

**Minutes Board of Trustees Meeting  
June 16, 2015 at 6:45 pm**

The village of Cold Spring Board of Trustees held a meeting on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY beginning at 6:45 pm.

Attending: Mayor David Merandy and Trustees Marie Early, Michael Bowman (6:50 pm), Cathryn Fadde and Frances Murphy

The board was joined by Joseph Catania, Jr. and Joseph McKay from the firm of Catania, Mahon, Milligram & Rider.

Mayor Merandy opened the meeting. Trustee Early moved to enter into Executive Session to interview a legal firm and seconded by Trustee Murphy. Vote 4-0 with Trustee Bowman absent.

Trustee Early moved to exit from Executive Session and seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried (5-0).

Mayor Merandy moved to enter into Executive Session to discuss an employment matter and seconded by Trustee Early. Vote: Mayor Merandy, Trustee Early and Trustee Murphy voted in favor with Trustees Bowman and Fadde opposed.

After discussions, Trustee Bowman asked to have the motion to enter Executive session amended to include more specific language about the nature of the personnel matter. It was agreed that the motion would indicate that the personnel matter was related to Trustee Bowman.

Trustee Early moved to exit from Executive Session and seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

7:52 pm Mayor Merandy opened the regular monthly meeting followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joining the board for the monthly meeting: Donald MacDonald, Planning chair, Jennifer Zwarich, Tree Advisory Board chair, Greg Phillips, Water and Wastewater Superintendent and William Bujarski, Building Inspector

#### MONTHLY REPORTS

The Recreation Commission is reviewing fee schedules for use of the dock and recreational properties. Purchase of tools and equipment for fall refurbishment of mayor's park field was approved by the commission. The Planning Board unanimously adopted a resolution approving Butterfield Realty LLC's four lot subdivision of the Butterfield Redevelopment parcel. The board solicited advice from the Village Board on a proposed two lot subdivision at 57 Morris Avenue.

The Zoning Board of Appeals will re-hear the D'Urso appeal as stated by the court. The Parking Committee recommended: removing parking space markings on Main Street, addressing small fencing surrounding tree gardens, moving the fifteen minute parking space at the intersection of Fair and Main ten feet to the east, and several changes to parking in front of Village Hall. Jen Zwarich reported that the Tree Advisory Board is currently updating the tree survey performed approximately five years ago using a GIS based inventory map. Further, the board has adopted Bylaws as required by the tree ordinance. The board addressed a number of items related to tree health and is researching costs and fundraising options for tree pit borders.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Early moved to approve minutes of the 5/26/2015 meeting and seconded by Trustee Bowman. Vote: 4-0-1 with Trustee Murphy abstaining due to absence.

## WATER AND WASTEWATER REPORT

Greg Phillips reported water discoloration in many areas of the distribution system which is believed to be related to higher than normal soluble organics in the raw water. It is unlikely that connection to the NYC Aqueduct will occur this year. With regards to project design, three engineering firms will be invited to present options for handling the upper dam to the village board.

In the wastewater report, an update was provided on the status of the WWTP Aeration and Electrical upgrade. After discussion between Mr. Phillips and counsel, it was proposed to separate the contract for HVAC from the project. This work will be performed after the project is complete, saving approximately \$20,000. Bids for the Market Street pump station were significantly higher than estimated. The West Street Control Mitigation project is moving forward with the control panel installed and conduit installed to new electrical supply poles.

## CODE ENFORCEMENT

William Bujarski provided a year-end report for department activities. Trustee Early requested a written statement describing the specific code sections that Mr. Bujarski sees as problematic. There was brief discussion about increased signage/displays on Main Street and it was decided to set a workshop for additional review of the code related to signage and possible recommendations.

## JUSTICE COURT

The Justice Court collected \$7,084.50 during the month of May 2015.

## REPORT OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mayor reported on the search for long-term counsel with four attorney firms under consideration. An update on the plans for the Independence Day Celebration was provided. The contract with Legion Fireworks has been reviewed by the committee and Mayor Merandy was asked to sign this contract. Payment for the fireworks display will be provided by the PCN&R. Trustee Murphy attended a pre-bid meeting with the NYSDEC and provided the **attached** report. Trustee Early provided a report on the Main Street transportation project as per **attached**. Trustee Fadde participated in discussions on submitting a Consolidated Funding application with other Putnam County communities to revitalize local economies and infrastructure. This application would be prepared by Putnam County and matching funds would be provided by the county as well. Trustee Fadde proposed application for a feasibility plan to install period LED lights that would be owned by the municipality, not rented and obtaining solar compacting refuse receptacles. Trustee Bowman thanked all who have reached out to him during a recent personal issue.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Church Street residents expressed concern about the excessive speed of vehicles on Church Street & Northern Avenue and proposed options to improve safety. Putnam County Industrial Development Agency announced a public hearing for comments on the application of Butterfield Realty LLC for financial assistance. The NYSDEC requested signature on forms acknowledging and consenting to the DEC's right of entry to the New Street property and a section of the adjacent waterfront park. Matt Miller asked the board to reconsider his application for vending at the waterfront park. The board did not reverse their prior decision to deny this application.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Merandy appointed Ethan Timm to the Code Update Committee. Trustee Fadde moved to approve and seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously approved. Mayor appointed Carolyn Bachan to the Code Update Committee. Trustee Early moved to approve and seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

#### BILL APPROVAL

Trustee Early moved to approve payment of the audited bills and seconded by Trustee Fadde and unanimously carried.

The board scheduled a meeting on Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> to discuss appointment of a village attorney.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Frank Haggerty asked if there would be another public hearing on the Main Street improvement project.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Saari, Village Clerk