

The Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, April 6, 2017 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, Peter Bee, Esq.
Alison Cohen, Secretary to the BOT

WORK SESSION - Mayor Edelman called the work session to order at 6:45 p.m.

No Board action was taken.

On motion by Mayor Edelman, seconded by Trustee Kaufman, the Board convened in Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of meeting and conferring with Counsel.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Goldstein moved to close Executive Session at 8:06 p.m. and return to public session. Mayor Edelman seconded the motion. All in favor.

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

PUBLIC HEARING - Public Hearing regarding the 2017 – 2018 Tentative General Budget as presented to the Board by the Village Clerk

Board Action: Deputy Mayor Fragin moved to open the Public Hearing regarding the 2017 – 2018 Tentative General Budget. Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Upon hearing no further comments or discussion, Trustee Kaufman moved to close the Public Hearing regarding the 2017 – 2018 Tentative General Budget. Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Deputy Mayor Fragin moved to adopt the proposed final 2017 – 2018 Tentative General Budget. Trustee Kaufman seconded the motion. All in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING - Public Hearing for the Adoption of the 2017 – 2018 General Budget (available at Village Hall and on the Village website)

Board Action: Deputy Mayor Fragin moved to open the Public Hearing regarding the Adoption of the final 2017 – 2018 General Budget. Trustee Kaufman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Upon hearing no further comments or discussion, Mayor Edelman moved to close the Public Hearing regarding the Adoption of the final 2017 – 2018 General Budget. Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Mayor Edelman moved, pursuant to section 5-508 of the NYS Village Law, to approve the final 2017 – 2018 General Budget unchanged as the 2017 – 2018 General Budget of estimated revenues and expenditures of the Village of Lawrence for the fiscal year June 1, 2017 to May 31, 2018 (available on the Village website); and the same be approved and adopted as filed. Trustee Kaufman seconded the motion. All in favor. (The motion carried.).

Set tax rate and authorize issuance of tax warrants

Board Action: Mayor Edelman moved to adopt the following Resolution regarding the collection of taxes under the approved/adopted 2017 – 2018 Budget:

WHEREAS,

(a) A budget of estimated revenues and expenditures of the Village of Lawrence for the fiscal year June 1, 2017 to May 31, 2018 was adopted by the Board of Trustees at this meeting following a Public Hearing thereon pursuant to Section 5-508 of the Village Law; and

(b) Taxes in the amount of \$2,485,592.00 are required for the purpose of meeting the proposed expenditures provided for in such budget; and

(c) It has been further determined that such taxes be apportioned against all of the taxable property in the Village of Lawrence as set forth on the 2017 assessment roll, at the rate of \$75.00 on each \$100 of assessed valuation thereon, except properties of the Long Island Railroad Company which shall be taxed in accordance with the provisions of the Real Property Tax Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of Section 1420 of the Real Property Tax Law, the Village Clerk be and he hereby is authorized and directed to extend and carry out on such roll the amount to be collected from the owners of properties listed therein as hereinabove specified.

Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor. (The motion carried.)

Board Action: Trustee Goldstein moved to adopt the following Resolution which would set the tax rate of 75.0 as reflected in the 2017 – 2018 Tentative Budget:

RESOLVED,

(a) That pursuant to Section 1420 of the Real Property Tax Law, the following funds necessary to meet the obligations of the Village of Lawrence for the fiscal year June 1, 2017 to May 31, 2018 be raised by levy of tax on all taxable property in the Village of Lawrence as set forth on the 2017 assessment roll of the Village (being the assessment roll completed on April 1, 2017):

Total amount of budget for the fiscal year

June 1, 2017 to and including May 31, 2018 as

adopted by the Board of Trustees following the

Public Hearing thereon held April 6, 2017	\$ 5,773,000
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LESS: Appropriated Surplus	\$ 940,795
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LESS: Estimated Revenues for 2017/18	\$ 2,346,613
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Leaving a balance to be raised by Tax Levy of \$ 2,485.592

(b) That the tax rate for the collection of said Village Tax Levy be fixed at \$75.00 per \$100 of assessed valuation on such taxable property.

