

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
INC. VILLAGE OF EAST WILLISTON
AGENDA MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2015

Agenda Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of East Williston was held on Tuesday, June 2, 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, James L. Iannone, Secretary to the Board of Trustees Bonnie Kreisman, Village Treasurer Michael Delury, Marie Hausner, Village Clerk

Excused from meeting: Robert M. Vella, Jr.

Also present: John Mirando, PE, Joseph Todaro, PE, Robert L. Campagna, AIA

John Mirando stated that Joseph Todaro from H2M was present at the meeting tonight to update the Board on bids that H2M has received for other water districts they serve. Mr. Todaro stated that a recent bid received for the construction of a new well came in at around seven million dollars. He noted that the construction of water mains and paving have come in much higher than in past years.

Mr. Mirando said that no one can predict the exact prices where bids will come in for various projects, due to many factors (time of year, the economy in general, etc.).

Trustee Siciliano stated that residents will be concerned about costs of construction.

Trustee Parente questioned the time frame for construction. Mr. Todaro stated that construction of the well and facilities will take approximately 30 months.

The Board discussed the options for the well housing (pre-fabricated building vs. brick construction). The cost of a pre-fabricated building is much less than a brick structure.

The Board wanted to see examples of some pre-fabricated buildings used to house wells. Mr. Mirando said he will forward some photos to the Board. These buildings are very attractive. The landscaping around the building adds to the appeal. The steel is coated which adds to the useful life of the structure.

Mr. Mirando stated that the pre-fabricated building has a 50 year life, adding that depreciation has been built into the rate structure.

Trustee Iannone stated that the pre-fabricated building cannot look like a trailer. It had to have an aesthetically pleasing look to it. A "pre-fab" building has negative connotations.

Mayor Tanner stated that the Village is subject to the Wicks Law (the separating of contracts into categories which are bid separately – general construction, plumbing, electrical, heating/ventilation. He said that the possibility to have a “design to build” contract where a single company would design the well building and construct it may exist.

Mayor Tanner stated that the Village will have to pursue legislation for the alienation of park land.

Trustee Parente expressed her concern about legislators supporting East Williston so as not to disenfranchise Williston Park.

Mr. Blinkoff stated that special legislation will be required if the Village did not wish to be involved with the Wicks Law for a project.

Mr. Blinkoff further stated that the SEQR hearing and well permit hearing can be held on the same night.

Mr. Blinkoff suggested that the Board advise Williston Park about the proposed water meeting with residents in September where the vote of Village residents will be discussed, and the Board should try to settle out the issue of penalties with Williston Park. It was his understanding that he last proposed settlement was a rate of \$4.33 for water and a payment of \$150,000 in penalties.

RESOLUTION #16-2015 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSAL OF H2M WATER DATED MAY 26, 2015 FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

On the motion of Trustee Parente, seconded by Mayor Tanner, and with Mayor Tanner and Trustees Parente, Siciliano and Iannone all voting aye and Trustee Vella absent from said vote, the Board approved the proposal from H2M Water dated May 26, 2015 for professional engineering services related to the construction of a public water supply system, voiding the previous invoice submitted.

Trustee Siciliano stated that he and Mayor Tanner met with Nassau County Public Works Commissioner Shila Shah Gavanoudias about the trees on East Williston Avenue, a possible crosswalk on East Williston Avenue at Bengueyfield Drive and the traffic light at Roslyn Road and East Williston Avenue. The Commissioner advised that they are planning to install a left turn signal in 2016 at Roslyn Road.

As for the request for a pedestrian crosswalk on East Williston Avenue at Bengueyfield Drive, when the County had last undertaken a traffic audit of the area there was not a great deal of pedestrian traffic. Now, conditions have changed and the Village requested that the County re-investigate the area.

RESOLUTION #17-2015 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSAL OF ANKER'S ELECTRIC SERVICE INC. DATED 5/22/15 FOR STREET LIGHT REPAIRS AT DICKSON CIRCLE, EAST WILLISTON IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,435.00.

On the motion of Trustee Siciliano, seconded by Trustee Parente, and with Mayor Tanner and Trustees Parente, Siciliano and Iannone all voting "aye" and Trustee Vella absent from said vote, the Board approved the proposal from Anker's Electric Service, Inc. for the repairs to street lights on Dickson Circle in the amount of \$6,435.00

Robert Campagna was present to discuss the latest submission of plans by the Wheatley Hills Golf Club. The most recent plans do not request any additional sleeping space, no construction in the basement area and no extension of the non-conditional use. The amount of square footage has not changed in this request.

Mr. Blinkoff added that the number of sleeping quarters right now is 12, and will be reduced to eight.

Mr. Blinkoff also stated that the attorneys for the club will send out a mailing to those within a 200 foot radius of the property advising of the conditional use hearing on June 29th, and a legal advertisement will be placed in the Williston Times by the Village.

Mr. Campagna stated that Kathleen Rittel had contacted the Village several times about the delivery sign in front of the entrance to the Golf Club. The Board stated that the question of the sign can be addressed when rendering a decision on the conditional use.

Mr. Campagna stated that the Ruane Family is demolishing a house on Fairview Avenue. PSEG wires run along the south side of the street. The Ruanes want PSEG to install a pole on the north side of the street. They alluded to a pole that was installed at Post Avenue and School Street about 25 years ago. The Board never gave permission for that installation.

Mayor Tanner stated that there should be no additional poles installed

RESOLUTION #18-2015 A RESOLUTION DENYING INSTALLATION OF A POLE IN THE RIGHT OF WAY AT 15 FAIRVIEW AVENUE.

On the motion of Trustee Parente, seconded by Trustee Iannone, and with Mayor Tanner and Trustees Parente, Siciliano and Iannone all voting "aye" and Trustee Vella absent from said vote, the Board denied the installation of a pole in the right of way at 15 Fairview Avenue.

Mr. Campagna apprised the Board that the Building Department is in receipt of two applications for the installation of solar panels in the Village. One is on Roslyn Road and Ogden Avenue and the second is on Sagamore Avenue. Currently the Code mandates that a resident appear before Board of Trustees for a conditional use for the installation of solar panels. He felt the Village will be receiving more applications as time goes by.

Mr. Blinkoff said that many more municipalities are adopting legislation relative to the installation of solar panels. He suggested the Board approve a moratorium on the submission, review and approval of new and pending applications to construct solar panels. The moratorium can last from 30 to 60 days, depending on the decision of the Board.

On the motion of Trustee Iannone, seconded by Trustee Siciliano, the Board moved to adjourn into executive session at 10:00pm to discuss potential litigation.

On the motion of Trustee Parente, seconded by Trustee Siciliano, the Board re-convened at 10:10pm. No action was taken during the executive session.

Mayor Tanner stated that the Board perhaps consider the Village having hot dogs and hamburgers on the Green for Village resident during the summer, similar to what the Fire Department does on Memorial Day.

Mayor Tanner asked Mr. Campagna to come up with a design for stanchions for the entrances to the Village

There being no further business, on the motion of Trustee Parente, seconded by Mayor Tanner, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 p.m.