

The Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, December 8, 2016 at the Lawrence Village Hall, 196 Central Avenue, Lawrence, New York 11559.

Those members present were: Mayor Alex H. Edelman
Deputy Mayor Michael A. Fragin
Trustee Daniel J. Goldstein
Trustee Uri Kaufman
Trustee Syma F. Diamond

Also present were: Ronald Goldman, Village Administrator
Gerry Castro, Deputy Village Clerk
Lina Fusco, Deputy Village Treasurer
Village Attorney, Kenneth Gray Esq.
Alison Cohen, Secretary to the BOT

WORK SESSION - Mayor Edelman called the work session to order at 7:05 p.m.

No Board action was taken.

REGULAR MEETING - Mayor Edelman called the regular meeting to order at 8:10 p.m.

Mayor Edelman welcomed newly elected Assemblywoman Melissa Miller, from Atlantic Beach. Deputy Mayor Fragin also welcomed Assemblywoman-Elect Miller to her first Village of Lawrence Board of Trustees meeting. He then went on to congratulate Assemblywoman-Elect Melissa ("Missy") Miller, on the record, for her extraordinary win, noting she is the first Republican to hold this position in sixty years. He added that Assemblywoman-Elect Melissa Miller is from Atlantic Beach, has a reputation as a staunch advocate for education; is a New York State "woman of distinction", is known throughout "the corridors of Albany" as a prime mover of legislation (that has passed), which is no easy feat and he hopes she will assist the Village regarding its NYS road(s).

Mayor Edelman addressed the issue of the street lights on Route 878, which are being repaired and coming back on, due to the Village of Lawrence taking responsibility and the Mayor's diligent efforts, as reported in that week's Nassau Herald. After being considered by Nassau County, the Town of Hempstead, New York State with no results; and with no one taking responsibility, the Village has finally undertaken the project, after years of phone calls/complaints to rectify the potentially hazardous situation. Mayor Edelman added that the final cost and who will ultimately pay is unknown.

Assemblywoman-Elect Miller thanked Mayor Edelman for "stepping up and taking action" regarding this situation, which began with the destruction from Super Storm

Sandy. She added that there should be some money from FEMA, and couldn't understand how it got this far with no one taking responsibility for the repairs. She stated that the matter was "unforgiveable". The Mayor and Ms. Miller agreed to work together for the betterment of the community, moving forward.

PUBLIC HEARING - Continuation of the Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law #3 of 2016 regarding the illumination of house numbers for all residences.

Board Action: Mayor Edelman moved to continue (reopen) the Public Hearing regarding Local Law #3 of 2016 regarding the illumination of house numbers for all residences (attached hereto as "Exhibit A"). Deputy Mayor Fragin seconded the motion. All in favor.

A letter received from the Nassau County Planning Commission; dated November 23, 2016, on the proposed legislation (Local Law #3 of 2016 regarding the illumination of house numbers for all residences) was placed into the record deferring any action on this back to the Village for local determination, as deemed appropriate.

Village of Lawrence resident Jacqueline Handel stated, for the record that she thought this proposed Local Law #3 of 2016, was a great idea. Mayor Edelman added that this was very helpful for the Police Department, the Fire Department and Hatzalah. Trustee Diamond stated that this legislation was overdue, especially in case of an emergency where immediate assistance is required. Brief discussion ensued in this regard.

Board Action: Upon hearing no further comments or discussion, Mayor Edelman moved to close the Public Hearing to consider Local Law #3 of 2016 regarding the illumination of house numbers for all residences. Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Trustee Diamond moved to adopt the proposed Local Law #3 of 2016 regarding the illumination of house numbers for all residences (attached hereto as "Exhibit A"). Trustee Kaufman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Approval of minutes: BOT November 10, 2016

Board Action: Trustee Kaufman moved the approval of the November 10, 2016 BOT meeting minutes. Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor.

GOOD & WELFARE

1. Mayor Edelman gave a status update regarding the relighting of Route 878.

2. Mayor Edelman stated that he has received a lot of positive feedback and compliments regarding the installation of the new street signs throughout the Village.
3. Mayor Edelman stated that the roadwork improvement project in Sutton Park will be completed tomorrow. He added that Building Inspector Leo Romanelli oversaw the project and quality of the work, insuring a good outcome.
4. Mayor Edelman gave an update regarding the installation of the tennis court night lighting, which is moving along. The lighting and bases have been installed. The Village is awaiting the arrival of the poles which should arrive shortly, and then the job can be completed within the next couple of weeks.
5. Mayor Edelman stated that he has several street light proposals that will be discussed at a later date.
6. Mayor Edelman – golf netting has arrived; awaiting poles and installation, for completion in the near future.
7. Trustee Diamond inquired as to the status of Rabbi Menachem Bornstein's (40 Doughty Blvd.) situation. Mayor Edelman responded that the Village is in constant contact with Rabbi Bornstein and is still patrolling regularly, issuing summonses and enforcing security vigilantly, which has improved the situation. The Village has received commendations from the neighbors confirming this. The Police Department is also patrolling the area regularly, enforcing greater security standards. Discussion ensued in this regard. Administrator Ronald Goldman assured the Board that the Village is staying on top of the situation.

