

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, July 29, 2015 at Village Hall, 196 Central Avenue, Lawrence New York 11559.

Those members present were: Mayor Martin Oliner
Deputy Mayor C. Simon Felder
Trustee Michael A. Fragin
Trustee Irving Langer
Trustee Alex H. Edelman

Also present were: Ronald Goldman, Village Administrator
Jean Gribbins, Deputy Treasurer
Village Attorney, Peter Bee Esq.
Alison Cohen, Secretary to the BOT

The Board convened in Work Session at 7:30 p.m.

WORK SESSION

No Board Action was taken during the Work Session.

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

GOOD & WELFARE

1. Trustee Fragin discussed his bicycle mishap while riding around the Village, on Route 878, which is not a Village road. He stressed the importance of being vigilant with regard to the wearing of bike helmets for safety reasons. Trustee Fragin raised the issue of the poor condition of the Rock Hall Road bicycle path, which is supposed to be maintained by Nassau County and the Lawrence School District (for the section behind the school), however they are claiming that they have an exemption. Mayor Oliner noted that the Village is currently in litigation with the School District regarding this matter. Discussion ensued in this regard.

In addition, Trustee Fragin mentioned that a lot of bicyclists, riding along Causeway near the LY&CC golf course, will use the paths near the ninth and tenth holes, to avoid motorists. He suggested striping to mitigate possible issues with the golf carts.

2. Trustee Fragin raised the issue of petty crime overnight within the Village. There is also an issue with graffiti by the Inwood train station. Discussion ensued in this regard. Administrator Goldman was asked by Deputy Mayor Felder to obtain the Auxiliary Police schedule for the Village. Mayor Oliner requested that Administrator Goldman check the camera opposite Cumberland Avenue by Temple Israel. Auxiliary Police Officer Jon Isler stated that patrol schedules are distributed at their monthly meetings. He suggested that Administrator Goldman

contact Deputy Inspector Gluck in this regard. Officer Isler noted that the Auxiliary Police have obtained several cameras that can be placed in the stationery/staged cars, at requested locations/intersections, overnight or for a specific limited amount of time, upon request to Deputy Inspector Gluck. Mayor Oliner, the Board of Trustees and Administrator Goldman thanked Auxiliary Officer Isler.

3. Application of Congregation Bais Medrash of Harborview regarding parking was removed from the Agenda as Item #11 and discussed under "Good & Welfare". Mayor Oliner stated that as per the BZA Decision there is an Application that has been made to the Village by Congregation Bais Medrash of Harborview regarding parking changes. Per Mayor Oliner, the Village has received it; but has taken no action with regard to it, nor does the Village expect to take any action this evening with regard to it. Mayor Oliner opened the floor to the residents who came to the BOT meeting to discuss this item and welcomed their comments which were offered by one individual who did not identify himself on the record. Thereafter, David Weinstein, who lives on Harborview East, spoke in representation of the 48 families ("representing several hundred people") who signed a petition against the opening weekday Minyan at the Bais Medrash of Harborview. He expressed his questions and concerns regarding the BZA Decision. He requested that the Board be fair as well as patient, and represent the complete community/everybody in Lawrence. An Article 78 Appeal is pending before the Nassau County Supreme Court.

Mayor Oliner noted that the Board does not play a role in any of this. The Mayor and Board of Trustees is totally separate from the Board of Zoning Appeals and this is a Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) matter. The only role where the Board of Trustees (BOT) is mentioned in regard to the Decision of the BZA, relates to having a Petition merely made to the BOT. Whether it is acted upon or not, makes no difference in terms of compliance with the decision. That is the only role of the BOT. Discussion ensued in this regard.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of minutes:

BOT June 11, 2015

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved the approval of the June 11, 2015 BOT meeting minutes. Deputy Mayor Felder seconded the motion with the editorial changes made in Work Session (the word "inappropriately" deleted from Old Business Item #5; and New Business Item #5 permit parking times corrected). All in favor.

