

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
INC. VILLAGE OF WESTBURY
VILLAGE HALL CONFERENCE AND BOARD ROOM
THURSDAY, February 2, 2023
6:30 P.M.

Present: Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro
Trustee Steven L. Corte
Trustee Beaumont A. Jefferson
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello

Excused: Trustee William B. Wise

Staff present: Chrissy Kiernan, Village Clerk-Treasurer
Anna Vikse, Village Attorney
Bill Mello, Sr. Buildings Inspector
Pasquale Iannucci, Deputy Supt. of Public Works

Mayor Cavallaro opened the Meeting of the Board of Trustees at approximately 6:30PM with a verification of a quorum.

1. Resolution to Approve Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2023

On motion by Trustee Corte, seconded by Trustee Abbatiello, it was RESOLVED to approve the Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2023. The Board was polled, all present voting "Aye" (4-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye	
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye	
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye	
Trustee William Wise		Excused
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye	

2. Resolution to Adopt Cyber Security Incident Policy

Attorney Vikse presented the Cyber Security Incident Policy, as revised from that presented at the last meeting, which provides summary definitions, a step-by-step cyber incident reporting procedure, outlines responsibilities of the Board, addresses preventative measures, incorporates a practical breach notification policy, and provides key personnel contact information table for the Clerk and the Board of Trustees.

On motion by Trustee Abbatiello, seconded by Trustee Jefferson, it was RESOLVED to approve

the Cyber Security Incident Policy as presented. The Board was polled, all present voting "Aye" (4-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye	
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye	
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye	
Trustee William Wise		Excused
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye	

3. Review of Proposals for Repair of DPW Rear Garage Door Motor

Clerk-Treasurer Kiernan presented the only quote received to fix the DPW garage door, which was from Becker Garage Door Co., Inc., and quoted \$3,000.00, which would include taking down the old motor, removing it from the premises, installing a new motor, wall control, and photo eyes, plus and extra \$300.00 for a radio set and remotes, if needed. Clerk-Treasurer Kiernan noted that despite attempts to obtain other quotes, no other companies provided quotes. Quotes were sought from Suffolk County Door and Long Island Garage Door, with no response.

On motion by Trustee Corte, seconded by Trustee Abbatiello, it was RESOLVED to award the job to Becker Garage Door Co., Inc. for a price of \$3,000.00, plus \$300.00 for a remote and radio set if needed. The Board was polled, all present voting "Aye" (4-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye	
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye	
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye	
Trustee William Wise		Excused
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye	

4. Review of Proposals for Repair of the Recreation Office Roof

Senior Building Inspector Mello presented the quotes received to repair the roof of the Recreation Office which also includes replacement gutters and leaders. There were two quotes received, as follows:

- Long Island Roofing and Repair Service Corp. quoted \$22,485.00
- Kenneth Sullivan Contracting & Kenco Designs, Inc. quoted \$42,300.00

On motion by Trustee Jefferson, seconded by Trustee Abbatiello, it was RESOLVED to award the job to Long Island Roofing and Repair Service Corp. for a price of \$22,485.00. The Board was polled, all present voting "Aye" (4-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye	
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye	
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye	
Trustee William Wise		Excused

Trustee Vincent Abbatiello

Aye

5. Resolution to Approve Changes to the Westbury Arts Summer Program Fees

Mayor Cavallaro reminded the Board that, as per the contract with Westbury Arts, the compensation being paid to Westbury Arts would be increasing from \$25,000 to \$28,000. This is as a result of various factors, such as inflation, and increased student attendance. Mayor Cavallaro recommended increasing the fees charged to students as follows:

Residents, from \$100.00/week (current) to \$125.00/week (suggested increase)

Non-Residents, from \$150.00/week (current) to \$200.00/week (suggested increase)

On motion by Trustee Jefferson, seconded by Trustee Corte, it was RESOLVED to approve an increase in fees to \$125.00 for residents, and \$200.00 for non-residents. The Board was polled, all present voting "Aye" (4-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro

Aye

Trustee Steven Corte

Aye

Trustee Beaumont Jefferson

Aye

Trustee William Wise

Excused

Trustee Vincent Abbatiello

Aye

6. Discussion of Baseball Field Maintenance

The Board discussed how the baseball field should be maintained, and whether users of the field must sign waivers. No action was taken.

