

The Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Friday, September 10, 2021 at Lawrence Village Hall, 196 Central Avenue, Lawrence, New York 11559.

Those members present were: Mayor Alex H. Edelman
Deputy Mayor Jeff Landy
Trustee Michael A. Fragin
Trustee Paris C. Popack
Trustee Eliezer Kutner

Also present were: Ronald Goldman, Village Administrator
Gerry Castro, Deputy Village Clerk
Alison Cohen, Secretary to the BOT

Absent were: Lina Fusco, Deputy Village Treasurer
Village Attorney, Peter Bee, Esq.

SPECIAL MEETING

Mayor Edelman called the special meeting to order at 11:40 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

9/11 Living Memorial Presentation by Stephanie Feit – Jewish National Fund

Stephanie Feit, Israel Programs Admissions Director of Long Island for the Jewish National Fund, gave a special presentation (including a photograph of) the “9/11 Living Memorial at the foothills of Jerusalem”. She went on to say: “Twenty years ago tomorrow, terrorists attacked our country and our lives were changed forever. 2,974 people lost their lives on 9/11, with thousands more injured and countless more people losing friends and family members. The victims came from all over the world; different religious backgrounds and different generations. On 9/11 first responders risked their lives to save the lives of others; and every day our first responders do the same. We appreciate their willingness to put themselves in harms way to rescue our neighbors in trouble. On that day, September 11th, heroes emerged. Three hundred forty-three (343) New York City Fire Department firefighters lost their lives. Twenty-three (23) New York City Police Department officers lost their lives. Thirty-seven (37) Port Authority Police officers, fifteen (15) EMT’s and three (3) Court officers lost their lives. In 2009 the Jewish National Fund built the 9/11 Living Memorial in the foothills of Jerusalem, to eternalize the memories of those who fell during the attack on September 11th. This Memorial represents the shared values of our two countries, the preciousness of life, freedom, Democracy and the fight against tyranny and terrorism. Each year the Prime Minister and President of Israel join the Mayor of Jerusalem, as well as the United States Ambassador to Israel, for a memorial ceremony commemorating the events of

9/11. We also continue to honor the victims with renewed dedication to first responders; JNF USA supports first responders in Israel with fire and rescue stations, fire trucks and necessary equipment. On behalf of the Jewish National Fund, I am honored to present this special certificate to you today. It bears the image of Jewish National Fund's 9/11 Living Memorial in Jerusalem. It is the only memorial outside of the United States that bears the name of each victim; and it reads, on the poster: The JNF-KKL 9/11 Memorial in the foothills of Jerusalem, expresses the deep connection and shared values between the people of Israel and the United States. It is the only Memorial outside of the United States that honors each victim. The Memorial is an American flag waving and transforming into a plane. A piece of molten metal from the ruins of the Twin Towers forms the base of the monument.

This Memorial serves as the site of an official ceremony held with the United States every year, as Israel honors the memory of the heroes who walk among us. Thank you for your commitment and sacrifice. Thank you for having me here today.”

The Mayor and Board thanked Ms. Feit for the beautiful presentation and certificate.

NEW BUSINESS

Village Administrator Ronald Goldman stated that the regular portion of the special meeting would now resume with all of the Board members present.

Deputy Mayor Landy noted that given the change in demographics and participants in the Lawrence Yacht & Country Club (LY&CC) sports facility, consideration should be given to retaining a Kosher caterer to provide services at the LY&CC snack bar. Following discussion and with acknowledgements of appreciation to Royalton (Jem) Caterers, a motion was made to solicit Request for Proposals (RFP's) from area Kosher caterers and to report results of same at the October 14th Board of Trustees (BOT) meeting.

Item 1 – Approve adjustments to the disposition of the LY&CC snack bar

Board Action: Deputy Mayor Landy moved the approval for the Village Administration to solicit Request for Proposals (RFP's) for Kosher caterers to provide food at the LY&CC snack bar, starting as soon as possible, selling Royalton Caterers' beer (with their permission and arrangement), to be presented to the Board at the October 14, 2021 BOT meeting; per the below parameters:

- Including food on Saturdays and Jewish Holidays
- Evenings
- Broader menu and greater variety of items
- Providing the décor, furniture, curtains and lighting for outdoor seating to allow dining at the snack bar

- Fee(s) to be determined including whether or not it is a percentage

Trustee Kutner seconded the motion. All in favor.

It was noted that Trustee Popack and Deputy Mayor Landy would prepare and provide the specifications for the proposals.

On motion by Mayor Edelman, seconded by Trustee Kutner and unanimously approved, the Board adjourned at 12:13 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