

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
INC. VILLAGE OF EAST WILLISTON
MAY 9, 2011
REGULAR MEETING

Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of East Williston was held on Monday, May 9, 2011 at 8:00 p.m. at the Village Hall, 2 Prospect Street, East Williston, New York.

There were present: Mayor David E. Tanner, Trustees Michael A. Braitto, John F. Ferro, Bonnie L.S. Parente, Caroline DeBenedittis, Jeffrey L. Blinkoff, Village Attorney, Marie L. Hausner, Village Clerk.

Also present: Patrick Theodore, Joseph Sperber, Susan Quinn, Mr. & Mrs. Philip Chappo, Paul Walters, James Sandquist, Barbara Seixas, Mildred Clinton, Carol Batalli, Connie Hannan, Thomas DelaPorte, Lou Theodore, James Clark, Ray Gaudio, Mr. & Mrs. Leonick.

Mayor Tanner announced that a public hearing will now be held with respect to the potential modification of water rates charged within the Village of East Williston. A verbatim transcript of said hearing is on file in the office of the Village Clerk.

On the motion of Trustee Braitto, seconded by Trustee Parente, and with Mayor Tanner and Trustees Braitto, Ferro, Parente and DeBenedittis all voting aye, the minutes from the organizational meeting of April 4, 2011 were unanimously approved.

On the motion of Trustee Braitto, seconded by Trustee Parente, and with Mayor Tanner and Trustees Braitto, Ferro, Parente and DeBenedittis all voting aye, the minutes from the agenda meeting of April 27, 2001 were unanimously approved.

On the motion of Trustee Parente, seconded by Mayor Tanner, and with Mayor Tanner and Trustees Braitto, Ferro, Parente and DeBenedittis all voting aye, the Board unanimously approved the abstract of claims.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Patrick Theodore reported that the East Williston Fire Department responded to a total of ten calls in April 2011. Five fire calls, four EMS calls and one mutual aid call. He noted that a major fire took place on May 7, 2011 on Bengueyfield Drive. Additional fire departments

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responded to the call and included members from Williston Park, Roslyn, Albertson, Westbury, Carle Place and the Great Neck Vigilants. Firefighter Kevin Cramblitt was injured during the fire.

Mayor Tanner and the Board congratulated the members of the East Williston Fire Department on the professional job performed in fighting the blaze.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Mayor Tanner read the police report provided by the Nassau County Police Dept. Third Precinct.

March 2011: One report of Burglary at 433 Sagamore Avenue. Traffic tickets served: six parking violations, six moving violations. Accidents and aided: five auto accidents and two auto injuries.

April 2011: No report of burglaries. Traffic tickets served: three parking violations, one moving violation. Accidents and aided: three auto accidents, and no auto injuries.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

DEPUTY MAYOR/TRUSTEE BONNIE PARENTE.

Trustee Parente presented the report of the Village Justice Court for April 2011. Twenty total violations were entered as being received into the docket with fines collected totaling \$1,015.00.

The Recreation Committee will hold two concerts on the Village Green this year. The first will take place on May 11th at 7pm with the Willets Road and Wheatley bands. The second concert will be a jazz fest scheduled for June 10th at 7pm

The Annual Memorial Day 5K race will take place on Monday, May 30th at 8:30am. Following the Memorial Day ceremony on the Village Green, families are invited to bring a picnic lunch to the Village Green and enjoy the afternoon.

TRUSTEE MICHAEL A. BRAITO

Trustee Braitto thanked the newly installed Chiefs of the East Williston Fire Department and the new members of the Department for their outstanding work during the fire on Bengueyfield Drive on May 7th. Everyone performed incredibly well under the extreme conditions.

The Village has completed renewal for insurance coverage for the coming year. Premiums dropped approximately 9% from last year.

TRUSTEE JOHN F. FERRO

Trustee Ferro presented the Department of Public Works report. The Village had contracted with DeJana to perform storm drain (catch basin) vacuuming of area storm drains.

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It is hoped that the cleaning of the catch basins will aid in better drainage during heavy rain storms.

He reminded residents to call the Village office if the street sweeper is needed to come down and sweep a street they feel is in need of cleaning.

