

**Board of Trustees Meeting  
September 13, 2011**

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Cold Spring held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 13, 2011 beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY.

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

Also Attending: Stephen Gaba, Village Attorney; Ellen Mageean, Village Accountant; Gregory Phillips, Water and Wastewater Superintendent, Michael Armstrong, Chair Special Board for the Comprehensive Plan

Absent: William Bujarski, Building Inspector

Members of the Public

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Hustis moved to approve of the minutes of the 8-9-2011, 8-16-2011, 8-23-2011 and 8-30-2011 meetings. Motion seconded by Trustee Campbell and unanimously approved.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Ellen Mageean provided a three-month budget analysis. On the revenue side, with the exception of the federal transportation projects, revenues are expected to be \$11,471 over budget. On the expense side, without consideration of the federal transportation projects, the overall expenses are anticipated to be \$52,848 over budget. Specific budget lines discussed included: Retirement estimated to be \$22,550 over and Worker's Compensation expenses which were \$12,056 over budget. A budget amendment will be prepared to address these additional expenses. Mayor Gallagher noted that some paving projects may need to be deferred in this fiscal year.

**WATER AND WASTEWATER**

Gregory Phillips discussed the problems encountered by the water and wastewater departments during Hurricane Irene as per **attached** reports.

**BUILDING AND FIRE INSPECTOR**

The department secured a 2000 Chevy Lumina from Putnam County with the assistance of County Executive Paul Eldridge and Legislator Vinny Tamagna. This vehicle will be used for code enforcement activities.

## **POLICE AND JUSTICE COURT**

The police website, [www.coldspringpolice.us](http://www.coldspringpolice.us) has been removed from the internet. In the near future, OIC Kane will be working with the Village Clerk to update the village site with police department information.

The Justice Court collected \$7,379.00 during the month of August.

## **ADDITIONAL MONTHLY REPORTS**

Trustee Campbell reported that the fireworks celebration was a success. Recreation requests were reviewed. Trustee Hustis moved to approve recreation requests to use Village facilities and seconded by Trustee Campbell and unanimously approved.

Trustee Serradas, Planning Board Liaison, reported on the progress of the Scenic Hudson application for the West Point Foundry Preserve, the Foodtown Plaza expansion and the Post Office expansion.

Michael Armstrong, Chair of the Special Board for the Comprehensive Plan reported that the board has been working on drafting the Local Waterfront Revitalization Strategy report. Their recommendations for the Dockside, Village Garage site, and Marathon properties will be presented at a public meeting on September 17th. The full draft is expected to be published by the end of September. It will be posted on the village website and will be discussed during October Special Board meetings. The final report must be submitted to the state no later than November 30<sup>th</sup>. The board has \$6,500 left in state funding, which should cover projected expenses.

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

Trustees Campbell and Hustis completed an audit of the Justice Court records for the fiscal year 6/01/2009 to 5/31/2010. Copies of their report have been distributed to all board members. Trustee Campbell will be scheduling a court audit for the 10/11 fiscal year.

Trustee Hustis will follow up on price quotes for an alarm system for the Justice Court and Village Clerk's office.

Trustee Serradas is exploring health insurance alternatives. He is looking into obtaining AED's (Automated External Defibrillators) for all village departments.

Mayor Gallagher reported that the 9/11 Ceremony at McConville Park was a fitting tribute. The board reviewed public comments on the draft Comprehensive Plan with Ted Fink on September 6<sup>th</sup>. Changes will be reviewed at a follow up meeting. Lights have been installed at the waterfront and board members were asked to visit the park and share their thoughts on this project.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Donald MacDonald, Historian informed the board about upcoming activities for the Putnam County bicentennial celebration in 2012.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Stephen Gaba, Village Attorney provided a detailed review of a proposed local law regarding non-conforming uses. Input on the proposed law has been received from the

Zoning, Planning, Historical, Special Board and Building Inspector. Recommendations were made with regards to changing the time period for property abandonment and also some punctuation changes. Attorney Gaba recommended granting the request for punctuation changes. The Village Board will consider the recommendations from the Building Inspector and Special Board with regards to Section 134-19(C)1 at their next workshop.

Rita Shaheen, Park Planner for Scenic Hudson presented a request for a drainage easement for the West Point Foundry Preserve.

The proposed easement has been reviewed by Stephen Gaba and Robert Cameron, P.E.

**Village of Cold Spring Resolution No.60- 11**

WHEREAS, SCENIC HUDSON LAND TRUST, INC., ("SCENIC HUDSON") owns certain real property in the Village of Cold Spring identified on the tax map as lots 49.4-1-10 and 49.9-1-11; and

WHEREAS, SCENIC HUDSON wishes to convey to the VILLAGE OF COLD SPRING all right, title and interest in certain pipes or drainage improvements on the said property as well as a permanent easement over the said property to maintain and repair the said pipes or improvements as needed; and

WHEREAS, SCENIC HUDSON has tendered the said easement to the VILLAGE BOARD in acceptable form, a copy of which is attached hereto; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The proposed conveyance of an easement by SCENIC HUDSON is approved and accepted; and

2. The Mayor is authorized to execute the easement and all documents necessary to record the same in the office of the County Clerk.

Trustee J. Ralph Falloon presented the foregoing resolution which was seconded by Trustee Airinhos Serradas,

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

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

Resolution officially adopted on September 13, 2011 by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Gallagher announced that Putnam County has been designated as eligible to receive public assistance funding from FEMA related to Hurricane Irene.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Saari, Village Clerk