

Village of Cold Spring  
Board of Trustees Workshop  
August 25, 2015

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Cold Spring held a workshop on Tuesday, August 25, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY.

Attending were Mayor David Merandy, Trustees Frances Murphy, Cathryn Fadde and Marie Early. Trustee Michael Bowman was absent.

Michael Spain and Kieran Boyle of Spain Agency gave a brief talk on what their agency does for municipalities.

New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal (**NYMIR**) program History and Highlights:

- NYMIR began in 1993 with 26 founding members and is now 883 members strong. The Village of Cold Spring was with NYMIR from 1996-2006 and from 2009-2014.
- Provide tailor made coverage forms and extensions specifically designed to protect municipalities.
- Non-profit insurance company regulated by NYS Insurance Department. Subject to triannual audits and the same capitalization/surplus requirements as traditional markets.
- Extensive Risk Management and Loss Control Services designed to help mitigate future possible claims and educate members on risk prevention; conducting quarterly risk management seminars as well as customized classroom training on various municipal topics.
- Specialized Claims Servicing and Defense of Claims.

Erik Hasler from **Lime Energy** provided the Board with a chart on energy savings based on the five buildings belonging to the Village. However, after some discussion, it was determined that the information that he received was incorrect regarding the hours in use of the buildings. Further, we asked that the subway tunnel be included. In addition, the incorrect rate for Central Hudson was used. With this current information, he will get updated hours of service for each building and return with an updated energy savings chart.

The following Resolution was presented by Trustee Fadde and seconded by Trustee Early.

**RESOLUTION # 29-2015 APPROVING SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR A NEW YORK WATER GRANT FOR WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS**

WHEREAS, New York State is providing funding to municipalities to assist with water quality infrastructure projects through the NYS Water Grant program administered by the Environmental Facilities Corporation and the NYS Department of Health; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Cold Spring plans to upgrade the existing emergency connection to the Catskill Aqueduct and is seeking financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project meets the criteria set forth by NYS Water Grant program for an eligible project; and

WHEREAS, the grant application requires the applicant to obtain the approval and endorsement of the governing body of the municipality;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that

1. The Village of Cold Spring Board of Trustees does hereby approve and endorse the submission of an application for a grant under the New York State Water Grant Program for a Drinking Water Project to upgrade the existing emergency connection to the Catskill Aqueduct.
2. The mayor is hereby authorized to sign the application and related documents.

On roll call vote:

Frances Murphy, Trustee voting YES

Marie Early, Trustee voting YES

Michael Bowman, Trustee voting ABSENT

Cathryn Fadde, Trustee voting YES

David Merandy, Mayor voting YES

**Resolution # 29-2015** officially adopted at a public meeting held on Tuesday, August 25, 2015 by a vote of 4-0-0-1 with Trustee Bowman absent.

The following Resolution was presented by Trustee Early and seconded by Trustee Fadde.

**RESOLUTION # 30-2015 APPROVING SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR A NEW YORK WATER GRANT FOR A WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

WHEREAS, New York State is providing funding to municipalities to assist with clean water infrastructure projects through the NYS Water Grant program; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Cold Spring plans to upgrade the existing sewer pump station located on Market Street and reline sewer lines on Fair, Market, Fish, and North Streets and is seeking financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project meets the criteria set forth by NYS Water Grant program for an eligible project; and

WHEREAS, the grant application requires the applicant to obtain the approval and endorsement of the governing body of the municipality;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that

1. The Village of Cold Spring Board of Trustees does hereby approve and endorse the submission of an application for grant assistance under the New York State Water Grant

Program for a clean water project to upgrade the sewer pump station on Market Street and to reline the sewer lines on Fair, Market, Fish, and North Streets.

2. The mayor is hereby authorized to sign the application and related documents.

On roll call vote:

Frances Murphy, Trustee voting YES

Marie Early, Trustee voting YES

Michael Bowman, Trustee voting ASBENT

Cathryn Fadde, Trustee voting YES

David Merandy, Mayor voting YES

**Resolution # 30-2015** officially adopted at a public meeting held on Tuesday, August 25, 2015 by a vote of 4-0-0-1 with Trustee Bowman absent.