(c) That said taxes shall be collected in two equal installments pursuant to the provisions of Section 1434 of the Real Property Tax Law, the first installment to become due and payable June 1, 2017 and the second installment to become due and payable December 1, 2017; and

(d) That the Mayor be and he hereby is authorized to execute and deliver to the Village Clerk a warrant directing him/her to proceed with the collection of such taxes, as provided in Article 14 of the Real Property Tax Law.

Mayor Edelman seconded the motion. All in favor. (The motion carried.)

PUBLIC HEARING - Public Hearing regarding the annual 2017 Stormwater Management Report

Deputy Village Administrator Gerry Castro stated that the 2017 Annual Stormwater Management Report is available for viewing on the Village's website and at Village Hall. He went on to explain that every year the Village is required to file an Annual Stormwater Management Report showing that it is meeting its goals as set forth in the SPDES Permit that was adopted in 2003. An annual Public Hearing is required prior to the annual filing of the aforementioned Report as well.

Board Action: Deputy Mayor Fragin moved to open the Public Hearing regarding the annual 2017 Stormwater Management Report (MS4). Mayor Edelman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Upon hearing no further comment(s) or discussion, Mayor Edelman moved to close the Public Hearing regarding the annual 2017 Stormwater Management Report (MS4). Deputy Mayor Fragin seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Mayor Edelman moved to adopt the annual 2017 Stormwater Management Report (MS4) as presented to the Board. Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor.

Village Attorney Peter Bee commented that the 2017 Annual Stormwater Management Report can now be filed as presented to the Board.

PUBLIC HEARING - Public Hearing regarding Local Law #5 of 2017 – To Amend Chapter 8 of the Village Code Concerning (persons authorized to issue) Appearance Tickets (attached hereto as Exhibit “A”)

Board Action: Trustee Kaufman moved to open the Public Hearing regarding Local Law #5 of 2017 – To Amend Chapter 8 of the Village Code Concerning (persons authorized to issue) Appearance Tickets. Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor.

Village resident Menachem Bornstein of 40 Doughty Blvd., inquired as to the issuing of tickets pursuant to his ongoing complaint of cars and people being loud and disruptive near the Inwood Train Station and Doughty Blvd. Discussion ensued in this regard. Mayor Edelman directed Lawrence Village Administrator Ronald Goldman to send letters, after the Passover holiday, to the schools and Yeshivas in the area and follow-up with phone calls, to try to alleviate the situation.

Board Action: Upon hearing no further comment(s) or discussion, Trustee Kaufman moved to close the Public Hearing regarding Local Law #5 of 2017 – To Amend Chapter 8 of the Village Code Concerning (persons authorized to issue) Appearance Tickets. Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Deputy Mayor Fragin moved to approve the adoption of Local Law #5 of 2017 – To Amend Chapter 8 of the Village Code Concerning (persons authorized to issue) Appearance Tickets. Trustee Diamond seconded the motion. All in favor.

GOOD & WELFARE

1. Village residents Jacqueline Handel and Paris Popack raised the issue of cars being parked on the grass/lawns of houses on Kenridge Road and shrubbery that overhangs onto the sidewalk(s) throughout the Village. Discussion ensued and

Village Administrator Ronald Goldman stated that these issues would be reviewed and addressed.

