

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**INC. VILLAGE OF EAST WILLISTON**  
**AGENDA MEETING**  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2022**

Agenda meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of East Williston was held on Monday, February 28, 2022 at 7:30 pm at the Village Hall, 2 Prospect Street, East Williston, New York.

There were present: Mayor Bonnie L.S. Parente, Trustees Raffaella Dunne, James Iannone, James Lark Anthony Gallo, Village Clerk Marie Hausner, Treasurer Michael Delury, Deputy Clerk William Basel, Secretary to the Board of Trustees Bonnie Kreisman, Village Attorney Jeffrey L. Blinkoff.

Mayor Parente advised that Gov. Hochul will be increasing AIM and CHIPs aid to municipalities in New York State, contrary to information that was previously mentioned by her office.

Mayor Parente brought up requirements the village should institute for the dog show to be held on June 5<sup>th</sup>. All participating owners of dogs should sign a certification and waiver that the dogs are up to date with their vaccinations, have never been considered or designated dangerous animals, a size of leash limit should be imposed and the age of the handler should not be below 16 or 18 (to be decided).

Mr. Delury went through the tentative budget with the board. He reported the various upgrades to the website, new proprietary software for finance, accounts payable, tax and assessment and water billing, the deposit for the new fire truck for the East Williston Fire Department.

Mayor Parente was advised that the public works department tractor has brake problems. She asked Mr. Basel to follow up with Simon Blanco on the issue.

Trustee Lark stated that only Mr. Blanco was to operate the tractor.

Mr. Basel stated that he had obtained quotes (and the Board subsequently approved) work for Amport to repair the war memorial, steps to the village hall and the park wall.

Trustee Lark stated that he should have numbers from Wiremen Inc. on the cost of additional and repair of surveillance cameras.

Mayor Parente stated that although the fire department was in need of gear, they were purchasing a new (used) fire truck in the amount of \$130,000. So no significant to the budget should take place. Monies from other line items should be moved to ensure that gear and other necessary equipment should be purchased. Perhaps a cut in the commissioners budget for travel should be used in this case.

Mr. Delury stated that the budget was very conservative, so that a tax increase would not be necessary.

He further mentioned that the water fund will pay the general fund for the work that Ms. Kreisman did with respect to work in that regard.

Mayor Parente asked Mr. Basel his thoughts on salaries for public works personnel for purposes of retention.

Mr. Basel felt that salaries of \$36,000, plus an extra \$4,000 if the employees obtain a CDL license and water operator's license.

**RESOLUTION #2022-6 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HEALTH INSURANCE FOR FULL TIME PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES AFTER THE COMPLETION OF SIXTY DAYS OF EMPLOYMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF EAST WILLISTON**

On the motion of Trustee Iannone, seconded by Trustee Lark, and with Mayor Parente and Trustees Dunne, Iannone, Lark and Gallo all voting "aye", the Board unanimously authorized health insurance for full time public works employees after completion of sixty days employment.

Mayor Parente stated that she wanted an entirely new set of holiday lights for the tree on the village green. She wanted the set to be complete; with nothing to assemble.

Ms. Kreisman stated that the purchase of the lights is in the works.

Mayor Parente wanted the wood floors in the village hall to be refinished in the next fiscal year. She also wanted the interior walls repainted.

Trustee Lark wanted a cleanup of the area around the tennis courts and the planting of new trees in the area. He asked that the budget include this item.

Trustee Dunne stated that the library was looking to increase hours for staff.

Mr. Delury stated that the Library Board had contacted him inquiring about the fund balance wanting to know if they could spend what is remaining.

Mayor Parente stated that no remaining monies in the library budget will be rolled over into the next fiscal year. She added that the library obtains grants so that should contribute to their portion of the budget.

**RESOLUTION #2022-7 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO WAIVE ALL LATE FEES FOR THE NOVEMBER 27, 2021 WATER BILLING TO RESIDENTS**

On the motion of Mayor Parente, seconded by Trustee Dunne, and with Mayor Parente and Trustees Dunne, Iannone, Lark and Gallo all voting “aye” the Board unanimously authorized to waive all late fees for the November 27, 2021 water billing to residents.

**RESOLUTION #2022-8 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO ADJUST THE 2021-2022 ADOPTED BUDGET PER ATTACHED SCHEDULE**

On the motion of Mayor Parente, seconded by Trustee Gallo, and with Mayor Parente and Trustees Dunne, Iannone, Lark and Gallo all voting “aye” the Board unanimously authorized to adjust the 2021 – 2022 adopted budget as per the attached schedule.

Mayor Parente stated that she wanted to hold an informal budget workshop on Wednesday, March 9, 2022 from 5pm to 7pm. This way residents could come and ask questions regarding the tentative budget.

The Mayor asked Mrs. Hausner to investigate a decibel meter or phone application which can measure decibel levels.

There being no further business, on the motion of Trustee Iannone, seconded by Trustee Lark, the meeting was adjourned at 9:37 pm