Dated: August 25, 2015

Mary Saari, Village Clerk

**New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)** has approved a request for a permit for a water connection at the Catskill Aqueduct to be used as a backup supply for the Village water service area noted in their letter dated August 11, 2015. Although this was on this evening's agenda, neither Greg Phillips nor Bart Clark could attend this meeting and therefore, Mr. Phillips requested that this item be tabled until next meeting. With that request agreed upon by the Board, it was further agreed that Mayor Merandy sign a request for a 60 day extension above the 30 day response originally given in the correspondence from DEP.

**The Historic District Review Board (HDRB)** interviewed two potential consultants as a result of the RFP for updating the HDRB Standards. Between Stephen Tilly, Architect of Dobbs Ferry and Johnson-Schmidt, Architect of Corning, the Board voted unanimously to recommend Stephen Tilly for the position. A motion to approve the HDRB's request for Stephen Tilly, Architect for the position was made by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Fadde. With a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

### **Correspondence**

Kelly Clark of Real Simple requested a photo shoot on August 29, 2015 between noon and 3 P.M. at 54 Parrot Street, home of the Santos family. It will include not only the Santos family but also their friends, neighbors and even strangers who came to help them during, not only the devastating fire at their home, but also the suffering they have endured in the past year. The goal for this story is to draw attention to both the Santos family and the community of Cold Spring and to explain how important it is to offer help when needed not just globally but locally.

Trustee Early made a motion to approve the request for the photo shoot to Ms. Clark and with a second from Trustee Fadde and a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

A letter from Barbara Scuccimarra, Putnam County Legislator District #1 was received asking the approval of Mayor Merandy to have a Medication Lock Box Drop Off to serve the residents on the

Western side of Putnam County at the “Cold Spring Sheriff’s Department” on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor. (Please note, the Sheriff’s Department is located in Nelsonville and there is a second floor, while the Cold Spring Police Department is located on the second floor in Cold Spring. The Board was not sure which department Ms. Scuccimarra was referring to.)

### Old Business

A motion was made by Trustee Fadde to reappoint **Alan Steiner as Acting Justice** for the Village of Cold Spring. Trustee Early made a second to the motion and the motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Trustee Murphy read the **pending list** collected from the Board. In no particular order are:

1. Boat Club
  - a. Set up meeting with DEC for residents;
  - b. Discuss new lease
2. Energy Audits
3. Signs, tables chairs on Main Street
4. Fire Company
  - a. Term of current lease
  - b. Fire Protection Agreement with Village of Nelsonville
5. Village Employee Contract
  - a. Review current contract
  - b. Discuss Benefits for New Employees
6. Dockside Park
7. Big Belly Compactors
8. Process for boards, committees and department heads to get agreement to engage with Village Attorney, John Furst.
9. Village Video Camera
  - c. Purchase Tripod
  - d. Purchase larger video card
  - e. Microphone System
  - f. Determine:
    - i. Who will film
    - ii. Who will get film to TV
    - iii. Who will post on web site/how

The Board discussed whether **liaisons** should be reassigned to the standing boards, committees and commissions. Basically it was felt that a Village Board member need not attend other meetings. The main concern was receiving the monthly reports from the boards in a timely manner. An email reminder will be sent to all boards and commissions requesting they have their reports in by the Friday before the scheduled monthly meeting.

The minutes of August 4, 2015, as presented to the Board, were approved unanimously with a motion from Trustee Early and a second from Trustee Fadde.

The bills, batch # 3224 in the amount of \$113,597.08, as presented to the Board, were approved for payment with a motion from Trustee Early and a second from Trustee Fadde followed with a unanimous vote.

#### Public Comment

The audience was represented with several shop owners all stating their case for better sidewalks, better lighting and complete snow removal from the curbs. They were all in agreement with these issues as the lack of each item creates issues for them to do business, each one presenting a different problem. The most detrimental to visitors entering the shops is the snow accumulation in the curbs and adjoining sidewalks preventing them from exiting their cars. Also mentioned, but in a positive vein, was the buying power of the passengers of the Sea Streak. Speakers were Caryn Cannova, Bob Hayes, Alison Anthoine, Patti Villanova and Craig Muraszewski.

Trustee Early made a motion to adjourn the meeting. With a second from Trustee Murphy, and a unanimous vote from the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. Falloon