

The Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, June 7, 2018 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, Stephen Martir, Esq.
Alison Cohen, Secretary to the BOT

WORK SESSION - Mayor Edelman called the work session to order at 7:10 p.m. The Work Session ended at 7:56 p.m.

No Board action was taken.

REGULAR MEETING - Mayor Edelman called the regular meeting to order at 8:02 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Lawrence Village Administrator Ronald Goldman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of minutes: BOT April 12, 2018 and May 17, 2018

Board Action: Trustee Goldstein moved the approval of the April 12, 2018 BOT meeting minutes, as amended, and the May 17, 2018 BOT meeting minutes. Deputy Mayor Fragin seconded the motion. All in favor.

GOOD & WELFARE

- 1) Mayor Edelman informed everyone that he has scheduled a meeting with Woodsburgh's Mayor, Lee Israel, regarding the development of the Woodmere Club.
- 2) Village resident and Lawrence Civic Association President, Ms. Paris Popack thanked everyone (the Village staff and Board of Trustees) for attending the last Lawrence Association meeting on May 24th, which featured Mayor Edelman's

2018 State of the Village Report. In addition, Ms. Popack thanked the Mayor, Board and Village Administration, commenting that at that meeting a gentleman requested the addition of handicapped spots in the Lawrence Train Station parking lot, which have already been done. Mayor Edelman responded that this was done the next day. Ms Popack went on to thank the Mayor, Board and Village Administration for replacing the faded "No Left Turn" sign on Central Avenue, coming out of the Season's parking lot. As per Mayor Edelman, all of these requested items had been addressed immediately and efficiently by the Village. Ms. Popack stated that she has not received the sample reflective address sign that she had ordered, per the discussion, in conjunction with LCFD Chief Campbell, at the May 17th BOT meeting. She had thought it would have arrived by now, but hopes to receive it by the July 12th BOT meeting. Ms. Popack added that the next Lawrence Civic Association meeting is on June 14th, which is "Meet the Candidates" night, in addition to awards being given to local students for good citizenship. She also received feedback from the "Parade Committee" that they were very happy that Lawrence had an active role this year, in the parade; and the Lawrence Association participated as well. All good things.

- 3) Ms. Paris Popack reported that there is a hidden driveway safety issue between the Lawrence-Cedarhurst Fire Department and HAFTR's Administration building. There is no signage there and cars go in and out very fast. Someone almost got hit by a vehicle. Discussion ensued in this regard and Village Administrator Ronald Goldman said that he would look into this and try to remediate the situation.
- 4) As President of the LY&CC Women's Tennis Club, Ms. Paris Popack commented that they had a very successful year last year and had this year's "opening" yesterday. She thanked Mayor Edelman for attending and acknowledging their group. Mayor Edelman congratulated them on their great success as well as the addition of Pickle Ball.
- 5) Village resident David Englander of 163 Harborview North, raised the issue of various booking fees associated with booking his son's Bar Mitzvah at the Lawrence Yacht & Country Club next November, when Shabbos/the Sabbath starts at an earlier time. Ms. Jacqueline Handel stated that she was in charge of the dining room and said that she would handle this matter. In addition to Ms. Handel taking care of Mr. Englander's situation, Mayor Edelman stated that he was aware of the situation and is taking it under advisement to see what can be done to mitigate the situation. Trustee Diamond added that she had brought this matter up to the Board of Trustees as well as the members of the Park Commission for further review and action.
- 6) Mayor Edelman welcomed Lawrence Men's Golf Club Inc. President, Arthur Israel and the gentlemen accompanying him at the meeting. Mr. Israel went on

to say that the Golf Club represents approximately 140 members and contribute a considerable sum playing golf, which helps greatly to support the LY&CC. He stated that whatever the Village was considering doing regarding the running of the LY&CC, he said that in order to "keep their Club together" it would be prudent if they were open and transparent with whatever was being considered so that he could explain to his members what, if anything, was taking place in the Village, and preclude any members from possibly leaving. Mr. Israel added that he does not

"want to usurp anyone's power" but he does want to be able to report to his members whether or not they have a place to continue their organization. He believes that the "rumors that have been flying in all directions" have been rather harmful to the spirit of the organization. Mayor Edelman thanked Mr. Israel and his members for contributing quite a bit of money to the LY&CC; it's very helpful to keep it going. Mr. Israel expressed that he and the members benefit as well. The Mayor went on to say that there has been some discussion regarding this subject, and at this point the Board is not looking to do anything that's going to be harmful to the Club, obviously. He added that it is his personal view is that any time there's going to be any type of a change he would have to include Mr. Israel, the Men's Club members and Park Commission Chairman Howard Siskind to be a part of the discussion and organization. Mayor Edelman stated that "it's only going to make it more viable and a better Club if we all get together and put our thinking caps on, and work with everybody along, the same way". The Mayor agreed that the Village and Board should consult with Mr. Israel and the Men's Golf Club members who are using/playing the LY&CC course and paying for it. The Mayor gave his commitment to do so and invited comments from the other Board members. Mr. Israel thanked the Mayor and Board of Trustees.

