

**Board of Trustee Monthly Meeting
April 12, 2011**

The Board of Trustees for the Village of Cold Spring held an executive session prior to their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 12, 2011 beginning at 6:30 pm at Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY.

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

Also: Putnam County Sheriff Donald Smith and Chief Schramek

Absent: Trustee Serradas

The board held executive session to discuss security with the Putnam County Sheriff and Chief Schramek.

The Board began their regular monthly meeting at 7:30 pm.

All board members attending the executive session attended the monthly meeting.

Also attending: Stephen Gaba, Village Attorney; William Bujarski, Building Inspector and Greg Phillips, Water Superintendent

Members of the Public

Mayor Gallagher opened the meeting followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Hustis moved to approve minutes of the following meetings 3/8/2011, 3/14/2011, 3/22/2011, 3/29/2011, 4/5/2011, 4/7/2011 public hearing and re-organizational meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee Campbell and unanimously approved.

BUILDING AND FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Mr. Bujarski is currently working on changes to the building department fee schedule in an attempt to clarify planning, zoning and historic district review board fees. The Building and Fire Inspector attended code enforcement training.

The monthly Police Department and Justice Court reports were reviewed. Total collection for the month of March was \$8,565.00.

WATER AND WASTEWATER REPORTS

Gregory Phillips reported that the valve replacement at the lower Reservoir is 90% complete.

The wastewater department had several SPDES permit violations during the month of March. All were related to heavy rains and snow melt. Pressure grouting of the collection mains took place on March 8th to 11th. The areas covered were Main Street, from Stone to the railroad crossing and on Depot Square from Railroad Avenue to Main Street. The first stage of the three year flow monitoring study has begun. The new immersible motor for the grinder has been installed and is in service.

ADDITIONAL MONTHLY REPORTS

Recreation Commission

Trustee Campbell reported that three individuals have been appointed to the Recreation Commission. Mayor Gallagher and Trustee Campbell thanked previous members for their service. Mayor stated that this group provided high quality parks for the enjoyment of residents and visitors.

A new application has been developed for use of Mayor's Park and for wedding ceremonies. Trustee Campbell reviewed pending applications for use of Village facilities. Trustee Hustis moved to approve all pending recreation applications and unanimously approved.

Fire Company Liaison

Trustee Falloon reported that a recent engineering inspection of the firehouse meeting room floor confirmed issues previously identified by the Building Inspector. Further discussion is required.

Planning Board Liaison

Trustee Hustis read a statement prepared by Trustee Serradas regarding the status of planning board review of the Scenic Hudson West Point Foundry Preserve application.

Special Board for the Comprehensive Plan/LWRP

A community workshop is scheduled for May 14, 2011. The board has selected three projects on which to focus: Dockside, Marathon, and the Village Garage site. The board has drafted a proposed LWRS boundary, which will be the land boundary as set in the Village's 1846 charter and a water boundary following the Philipstown Hudson River boundary line or 1,500 feet from the shore, whichever is closer to the shore. The board will be interviewing candidates to fill the two openings.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Hustis is investigating possible energy grants to place solar panels on village buildings. He asked if the board supported proceeding with an energy audit. In other matters, he received complaints about speeding on Furnace, Marion and Wall Streets and asked for placement of a stop sign.

Trustee Campbell contacted the NYSDOT to arrange site visits. Planning for Community Day on 7/3/11 is currently in progress.

Mayor Gallagher reported on the proposed budget with a 1.03% increase. Dog control signs will be placed strategically throughout the village. Mayor Gallagher asked Attorney Gaba to report on the recent decision on the Kearney claim where judgment was granted to the village. Mayor thanked Mr. Gaba and the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Trustee Falloon reported that a tankless water heater has been installed at the public restrooms. Money for this project was obtained through a NYSERDA grant. Discussion of a proposal for a paperless office will occur at an upcoming workshop. Trustee Falloon read correspondence from an MTA riders group about the condition of the Lunn Terrace Bridge.

Mayor Gallagher spoke about funding upgrades to the water system. The goal is to fund reconstruction of the dams and lining of the water mains without increasing rates.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The proposed local law to amend the definition of half story and fence height requirements has been sent to all boards. Discussion will continue at an upcoming workshop on 4/19/2011.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Falloon moved to approve of an employee request for payment in lieu of vacation time and seconded by Trustee Hustis and unanimously approved.

An agreement has been reached on the Police Department contract. A meeting with the labor attorney is scheduled for 5/3/2011 followed by a vote on the contract.

A meeting has been scheduled for 4/14/2011 at 7 pm to move forward on the easement for the former Manufactured Gas Plant site on New Street.

A request was made to purchase three dock fenders at a price of \$350 each to protect the dock and to keep boats three feet away. Mayor Gallagher moved to purchase three boyies at a price of \$350.00 and seconded by Trustee Campbell and unanimously approved.

Mayor Gallagher recommended the appointment of Michael Chefalo for a two year term on the Recreation Commission and Kurt Landroop for a one year term. Trustee Hustis moved to approve these appointments and seconded by Trustee Campbell and unanimously approved.

Mayor Gallagher reviewed a request for a filming permit for a new series on American History, Preservation and Ruins. The group is interested in filming at The Grove. Trustee Falloon moved to approve pending review of the insurance certificate and subject to the submission of a hold harmless certificate from all parties entering the building. Motion seconded by Trustee Campbell and unanimously approved.

Karen Doyle resigned from the Planning Board effective 5/31/2011. She would like to continue her position on the Special Board for the Comprehensive Plan/LWRP. Trustee Falloon moved to accept this resignation and seconded by Trustee Campbell, and unanimously accepted

Public Comment

Catharine Square asked about the status of a recent complaint and asked for a written response.

Trustee Hustis moved to adjourn and seconded by Trustee Falloon and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Saari, Village Clerk