7. Alpine Residential Application

Upon request by letter from Alpine Residential, the Board decided to meet with Alpine regarding its TOD application on February 16, 2023 at 5 p.m.

8. Notice of Passing

Mayor Cavallaro informed the Board that Nicholas Grigoraki, a resident of the Village and former Safety Committee Member, passed away. His funeral is on Monday, February 6.

9. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Cavallaro began the regular meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

10. Resolution for the March 21, 2023 Village Election to Appoint Election Inspectors and Other Poll Workers

On motion by Trustee Abbatiello, the Board approved the appointment of Election Inspectors, Interpreters and Chairs, as follows:

WHEREAS, the appointment of election inspectors and chairpersons for the Village Election to be held on March 21, 2023 is a requirement set forth in Section 15-116 of the Election law; and

WHEREAS, the Village has received a list of eligible inspectors and certified interpreters from the Nassau County Board of Elections, and

WHEREAS, the provisions for appointment and compensation of election inspectors and poll workers is contained in the provisions of Sections 3-420 and 15-116 of the Election Law, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following named individuals will perform the duties of Election Inspectors and Alternates, as set forth in the Provisions of Section 15-116 of the New York State Election Law:

Mary Campbell (Chair)	Susan Solomon (Chair)	Maggie Malito (Chair)
Nancy Barreno	Karin Campbell	Carol Cavallaro
Audrey Hayes	Lorna Hylton	Marguerite Kelly
Josephine Marino	Michael Mihalos	Charity Muguna
Beryl Nugent	Eusebia Rios	Walter Sadler

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following named individuals will perform the duties of Election Interpreters:

Margarita Flagg
Nina McCann
Olga Alvarez

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the compensation for poll workers is hereby set as follows:

Chairpersons	\$290.00
Inspectors, alternates	\$240.00
Interpreters	\$240.00

Motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution was seconded by Mayor Cavallaro and the roll call for adoption resulted in the following:

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye
Trustee William Wise	Excused
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye

11. Resolution to authorize Mayor Cavallaro to Sign the Service Agreement with Westbury Arts to Operate the Summer Arts-Based Recreation Program

Mayor Cavallaro explained that Westbury Arts runs the arts portion of the Summer Recreation Program, and that we have a Service Agreement with them which spells out each party's responsibilities.

On motion by Trustee Corte, seconded by Trustee Jefferson, it was RESOLVED to authorize the Mayor to sign the service agreement with Westbury Arts to operate the Summer Arts-Based Recreation Department. The Board was polled, all present voting "Aye" (4-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye	
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye	
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye	
Trustee William Wise		Excused
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye	

12. Taxi Commission Annual Report

The Mayor noted that the Taxi Commission submits an annual report to the Village Board regarding actions taken during the year. Mayor Cavallaro summarized the report. No action was taken.

13. Board Liaison/Committee Reports

- A. Trustee Steven Corte reported the Westbury Seniors will be having two fund-raising bazaars this year, the next of which will be coming up on April 29, 2023.

The Tentative Roll was published as of February 1, 2023. The Village's new law on senior citizen exemptions resulted in 21 new applicants, 6 of whom did not finish the process. There is a net exemption increase of approximately \$10,012.00.

- B. Trustee Beaumont Jefferson reported that the Village and Westbury Arts will be having an open house for the summer recreation program on March 4, 2023, from 10-11:30 a.m.

Westbury Arts will be holding Black History Month events, including an exhibition called "Engineers of Equality", and an event at Westbury High School.

