

Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting

May 10, 2011

The Board of Trustees for the Village of Cold Spring held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 10, 2011 beginning at 7:30 pm at the Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY.

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

Also attending were Ellen Mageean, Village Account and Stephen Gaba, Village Attorney.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Hustis, seconded by Trustee Falloon, to approve the minutes of the following meetings: April 12, April 14, April 19, April 26 and May 3, 2011. The approval of the minutes was unanimous.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Ellen Mageean, Village Accountant, presented the financial report.

General Fund - \$351,868.05; Water Fund - \$694,586.08; Sewer Fund - \$277,662.38; Trust & Agency (payroll) – 39,180.62; Capital Projects: Sewer Plant Capital; Reserve - \$18,696.12; Sewer Plant Renovations - \$6,816.82; Mountain Avenue Cemetery- \$650.00.

Monies owed to the Police Department from the settlement of the contract will be paid this fiscal year ending on May 31, 2011.

BUILDING AND FIRE INSPECTORS REPORT

Trustee Falloon read the reports as submitted by William Bujarski, Building Inspector and Stephen Smith, Fire Inspector. 6 building permits were issued; 5 building inspections were done; 3 Certificates of Occupancy were issued; 6 referrals were given to the local boards, 1 fire inspection was done; 3 complaints were handled; and 6 record searches were done.

The Building Department is reviewing all open building permits and certificates of occupancy and also reviewing the current fee schedule

The Fire Inspector attended a Code Conference 21 hour class and the Building Inspector attended a NYS Basic Code Enforcement class.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Officer-in-Charge, George Kane was unable to submit his report as his computer system was down.

VILLAGE COURT REPORT

Total amount collected from the court for the month of April was \$8,864. This income is from fines, forfeited bails, civil penalties, parking tickets and mandatory state surcharges.

WATER AND WASTEWATER REPORTS

Trustee Campbell read the report submitted by Greg Phillips, Superintendent of Water & Wastewater. The reservoir is at 100% capacity. The Annual Drinking Water Quality Report summarizing test results for 2010 will be sent to residents by the end of May.

Raw Water Pump # 2 has been reconditioned. DEC inspected the facility noting 6 items needing correction. These items have been addressed. The installation of the new control panel for West Street Lift Station has begun. We are looking for completion of the installation by month's end. We are also researching replacement of the Market Street Lift station.

RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT

Trustee Campbell reported that there has been a new board appointed to the Recreation Commission with the Chair Person yet to be determined.

Scheduled events: Relay for Life, Saturday, June 4th and Community Day, Sunday, July 3rd with a rain date, Monday, July 4th. The Putnam County News and Recorder will sponsor the fireworks for Community Day.

COLD SPRING FIRE COMPANY REPORT

Trustee Falloon reported that all efforts are being made to get the floor in the meeting room replaced. The Fire Company is working diligently to resolve any differences that they currently have.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

Trustee Serradas reported on the Board's meetings regarding Scenic Hudson for the West Point Foundry Preserve and Foodtown Plaza/Post Office. There will be a workshop on Thursday, May 19th at 7:30 pm for the Foodtown/Post Office. The Board approved 4 applications: The Living Room, LLC at 105 Main Street, a change in use for the Pig Hill Inn, 73 Main Street, ice cream/dessert shop at 32 West Street and a sign for business owners at 8 Marion Avenue.

ZONING BORAD OF APPEALS REPORT

Trustee Hustis reported that the ZBA will make a final decision on an application from David Rothenberg for construction of a bike shed. A Public Hearing will be held on May 19, 2011 at 7 pm for Paul Grandetti of 7 West Bank Street to construct a covered entry porch.

COMPREHENSIVE BOARD REPORT

Mike Armstrong reported Ray Curran, an illustrator/planner working with GreenPlan, presented draft concept plans for Dockside, Marathon Battery and the Village Garage sites. An open meeting will be held at the VFW Hall on Saturday, May 14, 2011 beginning at 2 pm and ending at 4:30 pm.

The Special Board deferred appointing two new members to their Board to a later date.

