

## **Board of Trustees Workshop Meeting**

September 23, 2008

**Members Present:** Mayor Phillips, Trustee Seth Gallagher, and Trustee Gordon Robertson and Trustee John Teagle

**Member absent:** Trustee Edward Mancari

Mayor Phillips opened the meeting at 7:30 pm by reading an outstanding issues memo from Mr. Greg Phillips, Water and Sewer Department (attached).

### **1. Bills:**

The cost of the postage machine and the cost of beeper phones will be looked into to see if they are needed.

### **2. Budget adjustment:**

Trustee J. Teagle moved to move \$691.87 from A1990.400 contingent account to A3410.460 Fire Department – Repairs Building account. Trustee G. Robertson seconded the motion. The budget transfer passed 4-0.

Trustee J. Teagle moved to move \$590.00 from G1990.400 Contingent Account to G9060.802 Dental Downey. Trustee S. Gallagher seconded the motion. The budget transfer passed 4-0.

### **3. Putnam County Planning Department:**

Mayor Phillips recently met with the Putnam County Planning Department regarding a grant allowing an engineering firm assist towns and villages in Putnam County. The Grant will cover Main St. and Route 9D from Butterfield Hospital to the traffic light. Consultants will look into increased traffic, vehicular and pedestrian. Two meetings with the engineers are a part of the grant. One meeting will be with Mayor Phillips and the other meeting will include the full Board of Trustees.

### **4. Cross walk on Route 9D:**

Work will begin next week on the cross walk. Putnam County will work with the Village of Cold Spring Highway Department to do the cross walk lines.

### **5. Chamber of Commerce and Merchant Association Meeting:**

Mayor Phillips met with members of the Cold Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and David Cooke from the Cold Spring Merchants Association. The Cold Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and the Cold Spring Merchants Association agreed to work together. Each group will contribute \$500.00 to help with the cost of the upkeep of the information center/bathrooms.

### **6. Meeting with Putnam County Town and Village Leaders:**

Trustee S. Gallagher attended a meeting with five state agencies. Issues discussed included: ways to make projects easier to complete and advice on going through the process. Each state agency talked about their role in the planning process.

## **7. Other Business:**

- Mayor Phillips stated that Philipstown did not receive money from the DEP relating to the aqueduct and noted that aqueduct pipes do run underground in Philipstown.
- There is no new information on the future development of the Butterfield property.
- Trustee G. Robertson stated concern over the increased price of salt for the winter.
- Trustee S. Gallagher mentioned that New York State encourages the promotion of river towns.
- Mayor Phillips stated that Verizon will begin removing old poles. A director of Verizon will meet with Mayor Phillips to discuss fiberoptics.
- Drilling on New Street has been completed. A couple of hot spots have been detected. Air samples will be gathered in November.
- Construction for the Grove will begin soon. Village Attorney Steve Gaba expressed concern over getting the project started by the second week of November.
- The tree stump in front of 54 Parrott Street has been removed.
- Garrison Art Center will repair damage to the grass area at the waterfront from sculptures that were removed.

## **8. Trees:**

Mayor Phillips spoke about the possibility of planting a tree nursery by the sewer plant and the Village Garage. Possibly 50 trees could be planted and would allow the village to plant new trees when mature trees are removed. Mayor Phillips consulted with Mary Rice regarding the planting of a tree nursery.

## **9. Comprehensive Board:**

Mayor Phillips recently met with members of the Comprehensive Board to gather historical information. Michael Armstrong's parking committee report will be distributed on Friday, September 26, 2008 so it can be discussed at the next Board of Trustees meeting on Tuesday, September 30, 2008.

## **10. Traffic:**

Mayor Phillips discussed a preliminary plan to bring the Boulevard up to Lunn Terrace to help control potential traffic of future development by Scenic Hudson and the Marathon Battery site.

Trustee S. Gallagher moved to close the public portion of the meeting to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues and Trustee G. Robertson seconded the motion. The public portion of the meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted by

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