

REGULAR MEETING

March 21, 2019

The Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Upper Nyack was held at the village hall on Thursday, March 21, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

Those present: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees, Diamond & Esmay

Village Clerk: Carol G. Brotherhood; Village Treasurer-Richard D. Fortunato; Village

Attorney: Robert P. Lewis Esq.

Absent: Trustee Nye, Trustee Rothchild

Others identified: PO Valerio-CPD; Suzanne Buchauer, Teresa Stone, Diana Greenwald, David McWilliam, Robert Picardi, Daniel Wolff, Laura Applebaum, Howard Andrew, Maxine Silverman, Peggy Kurtz, Glen Weinberg

POLICE REPORTS – PO Valerio presented the report. The following was reported or discussed: Recent hit & run in Valley Cottage with perpetrator arrested in Indiana; Medicals calls 41; burglar alarms – some due to recent storms; Summonses: 28 parking & 12 V&T; Scams – Green dot package scam- Police have gone to all local pharmacies to warn them of the scam; Paving/Repair Scams-Police caution to only do business with licensed & insured companies or ones that you know.

TREASURER’S REPORT –Submitted for review. CLASS payments have resulted in \$3758.00 in interest to the Village.

The budget workshop will be held on 03/28/19 at 7:00 PM

TENTATIVE BUDGET -SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE

Trustee Diamond made a motion that the Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on the tentative budget on April 18, 2019 at 7:30 PM, and the Village Clerk will publish a notice of the public hearing, seconded by Trustee Esmay and so moved.

On a call for a vote:

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond & Esmay

NOES: None ABSENT: Trustees Nye & Rothchild

VOUCHERS – Read and approved for payment.

COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION – Presentation & discussion

Glen Weinberg, VP of JOULE Assets appeared before the Board to explain how community choice aggregation works and provides renewable energy to communities. Mr. Weinberg explained REC, Renewable energy certificates are labels attached to all renewable energy produced in the country. It is necessary to claim you are buying renewable energy. This is an opt-out program.

If the Village opts in, notification comes from the Village but cost of mailing is done by the supplier.

Resolution – Non-binding

Trustee Diamond made a motion to pursue a non-binding resolution to provide Community Choice Aggregation to the residents of Upper Nyack, seconded by Trustee Esmay and so moved.

On a call for a vote:

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond & Esmay

NOES: None ABSENT: Trustees Nye & Rothchild

The audience in attendance applauded the Board for their decision to pass the resolution and consider community choice aggregation for the residents.

Mr. Weinberg explained that if the Village wants to move forward, the next step would be Enabling Legislation and selecting an administrator. To provide electricity at a reasonable rate JOULE would do community outreach via email and canvassing the residents. Glen Weinberg and the Mayor of Hastings will speak at the meeting on the 11th at the elementary school.

Peggy Kurtz attended the Rockland County water conservation workshop hosted by the Rockland County Water Taskforce for the county and local municipalities. The goal is to create a conservation plan with policies and ordinances to educate the public and reduce water use. Lawn watering is one of the biggest uses of water in the summer.

Rockland County Sanitary Code – Mosquito Control

Article 19 of the RC Sanitary Code requires owners of retention/detention basins to control mosquito breeding at those locations. The County DOH provides services for control at those locations. The Village can do the control or opt for the County to do it. After a brief discussion, the Board agreed to have the RC DOH do the control at a cost of \$625 per year. The Mayor will sign the form.

Rockland County Inter-municipal Shared Services & Collaboration Agreement

Before the Board would agree to a resolution and having the Mayor sign the agreement, the insurance amount required should be confirmed with the Village's insurance carrier, that the Village has the proper insurance.

NYS Film Production Tax Credit Program-Letter of Support

This item was tabled until April 18, 2019 regular meeting

REQUEST FOR STREET CLOSING – EARTH FEST 2019 May 16, 2019

Trustee Esmay made a motion that North Broadway be closed between Castle Heights Avenue and Birchwood Avenue for the Upper Nyack Elementary PTA Goosetown Bazaar from 9:30 am until 12:30 pm on Thursday, May 16, 2019 and that they provide a Certificate of Insurance, seconded by Trustee Diamond and so approved. AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond & Esmay

NOES: None ABSENT: Trustees Nye & Rothchild

The Upper Nyack PTA will notify the residents of North Broadway, Perry Lane, Tompkins Court and lower Castle Heights Avenue of the closing by letter using the sample letter provided and sign an affidavit that such mailing took place.

The Clerk will notify the Clarkstown Police liaison officer so that auxiliary police can be provided along with barricades to block off the street.

8:37 PM EXECUTIVE SESSION – Trustee Esmay motioned for the Board to enter executive session, seconded by Trustee Diamond and so moved.

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond & Esmay

NOES: None ABSENT: Trustees Nye & Rothchild

Discussion of contract renewal for Rubbish Removal

8:48 PM EXECUTIVE SESSION – Trustee Diamond made a motion to exit executive session, seconded by Trustee Esmay and so moved.

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond & Esmay

NOES: None ABSENT: Trustees Nye & Rothchild

Trustee Diamond motioned that the Board extend the contract with Minuto Carting Company for a total cost of \$695,437.79 for 3 years, with the monthly amount of \$19,317.72, seconded by Trustee Esmay and so moved.

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond & Esmay

NOES: None ABSENT: Trustees Nye & Rothchild

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW

March 21, 2019, Joe Diamond-Chair, Board of Assessment Review

The Board of Assessment Review of the Village of Upper Nyack met at the village hall on Thursday, March 21, 2019 during the regular meeting.

Those present: Mayor Tarapata; Trustees: Diamond & Esmay

Absent:

Others identified: No one from the public attended

Chairman Diamond presided over the Board of Review.

The Board discussed the recommendations of the Assessor regarding the Grievance applications that were received and reviewed at Grievance on February 21, 2019. With no further discussion, Trustee Diamond motioned to accept the recommendations, seconded by Trustee Esmay and so moved. On a call for a vote:

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond & Esmay

NOES: None ABSENT: Trustees Nye & Rothchild

MINUTES - Trustee Esmay made a motion to approve the minutes of the **02/21/2019**

Regular meeting, seconded by Trustee Diamond and with no discussion, so moved.

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond & Esmay

NOES: None ABSENT: Trustees Nye & Rothchild

Trustee Esmay made a motion to adjourn at 9:10 PM, seconded by Trustee Diamond and it was so moved. On a call for a vote:

AYES: Mayor Tarapata, Trustees Diamond, Esmay

NOES: None ABSENT: Trustees Nye & Rothchild

Respectfully submitted,

Carol G. Brotherhood
Village Clerk