

REGULAR MEETING
May 17, 2018

The Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Upper Nyack was held at the village hall on Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 7:00 PM.

Those present: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond, Esmay, Nye & Rothchild
Village Clerk Carol G. Brotherhood, Village Treasurer-Richard D. Fortunato
Village Attorney Robert P. Lewis

Other's identified: PO Valerio, CPD; Irene Nathanson, Camille Priest, Robert Helmke

POLICE REPORT – Officer Valerio appeared to present the monthly report.

Discussion: Weather related issues with trees down etc.; Hope to have the speed sign on Castle Heights Ave. in place next week. Were delayed in bringing it due to weather. There were 15 V&T violations and 11 parking tickets issued.

Several scams that often surface in warm weather (roofing, blacktopping driveways etc. are on the rise.)

Officer Valerio noted two events taking place at the CPD:

June 9th, 9-12 noon, VIN etching program (will reduce insurance)

June 1st, 9-12 noon, Central Nyack McDonalds “coffee with a Cop”

Discussion: The idea was brought up to have a “bike enforcement day” – PO Valerio will discuss with Sgt. Kelly and the CPD traffic officers

TREASURER’S REPORT – Treasurer Fortunato submitted report for review.

Treasurer Fortunato requested a resolution of the Board to allow him to pay the BAN of \$440,000 principal due 6/19/18 and \$100,500 interest interest.

Trustee Esmay made a motion that the Board approve the payment to pay down the debt that the Treasurer recommends, seconded by Trustee Nye and so moved.

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond, Esmay, Nye & Rothchild

NOES: None

Trustee Nye moved that the Board of Trustees accept the Memo with recommendations of the Treasurer for the 2018-2019 employees’ salaries and DPW overtime rates, seconded by Trustee Rothchild and so moved. (Memo on file)

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond, Esmay, Nye & Rothchild

NOES: None

VOUCHERS – Read and approved for payment.

Treasurer Fortunato noted to the Board that the Bond Sale will be scheduled for June 15, 2018 and the sale would take place about a week later.

ASPHALT PAVING BID – School Street

Village Engineer Letson noted that there were 3 RFP's sent out to obtain a bid to pave School Street. Mr. Letson expected a bid of about \$20,000. The only bid received of \$35,000 exceeds the RFP and would have to be put out for a full bid. Trustee Esmay made a motion to reject the bid from Thomas Young Paving LLC as it exceeds the RFP limit, seconded by Trustee Diamond and so moved.

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond, Nye & Rothchild

NOES: None

The Board discussed doing oil & chip. Mayor Tarapata noted she had met with the DPW and the company that did the oil and chip on Centre and that the work was deficient. Mayor Tarapata is negotiating a repair.

NEW NY BRIDGE SIDEWALK GRANT- Public Meeting

Village Engineer Letson addressed the Board and the public regarding the installation of a new sidewalk on North Broadway. Mr. Letson gave some history of the sidewalk and noted that the Comprehensive Plan of 1999 talked about extending the sidewalk on North Broadway to Hook Mtn. at the Nyack Beach State Park. In December 2004 Robert Sorace was hired to produce a survey of that area on N. Broadway. The sidewalk has been extended over the years but now it will go all the way to the park.

Currently what exists is 5871 ft. from the Upper Nyack line to where it ends. There will be an additional 1638 ft. from where it ends to the driveway at the Nyack Beach State Park. There will be new curbs and tactile indicators at any street crossings.

The potential issues will be areas where work will need to be done by and coordinated with Orange & Rockland Utilities for a utility pole that needs to be moved (actually at 15 Castle Heights Ave. in Upper Nyack) and a guidewire anchor that is closest to where the sidewalk currently ends (at or close to 627 North Broadway).

The residents at 629 North Broadway wrote an email to the Mayor noting they were unable to attend the meeting. They were concerned that they are away during the winter months and did not want to be responsible for shoveling snow from the sidewalk.

Mr. Letson also noted that the agenda item to discuss the sidewalk had been placed on the Village message board, on the Village's web site and letters had been sent to the 12 property owners directly affected by the installation of the sidewalk.

Mr. Robert Helmke, 641 North Broadway was in attendance and thanked the Board for sending the letter to him notifying him of the Village's intention regarding the new sidewalk. Mr. Helmke questioned whether anyone had looked at the trees that were in the affected area. Mr. Letson answered that the sidewalk would be at grade and that some trees that currently exist in the Village right of way may need to be moved. Mr. Helmke also inquired as to who would be responsible for necessary repairs to the sidewalk and the Mayor noted it would be the Village's responsibility.

Mr. Letson concluded his discussion noting that the Clerk should forward a copy of the minutes, even in draft form, so that the next phase of the grant could be complied with.

REQUEST FOR STREET CLOSING– Empire H&L memorial plaque dedication Members of Hook & Ladder Co. #1 requested the closing of North Broadway from Castle Heights Ave. to Birchwood Ave. on Saturday, June 2, 2018 from 3:00 to 7:00 PM to hold a Memorial Service and Plaque Dedication in honor of Joseph R. Stach Jr.

Trustee Rothchild made a motion that the Board allow the request for the street closing as stated, seconded by Trustee Nye and so moved.

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond, Nye & Rothchild

NOES: None

PROCLAMATION to Honor Joseph R. Stach Jr.

The Village Clerk read the attached proclamation which was signed by all members of the Board. The proclamation will be given to the family of Joseph R. Stach Jr. (Copy attached)

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond, Nye & Rothchild

NOES: None

MINUTES – Trustee Nye motioned that the Board accept the minutes of the Regular meeting of March 8, 2018, as amended, seconded by Trustee Rothchild and it was so moved.

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond, Esmay, Nye & Rothchild

NOES: None

Trustee Diamond motioned that the Board accept the minutes of the Regular meeting of April 19, 2018, as amended, seconded by Trustee Rothchild and it was so moved.

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond, Nye & Rothchild

NOES: None

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MEETING – Mayor Tarapata reported on the meeting held at the OSMH. It was well attended by approximately two dozen, very engaged people. The discussion centered on traffic calming measures and safety at crosswalks and the desire for that to be in the comprehensive plan. Considered was installing colored brick to mark the crosswalk or paint to make the crosswalk more visible. Also discussed was making lower Birchwood one way (N. Midland to N. B'way) to create a safer area for pedestrians; Old Mountain Road one way North and make a T intersection at Old Mountain and North Midland. Village Attorney Lewis suggested the Board seek input from the CPD traffic unit.

Discussion: Mayor Tarapata and Trustee Rothchild met with representatives of a sound monitoring company. The company should be providing cost on a 1 month monitoring. The Special Permit for the shipyard requires the monitoring.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

8:25 pm Trustee Esmay made a motion that the Board enter into executive session, seconded by Trustee Rothchild and so moved.

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond, Esmay, Nye & Rothchild

NOES: None

Discussion took place regarding current litigation.

9:00 pm Trustee Rothchild made a motion that the Board exit executive session, seconded by Trustee Nye and on a call for a vote:

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond, Esmay, Nye & Rothchild

NOES: None

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Nye and seconded by Trustee Rothchild and so moved. The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 PM

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond, Esmay, Nye & Rothchild

NOES: None

Respectfully submitted,

Carol G. Brotherhood
Village Clerk