REPORT OF MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Hustis: Trustees Hustis and Falloon are looking into the possibility of installing solar panels on Village buildings for heating cost reduction. Trustee Hustis contacted Central Hudson to see about reducing electrical costs.

Trustee Falloon noted that the replacement of a valve on the lower dam on Foundry Dam Road was completed. The Mahopac Volunteer Fire Department Dive Team held their practice session on the dam removing the plug saving the Village \$4,500. Trustee Falloon requested that an acknowledgement of appreciation of the Village's governmental body be sent to the Mahopac Fire Department.

Trustee Serradas has met with an Independent Health Insurance agent for a possible savings of \$100,000 to the Village. On Saturday, May 14th, WHUD, 100.7 radio station with Kacey Moribito will set up on St Mary's Church in the Highlands' lawn, corner of Routes 9D and 301 (Chestnut and Main Streets), with the prize wheel. Several businesses on Main Street have joined in this event contributing to 10 gift baskets being raffled off for a value of \$250 each.

Mayor Gallagher stated that Noah Nadelson, a financial advisor, will be speaking at the work- shop meeting scheduled for May 17, 2011 at 7:30 pm regarding financing various water infrastructure projects.

The Docking Law for commercial vessels for the Cold Spring Dock will be on the agenda for next week's meeting, May 17th. This is a way to connect Constitution Island and West Point to the Village. Docking permits will be issued at the discretion of the Board.

Two trees were cut down on Main Street instead of the trimming of these trees as was requested. The contractor responsible for this error is replacing these two trees, plus planting two additional trees in other areas, with medium size shade trees.

CORRESPONDENCE

Trustee Hustis is to look into an Economic Development meeting.

RESOLUTION # 27-2011

A motion was made by Trustee Serradas to approve Resolution # 27-2011 Crosswalks in the Village of Cold Spring on State roads Route 301 and Route 9D, seconded by Trustee Falloon. The vote was as follows:

Trustee Campbell voted yes

Trustee Falloon voted yes

Trustee Hustis voted yes

Trustee Serradas voted yes

Mayor Gallagher voted yes

Resolution # 27-2011 was approved this day, May 10, 2011 unanimously.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Board of Trustees requests the assistance of NYS DOT in planning crosswalks across the state road Route 301 (Main Street) at Academy Street and across state road Route 9D (Chestnut Street) at three locations: Cherry Street, Paulding Avenue, and Oak Street. Also extend the area between Chestnut Street (Route 9D) at the existing location of the crossing area by the senior citizen complex to provide a refuge area for pedestrians as they cross.

Approval was requested for additional expenses for the surveyor to provide information to meet bank requirements and additional recording costs for the addendum to Faust Court Easement.

A motion to authorize the additional charges was made by Trustee Hustis, seconded by Trustee Falloon, unanimously approved.

Mayor Gallagher scheduled a meeting to discuss public comment on the Comprehensive Plan for Tuesday, May 24th at 7:30 pm.

NEW BUSINESS

Father McSweeney requested permission to have a procession for the Feast of Corpus Christi on Sunday, June 26, 2011 beginning at 12:45 pm. The route will be from Our Lady of Loretto Church, left onto Fair Street, left onto Main Street, left onto Garden Street and then left into the Church parking lot returning to the church ending the procession.

A motion was made to grant permission for Our Lady of Loretto Church to hold the procession for the Feast of Corpus Christi by Trustee Serradas, second by Trustee Hustis. The motion was carried unanimously.

In the case of Kearney vs. the Village of Cold Spring, the judgment was granted to the Village. A motion was made by Trustee Serradas for the Mayor to sign the release of payment for costs, seconded by Trustee Campbell. The motion was unanimously carried

PUBLIC COMMENT

Betty Budney noted that there will be a town-wide cleanup on May 14th, from 8 am to 2 pm at the Garrison Fire House. The landfill is open every Saturday from 9 am – 3 pm unless otherwise notified.

A motion was made to go into closed session by Trustee Campbell, seconded by Trustee Falloon regarding Fire Department matters.

Closed session was adjourned to reopen the regular monthly meeting at which time the regular monthly meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. Falloon