

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
VILLAGE OF GRAND VIEW-ON-HUDSON  
March 16, 2015

Present: Mayor L. Lynn  
Trustee J. Bell  
Trustee J. Lattes  
Village Attorney D. Ulman  
Village Clerk/Treasurer J. Pagliaroli

Absent: Deputy Mayor J. Abrams  
Trustee C. Whitney

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Lynn at 7:30 P.M. and opened the floor for public comment. Fire Chief Cavanaugh and 1st Assistant Chief Goswick were before the Board. Chief Goswick discussed the Piermont Fire Department's process of taking back the fire coverage on the Tappan Zee Bridge. Mayor Lynn asked what the Board could do for them. Chief Goswick said he is working on a plan to present to the bridge representatives and he felt that since the bridge is in Grand View it should be the responsibility of the Fire Department. Mayor Lynn said that he would contact Brian Conybeare to support the Fire Department.

Chief Goswick informed the Board that the Village of Piermont is having an emergency mitigation meeting to enact a hazard mitigation plan. He asked if the Village of Grand View-On-Hudson had any such plan. Chief Goswick asked if the Village Board wanted him to put together a multi-jurisdictional plan for Piermont and Grand View. The Mayor said that was fine with the Board and asked that the chief coordinate it with Deputy Mayor Abrams and Chief Newbury.

Marsha Norton was before the Board. She thanked the Board for resolving the problem with United Water on Bight Lane. Ms. Norton also complimented the snow plowing this year.

Janice Kurzweil was before the Board and said she was told that the sidewalks were not going to be done until 2017, she called the County and was told that it was the Village's responsibility to repair sidewalks. She said that she did not know how the Building Inspector passed somebody putting down pebbles to begin with. Village Attorney Doris Ulman said that the Village doesn't have to fix the sidewalks. Sidewalks are the responsibility of the adjoining property owner. Janice Kurzweil said that is what she has been saying and she was told by the Village Board that she was incorrect. The Village Attorney said that the Village was not pushing residents to repair the sidewalks until the road is done and the new sidewalks are installed because it is a burden on the property owners because they have to comply with the County specifications, which would be very expensive.

Janice Kurzweil asked why Brooker Engineering was paid this month. The Village Clerk said it was payment for Brooker Engineering to attend a meeting with New York State DEC, which was required by FEMA.

Trustee Lattes made the following resolution:

WHEREAS, certain Village residents living on Bight Lane in the Village of Grand View-On-Hudson have requested the Village's assistance in helping them deal with the unclear status of the water service pipe in Bight Lane, and

WHEREAS, research of Village files and discussion with the residents indicated that Bight Lane was part of the property taken by the New York State Thruway Authority by eminent domain for its construction of the Tappan Zee Bridge, and

WHEREAS, by deed dated January 6, 1984, the New York State Thruway Authority conveyed Bight Lane to the Village for street purposes, and

WHEREAS, Bight Lane was conveyed only for public road purposes which does not include ownership or responsibility of or for any utilities and/or facilities, transmission lines, pipes or other appurtenances existing in, on or above said road, and

WHEREAS, the Village has no authority to pay for or assume any responsibility for the pipe, their repair, replacement or maintenance and/or for any other problems that may have been or will be caused by the pipe, past present or future, and

WHEREAS, the Village has been informed by United Water that United Water installed a service pipe to transmit water under Bight Lane at the request of and paid for by the New York State Thruway Authority at which time, according to United Water, the Thruway Authority took ownership and possession of said pipe, and

WHEREAS, at the request of the Village, United Water has agreed to accept ownership and responsibility for the pipes beginning on the date of this resolution,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, notwithstanding the above, the Village Board of Trustees conveys to United Water any right, title and interest in the service pipe situated within the public road known as Bight Lane that may be found to accrue to the Village.

The resolution was seconded by Trustee Bell and so carried with the following vote:

Mayor Lynn, aye; Trustee Lattes, aye; Trustee Bell, aye; Deputy Mayor Abrams, absent; and Trustee Whitney, absent.

Trustee Bell made a motion to approve the warrant as presented by the Village Clerk. Trustee Lattes seconded the motion which was carried with a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absentees.

Trustee Bell made a motion to approve the minutes of February 10, 2015 as presented by the Village Clerk. Trustee Lattes seconded the motion which was carried with a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absentees.

Trustee Lattes made a motion to schedule a public hearing for the South Nyack-Grand View Police proposed budget on April 14, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Trustee Bell and was so carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absentees.

Trustee Bell made a motion to schedule a public hearing for the Village proposed budget on April 14, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lattes and was so carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absentees.

Trustee Lattes made a motion to schedule a public hearing for a proposed Local Law to exceed the tax cap. Trustee Bell seconded the motion and was so carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absentees.

Mayor Lynn reported that the Village supports the efforts of South Nyack of recovering the interior of the clover leaf and developing it and having that the terminus of the shared use path.

Mayor Lynn reported that they are working on the final details of the police contract, potentially for four years, and he believes things are going very well.

Trustee Lattes reported that she will be reviewing the Village's insurance and meeting with our companies in May. Trustee Lattes said that she will not be at the April Village Board Meeting. Trustee Lattes asked if the Board was going to discuss the filming law. Mayor Lynn said not until Deputy Mayor Abrams was in attendance. Trustee Lattes raised one question. After reading the law she asked if there were any way to restrict anything that is offensive. Village Attorney said that local law have to be content neutral.

Trustee Bell said there was a great deal to review in the local law.

Trustee Bell reported that the potholes in River Road are really bad. The County needs to come and fill them. Discussion was held on the shared use path on the new bridge and where it will terminate. Trustee Bell said that he needed to look over the tax maps and the building inspector has to issue appearance tickets for anyone who encroached on the Village park.

Trustee Bell reported on the Silva property in Orangetown which is proposing a huge retaining wall. He is planning to attend the meeting to make sure there is no intrusion on the park property. Mayor Lynn said that Chief Newbury should be advised of this and made aware of the possible intrusion on Hader Park and also speak with Don Vernon regarding the Silva matter.

Mayor Lynn reported that the Board had received a thank you letter from the Piermont Lion's club for the use of the meeting room for their monthly meeting.

Doris Ulman asked Trustee Bell if he had notified the county regarding the pot holes. Trustee Bell said that he had not. Ms. Ulman said that if they are notified they have to

fix them in a reasonable amount of time or they will be liable. Mayor Lynn instructed Trustee Bell to tell Deputy Mayor Abrams and to make a list for the Village Clerk's files.

Trustee Bell made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Lattes seconded the motion and was so carried with a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absentees.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Pagliaroli, Village Clerk/Treasurer