

**VILLAGE OF MATINECOCK
REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING
OCTOBER 18, 2022**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Matinecock, Nassau County, New York, was held at the Portledge School on Duck Pond Road in the Village, on Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at 6:30 P.M.

Present:	Kenneth J. Goodman, MD	Mayor
	Linda Berke	Trustee
	William R. Denslow, Jr.	Trustee
	William I. Hollingsworth	Trustee
	Carol E. Large	Trustee
	Robert Marmorale	Trustee

Absent:	Albert Kalimian	Trustee
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Also Present:	James F. Wellington, Commissioner of Public Works
	Jennifer A. Zoufaly, Village Clerk/Treasurer
	Peter P. MacKinnon, Esq., of
	Humes & Wagner, LLP
	Attorneys for the Village

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. He requested that the affidavits of mailing and posting of the Public Information Notice in compliance with the Open Meetings Law, which were presented, be annexed to the minutes of this meeting.

MINUTES

The Mayor called for approval of the minutes of the Trustees' meeting held on September 20, 2022, which, on motion duly made and seconded, was unanimously approved.

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS

Commissioner of Public Works, Jim Wellington, reported that there have been numerous tree removal applications filed with the Village. The most significant application was for the new Koski residence. The homeowners originally requested a permit to remove 65 trees. Mr. Wellington noted that after a site visit, he issued a permit to remove only 40 trees beyond the footprint of the foundation, which he determined warranted removal based upon the conditions of those trees.

Mr. Wellington also reported on Underhill Road drainage near the Callan's residence and is investigating if one additional drywell needs to be installed.

214 OYSTER BAY ROAD/FINN PROPERTY

Commissioner of Public Works, Jim Wellington reported that he has inspected the Finn property and confirmed that the required landscaping was completed as per the approved landscape plan. Mr. Wellington noted that the overall appearance of the property has greatly improved, however there appears in the rear yard to be missing plantings as required by the approved plan. The Mayor stated that he and other Board members have been by the property and agreed that significant landscaping was installed. Based upon the good faith efforts of Mr. Finn to comply, the

Board agreed to a further extension to the November 15th Trustees meeting to comply with the Board's conditions as set forth at the July 19, 2022 Trustees meeting. Mr. Wellington was requested to coordinate with Ms. Santoro on having Mr. Finn complete the final plantings prior to the November meeting.

LOCUST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT PUMP STATION UPGRADE

The Village Attorney reported that the Mayor had requested that he reach out to the Water District's attorney, Tom Hogan, on the status of the Locust Valley Water District project to replace the Duck Pond Road Pump building. The Village Attorney circulated for the Trustees' review a rendering of the most recent building design provided by Mr. Hogan. The Board agreed that the design was in keeping with the Village. In connection with this project in addition to the building design, the Mayor noted that the LV Water District was requested to relocate the entrance to the Water District site to Duck Pond Rd. The Water District has advised the Village that relocation of the entrance to Duck Pond Road was not possible for a myriad of reasons ranging from site restrictions to traffic safety. The Mayor recommended that a further meeting with the Water District should be scheduled to ensure that the actual building design presented in the rendering is the design actually to be constructed, the project time line and whether access to the site from Duck Pond Road can be reconsidered.

CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT

BILLS

The bills listed on Warrant No. 700 dated September 1-30, 2022, for a total of \$374,476.22 and Warrant No. 701 dated October 1-18, 2022, for a total of \$63,995.73, copies of which are annexed to these minutes, were, on motion duly made and seconded, ratified and approved for payment.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Village Clerk/Treasurer requested approval to transfer \$35,000 from the General Savings to the Checking Account to maintain the Collateral Balance of \$600,000 as required by FNBLI. After discussion, on motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the requested transfer. The Clerk also circulated a copy of the current balances in all of the Village's accounts as of October 18, 2022.

Year-End Journal Entry Adjustments – The Village Clerk/Treasurer requested authorization to make the requested year-end audit adjustments pursuant to the attached work sheet. After discussion, and on motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously

RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk/Treasurer be, and she hereby is, authorized to make the year end audit adjustments as specified on the attached work sheet.

ANNUAL AUDIT (AUD) FOR 2021/22

The Clerk/Treasurer circulated a copy of the AUD that is required to be filed with the Office of the State Comptroller for the year ending May 31, 2022, which is annexed.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

The Building Inspector's Report on the status of current building permits and projects in the Village was reviewed and discussed. The Clerk/Treasurer also referred to the report submitted by the Building Department Clerk for September 2022 activity, annexed.

The Village Attorney reported on the recent activity at Portledge School.

POLICE REPORT

The Mayor reported that Village Residents are pleased with the level of police protection being provided by the Brookville Police Department since the June 1st change over. The Mayor noted that the Police Department recently acquired a pickup truck to be used by the Department, when the previously ordered SUV police vehicle was not available for deliver in time. The Mayor also noted that Department has recently hired a retired Police Officer to be an administrative assistant and also work to serve as a Code Enforcement Officer on an as needed bases for the 4 Villages. The officer will be required to undergo the required hours of NYS training to be a certified NYS Code Enforcement Officer.

Finally, the Mayor commented that there have been reports of recent home invasions in the neighboring Village of Muttontown with entry to the homes through the rear sliding glass doors. Even though no home invasion have occurred in the Village, residents should be aware and take precautionary measures.

ARTICLE 7 SETTLEMENT - PETER CASTELLANA, JR. - TAX REFUND

The Village Attorney reported that on behalf of the Village, he and the representative for Peter Castellana, Jr., have negotiated a settlement of the pending tax certiorari cases against the Village for the tax year 2016/17 thru 2022/23 for the Village's approval. After discussion, and on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

RESOLVED, that the settlement with Peter Castellana, Jr., Section 24, Block 24, Lot 12, for the pending tax certiorari cases for the Village tax years January 1, 2016 through January 1, 2022 as set forth in the attached Stipulation of Settlement, attached, be the same is hereby approved, and the Village Attorney is authorized to execute said Stipulation on behalf of the Village, and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that for all year involved, the total lump sum refund shall be \$6,254, and there shall be no interest or penalties due the property owners for the settlement tax year; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Village Clerk/Treasurer is hereby directed to issue a refund in the amount of \$6,254 to the property owner's representative upon the submission of the appropriate claim form.

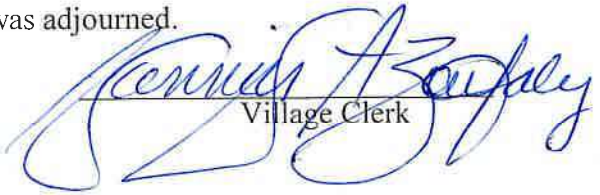
LITIGATION

The Village Attorney updated the Board on the status of the Village's civil action to obtain an injunction in Nassau County Supreme Court to prevent further illegal short term rentals at 11 High Ridge Lane in the Village.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for November 15, 2022.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.


Village Clerk