

## REGULAR MEETING

January 11, 2007

The Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Upper Nyack was held at the village hall on Thursday, January 11, 2007 at 7:00 PM.

**Those present:** Mayor Esmay, Trustees Anderson, Malcolm, Morgan, & Tarapata, Village Clerk Carol G. Brotherhood, Village Attorney Robert P. Lewis, Village Treasurer Barry MacCartney

**Others identified:** Doris Sanchez

POLICE REPORTS – No representative from the Clarkstown Police Dept. attended due to the change in schedule of the meeting.

JUSTICE REPORT - Read and noted.

MINUTES – The minutes were not available due to a hardware problem with the electrical connection on the clerk's computer that has not yet been resolved. Minutes will be available at the workshop once the computer is repaired.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Submitted for review.

Budget worksheets were submitted to Board members.

Treasurer MacCartney noted that at present the increase in the tax rate is projected at 8%. With the standard cost of operating increase at about 4% the other 4% represents about 24cents per thousand or \$48 for an average \$200,000 taxable assessed home.

There has been discussion about the sale of the property at Roseland & 9W to possibly buy down the BAN from the DPW project.

Mayor Esmay noted he has discussed with the Assessor what is the highest and best use of the property. All discussions are preliminary and will require further investigation and information gathering.

VOUCHERS – Read and approved for payment.

Trustee Anderson was appointed as the Board representative on the committee to oversee the use, repair and maintenance of the Old Stone Church. Trustee Anderson accepted.

Doris Sanchez, came before the Board to discuss the Domestic Partner coverage that is now available to her and her partner and village employee William Fay. The eligibility date they were given on January 9, 2007 is December 1, 2006. They don't want to be charged for a service they were not able to use. All required documents were submitted to the village and mailed to the state. She and Mr. Fay do not want to be penalized for the delay in notification of coverage. No cards have been issued yet for proof of insurance.

After discussion the Board agreed to have the Village Clerk call Employee Benefits and obtain the ID# and get something in writing to Ms. Sanchez and Mr. Fay that states they have coverage and what the ID# is. The Clerk will also call and ask if the eligibility date can be changed. (Upon calling the next day the Village Clerk was informed of the following: 1) One time open enrollment was offered and that date was picked to allow for that with no waiting period 2) A temporary ID# was given to the clerk to then be noted on village letterhead indicating that Mr. Fay and his dependents were covered under the Empire health plan. 3)The Village can write a letter to EBD asking that the eligibility date be changed to January 1, 2007 so that additional money will not be owed to EB by the village and the employee will not have to reimburse the village. There were no guarantees given that it would be changed)

Trustee Morgan made a motion to adjourn seconded by Trustee Tarapata and so moved. The meeting was adjourned at 9:05PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol G. Brotherhood  
Village Clerk