Board of Trustees Village of Tarrytown Organizational Meeting #1 April 4, 2005 8:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Fixell presiding; Trustees Basher, Butler, Chillemi, Crucy Burkhardt, Pollack; and Zollo; Village Attorney Shumejda; Village Administrator McCabe; Village Engineer McGarvey; Village Clerk Booth;

The meeting began with the Pledge to the Flag.

# <u>SWEARING INTO THE OFFICE OF MAYOR OF DREW FIXELL BY VILLAGE</u> JUSTICE KYLE MCGOVERN

# MAYOR'S REPORT

Welcome to the first Organizational Meeting. We are going to do the Organizational Meeting in two parts. In about a month, we will have the second Organizational Meeting to appoint people to fill our Village committees and boards.

Our campaign and now this administration is about opening up Tarrytown's government to the voices of all of our residents. We can argue about specific policies, and we often have differing opinions. But he thinks we all agree on one thing: We have to have a village government that's inclusive and respectful, a government that will listen to people regardless of their party affiliation, their neighborhood or their personal ties.

Before he swore in the new trustees, he wanted to give thanks to the following people:

First, he wants to thank all of you here tonight for supporting us. He can't tell you how much your presence means to all of us. He especially wanted to thank our two sitting trustees, Tom Basher and Dennis Chillemi, for all they have done, and will no doubt continue to do for this village.

Second, he wants to thank Paul Janos, Susan Sincero, Sherry Chorost and Nick Morabito. We all need to thank them for them their hard work, their dedication and the endless hours they devoted to serving Tarrytown.

Third, he wants to thank all of the Village employees and volunteers. They show up to work everyday to do their jobs regardless of what happens in the political world. It's they who make Tarrytown the wonderful place it is.

And finally, he wants to thank all of the voters in Tarrytown, for putting their trust in us. I hope we can fulfill your expectations, but I have to ask you to do two things: Participate in the citizens committees that we will be re-establishing and two, let us know when we're headed in the wrong direction. And I guess there's one more thing, let us know when we're doing things right.

### SWEARING INTO THE OFFICE OF VILLAGE TRUSTEES OF THOMAS BUTLER, SUSAN CRUCY BURKHARDT, CLARICE POLLACK, AND DOUGLAS ZOLLO

Since he's always last in the alphabet, we'll let Doug Zollo go first. Doug often points out that this year was his 4<sup>th</sup> run for trustee, and each time he's run with a different party so it's safe to say that if anyone embodies the spirit of non-partisanship, it's Doug. Doug was first elected on the Republican ticket and the Mayor sat with Doug on the Board his first year. He can assure you that Doug has only one interest – doing the right thing for Tarrytown.

Clarice Pollack. As many of you know, Clarice has lived in Tarrytown all of her life. But the Mayor had only met Clarice once before she agreed to run for trustee. The way the Mayor met her reveals exactly why she'll be a great trustee. The Mayor wanted to donate a few older computers to the senior center, and he wasn't certain how to go about it. Well, one phone call and he knew who he had to talk to – Clarice. What he discovered was Clarice was the person who started the computer program for the seniors and she was running it. And she wasn't being paid.

The Mayor's known Tom Butler for quite a few years because our daughters are friends but we had never really talked much about village politics. A few months ago Tom had expressed an interest in serving on the planning board. So he sent me his resume. Well, once I read it, he realized that Tom would be perfect for the Board. He is a man with degrees in planning and architectural design, he's served on the planning board in Mt. Vernon, he was the building commissioner in Mt. Vernon, and he has 35 years of engineering experience in the Army reserves. And there's more.

Last but not least, I have the pleasure of introducing and swearing in Susan Crucy Burkhardt, who will be filling the remaining year of my term as trustee. Susan has a truly remarkable resume, filled with innumerable achievements and honors, and countless instances of community service. Suffice it to say, he considers himself very lucky that Susan has agreed to join us on the Board.

### THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF A DEPUTY MAYOR FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM

Mayor Fixell appointed Thomas Basher Deputy Mayor for a one-year term.

### APPOINTMENT OF VILLAGE AUDITORS

Trustee Basher moved, seconded by Trustee Chillemi, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown hereby reappoints Bennett Kielson, Storch & DeSantis LLP as Official Auditors for the Village of Tarrytown for a one year term.

# DESIGNATION OF THE OFFICAL VILLAGE DEPOSITORIES AND AUTHORIZED CHECK SIGNATURES

Trustee Chillemi moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown hereby designates that the Bank of New York-County Trust Region, Wachovia Bank, Bank of America and the Union State Bank be designated as official depositories for the Village of Tarrytown. All checks drawn on the payroll shall be signed by Village Treasurer James J. Hart and all checks drawn on accounts other than payroll funds shall be signed by Mayor Fixell and Village Treasurer James J. Hart; the signature of Mayor Fixell may be manual or by an automatic signing device. Deputy Mayor Basher is authorized to sign in the absence or unavailability of Mayor Fixell and Deputy Treasurer Eileen O'Brien is authorized to sign in the absence or unavailability of the Treasurer.

#### DESIGNATION OF AN OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER

Trustee Basher moved, seconded by Trustee Pollack, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown hereby designates the Gannett Journal News as the Official Newspaper of the Village of Tarrytown.

# DESIGNATION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OFFICIAL MEETING DATES AND PROCEDURES

Trustee Chillemi moved, seconded by Trustee Crucy Burkhardt, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown hereby approves that the meetings of the Tarrytown Board of Trustees be held on the first and third Monday of each month, except during the months of June, July and August when said meetings shall be held on the third Monday of each month; that special meetings may be called with proper notice by the Mayor and three Trustees acting together; that said meetings shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Procedure.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Basher moved, seconded by Trustee Butler, and unanimously carried, that the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Carol A. Booth Village Clerk