Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, April 7, 2022 at the 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

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

Absent were: Trustee Eliezer Kutner

The Board convened in Work Session at 7:04 p.m. to discuss various agenda items.

#### **WORK SESSION**

No Board Action was taken during the Work Session.

Work Session ended at 7:52 p.m.

#### REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Edelman called the regular meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Edelman welcomed Inspector Vincent G. Boden, the new Commanding Officer of the Fourth Precinct, along with Lieutenant Charles Sollin and P.O.P. (Problem Oriented Policing) Officer Jesse Destasio. The Mayor went on to say that he, Village Administrator Ronald Goldman and Deputy Village Administrator Gerry Castro had the privilege of meeting with Inspector Boden previously to welcome him and get acquainted. Inspector Boden stated that it was a pleasure to meet everyone and that he is back in the Fourth Precinct about a month and a half now, but had been a Police Officer in the Fourth Precinct sixteen (16) years ago, for a period of twelve (12) years. He stated that he is happy to be back with the great staff that constitutes the Fourth Precinct. He acknowledged that they would be addressing the Mayor's and Village's concerns to the best of their ability, already sending out extra patrols and increasing their VTL enforcement, especially with regard to the upcoming Passover holiday and many residents going away. Inspector Boden wrapped up by saying that he is always available if anyone has any concerns.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

April 7, 2022, 8:10 p.m.

#### Public Hearing #1 regarding the proposed 2022 - 2023 General Budget

**Board Action**: Mayor Edelman moved to open the Public Hearing regarding the proposed 2022 – 2023 General Budget. Trustee Popack seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion was passed unanimously.

Village Attorney Peter Bee advised that each of the Board members had previously received copies of the 2022 – 2023 Tentative Budget and that copies had been made available to the public. There had been discussion during the Work Session among the Board of Trustees (BOT).

**Board Action**: Upon hearing no further comments, Trustee Fragin moved to close the Public Hearing regarding the proposed 2022 – 2023 General Budget. Trustee Popack seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion was passed unanimously.

<u>Adoption of the 2022 – 2023 General Budget</u> (available at Village Hall and on the Village website)

**Board Action:** Deputy Mayor Landy moved to adopt/approve, pursuant to section 5-508 of the NYS Village Law, the final 2022 – 2023 General Budget of estimated revenues and expenditures of the Village of Lawrence for the fiscal year June 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023 (available on the Village website); and the same be approved and adopted as filed. Trustee Fragin seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mayor Edelman, Village Administrator Ronald Goldman and the entire Board thanked Deputy Village Treasurer Lina Fusco for all of her efforts in the 2022 – 2023 Budget's preparation. The Mayor reiterated that she has done an outstanding job, as per her usual.

#### Set tax rate and authorize issuance of tax warrants

**Board Action:** Deputy Mayor Landy moved to adopt the following Resolution regarding the collection of taxes under the approved/adopted 2022 – 2023 Budget:

WHEREAS,

(a) A budget of estimated revenues and expenditures of the Village of Lawrence for the fiscal year June 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023 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 \$3,123,543.00 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 2022 assessment roll, at the rate of \$127 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.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Edelman. All in favor. The motion passed/carried.

**Board Action:** Trustee Popack moved to adopt the following Resolution which would set the tax rate of \$127 (per \$100 of assessed valuation) as reflected in the 2022 – 2023 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, 2022 to May 31, 2023 be raised by levy of tax on all taxable property in the Village of Lawrence as set forth on the 2022 assessment roll of the Village (being the assessment roll completed on April 1, 2022):

Total amount of budget for the fiscal year
June 1, 2022 to and including May 31, 2023 as
adopted by the Board of Trustees following the
Public Hearing thereon held April 7, 2022 \$\_6,785,850
LESS: Appropriated Surplus \$\_784,624
LESS: Estimated Revenues for 2022/23 \$\_2,877,683
Leaving a balance to be raised by Tax Levy of \$\_3,123,543

- (b) That the tax rate for the collection of said Village Tax Levy be fixed at \$127 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, 2022 and the second installment to become due and payable December 1, 2022; 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. (Template attached hereto as "Exhibit A")

Mayor Edelman seconded the Motion. All in favor. The motion passed/carried unanimously.

