

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**INC. VILLAGE OF EAST WILLISTON**  
**AGENDA MEETING**  
**MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2020**

Agenda Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of East Williston was held on Monday, Monday, June 29, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall, 2 Prospect Street, East Williston, New York.

There were present: Mayor Bonnie L.S. Parente, Trustees Christopher Siciliano, James Iannone, Raffaella Dunne, James Lark, Marie L. Hausner, Village Clerk, Bonnie Kreisman, Secretary to the Board of Trustees, Village Attorney Steven Leventhal

Excused from meeting: Michael Delury, Treasurer

Also present: Anthony Gallo.

Mayor Parente stated that she and others have been driving by Devlin Field and the Train Station Pavilion at night to provide a type of "informal community watch". While crowds of youths still congregate, she felt it best to step back and call the police when this congregating occurs.

Trustee Dunne has spoken with Tim Kelly of the Safety/Security Committee. He felt that the police should be called and that all action by the village should stop.

Public Works has undertaken some measures to discourage congregation on Devlin Field.

Quotes have been received for increased lighting of the field and need to be reviewed.

A+ Technology (surveillance camera company) has provided some video clips of where increased camera surveillance is needed.

It was noted that the Nassau County Police Department Third Precinct responded exemplary to recent complaints.

There was a recent report of youths at a home drinking, doing drugs and playing loud music. The police did advise that there is nothing that can be done about the loud music during the day.

Mayor Parente stated that previous discussions about the creation of an Architectural Review Board are tabled for now.

At a recent Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, the applicant appeared before the Board to legalize work that was done not in accordance with plans submitted for a building permit application. The fine should have been in the \$25,000 range, rather than \$6,000-\$8,000 range currently available through verbiage in the Code. With future proposed revisions to the Code, the Zoning Board will have flexibility to render more appropriate decisions in cases such as this.

The Board discussed the responses from Zoning and Planning Board members on the proposed zoning changes, scheduled for a public hearing on July 13, 2020.

The following items were also address:

- Gender neutral restroom signs
- Update on surveillance cameras in Devlin Field
- The planting of thorny bushes around Devlin Field near the Nassau County drainage sump.
- E360 online code. This will be worked on at a future date.
- Commemorative bricks. 77 sold so far, awaiting contribution of bricks honoring 2020 graduates. Trustee Siciliano is coordinating the brick installation with the engraving company.
- New bench for Village Court. Quote from McHugh Institutional Furnishings is \$34,500.
- There is no set date for Village Court to resume.
- Evening tennis lessons to take place until 8:30pm, to take back the courts from youths congregating in the area.
- Email blast to be sent that there are still openings for the sports clinics on Wednesdays.
- Public hearing to be held on the stop sign placement for a four way stop at Latham Lane and Downing Street.
- Clerk was asked to forward the resume of John Garouopolous (public works candidate) to the Board.
- East Williston Fire Department to hold its election on September 15, 2020, the same day as the Village election.
- The Board opted not to engage the services of a financial adviser
- It was noted that Meadow Carting has been using water to compact garbage in the trucks, and the water leaks onto the streets. This issue is being addressed with the contractor.
- The Village will hold "Ice Cream Truck Fridays" from 6-9pm. An email blast will be sent out for the first event on July 3, 2020. Trustee Siciliano felt it may be a good idea to obtain a list of the names of the drivers of the trucks who will be in the area, much like a list of the names required for those who receive peddler's licenses to solicit in the area.
- Liaison assignment of the Board of Trustees will be discussed at a future meeting.
- The Village has recently received complaints about various noise issues (mini bikes/mopes) and lawn mowing by residents. An email blast had been sent out about mini bikes, advising residents to report this to the police. As for residential lawn mowing, the Board was not inclined to change the Code to restrict hours when residents can mow their own lawns.
- The retaining wall on Oakley Lane is in the process of being completed. The work was held up due to the restrictions from the Covid-19 pandemic.
- The fence on the first baseline of Devlin Field is in need of repair. Trustee Siciliano had obtained quotes. The Board thought it best to wait until lighting and cameras are installed to better ensure less vandalism.
- The East Williston Little League will have a shortened season this year.

- CHIPs monies for road and sidewalk improvements will be submitted to the New York State Department of Transportation.
- The status of purchasing auto-read meters was discussed. Prior to the pause due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Board had not made a definitive decision to move forward or how to finance the purchase of meters, as the purchase must be paid for up front. The Board wanted to move forward with the purchase of meters, but wanted to get a synopsis of costs from the Treasurer.
- Trustee Dunne asked if the Deputy Plumbing Inspector is in place for performing inspections. Ms. Kreisman advised Lori Gayson is in place for inspections, but noted that many times, plumbers are not performing work correctly necessitating the need for the plumbing inspector to have go back six or seven times for an inspection that should have only taken two: a rough inspection and final inspection. This is what is causing the back up with permits; not the number of permits nor the work of the plumbing inspector.
- Trustee Dunne asked that a storage bin be installed at the tennis courts for equipment. James Bailey will be advised.
- A presentation to Library personnel Jamie Cutinella and Erin Urkiel will take place at the next Board meeting on July 13<sup>th</sup>.
- The LED light fixtures are being ordered and will commence installation in September.
- Ms. Kreisman is obtaining quotes to replace the camera facing the Train Station Pavilion.
- The Clerk brought up information that residents are using outside tennis instructors at the Village tennis courts. Mr. Leventhal provided information from the Code, Section 121-23, that only allows lessons provided by the Village of East Williston.

On the motion of Mayor Parente, seconded by Trustee Siciliano, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:13pm