

Minutes Board of Trustees Meeting

October 13, 2015

The Village of Cold Spring Board of Trustees held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY beginning at 7:30 pm.

Attending: Mayor Dave Merandy and Trustees Frances Murphy, Marie Early and Michael Bowman

Absent: Cathryn Fadde

Also attending: Greg Phillips, Water & Wastewater Superintendent; William Bujarski, Building Inspector
Board members: Jeff Phillips, Chair Recreation Commission; Kathleen Foley, Vice-Chair Historic District Review Board; Jennifer Zwarich, Chair Tree Advisory Board; and Robert Flaherty, Town of Philipstown Councilman

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

MONTHLY REPORTS

Jeff Phillips, Recreation Chair reviewed applications approved by the commission for use of village properties, including the Halloween parade. The village board agreed to grant a request to reserve two parking spaces on Main Street for a Strut Your Pup for Healing Autism and Guiding Eyes event on Saturday, October 17th. Aeration and seeding of Mayor's Park field is complete.

The Planning Board is currently reviewing an application from Scenic Hudson for a two lot subdivision of property located at 20 The Boulevard, aka the Campbell property.

The Zoning Board of Appeals considered the D'Urso application for a variance, as ordered by the court. The ZBA has completed the hearing and is currently working with counsel in drafting a final decision. Robert Flaherty reported that the Town of Philipstown has committed to funding a medication drop-off box which is proposed for placement in the Cold Spring Police Department. The board discussed challenges related to this location including access for senior citizens and police staffing.

Kathleen Foley, HDRB Vice-Chair reported that the State Historic Preservation Office wasn't able to extend the grant deadline for updating design standards. This grant work was delayed when SHPO staff asked the village to reexamine the structure of the existing standards. SHPO will cover all expenses accrued by the village through September 30th. The board has been assured that our application for next year's funding will be given priority consideration. A letter to Assemblywoman Sandy Galef will be drafted to request her support.

The HDRB is working toward streamlining and improving their application process.

A budget request was submitted to Putnam County seeking additional assistance with tourism related expenses.

Mayor Merandy met with Cold Spring Boat Club representatives and area residents regarding a recent bonfire. The DEC is mobilizing to this site to begin coal tar remediation.

As of October 1, 2015, the Cold Spring Fire Company #1 has responded to 116 calls for service.

Tree Advisory Board (TAB) is close to completing an updated tree inventory which will be used to formulate an annual work plan and pruning priority list. The board will be presenting an interactive online tree map that will allow the public to navigate an overview of our community forest and data for

each tree. A TAB website is being developed. Upon completion, this site will be presented to the village board. J. Zwarich sought guidance on how to proceed. It was recommended that the village attorney be consulted to continue developing an acceptable use policy as this site will be maintained by someone who is not an employee of the village.

Draft criteria for tree removal will be discussed on October 27th.

The Code Update Committee submitted required reports to NYSERDA and discussed livable floor area and accessory apartments.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The report for the period ending 9/30/2015 was submitted for board review.

WATER & WASTEWATER

We received 3.63" of rain in September, which has helped to maintain the reservoir status at our level of 58% capacity. Repairs to a fire hydrant on Parsonage Street were completed. The pressure reducing valve located at 178 Main Street is scheduled for maintenance this month.

At the wastewater facility, construction began on the new building to house the emergency generator. Remaining work at the West Street pump station includes new fence installation and raising the interior grade elevation which will allow for removal of the metal stair access to the pump chamber.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

The Building Inspector is currently working on setting up inspections for the Butterfield site. Mr. Bujarski answered questions about an illegal apartment on Furnace Street, code violations and a permit for removal of the boat club building.

Police and highway monthly reports were not submitted.

Justice Court collected \$7,228 during the month of September.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Lime Energy notified the village that funds were depleted for Central Hudson's LED light program and they will not fund our request for subway lighting.

Trustees Murphy and Early reported on a productive meeting with representatives of the Cold Spring Fire Company in working toward developing consistent criteria for fire protection agreements and a new lease for the firehouse. During research, it was discovered that two properties located north of the village were taxed as part of the North Highlands Fire District but are actually served by the Cold Spring Fire District.

CORRESPONDENCE

New York State Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation provided a copy of the SEQR determination of significance for development of the Hudson Highlands Fjord trail.

OLD BUSINESS

Jonathan Nettlefield, of VOX, Inc., sought agreement from the village on locations for placement of Fjord trail signage. In response to this request, representatives from the HDRB, Parking Committee, and

Village Board recently visited various Main Street locations but were unable to recommend a suitable site. The board discussed the difficulties presented with various locations including blocking walkways and views. Additionally, members pointed out that it was premature to grant permission for signage, when the environmental review of the project is incomplete and a positive declaration has been made.

