

Village of Cold Spring
Board of Trustees Workshop

May 3, 2016

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Cold Spring held a workshop meeting on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY.

Attending were Mayor David Merandy, Trustees Marie Early, Lynn Miller, Frances Murphy and Steven Voloto.

Upon opening the meeting, Mayor Merandy made a motion to enter into **executive session** for the purpose of discussing a particular individual for a specified position. Trustee Early seconded the motion and with a unanimous vote from the Board, the motion passed.

Mayor Merandy made a motion to exit the executive session at 7:57 pm and with a second from Trustee Miller, and a unanimous vote, the motion carried and the open workshop meeting continued.

The first item on the agenda was approval of **payout for the Village Accountant**. Mayor Merandy made a motion to table this item as he wanted further information on it. Trustee Early seconded the motion and the motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Tom Hopper sent in an employment application for a part time **laborer's position** on an "as needed" basis. Mayor Merandy made a motion to approve the hiring of Mr. Hopper on an "as needed" basis to assist with refuse collection and perhaps for the highway department, when necessary, at a salary of \$15.00 per hour. Trustee Murphy made a second to the motion and Mr. Hopper was hired with a unanimous vote.

The **minutes of April 12, 2016** were approved as written with a motion from Trustee Early, a second from Trustee Murphy and a unanimous vote.

Correspondence

New York Metropolitan Transportation Council (NYMTC) sent in a schedule of community workshops being held in the five boroughs of New York City, the lower Hudson Valley counties of Putnam, Rockland and Westchester, and Nassau and Suffolk counties on Long Island. The plan will guide the future use of federal transportation funding in NYMTC's planning areas.

The World of Infrastructure, sponsored by the Port Authority of NY and NJ is offering a Pattern Infrastructure conference agenda at Anthony's Pier 9, New Windsor, NY on Friday May 20, 2016 from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$60 for Pattern Members and \$70 for non-members.

Changes on the proposed **Municipal Lot sign** are as follows:

1st line: MUNICIPAL METERED PARKING

2nd line: PARKING SPACE NUMBER REQUIRED AT METER
3rd line: METERED PARKING 7 DAYS A WEEK 24 HOURS A DAY
4TH line: EXCEPTION NOVEMBER 15TH – APRIL 15TH
5th line: 9 PM – 8 AM

Blue sign with white lettering, dimensions 24" x 24".

Mayor Merandy made a motion to approve the sign, as amended. Trustee Early seconded the motion. With a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Jennifer Zwarich submitted a quote from **Lee's Tree Service** for the takedown and removal of 1 Maple tree, cutting of stump at ground level, pruning of 3 Maple trees of dead wood and unsafe limbs, and removal of undesirable tops in 2 Ginko trees for \$1,600.00.

Trustee Early made a motion to approve the quote for the above noted and with a second from Trustee Murphy and a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Trustee Early complimented Ms. Zwarich on the **Arbor Day Ceremony** held on April 29th at 5:00 pm in front of Carolyn's Flower Shop.

Michael Mell, hired for a secretarial position for the Planning Board, Historic Board, Zoning Board of Appeals and Code Update Committee, will **video record board/committee** meetings and upload them as was discussed with Mayor Merandy at his hiring. Mayor Merandy made a motion to approve Mr. Mell's videoing of the boards/committees for a fee of \$25.00 per meeting. Mr. Mell will begin filming at the upcoming Planning Board and HDRB as a test run. Trustee Early made a second to the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Robert Downey submitted a letter expressing that he would like to use 2 weeks (10 days) of vacation and turn it into cash. Mayor Merandy made a motion to approve Mr. Downey's request. Trustee Early seconded the motion and it was approved with a unanimous vote.

The Red Hook Supervisor requested that we forward to him the report from Attorney Warren Replansky about restricting **formula businesses** as they are interested in moving forward with something similar. Trustee Early made a motion to approve the request and forward Mr. Replansky's report restricting formula businesses to the Supervisor of Red Hook. Trustee Murphy made a second to the motion and with a unanimous vote, the motion was approved.

At a meeting with both the DEC and the contractor on the **Boat Club site**, they have both agreed to approve the use of the village property for the Boat Club to set their docks and possibly launch their boats on the weekends of May 14 and May 21, 2016. They will accommodate the Boat Club by moving their equipment from the west end of the site.

Mark Patinella, Commodore of the Boat Club, requested permission from the Village to set their docks and launch their boats on the weekends of May 14 and 21, 2016 as will be made available by DEC and

the contractor. Mayor Merandy made a motion to approve Mr. Patinella's request. Trustee Murphy seconded the motion and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Mayor Merandy discussed possible changes in the Police Department and has asked OIC Kane to provide more detailed police reports and address increased police enforcement in certain areas such as parking.

The Main Street project is moving along quickly. The weather however has prevented the continuance of pouring the cement right now so it was decided to stop work until Monday with the upcoming weekend.

DEC was scheduled to complete the remediation work on the Boat Club property by May 21, 2016. However, it has been changed to July 21, 2016.

Public Comment

Frank Haggerty asked about insurance on the property being used by the Boat Club. He also wondered why the Cold Spring Village municipality is run by part-time management as opposed to full time management.

Bill McComish is the owner of 113 Main Street. He had attended the meeting of April 25th at the CS Fire Company and the follow-up meeting held by the Village Board. At these meeting he expressed his need to keep the ramp to the east side of his building. Trustee Early and Consultant, Mike Hurtt, while walking the designated area, decided that it was best to replace the ramp with a curb for the safety of the pedestrians. Mr. McComish said his property is land-locked in the back and it is crucial to obtain access from Main Street. To eliminate this ramp will deny him access.

Mayor Merandy and Trustee Early will take this under advisement with the consultant.

Mr. McComish also said there is a Locust tree in front of 113 Main Street and the roots will need to be cut. He feels it should be removed sooner rather than later.

Mayor Merandy made a motion to close the May 3rd meeting and with a second from Trustee Early, and a unanimous vote from the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. Falloon