

Village of Cold Spring

Board of Trustees Continued Public Hearing and Workshop

March 22, 2016

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Cold Spring held a workshop on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY that included a continuation of a public hearing to address metered parking in the municipal parking lot on Fair Street from March 8, 2016.

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

Mayor Merandy read statements received from Michael Mueller and Allison Anthoine about metering the municipal parking lot.

The Spring Brook residents spoke as to losing parking spaces on Fair Street and also Northern Avenue. It has decidedly decreased their parking as the plan for Spring Brook provides one parking space per apartment/condominium. With the metering of the municipal lot, this too will provide a burden on these residents unless the Village provides the reissuing of parking back on Fair Street and Northern Avenue and allows selected parking spaces for Spring Brook residents.

Trustee Fadde, also a member of the parking committee, and Mayor Merandy will discuss the issues concerning Spring Brook parking with Anthony Phillips, Chair of the Parking Committee, and try to work something out before instituting the metered parking.

Trustee Fadde suggested that the Spring Book residents, and anyone else concerned with parking, attend the Parking Committee meetings held the first Monday of each month at 5:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.

Trustee Bowman said that to move ahead with metered parking in the municipal parking lot without a plan for metered parking on Main Street, residential permits and redoing our codes for enforcement, we are going to have a lot more parking complaints from Village residents. A comparison would be the Walkway over the Hudson in Poughkeepsie.

Mayor Merandy noted that there needs to be uniform signage for parking hours throughout the Village.

Mayor Merandy made a motion to close the public hearing addressing metered parking in the municipal lot on Fair Street. Trustee Fadde seconded the motion and with a unanimous vote, the public hearing was closed.

There will be a meeting of the Village Board on Tuesday, March 29, 2016 at 7:30 pm with Greg Phillips for the selection of the engineering firm to work on the design of the rehabilitation of the upper dam. Also the metering of the municipal parking lot will be discussed.

A Memorandum of Understanding was received from The Cold Spring Film Society to present a series of family-friendly films to be screened outdoors at Dockside Park. The dates of the screening are June 25, July 9 and 23, August 6 and 20 ending on September 3, 2016. A motion was made by Trustee Bowman to approve the contract. Trustee Early seconded the motion and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried. *(Note: In the original document the date of June 57 is listed. This will be changed to June 25,)*

A contract was received from Putnam County to prepare the Village Tax Rolls and Bills for the Calendar Year of 2016; The Village shall provide to the County a copy of the Village Budget and Unpaid Water & Sewer List by May 1st.

Mayor Merandy made a motion to accept the contract from Putnam County and with a second from Trustee Bowman and a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Correspondence

Edward T. Mancari of the Nelsonville Fish and Fur Club sent in a request for approval for the use of the lower reservoir on May 1, 2016 for the annual Kids' Fishing Day. The Club, with the support of the Village, has held this community event for the past 27 years.

Mayor Merandy made a motion to approve the request of the Nelsonville Fish and Fur Club. Trustee Bowman seconded the motion and with a unanimous vote the motion was approved.

Mayor Merandy and accountant Ellen Mageean made changes from the last meeting discussions on the Tentative Budget. A budget hearing will be scheduled at a later date.

New Business

Roy Kannenberg of Kannen Mechanical sent in an application for a street opening at the intersection of Bank and West Bank Streets for the installation of a sewer manhole to accommodate a new sewer connection to the existing one for a multiple residential sewer line off West Bank Street.

Mayor Merandy stated that this was approved by both the Superintendent of Water and Sewer, Greg Phillips and Highway Department Foreman, Ed Trimble. With those approvals in place, Mayor Merandy made a motion to approve the application as submitted. With a second from Trustee Fadde the motion was carried with a unanimous vote.

The bills, batch # 3488 in the amount of \$205,048.66, as presented to the Board, were approved for payment with a motion from Trustee Early, a second from Trustee Fadde and a unanimous vote.

The minutes of March 1, 2016 were approved as written with a motion from Trustee Bowman, a second from Trustee Fadde and a unanimous vote.

The minutes of March 8, 2016 were approved as written with a motion from Trustee Early, a second from Trustee Bowman and a unanimous vote.

The minutes of March 16, 2016 were approved as written with a motion from Trustee Early and a second from Mayor Merandy. The vote was 3-0-2. Trustees Bowman and Fadde abstained as they were not present for that meeting.

Trustee Murphy, in order to dispel the reports that the present Board members were always divided, did an analysis of all voting noted in the minutes for the period from April 2015 through January 2016. She found that of 144 votes taken, the Board was in full agreement for 134 of those votes. Only ten votes had any negative votes. Thus, for more than 93% of the time, the board was in total agreement.

Trustee Early noted that all the absentee ballots have been counted and the vote for passing of the Proposition to move Village elections to November stands. The first November election for the Village will be in 2018. March, 2017 will be the last individual Village election.

Public Comment

Michael Armstrong reported that the fencing on the property next to the Chapel Restoration (previously owned by Downey) is on Village property and is illegal and needs to be removed. Also, the retaining wall along the private property has fallen onto Village property which should also be removed. Mayor Merandy said it was in the hands of the Building Inspector.

Trustee Early made a motion to close the March 22nd meeting and with a second from Trustee Murphy, and a unanimous vote from the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. Falloon