

**Board of Trustees Meeting  
March 8, 2011**

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Cold Spring held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 7:30 pm at Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY.

Attending: Mayor Seth Gallagher and Trustees Bruce Campbell, J. Ralph Falloon, Charles Hustis and Airinhos Serradas

Also Present: Stephen Gaba, Village Attorney, Ellen Mageean, Village Accountant, William Bujarski, Building Inspector, Putnam County Legislator Vinny Tamagna, Special Board Members: Michael Armstrong, Cathryn Fadde and Catharine Square Members of the Public

Mayor Gallagher opened the meeting followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustee Falloon moved to approve the minutes of the following meetings: 1/25/2011, 2/8/2011 monthly meeting and public hearing, 2/15/2011, 2/22/2011, and 3/1/2011. Motion seconded by Trustee Campbell and unanimously approved.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Ms. Mageean presented a nine-month budget analysis. Revenues are projected to be \$196,912 under budget, primarily related to not performing Main Street drainage and sidewalk improvement projects during this fiscal year. Fines and forfeited bail are projected to be \$18,500 over budget.

The village recently filed for state monies under the LWRP project in the amount of \$14,000.

Expenditures are projected to be \$249,127 under budget primarily related to not performing the Main Street projects.

Court Clerk Personal Services is \$7,500 under budget due to time without a Court Clerk. Medical insurance is projected to be \$8,500 over budget related to changes in enrollment from a single to family policy for one employee and the addition of coverage for another.

**RESOLUTION # 2011-18**

Moved by: Trustee Ralph Falloon  
Seconded by: Trustee Bruce Campbell

**Resolution #2011-18**

*Resolved that (1)* The Board of Trustees of The Village of Cold Spring hereby approves the following Budget Adjustment(s) for the 2010/2011 fiscal year:

(1)	To:	A00-5142-100	Snow Removal: Personal Services	\$8,900.00
	To:	A005142-400	Snow Removal: Contractual	\$3,000.00
	From:	A00-5110-100	Highway Street Maint: Personal Services	\$5,300.00
	To:	A00-2610-000	Revenue: Fines and Forfeited Bail	\$6,600.00
			<b>Increase snow removal budget to cover overtime due to the large number of storms.</b>	
(2)	To:	A00-3089-400	Revenue: Village Hall & FH Energy Grant	\$2,770.00

	To:	A00-1640-415	SS: Village Hall Energy Grant Expenditures	\$7,070.00
	From:	A00-3410-465	Fire Department: Energy Grant Expenditures	\$4,300.00
			<b>To increase budget for expenditure related to the energy grant.</b>	
(3)	To:	A00-1440-401	Engineer: New Street	\$2,000.00
	From:	A001440-400	Engineer/Architect- Contractual	\$2,000.00
			<b>To change allocation of Engineer services for expenses related to the MGP.</b>	
(4)	From:	A00-1110-110	Court Clerk: Personal Services	\$2,900.00
	To:	H06-8160-200	Courtroom Repairs	\$2,900.00
			<b>To increase budget for additional expenditures related to courtroom repairs.</b>	

And (2) The accountant is hereby authorized to transfer such funds immediately.

On roll call vote:

Trustee Ralph Falloon voted YES  
Trustee Bruce Campbell voted YES  
Trustee Charles Hustis voted YES  
Trustee Airinhos Serradas voted YES  
Mayor Seth Gallagher voted YES  
Resolution officially adopted March 8, 2011.

The calendar for budget preparation was reviewed as follows:

March 18, 2011 Tentative Budget filed with clerk.  
March 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> Board workshops for review of budget  
April 7<sup>th</sup> Public Hearing for Tentative Budget  
April 26<sup>th</sup> Final Budget Adoption

Putnam County forwarded a proposed contract for preparation of tax bills. There will be no change in the amount charged for tax bill preparation.

**BUILDING AND FIRE INPECTOR**

William Bujarski reported his observations on the conditions of the concrete slab in the firehouse meeting room. He presented observations and options as per the **attached** memorandum.

Stephen Smith requested board approval for attending Code Enforcement Officials training on April 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>. Trustee Serradas moved to approve the expenditure of \$285.00 for Fire Inspector training and seconded by Trustee Campbell and unanimously approved.

