

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, May 9, 2013 at Village Hall, 196 Central Avenue, Lawrence New York 11559.

Those members present were: Mayor Martin Oliner
Deputy Mayor C. Simon Felder (arrived at 8:25 p.m.)
Trustee Joel A. Mael
Trustee Michael A. Fragin
Trustee Irving Langer
Also present were: David E. Smollett, Village Administrator
Abraham Farber, Deputy Treasurer
A. Thomas Levin, Village Attorney (arrived at 8:55 p.m.)
Alison Cohen, Secretary to the BOT

The Board convened in public work session at 7:55 p.m.

WORK SESSION

The following matter was addressed.

Old Business Item 2 – Hire auditor for EFC/Nassau County pump station project

The EFC drawdown was briefly discussed. Administrator Smollett advised he had met with an engineer to discuss the possibility of hiring him to audit the County's progress on the Sewer Pumping station project.

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 AND WELFARE

1. Resident Avi Lazar raised the issue of chronic heavy traffic on Rockaway Turnpike due to improper sequencing of traffic lights, as well as traffic on Route 878 between Burnside Ave. and Rockaway Turnpike. Mayor Oliner acknowledged that this has been an ongoing problem. The lights are not controlled by the Village and part of the problem has been the lack of coordination between Nassau County and New York City which are responsible for different parts of the roadway that fall under their respective jurisdictions. Mayor Oliner asked Administrator Smollett to arrange a meeting with Subimal Chakraborti (NYS DOT) of Nassau County, Legislator Howard J. Kopel and officials from Queens DPW to try to mitigate this ongoing problem.

Trustee Fragin queried regarding a street construction project on the northbound side of Route 878 near Burnside Avenue which has been dormant for some time

and remains unfinished. He advised he had not been able to receive information from Nassau County DOT as to the nature of the work, who is responsible for the project and when it would be completed.

Approval of minutes:

BOT February 28, 2013

BOT April 11, 2013

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved the approval of the minutes of the February 28, 2013 BOT meeting. Trustee Langer seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved the approval of the minutes of the April 11, 2013 BOT meeting. Trustee Langer seconded the motion. All in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Item 1 – Approve Abstracts #'s

General Fund #684, 685, 686, 687

Recreation Fund #104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109

Payroll #2341, 2342

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved the approval of General Fund Abstracts #684, #685, #686 and #687; with the exception of Voucher #1685 for Sam Schwartz Engineering in Abstract #687, in the amount of \$958.00. Trustee Langer seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved the approval of Recreation Fund Abstracts #104, #105, #106, #107, #108 and #109. Trustee Langer seconded the motion. All in favor.

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved the approval of Payroll Abstracts #2341 and #2342. Trustee Langer seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 2 – Ratify purchases for LY&CC golf course equipment including:

- a) Storr Tractor – Pump House Flowtronex pump system/station and control panel

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to ratify the purchase of Flowtronex pump system and control panel & CC Pump House in the amount of \$47,113.75. This purchase was made on an emergency basis in order to prevent deterioration of the golf course. Trustee Langer seconded the motion. All in favor.

- b) LaCorte Equipment – tractors, mowers and other golf course maintenance equipment in the amount of \$422,431.80 – Does not need ratification; it was approved on the abstract and was purchased pursuant to NYS OGS Contract PC65425.

- c) Ratify contract for restoration of the tennis building

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to ratify the contract with Milro Services, Inc., for the restoration of the tennis building, in the amount of \$79,800.00. This was the

lowest proposal received for the work and was awarded on an emergency basis in order to ensure the safe and timely restoration of the facility for public use. Trustee Langer seconded the motion. All in favor.

d) Ratify award of electrical restoration work at the Marina to Mittman Electric

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to ratify the award for the electrical restoration work to date at the Marina to Mittman Electric in the amount of \$50,350.00, and for the dock pedestals in the amount of \$76,609.90; totaling \$126,959.90. The contract had been awarded on an emergency basis to ensure the safe and timely restoration of the Marina facilities. Deputy Mayor Felder seconded the motion. All in favor, except for Trustee Mael who abstained.

Item 3 – Ratify procurement for supply of hardware (nuts and bolts) to repair docks (insurance/FEMA)

No Board action taken. This was previously approved on the abstract.

Item 4 – LY&CC update

LY&CC General Manager Leo McMahon gave an overview of the LY&CC restoration to date. Mayor Oliner thanked everyone involved for all of their hard work. Discussion ensued regarding restoring the ballroom chairs versus purchasing new ones. Mr. McMahon reported that 249 out of 315 chairs had been restored to date and the balance are in process. Trustee Mael questioned the usability of the restored chairs. Mayor Oliner said that the chairs will be restored at minimal cost and will be evaluated to determine aesthetics and functionality.

