INC. VILLAGE OF PLANDOME HEIGHTS
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
PLANDOME HEIGHTS VILLAGE HALL
JULY 1, 2019
MINUTES OF MEETING

Present:

Mayor	Kenneth C. Riscica
Trustee	Daniel Cataldo
Trustee	Silva Ferman
Trustee	Gus Panopoulos
Trustee	Dianne Sheehan
Trustee	Alvin Solomon
Trustee	Norman Taylor
Clerk-Treasurer	Arlene Drucker
Village Attorney	Christopher Prior, Esq.

Also Present: Lisa Fanuka
Katherine Hannon

At 7:34 p.m. Mayor Riscica called the meeting to order and called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor noted the passing of Frances Bourguet, Mother of former Trustee Lawrence Bourguet. Frances was a resident of Manhasset since 1949 and is the mother of 8 children. Frances was actively involved in the community, particularly at St. Mary's RC Church, the Manhasset Library and the Chamber of Commerce. For her service to the community, Frances was named Woman of the year in 1995 (Town of N. Hempstead) and 1996 (Manhasset Chamber). The Mayor called for, and the participants observed, a moment of silence in Frances' honor.

The Mayor noted that the first order of business was the approval of the minutes. The Trustees confirmed that they had read the draft minutes of the June 3, 2019 Regular Board of Trustees Meeting. After discussion, upon motion by Trustee Solomon, seconded by Trustee Ferman, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by all Trustees present:

> **RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting, held on June 3, 2019, are hereby accepted and approved.

The Mayor then presented an analysis of the financial results of the Village year ended on May 31, 2019 (annexed hereto). The Mayor gave his perspective on the financial results, the integration of those results with the long-term capital needs of the Village and a discussion ensued. Mayor Riscica stated his expectation that the fiscal year will end with a surplus of approximately $70,000 or more. After discussion, upon motion by Trustee Panopoulos, seconded by Trustee Sheehan, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by all present:

> **RESOLVED,** that the Village transfer $70,000, as of May 31, 2019, representing the approximate projected surplus for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2019, from the General Fund – Unassigned to the General Fund – Assigned, which is specifically assigned for future capital projects under the Village Capital Plan.

At 7:43 p.m. Mayor Riscica moved to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. This motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan. All Trustees present voted in favor.

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At 8:09 p.m., the Mayor announced that executive session ended with no action taken.

The Mayor then moved the conversation to Personnel matters. After discussion, upon motion by Trustee Solomon, seconded by Trustee Cataldo, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by all Trustees present:

> **RESOLVED,** that the Village hire Lisa Fanuka as Deputy Clerk, a part-time, hourly position paying $18.50/hour, pursuant to the terms of the agreement annexed hereto with a payroll eligibility start of immediately (in order to accommodate a limited schedule of training and orientation over the summer) and an official regular schedule start date of Tuesday, September 3, 2019.

> **IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Village retain Katherine Hannon as Consultant for Special Projects at the rate of $13.50/hour pursuant to the terms of the agreement annexed hereto for the summer time.

At 8:11 p.m. Mayor Riscica moved to enter into Executive Session in order to seek the advice of counsel to discuss potential litigation. This motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan. All Trustees present were in favor.

At 8:21 p.m., the Mayor announced that executive session ended with no action taken.

Mayor Riscica then moved the discussion to an interim agreement with Aptive Environmental, LLC., a pest control company, to solicit door-to-door within our Village. After discussion, upon motion by Trustee Solomon, seconded by Trustee Cataldo, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by all Trustees present:

> **RESOLVED,** that the Village enter into an agreement with Aptive Environmental, LLC ("Aptive") to waive the provisions of the Village non-solicitation code and to therefore allow Aptive to solicit door-to-door within the Village in accordance with the terms of the agreement annexed hereto, including abiding with the Village's non-disturb list and residents' No Solicitation signs.

The Mayor then moved the discussion to various activities within and around the Village. The Mayor noted that most of our neighboring Villages are receiving requests from telecom infrastructure vendors and providers to install 5G nodes. To date, our Village has not received a request.

The Mayor commented on the recent arrest of a Plandome Heights resident for allegedly stealing $19 million in investments in a "Ponzi" style scheme. The implications to the Village, if any, were discussed including the potential for the family home to fall into disrepair. The situation will be monitored.

Mayor Riscica then moved the discussion to the Webster Avenue Bridge. He noted that LIRR advised of neighbor complaints about noise when vehicles pass over grates on the bridge, which led to LIRR closures of the bridge, without notice, to address, and alleviate impacts of, the noise. LIRR advises that these repairs and disruptions should cease shortly.

The Mayor stated that the next order of business was the approval of the Abstract of Claims. After discussion, upon motion by Trustee Cataldo, seconded by Trustee Panopoulos, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by all Trustees present:

> **RESOLVED,** that the May Abstract of Claims Number 2 of the Budget Year 2019 – 2020 for claim numbers 30 – 50 in the amount of $23,014.42 have been reviewed and approved by the Trustees and is hereby accepted.

There being no further business to discuss, upon motion by Trustee Solomon seconded by Trustee Sheehan, resolution adjourning the meeting was unanimously adopted by all Trustees present.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Arlene Drucker, Clerk-Treasurer

Attachments