NEW BUSINESS

Item 1 – Approve Abstracts #'s

General Fund	#815, 816, 817, 818, 819
Recreation Fund	#233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238
Sewer Fund	# 97, 98, 99
Trust Fund	# 281
Payroll	#111816, 120216

Board Action: Trustee Goldstein moved the approval of General Fund Abstracts #815, #816, #817, #818 and #819. Trustee Kaufman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Trustee Goldstein moved the approval of Recreation Fund Abstracts #233, #234, #235, #236, #237 and #238. Deputy Mayor Fragin seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Trustee Diamond moved the approval of Sewer Abstract #97, #98 and #99. Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Trustee Goldstein moved the approval of Trust Fund Abstract #281. Deputy Mayor Fragin seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Mayor Edelman moved the approval of Payroll Abstracts #111816 and #120216. Deputy Mayor Fragin seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 2 – Approve Park Commission recommendations

There were no Park Commission recommendations.

Board Action: No Board action was taken.

Item 3 - Approve Public Hearing regarding proposed Local Law #4 of 2016 to amend Chapter 135 of the Village Code concerning parking in municipal parking fields/facilities

Board Action: Trustee Goldstein moved the approval of a Public Hearing regarding proposed Local Law #4 of 2016 to amend Chapter 135 of the Village Code concerning parking in municipal parking fields/facilities, (a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B"); for the next Board meeting on January 19, 2017. (It would then become proposed Local Law #1 of 2017.) Deputy Mayor Fragin seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 4 – Approval of Golf Professional Contract/Agreement

Board Action: Trustee Goldstein moved the approval of the renewal of a one year Agreement/Contract for golf professional, Peter Procops, with an increase of \$1,500.00. Trustee Kaufman seconded the motion. Discussion ensued regarding several minor changes that Deputy Mayor Fragin had requested, which were revised in the Agreement, per his specifications. All in favor.

Item 5 – Approve proposed Holiday Free Parking in Municipal Lots

Board Action: Deputy Mayor Fragin moved the approval of free holiday parking on the weekends, in the municipal lots, per the schedule attached hereto as Exhibit :C:. Trustee Kaufman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 6 – Approval of Resolution regarding the Sale of Surplus Real Property

Village Attorney Ken Gray, Esq. explained a minor change regarding this Resolution, as per the following Board Action:

Board Action: Trustee Diamond moved the approval of the following Resolution:

Whereas, The Village of Lawrence desires to obtain appraisals for certain parcels of Village owned property, in the Village;

Now, Therefore, it is therefore hereby RESOLVED that the Village Administrator is authorized and directed to retain the services of an appraiser, not to exceed \$5,000.00 for said appraisals.

Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 7 – Approve Change-Order for Roadway Improvements

Board Action: Deputy Mayor Fragin moved the approval of a Change-Work Order for the Sutton Park Roadway Improvements project (to include a portion of Lawrence Avenue between Central Avenue and the Long Island Railroad tracks), in the amount of \$24,000.00, by American Paving. Discussion ensued in this regard. Trustee Kaufman seconded the motion. All in favor. .

Item 8 – Approve Contract/Agreement with Chap-A-Nosh Caterers and Schick Caterers

Board Action: Trustee Goldstein moved the approval of the Contract/Agreements with Chap-A-Nosh and Michael Schick Caterers, as presented to the Board of Trustees, at an annual rate of \$23,000.00 (paid to the Village) per caterer. Trustee Kaufman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 9 – Approve change of the next BOT meeting date from January 12, 2017 to January 19, 2017

Board Action: Trustee Goldstein moved to approve the changing of the next BOT meeting date from January 12, 2017 to January 19, 2017. Trustee Kaufman seconded the amended motion. All in favor.

Additional Agenda Item - Item 10 – Personnel Actions

Board Action: Deputy Mayor Fragin moved the following Resolution:

Whereas, The Village desires to recognize the hard work of certain employees;

Now, Therefore, it is hereby RESOLVED that the Village authorizes the following salary/merit increases, effective January 1, 2017:

Lina Fusco	- \$25,000.00
Stephen Haramis	- \$ 5,000.00
Robert Daniels	- \$ 6,650.00
Gerry Castro	- 1.5%
Ronald Goldman	- 1.5%

Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor.

Deputy Mayor Fragin raised his concern regarding the issue of the confluence of burglaries committed on the same evening (the previous Saturday night of Thanksgiving weekend) within the Village. The Deputy Mayor suggested attempting to get additional patrols in the Village by the Auxiliary Police. Village Administrator Goldman stated that he and the Mayor had spoken to the Police right after they were notified of these events, and the Police have increased their patrols. The Mayor and Village Administrator Goldman contacted each of the homeowners (but one) and offered the Village's support and assistance. Discussion ensued in this regard.