JUSTICE COURT- Collection totaled \$11, 755 for the month of February.

**WATER AND WASTEWATER**

The temporary repair and placement of riprap below the auxiliary spillway of the upper reservoir dam, performed last year by our Highway Department, is holding up well given the recent deluge and snow melt.

The Market Street pump station is in need of immediate replacement. The next step is to have our Attorney review easements, right-of-way and ownership of adjoining properties. Trustees voiced no objections to having the Village Attorney proceed with this investigation.

Trustee Serradas moved to approve the contract with ADS for flow monitoring for the sewer system (as per **attached**) and seconded by Trustee Campbell and unanimously approved.

In an effort to reduce costs for sludge handling, Greg Phillips proposed using equipment, currently not in use at the water plant, to dewater some of the sludge at wastewater. He requested board permission to move this equipment and to perform a two-month pilot study at an estimated cost of \$2,000 to \$5,000. Trustee Falloon moved to approve expenditures up to \$5,000 for moving and setting up dewatering equipment and seconded by Trustee Serradas and unanimously approved.

APASA LLC asked for a reassessment of their water and sewer flat rate charges for 32 West Street. Based upon the observations of the Water Superintendent, Trustee Hustis moved to reduce the flat rate water and sewer assessment from 11 units to 9, effective the date of inspection and seconded by Trustee Falloon and unanimously approved.

The Recreation Commission has not met for the month of March but members were contacted and they provided a preliminary approval on the application for the American Cancer Society Relay on June 4<sup>th</sup>. It is estimated that 1,000 people will be attending and additional police protection will be required. Trustee Campbell moved to approve this application for use of Mayor's Park for the Cancer Society Relay and seconded by Trustee Serradas and unanimously approved.

Michael Bowman, President of the Cold Spring Fire Company asked if any funds were available to redo the firehouse office space. Also, he asked about any plans for community day or September 11<sup>th</sup>.

#### ADDITIONAL MONTHLY REPORTS

Planning Board Liaison- The Planning Board continues to review the application from Scenic Hudson for the West Point Foundry Preserve. The Planning Board received a response from the Village Attorney regarding an interpretation of the Village Code pertaining to signage.

Zoning Board Liaison- The ZBA has a public hearing scheduled for 3/17 and will consider a referral from the planning board regarding an interpretation of the Village Code regarding signage as well.

Special Board for the Comprehensive Plan/LWRP- M. Armstrong reported that all expenditures for the Comprehensive Plan to date may be eligible for reimbursement by the state- about another \$8,000. Department of State representatives discussed an option before the Special Board on how to proceed with the LWRP. Rather than pursue a full Local Waterfront Revitalization Program upon completion of our strategy this year, the village may want instead to focus on a few specific projects and seek funding for them. Lastly, M. Armstrong reported that counting for all expenses to date, approximately \$23,000 of the original \$50,000 remains for work on the contract that must be completed by the end of November 2011.

#### REPORT OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A meeting with Stewart Waxman to discuss a response to the PBA was scheduled for March 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Caryn Cannova asked that a parking space be blocked off for a WHUD vehicle on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>. This event is a promotion to attract visitors to the village. Board members had no objection and commended Ms. Cannova for her efforts.

NEW BUSINESS- A full time employee requested payment for 80 hours in lieu of vacation time. Trustee Hustis moved to approve this request and seconded by Trustee Falloon and unanimously approved.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Trustee Campbell moved to approve payment of the audited bills and seconded by Trustee Falloon and unanimously approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Putnam County Legislator Vinny Tamagna presented Mayor Gallagher with a check for \$7,500 from Putnam County for refuse removal related to tourism. He called for improved communication between the village and county legislature. Mr. Tamagna expressed his support for the Relay for Life Event and offered the assistance of the Putnam County Sheriff for this event. Other topics briefly discussed were referral of the Comprehensive Plan, Medicaid reforms, property tax caps, state mandates, Putnam County salt shed and the upcoming state of the county address.

With no further business before the board, Trustee Falloon moved to adjourn and seconded by Trustee Campbell and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Saari, Village Clerk