Deputy Mayor Fragin stated that "he doesn't believe, at least on his part, the Board intends any specific changes whatsoever in the short term or even beyond". The only interest expressed to date is the interest in looking at potentially what options there are out there, from an informational perspective, right now. There are companies that have great reputations that are local, out there, that are potentially interested and that are managing other village courses, elsewhere, here on Long Island. However, Deputy Mayor Fragin added that "he is always of the opinion that you should explore opportunities as they come, but certainly as someone who has used the course now for twenty (20) years, and I think the course is in fantastic shape right now; we're certainly not willing to do anything drastic to jeopardize the Men's Club, jeopardize the Women's Club, or anything". He added "I think we've done a lot of good improvements and right now the Club's on a good footing". Deputy Mayor Fragin went on to say that "the only way we're going to keep people here, given what the situation is with Woodmere, with Inwood, with our competition out there, is to continue to invest. So I look at ideas out there as a continued investment in the Club; not anything that would be in any way detrimental. And we see a lot of good things; all the caterers are doing well and are very happy with the current situation; that wasn't

the case five or six years ago.” He added that he gives a lot of credit to the Park Commission and credit to the Administration for having made that happen. “So there are a lot of good things going on. In fact, it’s hard to get dates at the Country Club; it’s hard to get an outing date right now. So that’s another positive thing that’s going on. We introduced Night Tennis (I know you guys are here for golf), but that’s also very popular. So we’re introducing all kinds of things. A sense, from this side of the table is that we’re looking to do positive things, make positive change; and hats off to Cory as well, for really coming in, in the middle of things, and doing a good job with it.” Mr. Israel thanked Deputy Mayor Fragin and the Board.

- 7) Deputy Mayor Fragin stated that he has gotten a number of complaints as “The Mansion at Lawrence” has become a more popular venue; particularly, that would be Temple Israel. He went on to report that “the parking situation all over, with all the neighbors there has really become somewhat intolerable. On nights where there is valet parking it’s actually worse because the valets seem to not be mindful of people’s driveways, of one way streets; and both streets there are one way, Winchester and Cumberland are being driven down the wrong way. And what it comes down to is there just aren’t enough spots in that lot for a sizeable party, and we have to figure out what/something to do with that.” “During the day is a long-time problem; we’ve talked about that.” Mayor Edelman and Village Administrator Ronald Goldman concurred with the Deputy Mayor. Deputy Mayor Fragin added that during the day/private parking, “people seem to be more respectful”. He stated that “when its valet parking it seems to be particularly bad; at least that’s what the residents have told me. They just don’t seem to care; because it’s not their car.” Mr. Goldman interjected that they are racing back for tips and stated that the Village has tried to address it and is in ongoing discussion with the Temple and JCC. He added that the Village has added more spots parking in front of the Temple to give it more space and down the block. He stated that “It is a problem”. Discussion ensued and it was presented that the Village might have to license valet parking services to exercise some control and to be able to discipline them. Deputy Mayor Fragin suggested the possibility of insisting using the Inwood Train Station lot for the valets, which is not as far as it seems. He added that at least it’s worth exploring. Mr. Goldman responded that he thought that was a good idea and definitely worth exploring.
- 8) Deputy Mayor Fragin stated that with regard to his comment at the last BOT meeting, regarding the utilities doing repairs and roadwork and closing roads; the “Asplundh” problem, he suggested sending out weekly e-mails like the LY&CC does regarding the golf course conditions. Village Administrator Ronald Goldman responded that there was to have been a road closure tomorrow/Friday that Mayor Edelman and Deputy Village Administrator Gerry Castro were able to stop. The utility is going to do the work (on Frost Lane) on Saturday. Mr. Goldman added Mr. Castro has been working very closely with the gas company and the work is almost done; however, they will have to return to correct/restore

all of the patches in the roads. He went on to say that he believes the reason the Village is not better notified is because the utilities subcontract out the work, and the companies that they farm the work out to are not in contact with the Village. Discussion ensued in this regard and it was suggested that the permits given to utilities must be amended to include notification to the Village is required as to when and where the work is being done.