## PUBLIC HEARING #2\_- Public Hearing regarding the annual 2022 Stormwater Management Report

Village Counsel Peter Bee explained that the 2022 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:** Trustee Fragin moved to open the Public Hearing regarding the annual 2022 Stormwater Management Report (MS4). Mayor Edelman seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion was passed unanimously.

**Board Action:** Upon hearing no further comment(s) or discussion, Mayor Edelman moved to close the Public Hearing regarding the annual 2022 Stormwater Management Report (MS4). Deputy Mayor Landy seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion was passed unanimously.

**Board Action:** Deputy Mayor Landy moved to adopt the annual 2022 Stormwater Management Report (MS4) as presented to the Board by Deputy Village Administrator Gerry Castro. Trustee Popack seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Mayor and Board thanked Deputy Village Administrator Gerry Castro.

Village Attorney Peter Bee commented that the 2022 Annual Stormwater Management Report can now be filed as presented to the Board.

Public Hearing #3 regarding the proposed Local Law of 2022 to amend the Village Noise Ordinance

**Board Action:** This Public Hearing was adjourned to the May 12<sup>th</sup> BOT meeting.

Public Hearing #4 regarding the proposed Local Law of 2022 to amend the Village Code for Zoning

Board Action: This Public Hearing was adjourned to the May 12th BOT meeting.

#### **REGULAR MEETING** (continued)

Approval of minutes: BOT March 21, 2022

**Board Action:** Mayor Edelman moved the approval of the March 21, 2022 BOT meeting minutes. Deputy Mayor Landy seconded the motion. All in favor.

#### **GOOD & WELFARE**

- 1) Mayor Edelman announced that the street lights on Merrall Drive, after much ado, were finally repaired, thanks to Deputy Village Administrator Gerry Castro, the Village's Highway Department (DPW) and Mittman Electric working diligently to resolve the underground wiring problem(s). Deputy Mayor Landy responded that on behalf of the residents he wanted to (again) thank Deputy Village Administrator Gerry Castro for his diligence in making sure that that project went through. It was certainly not a small undertaking, and after a number of attempts the Mittman crew were able to get it done and the residents were very appreciative. Mr. Castro thanked the DPW and Mittman for "putting up with" him.
- 2) Mayor Edelman stated that the shrub cutting initiative has started and is in progress, and summonses have already begun to be issued for violations. If there is non-compliance the Village will cut the offending shrubbery and send the homeowner a bill.
- 3) Trustee Fragin stated that the Village had successfully cordoned off most of the Inwood LIRR Station parking lot, which has greatly decreased the nuisance that has gone on there. He went on to say that there is a sizeable piece of property there now that is essentially unused and we might want to look into some sort of utilization. He added that it might be worthwhile to look into this. Discussion ensued in this regard.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item 1 – Approve Abstracts #'s

General Fund # 1111, 1112, 1113, 1114

Recreation Fund #626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632

Trust Fund # 294

Payroll # 040122

**Board Action:** Trustee Popack moved the approval of General Fund Abstracts #1111, #1112, #1113 and #1114. Deputy Mayor Landy seconded the motion. All in favor.

**Board Action:** Trustee Fragin moved the approval of Recreation Fund Abstracts #626, #627, #628, #629, #630, #631 and #632. Deputy Mayor Landy seconded the motion. All in favor.

**Board Action:** Deputy Mayor Landy moved the approval of Trust Fund Abstract #294. Mayor Edelman seconded the motion. All in favor.

**Board Action:** Trustee Popack moved the approval of Payroll Fund Abstract #040122. Trustee Fragin seconded the motion. All in favor.

#### Item 2 – Approve salary increases for specific employees (and ratify one\*)

To authorize Mayor Edelman to resent the salaries for the following specific employees:

- 1) April Plante an annual salary of \$44,000.00
- 2) Kenny Pruitt an annual salary of \$39,500.00
- 3) David Sarnelli an annual salary of \$69,000.00
- 4) Danny Vacchio an annual salary of \$94,000.89
- 5) Franco Castro an annual salary of \$46,000.00\*

**Board Action:** Deputy Mayor Landy moved to approve the above listed salary increases for April Plante, Kenny Pruitt, David Sarnelli, Danny Vacchio and Franco Castro. Trustee Popack seconded the motion. All in favor.