Lastly, Trustee Ferro reminded residents that they must obtain a permit to remove trees on their property. Applications can be obtained from the Village office.

TRUSTEE CAROLINE DEBENEDITTIS

Trustee DeBenedittis presented the Library report. The PAWS to Read program will return to the Library. Children can read to Miss Ashley. Pre-school story time takes place on Thursdays at 11:30am and Toddler story time takes place on Fridays at 11:30 a.m. The "Daytime" book club will meet on May 10th to discuss the Reliable Wife and the "Evening" book club will meet on May 12th at 7:30 pm to discuss Keeping The House.

The Historic Committee will present a program on June 25th at 2pm about "Living with History". Residents are urged to bring old photos of East Williston. The Committee will also be selling a collectible "Cat's Meow" model of the East Williston Railroad Station.

MAYOR DAVID E. TANNER

RESOLUTION #14-2011 A RESOLUTION SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT OF CABLEVISION SYSTEMS OF LONG ISLAND CORPORATION .

On the motion of Trustee Braitto, seconded by Trustee Parente, and with Mayor Tanner, and Trustees Braitto, DeBenedittis, Ferro, and Parente all voting "aye", the Board unanimously authorized to hold a public hearing on Monday, June 13, 2011 to consider the franchise agreement of Cablevision Systems of Long Island Corporation. The Village Clerk was directed to place a public notice in the official newspaper of the Village.

RESOLUTION #15-2011 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE THIRD YEAR OF THE CONTRACT FOR SANITATION SERVICES WITH DEJANA INDUSTRIES .

On the motion of Mayor Tanner, seconded by Trustee Parente, and with Mayor Tanner, and Trustees Braitto, DeBenedittis, Ferro, and Parente all voting "aye", the Board unanimously approved the third year of the renewable contract with DeJana Industries for sanitation services to the Village of East Williston for the period June 1, 2011 to May 31, 2012 at a bid price of \$370,613.00.

Mayor Tanner stated that the annual Memorial Day ceremony would take place on the Village Green on Monday, May 30, 2011 at noon.

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The Mayor also stated that the Village has recently experienced vandalism to a fence in the Toddler Park, and graffiti on the War Memorial. He urged residents to consider becoming auxiliary police volunteers.

VILLAGE CLERK MARIE L. KIMLICKA

The Village Clerk reported that four building permits were issued in April 2011: 199 Benegayfield Drive, demolition of a wood deck. 186 Benegayfield Drive, construction of a 14' x 18' rear 2 story addition with interior alterations. 55 School Street, demolition of house and attached garage, and construction of a new residence with a two car attached garage. 210 Concord Street, installation of central air conditioning unit. 10 School Street, installation of central air conditioning unit.

There were no reports of grants for April 2011.

The Clerk noted that water bills are due without penalty until May 15, 2011.

Mayor Tanner opened the meeting up to residents.

Lou Theodore addressed the Board about his concerns about the Village not using the Nassau County assessment roll for Village tax purposes. The Board informed Mr. Theodore that the Village had retained the services of an assessor/advisor to review construction changes, market conditions, property sales and the like for the coming year. Last year, the Board had decided to use the County roll as a baseline roll. It was noted that by the time the Nassau County Department of Assessment records the construction information submitted by the Village, there is up to a two year lag. It is more common for Villages to maintain their own assessment rolls. Lastly, residents can file grievances on their assessments by filing the necessary paperwork with the Village the third Tuesday in February for the upcoming fiscal year.

Mr. Theodore stated that he would like the Village Board to become more active in the East Williston School District affairs. Mayor Tanner stated that the Village does interface with the School District when issues directly affect the Village.

Raymond Gaudio reported on the TVASNAC (Town Village Airline Safety & Noise Abatement Committee). The last meeting took place in the Village of Lawrence. He stated that planes are still mainly flying into runway 22L at Kennedy Airport. The FAA is not enforcing the altitude requirement of 2,500 feet. He said that 87% of planes fly at about 1,300 feet. Also, 80% of flights landing at runway L22 fly over East Williston. It was suggested that Senator Schumer be contacted for help in this regard. Lastly, TRACON will be holding a meeting in May for a tour of their facility. If any member of the Board wished to attend, they should provide the name to Raymond Gaudio.

