

Village Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
August 4, 2005
7:30 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Briarcliff Manor, New York was held in the Village of Briarcliff Manor Village Hall, at 1111 Pleasantville Road, Briarcliff Manor, New York of the 4th of August commencing at 7:30 p.m.

Present

William J. Vescio, Mayor
David Venditti, Deputy Mayor
Elsie Smith, Trustee
Donald Wilde, Trustee
Gayle Waxenberg, Trustee

Also Present

Ingrid Richards, Assistant Village Manager
Clinton Smith, Village Counsel

Absent

Stephanie Ippoliti, Village Clerk
Michael Blau, Village Manager

Public Hearing – Amendment to Chapter 54, Residency

Upon motion by Trustee Waxenberg, seconded by Deputy Mayor Venditti the Board voted unanimously to open the public hearing.

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Venditti, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Board voted unanimously to close the public hearing.

Upon motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Wilde, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Code of the Village of Briarcliff Manor, Chapter 54, Residency is hereby amended.

Presentation – Dianet Communications; Mobile Communications

Mr. Jeff Just gave a presentation to the Board regarding solutions for wireless technology coverage problems.

Deputy Mayor Venditti asked if Dianet Communications had installed the routers in any other local municipalities.

Mr. Just stated one had been installed on the Hutchinson River Parkway as well as nationwide and globally.

Mr. Steven Silverberg, Counsel for Dianet stated they were looking to move forward into a franchise agreement.

Mr. Just stated he would provide a list of similar municipalities where the system had been installed and a photograph of the router.

Mayor Vescio thanked Dianet Communications for their presentation.

Village Managers Report

Assistant Village Manager Richards reported to the Board.

- Scarborough Road paving had been completed.
- The bids for Cottonwood Lane and Holly Place Sewer Pump Station and the Todd Lane Bridge Replacement went out.

Public Comments

Mr. Robert Little of 8 Scarborough Circle congratulated the 90% of the Village residents who were now owners of 5.77 acres of Kemey's Cove. He urged residents to write to Ossining Town Supervisor John Chervokas to ask him to actively participate in the walking trail that was to be constructed along the river. He further urged the Village to make Board of Trustee meetings available via internet.

Mr. Clay Tiffany of Hall Road stated the Village Manager told him the tape of a threatening phone call he received hadn't been voice analyzed. He further stated it was negligence on the Police Department's part. He stated the Police Chief wouldn't meet with him and he wanted an open discussion regarding the racist statements given by a Rotary Club member at a meeting. He asked why the police weren't subject to steroid testing.

Mayor Vescio asked if the tape in question had been sent to the appropriate agencies.

Village Counsel Smith stated he believed they had been passed on.

Mayor Vescio asked about the letter regarding the Police Chief not meeting with Mr. Tiffany.

Village Counsel Smith stated the Police Chief had met with Mr. Tiffany in the past. He further stated the agencies the tape had been sent to would contact Mr. Tiffany at their discretion.

Mr. Tiffany stated the Village could easily have the tape sent to an independent party for analysis.

Mayor Vescio stated the Board would discuss it during executive session.

Hyatt application – referral to the Planning Board

Assistant Village Manager Richards stated the purpose of this resolution is to allow the Planning Board to act as lead agency for SEQRA.

Ms. Ellen Melnick of North State Road asked how long this would delay the process.

Mayor Vescio stated the Board was trying to expedite the process.

Upon motion by Trustee Wilde, seconded by Trustee Waxenberg, the Board voted unanimously to appoint the Planning Board as lead agency regarding SEQRA.

Authorize Village Manager to Execute Agreements with Westchester County

a. Shuttle Van

Village Counsel Smith stated he would like a letter clarifying a few points from the County.

Mayor Vescio asked if Village Counsel recommended receiving the letter from the County before proceeding.

Village Counsel Smith stated the Board should move forward. He further stated executing an agreement for the acquisition of the vehicle might be easier for the Village.

Upon motion by Trustee Waxenberg, seconded by Deputy Mayor Venditti, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with Westchester County for the lease of an 18-20 passenger shuttle van to be used by the Briarcliff Manor Fire Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the authorization to execute this agreement shall be conditioned upon the agreement with Westchester County being acceptable to both Village Counsel and the Village Manager.

b. Snow and Ice Agreement

Assistant Village Manager Richards stated the County reimbursed the Village for Snow removal on County roads within the Village.

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Venditti, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute a Renewed Snow and Ice Agreement with Westchester County for the removal of snow and ice for the period of five years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the authorization to execute this agreement shall be conditioned upon the agreement with Westchester County being acceptable to both Village Counsel and the Village Manager.

Authorize Village Manager to Execute Agreements with Village of Sleepy Hollow

a. Amended and Restated Agreement (Full Supply)

Upon motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Wilde, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Second Addendum to the Amended and Restated Water Agreement with the Village of Sleepy Hollow.

b. Temporary and Emergency Water Supply

Upon motion by Trustee Wilde, seconded by Trustee Waxenberg, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute an Agreement for Temporary and Emergency Water Supply between the Villages of Briarcliff Manor and Sleepy Hollow.

Mayor Vescio stated a meeting had been scheduled for Wednesday, August 10th with the Mayors of Sleepy Hollow and Tarrytown to discuss water issues.

Approval of Minutes

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Venditti, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of July 21, 2005 as amended.

Upon motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Wilde, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2005 Special Meeting regarding Water Issues.

Board Announcements

Mayor Vescio stated a Work Session would be held on Tuesday, August 9th at 12:00pm.

Adjournment

Upon motion by Trustee Wilde, seconded by Trustee Waxenberg, the Board voted unanimously to close the Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 9:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Christine Dennett