

Inc. Village of Lawrence, March 10, 2011

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, March 10, 2011, at Lawrence Village Hall, 196 Central Avenue, Lawrence, New York 11559.

Those members present were: Mayor Martin Oliner
Deputy Mayor Joel A. Mael
Trustee Michael A. Fragin
Trustee C. Simon Felder

Those members absent were: Trustee Edward I. Klar

Also present were: David E. Smollett, Administrator, Elizabeth Kaye, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, Village Attorney A. Thomas Levin (arrived at 9:15 pm).

Mayor Oliner opened the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Mayor Oliner moved to accept the minutes of February 3, 2011. The motion was seconded by Trustee Fragin and unanimously approved.

GOOD AND WELFARE

Ms. Kevelson inquired about a discussion regarding a proposed allocation of twelve commuter spots at the railroad parking lot for expansion of Memorial Park. Discussion ensued regarding ownership of the train station lots. Deputy Mayor Mael indicated that an expansion of the Park had not been approved by the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Item 1 - Abstracts

Trustee Fragin moved to approve Trust Fund Abstract # 231 and Payroll Abstract #'s 2283-2285. Approval of Abstracts for the General, Recreation and Sewer Funds was deferred to the next meeting.

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Item 2 –Resolution to Appoint Election Inspectors

Mayor Oliner moved the following:

That inspectors of election be employed at \$175.00 for Chair and \$150.00 for Inspectors for the Village Election to be held on June 21, 2011. That the following persons be and hereby are appointed as inspectors of election: Ms. Mildred Spinner, Mr. Aaron Philpson, Ms. Beverly Lowenthal, Ms. Rosalyn Gold, Ms. Sandra Last, Mr. Robert Karol.

The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Mael and unanimously approved.

Item 3 - Resolution on Applications for Corrections of Assessment

On behalf of the Board of Review, Mayor Oliner moved the following:

Those applications for corrections of assessment on the *2011/2012* tentative assessment roll are in all respects denied; the tentative assessment is in all respects confirmed and adopted as the final assessment roll.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Felder and unanimously approved.

Item 4 – Award Road Bid

Administrator Smollett presented a schedule of road bids for Herrick Drive, Hollywood Crossing, Hollywood-Briarwood Crossing and Washington Avenue.

Mayor Oliner moved to award the road work to the following lowest responsible bidders:

Washington Avenue -

Stasi Brothers for \$64,560

Herrick Drive -

Champ Construction Corp. for \$279,982

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Hollywood Crossing - Champ Construction Corp. for \$52,923

Hollywood-Briarwood Crossing - Stasi Brothers for \$99,680

Item 5 – Settlement Agreement with CNA Insurance Co.

The Board discussed a proposed settlement of \$75,000 from CNA Insurance for previous overbilling. Deputy Mayor Mael asked to be updated on the latest discussions before voting. The matter was tabled to the next meeting.

Item 6 – Lawrence – Cedarhurst Fire Department

Trustee Fragin updated the Board on Fire Department business.

Item 7 - Set Public Hearing for 2011-2012 Tentative Budget

The Board set the public hearing for the 2011-2012 Tentative Budget for Thursday, March 31, 2011 at 8:00 pm at which time the next regular meeting of the Board would be held in place of the scheduled April 7th, 2011 meeting. The Board also set a work session for Wednesday, March 23, 2011 at 8:00 pm, at which time the Tentative Budget would be discussed and voted upon.

OLD BUSINESS

Item A – Work to be Performed at the 8th Green at the Country Club

Club Manager Leo McMahon informed the Board that all work will be done in-house.

Item B - Tide Gate

Administrator Smollett reported that the duck bill-check valve would cost approximately \$90,000 based on a quote from Cameron Engineering. The Board asked Administrator Smollett to obtain additional quotes. Administrator Smollett informed the

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Board that the FEMA monies received toward the Tide Gate must be spent within the next 6 months.

Item C - Flood Insurance Coverage at Club

The Board discussed a quote by Salerno Insurance to purchase flood insurance for the Park House, Tennis Building, Golf Cart Garage and Garage #2.

Mayor Oliner moved to approve flood insurance coverage for the Park House for an approximate cost of \$2,547. The motion was seconded by Trustee Fragin and unanimously approved. Mayor Oliner asked Club Manager McMahon and Building Superintendent Ryder to make recommendations regarding flood insurance coverage for the other structures at the Club.

Item D - Upgrades to Village Hall

Mayor Oliner recommended that a committee be formed with Board Members and other Committees such as the Lawrence Association.

Item E - Williams Street Study

Administrator Smollett reported that the sidewalk on Williams Street could be cut-back which would widen the street from 18'3" to 21'3". Mayor Oliner indicated that he intended to invite the residents of the two apartment buildings on Central Avenue to a meeting to present the Williams Street study.

Item F - Mezza Contract

Mayor Oliner reiterated the need to go forward with the RFP for another Kosher Caterer and to conclude the contract with Mezza Caterers. The issue with Mezza's back rent was discussed and whether it should be required to be placed in escrow.

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Members of the Board discussed the following items:

- A fee was received for the condos being constructed on Central Avenue which explains the unusually high monthly Building Permit Fee line in the Financials.
- Mayor Oliner is finalizing changes on Appointments
- Concern with comments made by a Zoning Board member at the last ZBA meeting
- Cement work on Causeway to be done internally

At 9:50 p.m., there being no further public session business before the Board, Mayor Oliner moved to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to pending or potential litigation and matters pertaining to the hiring, firing, or discipline of one or more particular persons. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Mael and unanimously approved.

The Board returned to public session at 10:15 pm.

Mayor Oliner moved to close the meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Fragin and unanimously approved.

This is to certify that I, David E. Smollett, read the preceding minutes, and they are in all respects a full and correct record of such proceedings.

David E. Smollett, Administrator,
Clerk/ Treasurer