#### Item 3 – LY&CC Status Report

In LY&CC General Manager Cory Menking's absence Village Administrator Ronald Goldman presented the LY&CC April 2022 GM status report (attached hereto as Exhibit "B"). Mr. Goldman went on to say that this Sunday is a "meet the pro's" at the LY&CC, to introduce the new Tennis Pro and Golf Pro to the membership. He added that Mr. Sarnelli has the Marina going well.

Board Action: No Board Action was taken.

#### Item 4 – Zion Park Update/Report

Trustee Popack stated that the "hold-up" has been the weather and all renovations will proceed when the weather improves.

**Board Action:** No Board action was required.

#### Item 5 – Report on LY&CC Snack Bars

Deputy Village Administrator Gerry Castro reported that regarding the LY&CC non-Kosher Snack Bar's renovation the delivery of material will allow the renovation(s) to be completed shortly.

Deputy Village Administrator Gerry Castro reported that the foundation has been installed and the framing and related work are progressing well for the new Kosher Snack Bar expansion.

Board Action: No Board action was required.

#### Item 6 – Security Update

Deputy Village Administrator Gerry Castro reported that the installation of the security cameras has been completed and the system should go live next week, and be fully operational by the next BOT meeting on May 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Board Action:** No Board action was required.

#### Item 7 – Approve declaration of Rock Hall Museum Landmark Status

**Board Action:** Deputy Mayor Landy moved to approve the declaration/application of Rock Hall Museum to have Town of Hempstead Landmark status. Trustee Popack seconded the motion. All in favor.

## Item 8 – Approve setting a Public Hearing for a proposed new Local Law of 2022 regarding the Zoning Code for pool enclosures/covers

**Board Action:** Deputy Mayor Landy moved to approve setting a Public Hearing for the May 12, 2022 BOT meeting, pursuant to a proposed new Local Law of 2022 regarding the Zoning Code for pool enclosures. Trustee Fragin seconded the motion. All in favor.

On motion by Deputy Mayor Landy, seconded by Trustee Popack and unanimously approved, the Board adjourned at 8:24 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**

# INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF LAWRENCE TAX WARRANT

# TO RONALD GOLDMAN, VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR RECEIVER OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to receive and collect from the several persons named in the tax roll hereunto annexed, the several sums stated in the last column hereof opposite their respective names, being a total of \$3,123,543.00 for Taxes.

YOU ARE FURTHER COMMANDED to receive and collect the first half of such sums without additional charge between the first day of June and the first day of July, 2022, both inclusive, and thereafter to collect with such of the sums as have not been theretofore collected, an additional charge of five percentum for the first month or fraction thereof and one percentum for each month or fraction thereof thereafter until paid.

YOU ARE FURTHER COMMANDED to receive and collect the second half of such sums without additional charge between the first day of December and the thirty first day of December, 2022, both inclusive, and thereafter to collect with such of the sums as have not been theretofore collected, an additional charge of five percentum for the first month or fraction thereof and one percentum for each month or fraction thereof thereafter until paid.

YOU ARE FURTHER COMMANDED to file tax roll and warrant in your office on or before the first day of February, 2023, and to deliver to the Board of Trustees at the same time an account of the taxes remaining due and unpaid, describing each parcel of real property upon which taxes are unpaid, showing the person or persons to whom the parcel is assessed and showing as to each parcel the amount of tax unpaid.

DATED	MAYOR
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#### **EXHIBIT B**

#### Lawrence Yacht and Country Club April 2022 GM Report



To: Village of Lawrence Mayor Alex Edelman and Board of Trustees From: Cory Menking, General Manager Re: Lawrence Yacht and Country Club Date: April 1, 2022

#### **General Announcements**

- · Meet the Pro (Golf and Tennis) Club event is scheduled to begin at noon on Sunday, April 10
- I, Cory, will be traveling to Anaheim, California, the week of April 18 for the KemperSports Leadership Conference; the week will consist of "fulfilling educational opportunities, networking, and inspiring speakers."

