

**Village of Cold Spring  
Village Board of Trustees  
85 Main Street, Cold Spring, New York 10516**

**Monthly Meeting  
11.8.16**

The Village of Cold Spring Board of Trustees held its monthly meeting at the Cold Spring Village Hall, 85 Main Street on Tuesday, November 8, 2016 at 7:30pm.

Present were Mayor David Merandy and trustees: Marie Early, Lynn Miller, Frances Murphy and Steve Voloto.

**MONTHLY REPORTS**

- **Recreation Commission** – None
- **Planning Board** – in a written report noted its consideration of a revised application for 2 Depot Square. New applications were submitted by: Scenic Hudson and Cold Spring Apothecary.
- **Zoning Board of Appeals** – None
- **Town of Philipstown** - Robert Flaherty informed the board of several ongoing topics:
  - Safe gun storage legislation is being discussed.
  - Stony Point parking lot construction continues on schedule.
  - Consolidation of Town and Village building departments remains under consideration.
  - Board is finalizing budget, which will fall under the state-mandated cap.
  - Betty Budney memorial bench is on track for installation before year's end.
  - Town has received a grant to replace windows on the town hall.
- **Historic District Review Board** – None
- **Putnam County** – None.
- **Cold Spring Boat Club** – Mayor Merandy has attended the first meeting to discuss the lease renewal.
- **Cold Spring Fire Company** – No report
- **Parking Committee** – None.
- **Tree Advisory Board** – Jennifer Zwarich informed the board of several ongoing activities:
  - Five trees have been purchased and two donated for planting
  - The Tree Advisory Board worked with Haldane elementary students to relocate two trees.
  - The Main Street Beautification Plan – Phase 1 will include plantings, installation of decorative tree pit guards, permeable grass pavers and garden plantings in a 50 ft. run adjacent to 93 through 91 Main Street.
  - The village board was asked for \$1,000 in additional funding toward Phase One of the beautification plan.
- **Code Update Committee** – in a written report the committee described its ongoing work in anticipation of the next public presentation.
- **Water and Wastewater Department** – Superintendent Gregory Philips presented highlights from his written report, including:
  - Work on installation of new water meters is delayed due to Putnam County Plumbing Board's requirement for a licensed plumber to perform the installation. Greg Philips is working to resolve the impasse.
  - **An extension to the deadline for a FEMA project** is being solicited for the West St. Pump Station Mitigation Project.

- Philips has met with trustees to begin discussions about staffing and licensing for the water and waste water facilities.
- First phase of the upper dam repair design project has begun, including: inspections and evaluation of conditions and document review by Tectonic.
- **Code Enforcement** – in a written report William Bujarski listed the activities and actions for September 2016, including: permits issued, alarm permits, building and fire complaint inspections, certificate of occupancies issued, complaint/violations, referrals, records searches, building and fire inspection plan reviews and meetings, fees collected (\$6,885) and other matters.
- **Cold Spring Police Department** - None
- **Justice Court** – a written report identified ongoing court cases, monies received from fees, fines, etc. (\$12,974), and a distribution summary.
- **Mayor and Trustees**
  - Trustee Voloto noted that residents may submit letters in support of the board’s planned resolution against the Hudson River anchorage.
  - Trustee Miller noted she is rewriting the village’s permit application and fee structure of filming in the village.
  - Mayor Merandy noted that:
    - He has followed up with the police department regarding complaints about unannounced street closings on Halloween and expects it will not be an issue next year.
    - He has discussed water run-off issues from the SUNOCO station (Main St. & Morris) to the property at 178 Main Street with James Hartford. Merandy has forwarded the information to the village attorney for comment.
    - He has met with Steve Smith about emergency service response in light of the injury to a responder to the recent call at Little Stony Point at Route 9D.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- The village has received a letter from Central Hudson notifying it of a phone scam that attempts to coerce residents to make unauthorized payments. Central Hudson suggests that any resident receiving such a call should hang up and contact Central Hudson directly (rather than any phone number the scammer may provide.)
- The village has received a letter from the Putnam County Emergency Services which has issued an indefinite ban on open burning (due to ongoing dry conditions).
- Charles Norton submitted a letter requesting two weeks’ vacation pay. Mayor Merandy made a motion to grant the request (presuming Norton is entitled to this). F. Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- The board discussed the revised vessel docking Memorandum of Understanding. The M.O.U proposes:
  - A fee of \$6/FT/Day for vessels that only dock to drop off/pick up passengers.
  - A fee of \$8/FT/Day for vessels that remain docked.
  - Payment is to be made prior to docking
  - Trustee Early made a motion to accept the M.O.U. as amended. Trustee Miller seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

- Mayor Merandy made a motion to authorize him to sign the contract with Stephen Tilly for Design Guidelines as amended and including the rider added by the village attorney. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- The trustees discussed the Open Meetings Law (OML).
  - Mayor Merandy would like to amend the previous board of trustees' resolution so that it matches the NY State OML.
  - Trustees will vote on the resolution at the next meeting
- Mayor Merandy read Resolution #25-2016 that opposes the Hudson River anchorage for commercial vessels. Mayor Merandy made a motion to authorize him to sign the resolution. Trustee Murphy seconded. The motion passed with trustees voting as noted below.
  - Trustee Miller                Yes
  - Trustee Early                Yes
  - Trustee Murphy                Yes
  - Trustee Voloto                Yes
  - Mayor Merandy                Yes
- Megan Cotter has submitted an application for group use of the Bandstand and local streets for the Cold Spring Turkey Trot. Mayor Merandy made a motion to approve the application. Trustee Early seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Mayor Merandy made a motion for payment of Batch #3808 in the amount of \$28,251.90. Trustee Miller seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Early made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 25, 2016 Cold Spring Village Board. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Merandy made a motion to adjourn. F. Murphy seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30PM

Submitted by M. Mell

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David Merandy, Mayor

Date: