

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
INC. VILLAGE OF EAST WILLISTON
AGENDA MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2017

Agenda Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of East Williston was held on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall, 2 Prospect Street, East Williston, New York.

There were present: Mayor David E. Tanner, Trustees Christopher Siciliano, Bonnie L.S. Parente, James L. Iannone, Anthony J. Casella, Treasurer Michael Delury, Bonnie Kreisman, Secretary to the Board of Trustees, Village Attorney Steven Leventhal.

Excused from meeting: Marie Hausner, Village Clerk.

Trustee Parente informed the Board of a problem with a home in Mineola that backs up to 10 Donald Street in East Williston. The premises at 104 Charles has debris strewn around the property, the fence is in disrepair and other issues. The property is in need of maintenance. The resident at 10 Donald Street has called the Village of Mineola but nothing has been done to date.

Mayor Tanner stated that Public Works Superintendent James Bailey went and looked at the property and reported that the property does need to be cleaned up.

The Mayor asked that Robert Campagna call the building department in Mineola, and that Marie Hausner should contact Mineola Village Clerk Joseph Scalero about the issue.

Trustee Parente stated that Jack Martins is running for the County Executive. He has asked if East Williston Trustees and fire department officers would attend his announcement on April 26th at 11:00am at the Mineola Village Hall.

Trustee Parente stated that she received an email from Lisa Sklow asking that the Board consider prohibiting landscapers from working on Saturdays.

Mayor Tanner said he was not compelled to take this into consideration at this time.

Trustee Iannone stated that he would need to hear from more residents complaining about this issue before addressing it further, citing that the issue is a "slippery slope". What would the Village be asked to address next with regard to restrictions.

Trustee Casella stated that residents at 5, 16 and 19 Fairview have had landscapers commencing work on Wednesday at 7:30am. He asked that the Code Enforcer monitor the situation.

Trustee Iannone stated that he has heard dogs barking all night, apparently left outside all night long. It was suggested he call the police, citing the Village noise ordinance.

Ms. Kreisman was asked to contact GovOffice (website host for the Village) to inquire as to the subscription service used by GovOffice.

Trustee Siciliano informed the Board that the Village received an email from Lynne Dearborne of Atlanta Avenue about an incident that occurred in January. In essence, her son and some friends were playing in the parking lot adjacent to the Village Hall. They left their backpacks that contained cell phones and speakers on the sidewalk. Jim Bailey pulled up to enter the Village Hall, partially pulling up on the sidewalk to avoid the boys playing and allow for cars to pass in the parking lot. In doing so the truck accidentally ran over the backpack. Mrs. Dearborne was asking the Board to consider reimbursement for the repair of the cell phone and speakers.

After discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Parente to reimburse the families for the broken cell phone and speakers, up to \$200.00.

Trustee Casella wanted to amend the motion, stating that the Village should share the cost of the replacement, rather than the specified amount. The Board members did not agree with the shared cost of replacement.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-2017 A RESOLUTION TO REIMBURSE AIDAN DEARBORNE AND SEAN BARRETT FOR THE COST OF A DAMAGED CELL PHONE AND SPEAKERS AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$200.

On the motion of Trustee Parente, seconded by Trustee Iannone and with Mayor Tanner and Trustees Parente, Siciliano, Iannone voting “aye”, and Trustee Casella voting “no”, the Board authorized to reimburse Aidan Dearborne and Sean Barret for the cost of a damaged cell phone and speakers at a cost not to exceed \$200.00.

Trustee Iannone felt the Village should look into placing a sign in the parking lot stating something to the effect of “Dangerous to Play in Parking Lot”.

The Board felt that an email blast should be sent out, cautioning children not to play in the parking lot. Trustee Parente will review the wording for the blast.

Trustee Siciliano discussed the types of curbing for the East Williston Avenue project. Quotes for the curb work will follow.

The work on East Williston Avenue will include:

- Pavers on both sides of the road (north and south)
- Curbing on both sides of road
- Lighting on south side from Post Lane to just past historic district.

- Lighting on north side from Bengeyfield to High Street.

If additional funds are available, perhaps pavers can be placed near the retaining wall on the north side of East Williston Avenue at the park abutting the Long Island Rail Road tracks.

Trustee Siciliano noted that lights on the north side of East Williston Avenue creates a funding issue, but if a conduit can be run under the roadway at this time, and then install the lights there at a later date when funding is available, it may be a better way to undertake the project.

Trustee Siciliano said the Village is getting quotes for the work involved.

Trustee Casella asked about inquired about placing colored concrete on the sidewalks in the area rather than pavers.

Trustee Siciliano stated that the colored concrete creates problems later on down the road when repairs become necessary.

The Board discussed stanchions at Village entrances, where entrance signs currently exist.

There is existing set back issues at three of locations, so the Village will have refabricate the entry signs at these locations, and place only one stanchion at the Devlin Park location on the north side of East Williston Avenue.

Trustee Siciliano stated that if there is any remaining funds left from this project, he felt it should be used to properly repair and spruce up the Devlin Field entry.

The Board discussed the issue of sidewalks at 8, 10 and 14 Sumter Avenue.

Quotes received for said works is as follows:

12 and 14 Sumter Avenue – Replacement of sidewalks \$2,380.00
8 Sumter Avenue – install sidewalk \$3,500.00

Trustee Parente asked who will pay for the sidewalk installation at 8 Sumter Avenue.

Trustee Casella recapped the sidewalk situation on Sumter Avenue (the Muzio's at 8 Sumter removed the sidewalk illegally many years ago).

Mayor Tanner said he was aware of the situation.

Trustee Iannone felt that the “fine” in this situation is having the sidewalk replaced in front of 10 and 14 Sumter Avenue. He was concerned about any legal issue.

Trustee Parente felt that the residents of 12 and 14 should pay for the replacement of the sidewalks.

Mayor Tanner felt the entire street should have sidewalks installed.

Trustee Casella agreed with Trustee Iannone on legal issues.

RESOLUTION NO. 21-2017 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TO REPLACE SIDEWALKS IN FRONT OF 12 AND 14 SUMTER AVENUE WITH COSTS CHARGED TO THE RESIDENTS, MINUS THE \$250 FINE PAID IN VILLAGE COURT, AND TO INSTALL SIDEWALKS IN FRONT OF 8 SUMTER AVENUE WITH COSTS PAID BY THE VILLAGE.

On the motion of Mayor Tanner, seconded by Trustee Parente and with Mayor Tanner and Trustees Parente, Siciliano, Iannone and Trustee Casella all voting “aye”, the Board authorized the Village to replace sidewalks in front of 12 and 14 Sumter Avenue with costs charged to the residents, minus the \$250 fine paid in Village Court, and to install sidewalks in front of 8 Sumter Avenue with costs paid by the Village.

Trustee Casella referred to the letter written by Stephan Leccese regarding assessed valuations. He stated that Mr. Leccese did a great deal of work, but the information provided does not merit any additional thoughts.

Trustee Parente related comments from another resident who had replied to Mr. Leccese’s comments on Facebook about assessments, and was put down by him. This resident felt she should come to future Board meetings to address the issue and set the record straight.

Mayor Tanner asked that Walter Rivera be asked to attend the May agenda meeting to discuss security issues as they relate to cameras at Devlin Field.

The wood floors will be resurfaced on Memorial Day weekend. It should be noted that restrooms will not be available to the public that weekend.

Mayor Tanner reminded the office staff that Meadow Carting representatives should be present at the June Board meeting.

.There being no further business, on the motion of Mayor Tanner, seconded by Trustee Parente, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.