Item 1 – Approve Abstracts #'s

General Fund #757, 758

Recreation Fund #181, 182, 183
Sewer Fund #89, 90
Trust Fund #274
Payroll #2397, 2398, 2399

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved the approval of General Fund Abstracts #757 and #758. Trustee Edelman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved the approval of Recreation Fund Abstracts #181, #182 and #183. Trustee Langer seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved the approval of Sewer Fund Abstracts #89 and #90. Trustee Fragin seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved the approval of Trust Fund Abstract #274. Trustee Langer seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved the approval of Payroll Abstracts #2397, #2398 and #2399. Trustee Langer seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 2 – Appointments for 2015 – 2016

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to re-appoint Simon Gluck as the Acting Village Justice for a term of one (1) year, to expire June 30, 2016, with compensation of \$10,000 per annum. Trustee Edelman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 3 - Continuation of Public Hearing to amend the Village Code regarding the Board of Zoning Appeals

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to adjourn the continuation of the Public Hearing to amend the Village Code regarding the Board of Zoning Appeals, to the next BOT meeting on September 10, 2015. Deputy Mayor Felder seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 4 – Announce June 16, 2015 Election Results

Administrator Goldman had presented the Certificate of Election Results (copy attached hereto as Exhibit “A”) to the Board for the Village election held June 16, 2015, which showed the following votes cast for two Trustee positions on the Village Board of Trustees:

Michael A. Fragin	132 Votes	-	Elected
Alex H. Edelman	136 Votes	-	Elected

Mayor Oliner congratulated re-elected Trustees Fragin and Edelman.

Item 5 – Set/Finalize BOT Meeting Calendar Dates through July 2016

The tentative BOT meeting calendar through July 2016 is attached hereto as Exhibit "B". No Board action was taken.

Item 6 – Reaffirm Village Policies for 2015 – 2016

- **Procurement Policy**
- **Vehicle Use Policy**
- **Electronic Communication Systems Policy**
- **Workplace Violence Policy**
- **Investment Policy**

This item was tabled for further review.

Item 7 – Consider increase in Building Department Permitting Fees and Landscaper Fees

This item was tabled for further review.

Item 8 – Resolve to allow Village to apply for the 2015 – 2016 Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP) Grant

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to approve submission of the 2015 – 2016 Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP) Grant Application. Trustee Edelman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 9 – Approve Resolution to hire an Accountant I

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to approve the hiring of Sylvia Byrne for the position of Accountant I, at a salary of \$37,000 per annum. Trustee Langer seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 10 – Approve Park Commission Recommendations – Marina Rates for 2016 and LY&CC Golf Rates for 2016

LY&CC General Manager Leo McMahon presented the Board with supportive materials regarding the Park Commission recommendations for the 2016 Golf and Marina rates. The following were the Park Commission recommendations for the 2016 season Golf rates:

All prices stayed the same except:

- Individual full resident membership went from \$3100 to \$3200.
- Individual full non-resident membership went from \$5625 to \$5825.
- Recreation pass went from \$350 to \$385.
- Locker fee full went from \$150 to \$160.
- Locker fee half went from \$100 to \$110.
- *New recommendation Village Residents taking a golf membership for the first time will receive a 50% discount for the first year.*

Mayor Oliner raised the issue of a possible \$2,000 Golf initiation fee that would be waived if it was paid prior to November 15, 2015; as an incentive to join the LY&CC as a Golf member. Discussion with Mayor Oliner, Mr. McMahon, Trustee Fragin and Ms. Jacqueline Handel ensued in this regard.

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to approve the following Park Commission recommendations for the 2016 season Golf rates:

All prices stayed the same except:

- Individual full non-resident membership went from \$5625 to \$5825.
- Locker fee full went from \$150 to \$160.
- Locker fee half went from \$100 to \$110.
- *New recommendation Village Residents taking a golf membership for the first time will receive a 50% discount for the first year.*

Trustee Fragin seconded the motion. All in favor.