Deputy Mayor Fragin mentioned that Gourmet Glatt's recent fire was extinguished very quickly by the Lawrence Cedarhurst Fire Department.

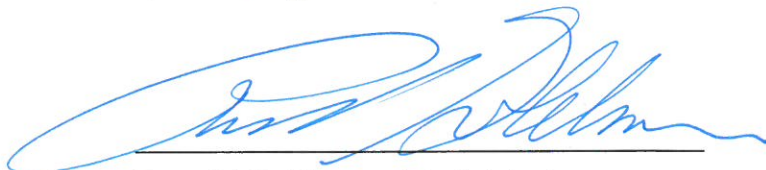
Additional Agenda Item – Item 11 – Approve going out to bid for new street light bulbs

Mayor Edelman explained that he, with Trustee Goldstein's assistance and diligence, has received some sample lighting that would have originally cost \$78.00 per bulb. Through innovation and changes in styles of the bulbs, the Village could now purchase the bulbs at a cost of \$14.95 a piece (180 watts; very good illumination), which could drop even further to about \$7.00 - \$8.00 per bulb. This is a monumental savings to the Village, as well as the cost savings they will provide in the energy savings, which is about 20% of the current bulbs. The Village needs to go out to bid for the replacement of the bulbs as well as their purchase as well as getting possible rebates/grants from PSEG, which needs to be researched. Trustee Goldstein explained that these new bulbs are LED which provide better light, use much less energy and do not put out nearly as much heat, which attracts bugs and causes problems.

Board Action: Mayor Edelman moved the approval of the administration preparing bid specifications and to go out to bid for electrical contractors to replace/install the new bulbs/fixtures. Trustee Kaufman seconded the motion. All in favor.

There being no further business, on motion by Deputy Mayor Fragin, seconded by Trustee Goldstein and unanimously approved the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

This is to certify that I, Ronald Goldman, read the preceding minutes, and they are in all respects a full and correct record of such proceedings.



Ronald Goldman, Administrator,
Clerk/Treasurer

EXHIBIT A

Bill No. 3 of 2016

**INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF LAWRENCE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Local Law No. 3 of 2016

**A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND
CHAPTER 212 OF THE VILLAGE
CODE CONCERNING ZONING**

BE IT ENACTED, by the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Lawrence, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 212 of the Village Code, entitled “Zoning”, is hereby amended as follows:

§212-103 Illumination of House Numbers.

- A. Legislative Intent. The Board of Trustees has found that the efforts of first responders responding to night-time emergencies can be slowed or impeded by their inability to identify house numbers on dark or dimly-lit streets in the Village. Accordingly, the Board of Trustees finds that it shall be in the interests of the public health, safety and general welfare for addresses posted on residential properties in the Village to feature illumination that makes the address readily visible from the street at night.
- B. All residential buildings in the Village shall feature address numbers conforming to the requirements stated in this section. Any residential building not in compliance with this section on the date of enactment shall come into compliance with this section no later than six months after such date.
- C. Notwithstanding any provision of this Code to the contrary, address numbers posted on residences in the Village shall meet the following requirements:
 - 1) They shall be visible from the street on which the property fronts;
 - 2) They shall be no less than 4 inches and no greater than 8 inches in height; and
 - 3) They shall be illuminated from sundown to sunrise by internal or external means, provided that all light sources shall be constant and fixed, as opposed to flashing and moving, and shall be positioned and designed in such a way that they do not cast light off the subject premises or into a public right-of-way.
- D. Failure to comply with this section shall be a violation of the Village Code punishable by a fine not to exceed \$250.00. Each week a violation persists shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 2. This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Office of the Secretary of State.

EXHIBIT B

Bill No. 4 of 2016

**INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF LAWRENCE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Local Law No. 4 of 2016

A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND
CHAPTER 135 OF THE VILLAGE
CODE CONCERNING PARKING
IN MUNICIPAL PARKING
FIELDS/FACILITIES

BE IT ENACTED, by the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Lawrence, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 135 of the Village Code, entitled “Off-Street Parking Fields, Municipal”, is hereby amended as follows:

§ 135-4 Parking head in; exceptions.

~~All parking shall be head in~~ All vehicles parked in spaces in Village parking fields shall be parked head in. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, vehicles parked in Parking Field No. 3 may be parked head in or head out.

Section 2. This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Office of the Secretary of State.

EXHIBIT C

VILLAGE OF
LAWRENCE

Free Holiday

Parking in

LOTS # 3 and #4

Saturdays and Sundays

Nov 26th and Nov 27th

Dec 3rd and Dec 4th

Dec 10th and Dec 11th

Dec 17th and Dec 18th

Dec 24th thru Dec 26th

Dec 31st thru Jan 2nd