

Village Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
January 4, 2007
7:30 p.m.

A 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 January commencing at 7:30 p.m.

Present

William J. Vescio, Mayor
David Venditti, Deputy Mayor
Robert Mayer, Trustee
Elsie Smith, Trustee
Gayle Waxenberg, Trustee

Also Present

Michael Blau, Village Manager
Ingrid Richards, Assistant Village Manager
Clinton Smith, Village Attorney
Christine Dennett, Village Clerk

Public Hearing, Special Use Permit, Briarcliff Congregational Church

Upon motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Mayer, the Board voted unanimously to open the public hearing.

Trustee Smith asked if the nursery school operated all-day or just in the morning.

Mr. Tom Myers, member of the BCC Board of Trustees stated the school carried over into the afternoon.

Trustee Smith stated the Police Chief requested the “No Left Turn” restriction into the school be from 7:00am to 7:00pm.

Mr. Myers stated the Church had no issue with that.

Village Attorney Smith stated the Church could give consent to the Board of Trustees if there was a midday changeover and as a renewal to a special use permit no environmental action was required.

Trustee Waxenberg stated it should be clear that the “No Left Turn” restriction was only Monday through Friday.

Upon motion by Trustee Mayer, seconded by Trustee Waxenberg, the Board voted unanimously to close the public hearing.

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Special Use Permit issued to Briarcliff Congregational Church is hereby renewed subject to the same conditions included in the original Special Use Permit approval dated July 13, 1995.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Special Use Permit renewal shall be retroactive to July 13, 2000 and shall extend to July 12, 2010.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that should the Briarcliff Congregational Church desire to renew this Special Use Permit for another five year period, commencing in 2010, the Church shall be responsible for requesting the renewal at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of the Special Use Permit.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Special Use Permit renewal shall be conditioned upon a left turn restriction from the Briarcliff Congregational Church Parish Hall parking lot exit on Pleasantville Road which provides: NO LEFT TURN between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., or NO LEFT TURN between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. if the school at the Parish Hall has a midday change, or such other reasonable restriction that the Chief of Police determines to be appropriate to further public safety and welfare.

Board of Trustees Announcements

- A public hearing was scheduled for January 8th at 7:30pm in the Briarcliff Manor High School Auditorium for the Chapter 220, Zoning, commonly known as the "Bulk Law".

Village Managers Report

- The Washburn Road waterline replacement project was 90% complete.
- Con Edison was implementing a new tree-trimming program.

Mayor Vescio stated this was an aggressive tree-trimming program and the Village had no control over it.

Public Comments

Ms. Hillary Messer of Sleepy Hollow Road asked if there was a way Con Edison could identify the trees they would be taking down.

Village Manager Blau stated he would ask but most likely not.

Ms. Ellen Melnick of North State Road asked what the status of the cable broadcast audio problem was and if any solutions had been determined for the Scarborough Station.

Mayor Vescio stated the sound problem was being worked on.

Trustee Mayer stated the Scarborough Station Committee was assigned the task of looking at the Scarborough Station Renovations. He further stated they met several times and were in the final stages and would be reporting in February.

Ms. Melnick asked if their recommendation would be a permanent fix.

Trustee Mayer stated the Committee would come back with recommendations and they would see from there.

Mr. Nick Evanchik of 119 Alder Drive stated it seemed irrational to not consider the total picture before considering temporary solutions for Scarborough Station. He stated the solutions might have some commonality.

Trustee Mayer stated the committee was looking at both short-term and long-term solutions.

Mr. Clay Tiffany of Hall Road stated everything he said was true and accurate. He stated Trustee Waxenberg's letter was incredibly arrogant and she cast dispersions on Mr. Ritell. He further stated she was a member of a Synagogue.

Budget Amendment, CHIPS

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees does hereby authorize the following budget transfer:

INCREASE: A0105.3501	Revenue	\$11,852.22
A5112.465	Expense	\$11,852.22

Budget Transfer, Police Retirement

Mr. Clay Tiffany stated their pensions were escalating and asked for an estimate of what the percentage would be in four years.

Village Manager Blau stated the percentages were decreasing.

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees does hereby authorize the following budget transfer:

FROM: A1990.499	Contingency	\$15,270.00
TO: A3120.840	Police Retirement	\$15,270.00

Minutes

Upon motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Mayer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of December 11, 2006 as amended.

Upon motion by Trustee Mayer, seconded by Trustee Waxenberg, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of December 20, 2006 as amended.

Adjournment

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Venditti, seconded by Trustee Mayer, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Christine Dennett