LY&CC General Manager Leo McMahon went on to explain the materials presented supporting the 2016 Marina rates recommended by the Park Commission. Mr. McMahon stated that the Village's summer dockage Marina rates were higher, in comparison, than other facilities/marinas. The Park Commission recommends charging a "minimal" charge of \$75.00 for winter storage rates, to get back into the "winter storage business". Currently the LY&CC Marina only has "in water" winter storage for boats 28' to 65', with shore power. Mayor Oliner requested that Mr. McMahon obtain independent consulting company quotes/proposals to run the Marina and do an analysis of summer and winter storage, electric, personnel, insurance, costs, etc. Trustee Langer thanked Mr. McMahon "for doing a great (great) job and added that everybody loves him". Trustee Fragin seconded that sentiment. Mayor Oliner requested a "vote", which was "all in favor". No Board action was taken regarding the Marina rates pending the information requested by Mayor Oliner.

Mr. McMahon stated that Tennis revenues were down \$5,000 from last year; the Tennis membership roster is down three (3) spots from last year; and the Park Commission recommended that the rates remain the same as a result for the 2015 – 2016 season. There are about thirty-five (35) spots left open for full membership. Mayor Oliner inquired about either increasing/getting lighting to increase the membership. Mr. McMahon responded that he was looking into lighting as well as a possible tennis bubble for three courts and would report on his findings as soon as possible. Mayor Oliner inquired if there was a children's program. Mr. McMahon added that Tennis Professional Chris Morales was doing an outstanding job and that the members "loved" him and that it will only get better. Trustee Fragin raised the issue of increased flooding of the tennis courts. Mr. McMahon concurred and added that since the courts are made of Har-True, over time it has slid down toward the middle of the courts, changing the pitch (causing them to level out from their original pitch for drainage) and causing them

to “puddle” consistently, when it rains. There is no more drainage on the courts, due to the change in pitch, which will require them to be laser-graded, and a substantial cost expenditure. Mr. McMahon added that this is necessary because the courts are closed quite frequently due to the “puddling” of water in the middle of the courts.

Item 11 – Application of Congregation Bais Medrash of Harborview regarding parking

This item was taken off the agenda as Item 11 and was discussed under “Good and Welfare”.

Item 12 – Emergency Resolution to ratify the \$10,000 payment for LY&CC Air Conditioning repair

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to approve a Resolution ratifying the action of the Mayor in determining that emergency conditions at the LY&CC existed in connection with the air conditioning system, and engaging Capitol Air Conditioning to commence repairs. Trustee Edelman seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 13 – Approve Revize Government Website’s Proposal

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved the approval of Revize Government Website’s proposal to design, revamp/re-do and manage the Village of Lawrence’s website at a cost of no more than \$5,000 for the first year. Trustee Edelman seconded the motion. All in favor.

On motion by Mayor Oliner and unanimously approved the Board convened in Executive Session at 9:30 p.m. to discuss matters of legal advice and litigation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Board Action was taken during the Executive Session.

There being no further business, on motion by Trustee Edelman, seconded by Trustee Fragin and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 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

ITEM #4

July 9, 2015

To: The Board of Trustees

VILLAGE OF LAWRENCE

ELECTION RESULTS 2015

I, Ronald Goldman, Village Administrator, Village Clerk, do hereby certify the following to be accurate and true:

The official election results at the June 16, 2015 Village elections were:

Votes cast for Michael A. Fragin 132

Votes cast for Alex H. Edelman 136



Ronald Goldman
Village Administrator

EXHIBIT B

**Tentative
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
CALENDAR FOR 2015 – 2016
VILLAGE OF LAWRENCE**

WORK SESSION AT 7:15 PM – GENERAL MEETING AT 8:00 PM

**ALL MEETINGS AT VILLAGE HALL, 196 CENTRAL AVE.,
LAWRENCE, NY 11559 (except as noted)**

JULY 29, 2015

AUGUST – NO MEETING

SEPTEMBER 10, 2015

OCTOBER 29, 2015

NOVEMBER 12, 2015

DECEMBER 17, 2015

JANUARY 14, 2016

FEBRUARY 4, 2016

MARCH 10, 2016

APRIL 14, 2016

MAY 12, 2016

JUNE 9, 2016

JULY 14, 2016