2. Deputy Mayor Fragin once again raised the traffic situation at the corner of Central Avenue and Rockaway Turnpike, even with the removal of the four (4) parking spaces. He stated that the Nassau County's light is poorly timed. Discussion ensued and Mayor Edelman directed Village Administrator Ronald Goldman to contact Nassau County Department of Public Works Unit Head Traffic Engineer Aryeh Lemberger, to meet and try to resolve this matter.
3. Deputy Mayor Fragin added that he has been approached by several residents of Sutton Park requesting that Nassau County install a traffic light at the intersection of Broadway and Sutton Place. Discussion ensued and Village Administrator Goldman stated that Nassau County Head Traffic Engineer Aryeh Lemberger could discuss/assess this situation at the same time (as the previous issue of the light at the intersection of Central Avenue and Rockaway Turnpike).
4. Trustee Goldstein stated that recently a lot of huge potholes have "opened up" on the Village roads that are damaging cars. He specified, per Mayor Edelman's request, some of the locations which are on Causeway and Rock Hall Road. Mayor Edelman responded that Rock Hall Road is a Nassau County road and that the Village has been in contact with the County in an ongoing basis and is addressing its own roads as best as possible. Discussion ensued in this regard.
5. Trustee Kaufman stated that he was apprised that the Woodmere Golf & Country Club was recently sold to a developer for \$25 million. He believes that this is a "once in a history chance", regarding the 150 acres of beautiful, waterfront property, Trustee Kaufman would like to see eminent domain invoked to usurp the development of this land for an "incredible urban park". He believes that once developed, the land would easily be worth \$100 million, but there is currently a moratorium on the development of golf club land by the Town of Hempstead. Discussion ensued in this regard.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of minutes:

BOT March 16, 2017

Board Action: Trustee Goldstein moved the approval of the March 16, 2017 BOT meeting minutes. Trustee Diamond seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 1 – Approve Abstracts #'s

General Fund	#831, 832, 833, 834, 835
Recreation Fund	#249, 250, 251, 252
Sewer Fund	#
Trust Fund	#
Payroll	#032417, 040717

Board Action: Trustee Kaufman moved the approval of General Fund Abstracts #831, #832, #833, #834 and #835. Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Trustee Goldstein moved the approval of Recreation Fund Abstracts #249, #250, #251 and #252. Trustee Diamond seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Mayor Edelman moved the approval of Payroll Abstracts #032417 and #040717. Trustee Diamond seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 2 – Announce plans for Passover preparations

Mayor Edelman announced the Village's plans for Passover preparations and stated that all of the information was available to residents on the Village's website (attached hereto as Exhibit "B").

Item 3 – Approval to go out for road improvement bids for the following:

- **Causeway (specs will include piece of Barrett Road between Causeway and Tanglewood Crossing)**

Board Action: Trustee Diamond moved the approval for Village Deputy Clerk Gerry Castro to go out for road improvement bids for Causeway (including a piece of Barrett Road between Causeway and Tanglewood Crossing where the pitch is wrong). Trustee Goldstein seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 4 – Approve the new municipal bookkeeping/accounting program/system for the Village

Board Action: Trustee Goldstein moved the approval of a new municipal bookkeeping/accounting program/system for the Village at a maximum price of \$19,000.00. Mayor Edelman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Mayor Edelman and Village Administrator Ronald Goldman commended and thanked Deputy Village Clerk Gerry Castro, Village Deputy Treasurer Lina Fusco, Accountant Matthew Rabie and their staff for all of their hard work and doing an outstanding job with this project.

Item 5 – Approve Actuarial and Pension Services

Board Action: Mayor Edelman moved to approve the retention of BPAS Actuarial and Pension Services for requisite professional services to be rendered (with a proposal letter dated April 5, 2017) for a maximum amount of \$6,000.00. Trustee Diamond seconded the motion. All in favor.

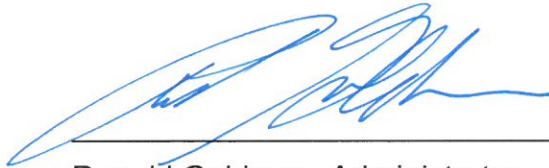
Item 6 – Approve installation of Village-wide LED lighting

This item was removed from the agenda for possible reintroduction at the next BOT meeting on May 11, 2017.

Board Action: No Board action was taken.

