

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
OCTOBER 8, 2013**

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Cold Spring held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 8, 2013 at Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY beginning at 7:30 pm.

Attending: Mayor J. Ralph Falloon and Trustees: Bruce Campbell, Charles Hustis and Stephanie Hawkins

Also attending: Michael Liguori, Village Attorney; William Bujarski, Building Inspector

Absent: Trustee Matt Francisco (work-related) and Ellen Mageean (illness-related)

Mayor Falloon called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Hawkins moved to approve minutes of the 9/4, 9/10, 9/11, 9/16, 9/24 and 9/30 meetings and seconded by Trustee Hustis and unanimously approved.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

The board reviewed proposals from First Niagara Leasing, Inc. for financing two new vehicles:

2013 Chevy Tahoe for the Police Department financing over a three-year term at an interest rate of 3.50% with payments totaling \$40,730.76

Trustee Hawkins moved to approve this quote and seconded by Trustee Hustis and unanimously approved.

2014 Ford F250 for the Water Department financing over a two-year term at an interest rate of 4.20% with payments totaling \$29,034.66.

Trustee Hawkins moved to approve this quote and seconded by Trustee Hustis and unanimously approved.

**WATER AND WASTEWATER DEPARTMENTS**

A meeting will be held next week to assist with the design of aeration and electrical upgrades at the wastewater treatment facility.

The wastewater department has been studying a more efficient and cost effective way of handling sludge. At this time, the results look promising. Mayor Falloon was thanked for his assistance with this project.

Hydrant flushing, testing of commercial sprinkler systems and flow testing will begin on October 20, 2013.

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

Mr. Bujarski submitted reports for the months of July, August and September.

## **POLICE AND JUSTICE COURT**

Officer Waltz and the Philipstown Volunteer Ambulance Corps were commended for a great job, using their training and knowledge, to assist with the delivery of a baby born on October 5, 2013. The Justice Court collected \$9,657.00 during the month of September 2013.

The police department requested permission to sell a 6' x 10' transport trailer, purchased in 2003, under a grant. The Police Department no longer has a use for this equipment. Attorney Liguori will research requirements for disposal of police equipment.

## **ADDITIONAL MONTHLY REPORTS**

Recreation- Terri Barr resigned her position on the Recreation Commission. Jeffrey Phillips was recommended to fill the term vacated by Ms. Barr (ending 4/2015).

Mayor Falloon **appointed** Jeffrey Phillips to fill the term vacated by Ms. Barr. Trustee Hawkins moved to accept this appointment and seconded by Trustee Hustis and unanimously approved.

Planning Board Liaison- The Planning Board began in earnest its hard look at the Butterfield Environmental Assessment Form on 10/2. Barton & Loguidice presented their initial findings on the EAF and laid out several areas where further information or study is required from the applicant. Also, the board is in the process of preparing their report to the Village Board on the formula business restrictions.

Zoning Board of Appeals Liaison- The schedule of upcoming hearings and meetings was reviewed. The ZBA is discussing noticing options and will make recommendations to the Village Board after further discussion.

Mayor Falloon reported that Andrew Pidala of Pidala Electric has been communicating with Central Hudson to determine viable options for holiday lighting.

Tree Committee- The Village tree nursery on Kemble Avenue was planted with small oak trees. It is anticipated that they will reach transplantable size in 2018. The Divicos, Dar Williams and Michael Robinson were thanked for sponsoring street trees planted in front of their homes. The Putnam County Highway Superintendent has responded to our request for assistance in pruning high tree limbs. The village is following up on an offer from Thomas Rolston to donate street trees. Staff members and volunteers who participated in the preparation and planting of the tree nursery were thanked for their efforts.

Boat Club Liaison- Trustee Campbell reported that the NYSDEC has scheduled soil boring investigation on New Street for Tuesday, October 8th and Wednesday, October 9th. However, no activity was observed at this site today. The boat club had discussions

about the response from the NYSDEC on the remediation of the area beneath the boat club building.

