have left Village service.

On motion of Trustee Minuto and unanimously carried, the aforesaid recommendation was approved and the Treasurer was authorized to make the necessary transfer of funds.

2. Transfer of Funds. Requested authorization to transfer funds as follows:

(a) \$5,000 from Account OA.1990.4000 - Contingent, to Account OA.1920.4000 - Dues and Expenses - Municipal Associations, to fund various payments for Municipal Association dues.

On motion of Trustee Minuto and unanimously carried, the aforesaid

recommendation was approved and the Treasurer was authorized to make the necessary transfer of funds.

(b) \$3,200 from Account 0A.1230.1010 - Administration - Regular Salary, to Account 0A.1620.4030 - Building - Maintenance of Plant, in order to set up the first floor vacant office at Village Hall for Personnel and Payroll.

On motion of Trustee Minuto and unanimously carried, the aforesaid recommendation was approved and the Treasurer was authorized to make the necessary transfer of funds.

(c) \$22,900 from Account 0A.1230.1010 - Administration - Regular Salary, to Account 0A.1430.2000 - Personnel - Equipment, in order to set up the first floor vacant office at Village Hall for Personnel and Payroll.

On motion of Trustee Minuto and unanimously carried, the aforesaid recommendation was approved and the Treasurer was authorized to make the necessary transfer of funds.

SICK LEAVE

POLICE

1. Sick Leave - Edwards. Requested authorization to pay Paul Edwards, Police Officer through April 26, 2018 or such earlier date as he may be able to return to duty as determined by the Village medical advisor and pursuant to the provisions of the contract between the Incorporated Village of Garden City and the Police Benevolent Association, which became effective June 1, 2014.

On motion of Trustee Minuto and unanimously carried, the aforesaid authorization was approved.

POLICE

Attendance at Empire State Law Enforcement Traffic Safety Conference. Requested authorization for Police Officers Peter Hudak and Steve Roumeliotis to attend the Empire State Law Enforcement Traffic Safety Conference, scheduled for May 3 through May 4, 2018, in Syracuse, New York, at an approximate cost of \$600. This conference will inform and empower the Police Department to better serve the community. Due to generous grant funding, there is no course or registration fee. The only expense is lodging. Funds are available in Account No. OA.3120.4120.

On motion of Trustee Minuto and unanimously carried, Police Officers Peter Hudak

and Steve Roumeliotis were authorized to attend the aforesaid conference and to be reimbursed for such expenses as they may incur in connection therewith.

PUBLIC WORKS

1. Engage H2M Water - Water Plant Operation Services. Requested authorization to engage H2M Water, 538 Broad Hollow Road, Melville, New York to provide professional water treatment plant operation advisory services to the Village of Garden City. The consultant will advise the staff with guidance related to the drinking water regulations promulgated by the Nassau County Department of Health, NYS Department of Health and USEPA. The consultant will also advise the Village staff on compliance related issues, including, but not limited to, monthly reporting to the NCDH and NYSDEC. The consultant will observe operations within the Water Department and will report directly to the Village Administrator and/or Director of Public Works with recommendations concerning operation and compliance related matters. The cost of this service is \$175 per hour for Water Plant Operational Services. Based on an estimated eight-hours of services per week, this engagement will require the expenditure of approximately \$6,000 per month. Funds are available in the operating budget.

On motion of Trustee Minuto and unanimously carried, the aforesaid authorization was approved.

RECREATION

1. Emergency Tree Removals - Transfer Funds. Requested authorization to transfer \$13,374.08 from Account 0A.1990.4000 - Contingent, to Account 0A.7110.4460 - Parks - Contractual Services, to fund emergency tree work needed due to Winter Storm Riley.

On motion of Trustee Minuto and unanimously carried, the aforesaid recommendation was approved and the Treasurer was authorized to make the necessary transfer of funds.

2. Emergency Tree Removals - Harder Services, Inc. Requested authorization to engage Harder Services, Inc., 63 Jerusalem Avenue, Hempstead, New York. As a result of high winds during the March 2, 2018, Nor'easter Storm, the Recreation and Parks Department removed thirteen (13) major trees throughout the Village. As winds began to peak that evening an additional six (6) trees fell in the Village and it was necessary to engage Harder Services, Inc., who had several tree crews and the necessary equipment on both the evening of the storm and the day after.

On motion of Trustee Minuto and unanimously carried, the aforesaid authorization was approved.

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS

PERMIT:

5K/Run/Walk:

1. Kristin Lynch Graham, President, Sacred Heart Academy, 47 Cathedral Avenue, Hempstead, New York, requesting to hold a 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, September 22, 2018, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. They would like to hold their race through portions of the Village of Garden City. The streets that will need to have portions closed are; First Street, Cathedral Avenue, Sixth Street and Hilton Avenue. This route has been reviewed and approved by the Garden City Police Department. This request is also subject to the fees and insurance certificate as required by the Village.

On motion of Trustee Minuto and unanimously carried, the aforesaid authorization was approved, subject to receipt of an original Certificate of Insurance, payment of the fees as per the fee schedule, a check in the amount of \$2,500 (50% of the combined Incorporated Village of Garden City's expenses, not to exceed \$5,000) and coordination and approval of the route with the Garden City Police Department.

There being no further business, on motion duly made, the meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.