There being no further business, on motion by Trustee Kaufman, seconded by Trustee Diamond and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:11 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. 5 of 2017

**VILLAGE OF LAWRENCE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Local Law No. 5 of 2017

A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND
CHAPTER 8 OF THE VILLAGE
CODE CONCERNING
APPEARANCE TICKETS

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

Section 1. Chapter 8 of the Village Code, entitled “Appearance Tickets”, is hereby amended as follows:

§ 8-2. Persons authorized to issue tickets.

Pursuant to the authority granted by law, and in addition to any person authorized by any other law to issue appearance tickets, the persons holding the following offices, titles or positions are authorized to issue appearance tickets for violation of any statute, local law, ordinance, rule or regulation relating to parking, licensing of occupations or businesses, fire prevention and safety, health and sanitation, and/or building, zoning and planning:

- A. Mayor
- B. Trustee
- C. Superintendent of the Building Department
- D. Building Inspector
- E. Code Enforcer(s)
- F. Village Administrator
- G. Deputy Village Clerk/Treasurer
- H. **Village Inspector**

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

EXHIBIT B

April 2017

Passover Preparations

Dear Resident:

In preparation for Passover, District 1 Sanitation and the Lawrence-Cedarhurst Fire Department in conjunction with the Lawrence Department of Public Works are providing special services to Lawrence residents to help facilitate final pre-Passover clean out as follows.

Sanitation – A special truck will be located in the **Lawrence Station LIRR parking lot on Monday, April 10th between the hours of 7:00 AM and 12:00 PM**. Residents may bring garbage bags to the truck for disposal. Please line up in orderly fashion and Sanitation personnel will be available to assist. The full range of Sanitation services is described on the attached flyer.

Lawrence-Cedarhurst Fire Department/Lawrence Dept. of Public Works – The Fire Department and the Village DPW will be providing a designated area in the **Lawrence Station LIRR parking lot for burning bread products. Hours of service will be on Monday, April 10th between 7:00 AM and 12:00 PM**. Bread is to be wrapped in a small paper bag for easy disposal. **Items wrapped in plastic bags or containers must not be brought as they will not burn and will delay the entire process**. Fire Department personnel will be available to assist the DPW.

We urge residents not to make fires at home as these can easily become hazardous.

Wishing all our residents and their families a safe and joyous holiday season.

Very truly yours,

Alex H. Edelman
Mayor

Sanitary District No. 1

Enhanced Erev Pesach Collection Service

The Commissioners, Superintendent, and hard-working employees of Sanitary District No. 1 are proud to, once again, provide enhanced collection service throughout the Five Towns on Erev Pesach (Eve of Passover):

MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2017 • 7:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Choose from several convenient ways to benefit from this valuable service

- **Drop-Off:** Garbage trucks will be located at the Lawrence and Cedarhurst LIRR stations, Young Israel of Woodmere, and Temple Hillel in North Woodmere from **7:00 am - 12:00 pm**.
- **'All Day' Pickup:** Trash placed at the curb in securely tied bags will be collected throughout the Five Towns, between **7:00 am - 12:00 pm**.

* NOTE: Trash must be placed in sturdy, securely-tied bags. NOT pails.

- **Phone-in Request:** Call (516) 239-5600 from **7:00 am - 12:00 pm. (Erev Pesach Only)**

* Please Note: Sanitary Dist. #1 cannot guarantee an exact time

Stay up-to-date on all Sanitation District No. 1 announcements and information about special services and events by visiting: **www.sanitarydistrict1.com** to sign up for our email newsletter and service alerts.

Enhanced Erev Pesach sanitation collection service in the Five Towns began a decade ago when Village of Cedarhurst Mayor Andy Parise, and former Village of Lawrence Mayor Jack Levenbrown arranged to park Sanitary District #1 trucks at various Five Towns locations on Erev Pesach allowing residents a convenient way to dispose of garbage before the holiday.

Thank you to our local elected officials, and religious and community leaders for generously sharing time and resources needed to arrange this valuable community service.