#### 2022 Membership

- Membership totals today (585) outpace those from this time last year (562)
  - o Up 23 members, or 4%
- Totals membership as of April 1, 2022:

Golf							
Category	Platinum	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Family	Junior	Total
YTD	94	91	70	112	30	13	410
YTD PY	93	81	82	100	32	19	407
Variance	1	10	-12	12	-2	-6	3

Tennis							
Category	Platinum	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Family	Junior	Total
YTD	38	11	5	0	4	1	59
YTD PY	31	8	2	2	6	2	51
Variance	7	3	3	-2	-2	-1	8

Marina	3	Recreat	ion
YTD	83	YTD	33
YTD PY	58	YTD PY	46
Variance	<u>25</u>	Variance	-13

Breakdown of Recreation Permits (33) - this will rapidly increase as warmer weather approaches

Recreation	Breakdown

Adult	17
Senior	14
Junior	2

#### Lawrence Yacht and Country Club April 2022 GM Report



Breakdown of Resident (76) and Non-Resident (476) Full Active Members:

#### Resident Platinum Gold Silver Family Category Bronze Junior Total Golf 8 3 6 30 Tennis 9 10 2 0 3 1 25 Marina

Category	Platinum	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Family	Junior	Total
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Golf	86	83	67	108	29	7	380
Tennis	29	1	3	0	1	0	34
Marina							62

#### Advertising

Marketing tactics currently in play for all memberships:

- Our 'Meet the Pro' event will act as a membership drive with incentives being offered by the professional staff (lessons)
- · Google AdWords
  - o Paid Search ads appearing to those searching for membership keywords
  - o Remarketing ads appearing to those that visited our website
  - Display ads appearing to our targeted demographic and geographic parameters

#### Course & Grounds

- NY Rising Update:
  - Winterberry has completed moving irrigation pipe out of the way of the NY Rising project; all pipe has been moved on 1, 6, 7, 18, and the range
  - All de-watering holes have been completed; staff has noted drainage material should arrive in April
  - Members are inquiring more than ever about when the project will be done so the sooner we know, the sooner we can inform our members
- All tree work has been completed and cleaned up; stump holes have been filled with soil and will be sodded over the next month
- There are still some drainage breaks from the irrigation project that we are in the process of fixing, and should have most of this completed by Friday, April 1
- Many of the flower beds on the course that we do not have the manpower to properly maintain are being sodded; this will enable us to use our labor much more efficiently moving forward
- Tees will be aerated on April 4, greens will on April 11, and fairways will follow; weather permitting, aerification will be completed in April
  - o Green and green expansions have been mowed twice at 0.140"
  - Runoff expansions are being mowed at 0.400", the same height as existing runoffs; this will add more character to the golf course and continue to restore the original Devereux Emmet design

### Lawrence Yacht and Country Club April 2022 GM Report



#### Golf

- · Onboarding golf shop and outside staff; transitioning staff into new roles
- · Merchandising and accounting new inventory
- The improved golf shop has received positive feedback from the members "an inviting atmosphere"
- · Callaway Demo Day is set for April 10, and TaylorMade for April 24
- · Our first Junior clinics are scheduled to begin April 15
- Women's clinics open to members and Village residents will begin April 17
- · Policies and procedures are being fine-tuned for the proposed simulators
- The professional staff will be serving 10-minute lessons with all proceeds going to Play for P.I.N.K. with lesson schedules being set in the coming days

#### **Tennis**

- New computer setup with EZSuite; PlaybyCourt app in final stages of production now
- · Planning new, fun tournaments/events for the season
- Sprinklers have been lowered to 45" per HarTru's recommendation

#### <u>Marina</u>

- Re-docking work in the C-section is complete
- · All ice eaters have been removed; pressure washing and testing to follow
- Docks are being cleared of debris
  - o Water is set to be turned on April 15

#### Clubhouse

- Voting on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor will continue through April 5
- Post-banquet cleanup; dumpster area, front entrance, steam clean carpet
- · Restaurant: new bar, furniture, and televisions, upgraded audio system, and fresh paint
  - o Soft opening date: April 7-8
- Bag room: T&T drained and removed sprinkler lines and capped the main line, Alarm1 disconnected sensors, and member's bags were organized in PODS to begin Kosher Café construction
- · Driving range: ball washer machine rebuilt by Frank Curcio