

## **Cold Spring Village Board of Trustees Workshop**

**August 23, 2011**

The Village of Cold Spring Board of Trustees held a workshop meeting on Tuesday, August 23, 2011, that began at 7:30 pm at the Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY.

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

Also in attendance were Mike Armstrong, Catharine Square, Donna Steltz, Betty Budney, John Landolfi, Matt Steltz, Susan Early, Kacie Grossman, Leo Sacks, Bo Corre, Theo Corre Sacks, and John Zuvic.

After a lengthy discussion regarding traffic calming efforts on the north end of Church Street and Northern Avenue, Mayor Gallagher, Ron Gainer, Village Engineer, Ed Trimble, Highway Department Forman and drivers of the fire company's larger trucks will go on site and examine the proposal sent to the Village by Leo Sacks and John Zuvic to see what works for all concerned. With a show of hands from the audience, the majority supported stop signs on Northern Avenue at the intersection of Church Street.

The Village received two resumes for the position of Fire Inspector/Assistant Building Inspector. They have chosen Kimberly A. DeSocio. Trustee Serradas made a motion to hire Ms. DeSocio for the position of Village Fire Inspector/Assistant Building Inspector, seconded by Trustee Campbell. The motion was carried unanimously.

### **RESOLUTION 58-2011**

WHEREAS, Henry E. Keil and Vera Keil (the "PROPERTY OWNERS") are the owners of 34 West Street, Cold Spring, New York, which property is improved by a building; and

WHEREAS, the VILLAGE OF COLD SPRING holds title to a portion of the property adjoining the PROPERTY OWNERS' building consisting of a "concrete retaining wall and a covered concrete and brick porch" attached to the said building, a description of which is set forth in the survey prepared by Badey and Watson Surveying & Engineering, P.C., dated January 19, 2002 and entitled "Survey of Property Prepared for Barbara & Agnes Impellittiere" a copy of which is on file with the Village Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the PROPERTY OWNERS have requested that the VILLAGE deed over to them the title to the said portion of the property and thereby relieve the VILLAGE of the burden of maintenance and repair of it; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Village Law § 1-102(1), the VILLAGE is authorized to convey real property in return for fair and adequate consideration; and

WHEREAS, the said portion of the property does not serve any useful purpose for the VILLAGE or members of the general public and has little or no monetary value; and

WHEREAS, the proposed conveyance constitutes a Type II action under SEQRA;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The proposed conveyance to the PROPERTY OWNERS is in the public interest because the said property is of no value to the VILLAGE and is a financial burden and liability in regard to keeping it in repair; and
2. The fact that the conveyance of property serves the public interest and relieves the VILLAGE of a financial burden is sufficient consideration to support the proposed conveyance; and
3. The Village Board does hereby approve the PROPERTY OWNERS' request for conveyance of the said portion of sidewalk adjoining the PROPERTY OWNERS' building on condition that they reimburse the VILLAGE for all costs and legal fees incurred in review and approval of the conveyance; and
4. That the Mayor is authorized to execute a deed to the said property and all documents necessary for the said conveyance.

Trustee Hustis presented the foregoing resolution which was seconded by Trustee Campbell.

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

Charles Hustis, Trustee, voting YES;  
Bruce D. Campbell, Trustee, voting YES;  
John Ralph Falloon, Trustee, voting ABSENT;  
Airinhos Serradas, Trustee, voting ABSTAIN;  
Seth Gallagher, Mayor, voting YES.

The motion was carried with a 3 – 0 – 1 vote.

**Resolution 58-2011:** The Village Board approves the request of Henry and Vera Keil, property owners of 34 West Street, for the conveyance of the said portion of the sidewalk adjoining their building. The Mayor will authorize to execute a deed for Mr. & Mrs. Keil.

An estimate cost of \$2,050 was received from Philipstown Tree Service to remove or trim several trees in the Village.

A motion was made by Trustee Campbell seconded by Trustee Hustis to accept this estimate with a vote of 3-0-1, with Trustee Serradas abstaining. The Village Clerk will notify Jerry Allen of the acceptance so he can begin the work.

A motion was made by Trustee Hustis to accept payment of bills presented to the Board, seconded by Trustee Campbell. The motion was carried with a 3-1-0 vote with Trustee Serradas voting no.

A draft letter was written by Mayor Gallagher inviting the public to attend a memorial service at the Memorial Garden located at McConville Park, commemorating the tenth (10) anniversary of the attack

on the World Trade buildings in NYC on September 11, 2001. The Village Clerk will send this letter to the same groups that were involved with the Community Day event.

A letter was sent to the Mayor from Cablevision regarding eliminating the analog feeds of programming channels in the Broadcast Basic and Family tiers resulting in a fully digital cable system.

The Village received a letter from The Department of the Army regarding Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment, United States Military Academy Science Center, and the US Army Garrison, West Point, New York including three (3) bound copies of description of each.

A review of the comments on the Comprehensive Plan is scheduled for Tuesday, September 6, 2011. The Board has requested that Ted Fink provide written comments in advance of the meeting allowing each Board member to review them.

Questions were raised from the audience regarding the light on the flag pole at Tot's Park and the lights at the dock. Mayor Gallagher said that the light on the flagpole at Tot's Park has been fixed and the lights at the dock will be fixed tomorrow (08/24/2011).

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. Falloon