Trustee Hustis announced that a meeting on a new firehouse will be held on October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Trustee Hawkins announced that the Special Board for the Comprehensive Plan will meet on October 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.

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

Trustee Campbell announced that the opening ceremony for the West Point Foundry Preserve is scheduled for October 19, 2013.

Trustee Campbell received a resident request for a stop sign at the exit of the Foodtown Plaza and a crosswalk in the area of Benedict Drive and Route 9D. He has followed up by contacting the owner of the Foodtown Plaza and the NYSDOT.

Trustees Campbell and Hustis will schedule the annual Justice Court audit with our Court Clerk.

Mayor Falloon spoke about communication problems involving a manhunt within the village for an individual who committed a murder in Garden City, NY. The FBI didn't notify village officials or the Cold Spring Police department about this activity for several hours. The mayor stressed the importance of communication and of moving forward with NY-Alert. Mayor thanked the police department, highway department, office staff, and all who assisted with this effort.

The Haldane School Safety Committee is seeking additional signage and handicapped parking by the new athletic field. Trustee Campbell will be contacted by the school committee to work on this matter.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Mayor Falloon read sections of the **attached** correspondence from Commissioner Schick of the NYSDEC regarding cleanup of the manufactured gas contamination under the Cold Spring Boat Club. Mayor Falloon pointed out that this was the first opportunity that the village board, as a whole, discussed this letter and stressed that the board wants to work with residents and the boat club. A meeting was scheduled for October 22, 2013 for additional discussion.

Jonna Granata requested board consideration of a change in parking limits from four hours to two hours on a section of Market Street. The board will seek input from Officer in Charge Kane and will consider the consequences of this change on commuters and residents.

US Military Academy at West Point forwarded a draft environmental statement on a Golf Course Clubhouse.

The board acknowledged correspondence from the NYSDEC that declared their intent to serve as lead agency under SEQRA Review for an application to modify the Catskill Aqueduct Influent Chamber SPDES Permit.

Putnam County informed the village of Water Quality Improvement funding opportunities.

Cornell Cooperative Extension and Putnam County Soil & Water Conservation District informed the village about the impacts from the invasion of the Emerald Ash Borer, which is an invasive insect that is killing Ash trees throughout the Hudson Valley. Further, these agencies offered their assistance in planning and management of this problem.

The 12<sup>th</sup> annual Land Use and Sustainable Development Conference will be held on December 6<sup>th</sup> at Pace Law School.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Carolyn Bachan of the Historic District Review Board researched various options for advertising the RFP for The Grove and recommended advertising in the Sunday Real Estate Section of the New York Times at a price of \$1,610. The board agreed to remove the reference to an engineer’s report in the RFP. The board will follow up on tour dates, advertising and budget.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION #41-2013**

RESOLVED that the Village of Cold Spring Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Village Justice Thomas Costello, to submit a 2013 Justice Court Assistance Grant on behalf of the Village Court.

Trustee Hawkins introduced the foregoing resolution which was seconded by Trustee Campbell.

On roll call vote:

Trustee Matt Francisco voted	ABSENT
Trustee Bruce Campbell voted	YES
Trustee Charles Hustis, III voted	YES
Trustee Stephanie Hawkins voted	YES
Mayor J. Ralph Falloon voted	YES

Resolution officially adopted by a vote of 4-0-1 at a public meeting held on October 8, 2013.

### **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

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

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Steve Marino, resident of Nelsonville, spoke of the need to move forward with stabilizing The Grove. He offered his assistance toward this effort. Also, he asked if there will be more than one walk thru for The Grove.

Michael Armstrong also urged the board to move forward with stabilizing The Grove. Further, he encouraged the board to review the boat club lease to determine if demolition of the building results in termination. He urged the board to renegotiate the terms of the lease which could include the recommendations of the Comprehensive Plan to seek revenue from this property.

Peter Jensen spoke about a ticket he received for driving the wrong way on a one-way street and asked when he was going to get his license back.

Tim Greco asked tax payers be responsible for rebuilding the boat club if these costs weren't covered by insurance.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Saari, Village Clerk