RESOLUTION #32- 2015

WHEREAS, the Village of Cold Spring (The Village) has received a NYS Multimodal Project grant, ID# 8MA105.30A, to perform certain drainage improvements within the Village in the sum of \$25,000, by reimbursement; and

WHEREAS, the Village believes it is in its best interest for the County of Putnam (The County) to perform this work considering the equipment necessary and the labor requirements needed to perform the project; and

WHEREAS, there have already been design drawings for the drainage improvements provided to the Village and to the County; and

WHEREAS, The Village has incurred design costs of \$3,878.56, but has yet to apply for reimbursement of the expense incurred; and

WHEREAS, the County wishes the Village to perform snow and ice removal from the front of the American Legion Post, a County sponsored facility at 10 Cedar Street and the Putnam County Sheriff's Substation located at 276 Main Street, Nelsonville, NY and

WHEREAS, the Village can readily perform the snow and ice removal services for the County;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;

1. The Village agrees to plow , as appropriate a clearing of the County sponsored facility located at 10 Cedar Street and 276 Main Street, Nelsonville (or at any other future location of similar size) for a period of 5 years including the 2014-2015 winter; and
2. The County has performed the drainage project as designed for the NYS Multimodal Project by using its own equipment and labor as they determined to be required (No subcontracting authorized); and
3. The Village will file vouchers in coordination with the County for reimbursement of the work labor and services for a total not to exceed \$25,000 less the design costs of \$3,878.56 = \$21,121.44.
4. The mayor is authorized to sign the multimodal agreement with Putnam County.

Trustee Michael Bowman moved the foregoing resolution which was seconded by Trustee Murphy.
On roll call vote:

Frances Murphy, Trustee, voting	YES
Marie Early, Trustee, voting	YES
Michael Bowman, Trustee voting	YES
Cathryn Fadde, Trustee voting	ABSENT
Dave Merandy, Mayor voting	YES

Resolution was officially adopted at a public meeting held on 10/13/2015 by a vote of 4-0-0-1.
Dated: October 13, 2015

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Merandy moved to appoint Jeffrey Vidakovich as a part-time clerk for the Building Department and seconded by Trustee Bowman and unanimously carried.

Trustee Bowman moved to conditionally approve the Haldane Homecoming Parade, with the stipulation that the police department will be able to provide coverage for the event, and seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

The Winter Parking and Sidewalk Notice for 2015 was read. It was pointed out the Section 108-21 is unenforceable as no time limit is listed and it was recommended to amend this section of the code. It was requested and agreed that the winter parking regulations would be placed on the village Facebook page.

RESOLUTION NO. 33-2015

WHEREAS, the Village of Cold Spring has on-street parking regulations which limit or prohibit on-street parking at certain times and locations; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Cold Spring conducts snow clearing on its streets during winter months; and

WHEREAS, snow clearing activity in the vicinity of Marion Avenue and Benedict Road could be better conducted and coordinated with local residents if the Village's on-street parking regulations are suspended on the dead end portion of Marion Avenue south of Benedict Road to allow parked vehicles to remain thereon; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Village Board of the Village of Cold Spring hereby suspends on-street parking regulations for the dead end portion of Marion Avenue south of Benedict Road until April 15, 2016; and
2. A copy of this resolution shall be posted at Village Hall and provided to the Village Police Department forthwith.

Trustee Michael Bowman presented the foregoing resolution which was seconded by Trustee Marie Early,

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

Frances Murphy, Trustee, voting	YES
Marie Early, Trustee, voting	YES
Michael Bowman, Trustee, voting	YES
Cathryn Fadde, Trustee, voting	ABSENT
Dave Merandy, Mayor, voting	YES

Resolution officially adopted on 10/13/2015 by a vote of 4-0-0-1.

Trustee Early moved to approve minutes of the September 22, 2015 meeting and seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously approved.

Public Comment

Robert Flaherty suggested installing motion detectors on subway lights.

Frank Haggerty suggested a joint effort to develop comprehensive mapping signage.

BILL APPROVAL

With a member of the audit committee absent, the alternate agreed to audited bills. A five minute recess was taken to allow for this review.

Trustee Bowman moved to return to the meeting and seconded by Trustee Early and unanimously approved.

Trustee Bowman moved to approve the audited bills and seconded by Mayor Merandy and unanimously approved.

With no further business, Trustee Early moved to adjourn and seconded by Trustee Murphy and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Saari, Village Clerk