

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
INC. VILLAGE OF EAST WILLISTON
AGENDA MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2015

Agenda Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of East Williston was held on Monday, November 30, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall, 2 Prospect Street, East Williston, New York.

There were present: Mayor David E. Tanner, Trustees Bonnie L.S. Parente, Christopher A. Siciliano, Robert M. Vella, Jr., James L. Iannone, Village Treasurer Michael Delury, Bonnie Kreisman, Secretary to the Board of Trustees, Marie L. Hausner, Village Clerk.

Trustee Siciliano stated that 16 damaged sidewalk flags were recently replaced. The Village always allocates budget monies for the replacement of 100 sidewalk slabs per year. There are still a few more slabs that need to be replaced. Mr. Delury added that there are still CHIPs monies available if the Village wants to replace more slabs.

Trustee Siciliano spoke with Frank Cashin about the proposed work on Post Avenue and Titus Way. LandTech is the new Nassau County Public Works requirements contract for paving and drainage. He is awaiting price quotes from LandTech.

Trustee Siciliano stated that he also spoke with Frank Cashin about the sidewalk on the south side of East Williston Avenue from approximately High Street, west to the Village Green. The representatives from LandTech are recommending the installation of cement as opposed to asphalt to repair the area. If concrete is installed, it will match the north sidewalk adjacent to the Community Church. He added that concrete is double the cost of asphalt. The approximate cost is \$18,000 for the replacement. He said that \$45,000 was budgeted for this work.

Trustee Vella felt that a retaining wall will need to be installed near 42 East Williston Avenue when the sidewalks are replaced.

Trustee Siciliano stated that the planting of "concrete friendly" trees should be considered after the sidewalks are replaced. The roots of these species of trees grow straight down, rather than spread out and lift the sidewalk slabs.

Trustee Siciliano also informed the Board that the wall at Devlin Park is in need of repair.

Mayor Tanner added that the south side of the wall is much worse than the north side of the wall.

Mayor Tanner asked Trustee Siciliano to ensure that the Department of Public Works is ready for winter weather.

Trustee Iannone stated that a resident approached him about the possibility of the Village forming an architectural review board.

Mayor Tanner explained that the reason East Williston does not have an architectural review board was that the Village does not have a specific style. Several years ago, the Board "tightened up" the zoning code by setting forth sky exposure plains, set-backs, etc. This enabled the building inspector to closely examine each set of plans submitted so he could work directly with each applicant on the design of the house or improvements thereto. Any derivation from the zoning code would then be heard by the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Trustee Iannone stated that work on the new radio equipment room continues. The new state of the art components base will be installed in a closet with a conduit to the radio room. East Williston will be able to "piggyback" off of Carle Place Fire Department's signal.

Trustee Iannone stated that the Fire Department was looking to step up recruitment efforts. He said the Department has 62 members, but many of the members are getting on in years and in time, will not be able to participate in full firefighting activities due to insurance requirements, etc. He added that the Department needs to recruit new residents, instead of children of residents who join, and then move on to college and then move to other communities.

Trustee Siciliano stated that in the recent past, people do not want to volunteer anymore.

Mayor Tanner asked Mr. Blinkoff to provide him with a copy of the letter to the member of the East Williston Fire Department who cannot participate in firefighting activities.

Mr. Blinkoff apprised the Board about the review of the contract with the MTA for the use of a small piece of MTA property for a Fire Department memorial, across from the firehouse. The MTA has lowered the yearly lease amount to \$1.00 per year. He is still reviewing the insurance requirements for the use of the property with Treiber Insurance to ascertain if the coverage the MTA is requesting is already provided under the Village's insurance. Lastly, the MTA is still determining if an environmental review needs to be revised.

Ms. Kreisman stated that Mark Davella has prepared wording for a letter of response to James Sandquist. Mr. Sandquist wrote a letter to the Mayor stating it was his understanding that the Village changed its rules regarding assessments and grievances, which is not the case. She stated she will send the proposed wording to the Mayor for review.

Ms. Kreisman stated that the Senior Committee will monitor those dropping of members on the day of Senior events so as not to block Keiran Duffy's driveway at 4 Prospect Street.

Lastly, with regard to the work being performed at 197 Glenmore Street, the homeowners (at their own expense) have provided two structural engineers to review the work being done by the contractors with building inspector Robert Campagna. The work will continue to be monitored by both the engineers and the building inspector. No further complaints have been received since the structural engineers met with Mr. Campagna.

Trustee Siciliano noted that drains on Congress Avenue and Donald Street will be examined by Frank Cashin for possible upgrades.

Mr. Blinkoff will be preparing a draft letter to the Wheatley Golf Club, the East Williston School District and the condominium on Bengeyfield about replacement of the water meters.

On the motion of Trustee Vella, seconded by Trustee Parente, the Board moved to adjourn into executive session at 8:38pm to discuss possible litigation.

On the motion of Mayor Tanner, seconded by Trustee Siciliano, the Board re-convened at 9:45pm. No action was taken during the executive session.

On the motion of Trustee Parente, seconded by Trustee Siciliano, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50pm.