

SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL, 8 2021

The Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Upper Nyack was held via videoconferencing on Thursday, April 8, 2021 at 7:00 PM. In accordance with the Executive Order of Governor Andrew Cuomo, this meeting was held by video/teleconference. The meeting was recorded and transcribed.

Those participating: Mayor Karen Tarapata, Trustees Michael Esmay, Laurie Dodge, Jeffrey Epstein, Ken Rothchild, Village Clerk Carol G. Brotherhood, Clerk Typist Heather Candella, Attorney Noelle C. Wolfson

Amending Village of Upper Nyack Employee Handbook – The Mayor and Board of Trustees discussed the proposed changes to the Village of Upper Nyack Employee Handbook in regards to retiree health insurance benefits. It was decided that 80% of the individual health insurance premium for retirees will be paid for by the Village until they are eligible for Medicare. Mayor Tarapata added an amendment for those retirees already receiving family coverage to be grandfathered in, and an amendment for Carol Brotherhood, Village Clerk to be covered for singular supplemental insurance upon her retirement.

Trustee Dodge made a motion to adopt. Trustee Epstein seconded and so approved.

On call for a vote:

AYES: Mayor Karen Tarapata, Trustees Esmay, Dodge, Rothchild & Epstein

NOES: None

Board Discussion – The Board discussed the formation of a stream overlay district to provide access to the Village to maintain the stream and mitigate the potential for flooding to the Village. Trustee Esmay suggested reviewing the sample codes from Clarkstown. The Board decided to review similar laws to explore this option.

The Board discussed adding a Harbor Management Plan to the Comprehensive Plan draft. Mayor Tarapata has spoken to planners to begin this process.

Trustee Dodge had questions regarding the Architectural Review Board law limiting the colors used to paint the exterior of homes in the Village. Mayor Tarapata noted there were some unintended consequences of the passing of this law and the law will be amended.

Trustee Dodge mentioned the increase of truck traffic though the Village, specifically on North Broadway. The Board discussed a change to the location to where the Clarkstown Police Department monitor truck traffic. Trustee Dodge will mention this matter to PO Niles Davies at the April 15, 2021 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting.

7:30 PM Public Hearing – Local Law amending the “Official Zoning Map of the Village of Upper Nyack” to include five parcels of land to be annexed into the Village and to locate such parcels in the Villages Laboratory Office (LO) District.

Heather Candella, Clerk Typist read the public hearing notice.

Trustee Epstein moved to open the public hearing. Trustee Dodge seconded and so it was moved. The Mayor made a statement introducing the law. The Mayor asked if there was anyone from the public who wished to speak on the matter. There were no questions or comments from the public with no further comment from the public.

Trustee Rothchild made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Trustee Dodge and it was so moved.

AYES: Mayor Karen Tarapata, Trustees Esmay, Dodge, Rothchild & Epstein

NOES: None

Trustee Esmay made a motion to adopt Local Law #3, seconded by Trustee Epstein and it was so moved.

On call for a vote:

AYES: Mayor Karen Tarapata, Trustees Esmay, Dodge, Rothchild & Epstein

NOES: None

Trustee Dodge made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Rothchild and it was so moved.

AYES: Mayor Karen Tarapata, Trustees Esmay, Dodge, Rothchild &

Epstein
NOES: None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Candella
Clerk Typist