

REGULAR MEETING

January 19, 2006

The Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Upper Nyack was held at the village hall on Thursday, January 19, 2006 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: PO Barone (CPD), Jennifer Marraccino, Nancy Blaker-Weber (Nyack Parks Commission), Nerissa Cusick, Laura Weintraub, Nicole Cabiroy

POLICE REPORTS – Read and noted. Summons numbers were up. One incident where resident was arrested on weapons possession (knife).

JUSTICE REPORT - Read and noted.

FRIENDS OF THE NYACKS- Funding for a specific project.

Jennifer Marraccino, 115 Wydendown Rd., a member of Friends of the Nyacks appeared before the Board regarding funding for a playground project being undertaken in the Village of Nyack. Nyack has set aside \$45,000 for rubber surfacing at the Memorial Park children's playground. The equipment is not up to safety standards and needs to be replaced. Jennifer Marraccino is asking the Village of Upper Nyack for \$2,500 to \$5,000 as a one time donation.

Mayor Esmay stated that it is the policy of the Village of Upper Nyack, according to the State Constitution, not to make contributions to causes. Trustee Tarapata suggested Jennifer get a petition to see how many parents or people in Upper Nyack would want this and would use the park. Nancy Blaker-Weber asked the Board if someone from the Board could contact NYCOM to get an opinion and get back to Jennifer in a specified time. Trustee Tarapata agreed to call NYCOM and get back to Jennifer Marraccino in one week.

MINUTES –Trustee Morgan motioned to approve as drafted, the minutes of the **12/15/05 Regular meeting**, seconded by Trustee Anderson and so approved.

AYES: Mayor Esmay, Trustees Anderson, Malcolm, Morgan & Tarapata

NOES: None

TREASURER'S REPORT – Submitted for review. Treasurer MacCartney asked for the Board to allow him to make adjustments within the confines of the budget.

Trustee Anderson made a motion to allow the Treasurer to make the following adjustments to the budget, as recommended by the Treasurer, seconded by Trustee Tarapata and so moved:

| <u>Amount</u> | <u>From</u> | <u>To</u> |
|---------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| \$10,000 | A1990 Contingent | A1410 Village Operations |
| \$10,000 | A1990 Contingent | A5110 Highway Dept. |
| \$20,000 | Un-appropriated Surplus | A5110.58 Special Projects |

On a call for a vote:

AYES: Mayor Esmay, Trustees Anderson, Malcolm, Morgan & Tarapata

NOES: None

Treasurer MacCartney informed the Board that the Auditor of the Village funds had quit and had not completed the audit for the 2004-2005 budget year. New Federal regulations require certifications of specific items that the auditor may not be able to do. Several other companies have been contacted to get prices and so far the amount the village has been paying (\$4,500 per year) could go up to \$15,000 to \$17,000 per year. The treasurer has notified the State what happened. The Board and the Treasurer discussed whether the annual audit had to be certified or whether it could be a yearly financial report and certified every three years? Treasurer MacCartney will check into it and also get proposals from other accounting firms or CPA's.

VOUCHERS – Read and approved for payment.

RESOLUTION- NYS Dept. of State Shared Municipal Services Grant

After a brief discussion, Trustee Morgan offered the following resolution, seconded by Trustee Tarapata

WHEREAS, the Rockland County Executive has submitted a "Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant Program Application" to the New York State Department of State in the amount of \$1,356,300; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of State has advised the County that the County and local Municipalities may submit an application for grants to cover costs associated with shared services, and that, in order to be eligible for such funding, it is necessary that the County and any co-

applicant Municipalities, which have joined the County in it's application, pass a resolution in support of the application; and

WHEREAS, the Rockland County Radio Committee, whose membership consist of representatives from Rockland's Police, Fire, and EMS agencies, has recommended the County pursue the implementation of a **Countywide Interoperable Public Safety Communications Network**, to be shared by all of Rockland County's first responders; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive and the Legislature of Rockland County have approved capital project 1860, for the implementation of a **Countywide Interoperable Public Safety Communications Network**, and this project will "provide the local share, equal to ten percent of the grant award"; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Upper Nyack recognizes the need for a reliable communications system to be shared by our emergency services first responders; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Upper Nyack recognizes that the improvement of the County's Public Safety Communications System will have a direct impact on the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Village of Upper Nyack.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Upper Nyack is in full support of the Rockland County Executive's submission of an application for "Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant Program" funding, pursuant to the requirements established by the New York State Department of State, and the County Executive is hereby "authorized" to act on behalf of the Village of Upper Nyack, as the lead applicant contact person to execute all financial and/or administrative processes related to this application".

On a call for a vote:

AYES: Mayor Esmay, Trustees Anderson, Malcolm, Morgan & Tarapata

NOES: None

PAPER STREET – 416 Maple Avenue. The Board had a brief discussion regarding the purchase of a paper street from the village. The clerk was instructed to inform the resident what it would entail to complete the

purchase; homeowner to cover cost of title search, survey or updated survey; village attorney fees and any filing fees. If the resident wants to pursue it after he has been informed he can contact the clerk who will notify the Board.

DPW New Building Update- Trustee Malcolm noted to the Board that the project is nearly complete. The contractor (Eastland) will give \$ back on the contract for paving and the village will get it done. Trustee Malcolm will contact Gabrielson and T. Young Paving to get prices.

The salt shed is built but needs to be stained and that will be done in the spring. The cost which was not in the original contract, will be approximately \$2,200.

United Water has accepted the water line from Palmer.

Curbing on roof to be done. Eastland will supervise. The overage cost will split from contractor and given to High Tech.

Trustee Tarapata asked the Board to consider amending Ordinance 2.2 Parking Regulations, for overnight parking in the village. The Board discussed eliminating the no more than 3 hour parking regulations and change it to no parking during specific overnight hours, maybe 1 am until 5 am. The Board tabled this for future discussion.

Trustee Tarapata made a motion to adjourn seconded by Trustee Morgan and so moved.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol G. Brotherhood
Village Clerk