

MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
VILLAGE OF EAST WILLISTON
June 12, 2023

Work session of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of East Williston was held on Monday, June 12, 2023 at 7:00 pm at the Village Hall, 2 Prospect Street, East Williston, New York. Followed by the Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 7:30pm.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of East Williston began on Monday, May 1, 2023 at 7:33 pm at the Village Hall, 2 Prospect Street, East Williston, New York.

Present:	Bonnie Parente	Mayor
	James Iannone	Deputy Mayor
	James Lark	Trustee
	Anthony Gallo	Trustee
	Raffaella Dunne	Trustee
Also Present:	Joanna Palumbo	Village Clerk
	Steven Leventhal	Village Attorney
	Mike Guglielmo	Resident
	Mitchell Pitnick	Resident
	Henry Yuen	Resident representing Tzu Chi
	George Carlin	Resident & Fire Commissioner

A motion to approve the minutes of the May 1, 2023 regular Board of Trustees meeting was made by Trustee Iannone, seconded by Trustee Dunne and the **motion was passed unanimously**.

A motion to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2023 Board of Trustees agenda meeting was made by Trustee Gallo, seconded by Trustee Lark and the **motion was passed unanimously**.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Trustees then opened the public hearing to consider the adoption of a local law to amend section 1-18 of the Village Code currently entitled "Penalty when not otherwise specified" The law will read as follows:

Section 1. Amendment of section 1-18 in accord with the above to read as follows with the language to be removed marked:

1-18–Penalty for violations of this Code.

- A. Any person committing an offense against any provision of any chapter of this Code, with the exception of an offense committed under Article XV entitled "Trees", shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a violation pursuant to the Penal Law of the State of New York, punishable by a fine not exceeding \$5,000.

A verbatim transcript of said hearing is on file in the office of the village clerk. There was no public comment.

The motion to adopt Local Law 4 of 2023 was made by Mayor Parente, seconded by Trustee Gallo and the **motion was passed unanimously**.

MOTIONS

A motion was made Trustee Dunne to approve a date for a Village-wide garage sale to be held on October 14, 2023 with no rain date. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lark and the **motion was passed unanimously.**

A motion was made by Mayor Parente to approve a contract with Floral Park HVAC Corp in the amount of \$5,500.00 for emergency replacement of the air handler at the East Williston Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gallo and the **motion was passed unanimously.**

A motion was made by Mayor Parente to approve the highest bid we received for the Giant Leaf Vac through Auctions International in the amount of \$2,475.00. The motion was seconded by Trustee Dunne and the **motion was passed unanimously.**

A motion was made by Mayor Parente to approve a contract with A. Borra Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$2,168.00 for electrical work in the Village Office. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lark and the **motion was passed unanimously.**

A motion was made by Trustee Iannone to authorize the Mayor to sign the engagement letter from Skinnon & Faber Certified Public Accountants, for their auditing services for year-end May 31, 2023. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lark and the **motion was passed unanimously.**

REPORTS

MAYOR BONNIE PARENTE

Mayor Parente acknowledged the loss of former Fire Chief Tom Delaporte who suddenly passed away last week. She was also happy to report that two Village residents have been selected for the North Hempstead's Women's Roll of Honor: Carla Strauss and Emma Acevedo. She thanked Augie from Amport Construction who installed, free of charge, the Village seals that the Village obtained through a NYS Justice Court grant on the dais as well in the Village office. In addition, she thanked the hard work of the residents who sat on a panel to make recommendations to the Board of Trustees on the issue of whether to ban gas-powered leaf blowers within the Village of East Williston. This will be discussed at the Board's agenda meeting to be held on June 26, 2023. Lastly, the Mayor thanked the Nassau County Police Department, 3rd Precinct for providing two marked police cars and officers to cross pedestrians to the Devlin ballfield for the All Star/Send Off night game held on May 26, 2023.

DEPUTY MAYOR JAMES IANNONE

Deputy Mayor Iannone reported that the East Williston Senior Group will be meeting on June 22, 2023 at 1:00pm; please bring a friend and spread the word; food and entertainment are provided. He also presented the Village Justice Court report for May; with a total of disposed cases of 34 parking violations, 8 moving violations and 3 village ordinance violations. Total monies collected was \$3,849.00

TRUSTEE RAFFAELA DUNNE

The library's summer reading program begins July 9th and runs through August 13th and the Wednesday Night Family nights will begin July 12th. The Recreation Committee held another successful Memorial Day 5K race as well as the tent party with over 200 residents attending. She also reported that the Board of Trustees approved a date for the village-wide garage sale as October 14th. She noted that the fall tent party planning is already in full swing and to be on the lookout for the information in next month's flyer mailing.

TRUSTEE JAMES LARK

Trustee Lark reported that the East Williston Little Leagues All-Star/Send of game was a huge success and that registration for the summer league closed this past week and games begin in July. He also reported that 42 trees have been planted this spring and thanked DPW for their hard work. He also reported that a village-wide inventory of the residential water lines has commenced in conjunction with our village engineering firm, D&B Engineers. This is a nationwide, federally mandated program to eliminate any lead lines that may still exist.

TRUSTEE ANTHONY GALLO

Trustee Gallo expressed his condolences over the loss of former Chief Delaporte, he stated that his passing is a huge loss for the East Williston Fire Department. He also reported that the department answered a total of 7 calls during the month of May 2023: 5 general calls & 2 medical assists.

VILLAGE CLERK JOANNA E. PALUMBO

Village Clerk Palumbo presented to the Board the Nassau County Police Department report for April which included 5 Aided Cases & the report for May 2023 which included 7 Aided Cases. She provided the Board with the building department report which included 7 building permits issued in May. She advised that the village taxes were mailed on June 1 and are due, without penalty, by July 3rd; after which state mandated penalties will be assessed. She also indicated that the village office will be closed on Tuesday July 4th in observance of Independence Day and that the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for July 10, 2023.

The Mayor opened the meeting to public comment.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:09pm by Trustee Dunne, seconded by Trustee Iannone and the motion was passed unanimously.

Minutes prepared by
Joanna E. Palumbo, Village Clerk
June 13, 2023

Approved by the BOT on: 7/10/2023