Item 5 – Public hearing on the proposed Cablevision renewal agreement – (this item was addressed earlier in the meeting as the first item of business)

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to open the public hearing on the proposed Cablevision renewal agreement. Trustee Langer seconded the motion. All in favor.

Mayor Oliner asked the public if there were any questions or comments regarding Cablevision's renewal agreement. There were none. Jeff Clark from Cablevision advised Mayor Oliner that according to NYS Law, the Village requires a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the agreement when the Village is ready to do so.

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to close the public hearing on the proposed Cablevision renewal agreement. Trustee Fragin seconded the motion. All in favor.

Item 6 – Shor Yeshuv Institute New Torah Procession – Parade Permit Approval

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved the approval of the parade permit for the Shor Yeshuv Institute New Torah Procession. Deputy Mayor Felder seconded the motion. All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Stop signs on Broadway and Sutton Place

Administrator Smollett provided a brief overview of the proposal from traffic engineer Sam Schwartz and stated that he requested modifications to reduce the cost. Trustee Fragin suggested other locations that should be reviewed by Sam Schwartz to determine appropriateness of the installation of stop signs and possible crosswalks, including the following intersections:

- a. Broadway and Sealy Drive
- b. Broadway and Auerbach Lane
- c. Broadway and Herrick Drive
- d. Broadway at Merrill Drive and Arrowhead Lane

2. Hire auditor for EFC/Nassau County pump station project

This item was previously discussed during the Work Session.

3. Speed radar trailer update

Administrator Smollett advised that the Village has received the new mobile speed radar trailer and has deployed it at strategic locations throughout the Village to help curtail speeding issues.

4. Municipal parking/muni-meter update

Mayor Oliner explained briefly that several different muni-meter systems are being examined and information on these systems would be sent to the Board toward the end of the coming week.

5. LY&CC Financials

The LY&CC financials will be sent to the Board before the next BOT meeting.

6. Lights on Route 878 South of Rock Hall Road

Administrator Smollett received an update from Mittman Electric stating that LIPA came a third time and finally located a primary transformer that was affecting that whole area. The transformer was repaired and power was restored to some of the lights on Route 878. The west side of 878 still has some lights out due to a faulty "loop." This is currently being investigated by LIPA to determine the problem and restore service.

7. Street light issues in Lawrence Bay Park and on Rock Hall Road

Mayor Oliner explained that the Village had two meetings with LIPA and is trying to meet with them again in this regard. The Village and Mittman Electric are working to identify the breaks in the underground cables.

8. Flooding on Marbridge Road and Meadow Lane

Mayor Oliner stated that the Village received a letter from Teem Plumbing & Heating LLC, who had given a presentation at the last BOT meeting, advising that they could do a study for \$85,000.00. There is a meeting scheduled with Paul Barrone and his associates, set for Tuesday, May 14, 2013, with Mayor Oliner, Administrator Smollett., Michael Ryder and Gerry Castro.

9. Village of Lawrence website

Trustee Fragin noted that the Village website is not being updated in a timely manner. The Board of Building Design and Board of Zoning Appeals' minutes and agendas are not being posted in a timely manner. Mayor Oliner asked Administrator Smollett to monitor this. Discussion ensued regarding the Alternate appointments on the BBD and BZA.

10. Tom Rizzo

It was noted that Tom Rizzo's last day working for the Village's Building Department is May 30th, 2013.

11. Zion Park Improvements

Trustee Fragin brought up the issue of a committee that had been appointed by the Mayor a couple of years ago, to look into Zion Park and issues and improvements that could be made. Children now "age out" of the Park at three (3) years old. Mayor Oliner said that he would have the committee meet to review the situation and figure out a budget to address the issue.

12. BOT Calendar

Trustee Mael brought up the BOT calendar, noting the date of the next meeting, May 30, 2013. Administrator Smollett explained the thought was to have this meeting due to the Village's fiscal year ending May 31, 2013, and possibly requiring a short meeting to approve abstracts.

Mayor Oliner congratulated Deputy Mayor Felder on the birth of a great-grandchild earlier in the day.

On motion by Trustee Fragin, seconded by Mayor Oliner, the Board convened in Executive Session at 9:40 p.m. to discuss matters pertaining to pending and prospective litigation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Board Action: Mayor Oliner moved to close Executive Session at 9:50 p.m. and return to public session. Deputy Mayor Felder seconded the motion. All in favor.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

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