- 9) Trustee Goldstein requested an update on the security cameras. Deputy Village Administrator Gerry Castro responded that he has estimates for all of the lots. Lot #3 behind Amazing Savings came in at \$9,000.00 to purchase, along the south side near long term parking. Only one estimate has been received to date. The one security camera estimate has limited coverage of the parking lot, no license plate reading and with video stored for review for 30 days. Mayor Edelman requested that Mr. Castro obtain two more bids/proposals for comparable security cameras. The Mayor also mentioned a gentleman that came to the Village a few months ago who does all the cameras for the Police Department. These cameras are a bit more expensive but their range is a bit wider and somewhat controllable from a central station.
- 10) Trustee Kaufman inquired if it was possible to pass an ordinance to ban roadwork in the Village on Fridays. Discussion ensued in this regard. It was mentioned that this could be included in the permit; "no work on Friday". As this might not be viable, it was again mentioned that the Village must be notified of any roadwork and road closings, which can be specified on the permit. Deputy Village Administrator Gerry Castro commented that right now the most accurate notification comes through the mark-outs, which have start dates.
- 11) Village resident William Henry requested clarification regarding the subcontracting of the roadwork. It was explained that the utilities (National Grid and PSEG) were the ones subcontracting the roadwork. The Village actually has no role in this. Discussion ensued in this regard.
- 12) After Item #6 was dismissed, Village resident Joel Preminger stated that he had two issues. First he inquired about adding a sidewalk on Causeway. Mayor Edelman responded that the Village would have to "take away" property from the people/property owners to install a sidewalk on Causeway. Discussion ensued in this regard. The second matter Mr. Preminger raised was that in the process of doing construction on his home, his contractor noted that the "No Parking To The Corner" sign had been moved approximately eight (8) or nine (9) feet, on Causeway; near Broadway. Deputy Village Administrator Castro said that previously the Water Company had moved a fire hydrant closer to Broadway. Discussion ensued and it was decided that the situation would be resolved by the Village moving the sign back. A Code Enforcement matter was discussed and resolved. Village Administrator Goldman stated that the Village expects courtesy from all of its employees.

NEW BUSINESS

Item 1 – Approve Abstracts #'s

General Fund	#890, 891, 892
Recreation Fund	#305, 306, 307
Payroll	#060118

Board Action: Trustee Goldstein moved the approval of General Fund Abstracts #890, #891, and #892. Mayor Edelman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Trustee Goldstein moved the approval of Recreation Fund Abstracts #305, #306 and #307. Trustee Diamond seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Trustee Goldstein moved the approval of Payroll Abstract #060118. Deputy Mayor Fragin seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 2 – Approve Bid for 2018 Roadwork Improvements for Causeway, Central Ave., Barrett Rd. and Pearsall Place

Board Action: Deputy Mayor Fragin moved the approval of American Paving & Masonry Corp. as the lowest responsible Bid for 2018 Roadwork Improvements for Causeway, Central Ave., Barrett Rd. and Pearsall Place; in the amount of \$450,755.12; with a change order to provide for an additional 24" with striping (for pedestrians and bicyclists); and declare it Type II under SEQRA. Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 3 – Approve pay increase for Amerigo Morales, part-timer at the DPW Dept.

Board Action: Trustee Diamond moved to approve a pay increase for DPW Department part-timer, Amerigo Morales, of \$2.00/hour; from \$14.00/hour to \$16.00/hour. Mayor Edelman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 4 – Approve Village Counsel to take necessary action to effectuate abandonment of property at Oceanview Avenue

Board Action: Mayor Edelman moved to approve Village Counsel to take necessary action and to hire necessary experts to effectuate abandonment of property at Oceanview Avenue. Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 5 – Approve Resolution to surplus 2 foot by 164 foot at Section 40, Lot 190, part of Lot 52, adjacent to 190 Lakeside Drive South

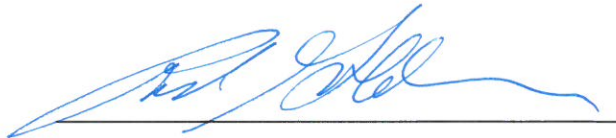
This item was tabled.

Item 6 – Approve Contract with Golf Professional

Board Action: This item was already addressed and so was dismissed.

On motion by Trustee Kaufman, seconded by Trustee Goldstein, and unanimously approved, the Board adjourned at 8:52 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.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ronald Goldman', is written over a horizontal line.

Ronald Goldman, Administrator,
Clerk/Treasurer