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Trustee Braitto stated that the Village was looking to put a better system in place for tree removal permits. It was looking to utilize the services of a licensed and insured arborist who would be sent to examine each tree requested for removal by residents. The arborist would then produce a report to the Village. If the arborist determines that the tree is healthy it would not be taken down. It is the Village's position is not to remove healthy trees. The Village will be working to prepare a written policy on this issue.

On the motion of Trustee Braitto, seconded by Trustee Parente, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
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MAY 25, 2011
AGENDA MEETING

Agenda Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of East Williston was held on Wednesday, May 25, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall, 2 Prospect Street, East Williston, New York.

There were present: Mayor David E. Tanner, Deputy Mayor Bonnie L.S. Parente, Trustees Michael A. Braitto, Caroline DeBenedittis, Village Attorney Jeffrey L. Blinkoff, Village Clerk Marie L. Hausner.

Also present: Francis J. Cashin, III, David Rogers, Anthony Hill, RBC Group.

Items discussed during the meeting:

- ✦ Discussion on LOSAP program; rates of return, solvency, funded ratio, unfunded liability.
- ✦ Discussion on water rates

RESOLUTION #16-2011 APPROVAL OF WATER RATES COMMENCING JUNE 1, 2011 OF \$5.47 UP TO 99,999 GALLONS, AND \$5.72 OVER 100,000 GALLONS .

On the motion of Mayor Tanner, seconded by Trustee Braitto, and with Mayor Tanner, and Trustees Braitto, DeBenedittis, and Parente all voting "aye", the Board unanimously approved the following new water rates effective June 1, 2011:

- \$5.47 per 1,000 gallons up to 99,999 gallons
- \$5.72 per 1,000 over 100,000 gallons

Deputy Mayor/Trustee Bonnie Parente

Recreation Committee. Discussion on Village sponsored tennis lessons. Proposal to install a sign where these tennis lessons are given preference on certain courts. Sample wording for sign will be sent around to Trustees for review.

Trustee Caroline DeBenedittis

Library Report. Susan Quinn was appointed to Library Supervisor for three months. The Library Board questioned whether a posting of the position was necessary. It was stated that the Library Board makes the appointment.

The Friends of the Library wanted to have a display cabinet placed in the lobby (as the display case in the old building). For security reasons, the display case should be placed in the Library and not in the lobby.

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Trustee Michael Braitto

Trustee Braitto stated he will be setting up a meeting with Robert Campagna and James Igoe of Colonial Crafters to discuss the bid proposal for the media room in the basement of the Village Hall.

Trustee Braitto also discussed issues regarding water.

Trustee Braitto asked that Jim Bailey submit a schedule for sweeping, at least three hours twice a week. It was also suggested that the employee who works on Saturdays take the sweeper out on a Saturday morning.

He visited Hal Cronk's house on Atlanta Avenue in response to his call about drainage. There are also drainage issues on Bengueyfield Drive, High Street and Sumter Avenue. An RFP for engineering services for drainage work should be prepared.

Trustee Braitto asked that a map of the Village be marked with all street openings undertaken by National Grid. Jim Bailey should then investigate to ensure that all openings have been satisfactorily filled with asphalt.

Village Attorney Jeffrey L. Blinkoff

Mr. Blinkoff updated the Board on matters involving National Grid, Muzio, 8 Sumter Avenue and Lucchesi Engineering.

Mayor David E. Tanner

Mayor Tanner had a conversation with Steve Marcus of the Wheatley Hills Golf Club regarding the mowing of lawns on the golf course before 8am. The Club was also mulling over the idea of dormitories on the property.

Mayor Tanner had met with Mayor Strauss and Public Works Superintendent Tom Rini regarding procurement of water. He wanted to send a letter thanking them for the meeting on this issue, and letting them know East Williston was ready to authorize the feasibility study.

Mayor Tanner requested a revised copy of the draft Fire Department Contract, which expires June 1, 2011.

He further stated that he wants to have a request for proposals prepared for plumbing inspection services for the Village.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.