- C. Trustee Wise was excused.

- D. Trustee Vincent Abbatiello - The Board reviewed claims for the period January 6, 2023 through February 2, 2023, in the amount of \$653,777.34, of which, \$338,199.97 is from the General Fund and \$315,577.37 is from Capital Expenses.

On motion by Trustee Abbatiello, seconded by Trustee Jefferson the motion to submit bills for payment for the period January 6, 2023 through February 2, 2023 was approved. The Board was polled, all present voting "Aye" (4-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye

Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye	
Trustee William Wise		Excused
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye	

Trustee Abbatiello reported on the work being done at the Westbury Water District. The work is mandated by the New York State Department of Health, which has lowered the threshold for certain pollutants to improve water quality. There will be a two-year construction period, which includes the construction of UV reactors, carbon filters, drainage, and office renovations.

E. Mayor's Report –

Mayor Cavallaro reported on the Mayor's budget proposals, which include an aggressive goal of increasing housing by 3%, and certain mandates with regard to zoning. He noted that this is a different approach than last year's budget proposals, which would have mandated the allowance of accessory dwelling units. There are questions of constitutionality and violates Home Rule, and this may not be the right approach for all communities.

Mayor Cavallaro reported that the State would begin working on Jericho Turnpike in 2024, as a result of letters set by the Villages of Westbury and Old Westbury.

Mayor Cavallaro asked Deputy Superintendent of Public Works, Pasquale Iannucci, to provide a report on recent activity of DPW. Deputy Superintendent Iannucci reported that the salter was sent out on February 1, 2023, mainly near the bridges, schools, and main roads.

14. Public Comment

Linda Mobius asked about several issues. First, she noted that trucks were parking illegally on Union Avenue near Grand Street, and inquired whether anything could be done. Attorney Vikse reported that she had been in communication with the owner of Jamaica Ash regarding the trucks, and she would reach out again. Inspector Mello said that nighttime code enforcement personnel would be sent to check on the situation. Mrs. Mobius also reported that the light on Railroad Avenue and Post Avenue was very slow. Mr. Mello will follow up with Nassau County DPW. Mrs. Mobius next noted that it was very dangerous for commuters to cross Union Avenue near the LIRR station. Mayor Cavallaro informed her that the crossing would be changed as part of a streetscape project the Village will be doing on Union Avenue. Mrs. Mobius then inquired whether street numbers are required to be posted on houses, as there are several loose dogs on Nassau Street.

Chester McGibbon inquired as to whether there would be a school coming to Post Avenue in the old bank building and how parking would be effected. Mayor Cavallaro responded that he had also seen the signs, and that to his knowledge, there is adequate parking at that location.

Ray Muntz noted that he was uncomfortable with the state imposing on local governments, noting the specific examples of cannabis shops, the planned casino, and housing policies.

Frank Rizzo, of Nassau Illustrated, asked several questions, including regarding the pollutants allowed in the water systems, new leadership at the senior center, new firefighter exemption, developments in the TOD zone, and whether the Village had ever considered contracting with the Old Westbury Police to provide policing in Westbury. All questions were addressed by the Board.

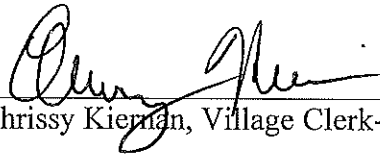
Mrs. Mobius asked about the street sweeper, and Deputy Superintendent Iannucci responded that it was a new piece of equipment and explained the process for which the DPW staff sweeps the Village streets.

15. Parking on Longwood, Earl, Ward, and Concord Streets

The Board discussed what changes, if any, to make on Longwood, Earl, Ward, and Concord Streets following a meeting with residents. It was noted that the Board was awaiting survey responses from residents from a survey that had initially been circulated at a previous meeting. No action was taken.

On a motion by Mayor Cavallaro, duly seconded, the Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Submitted by: _____


Chrissy Kierian, Village Clerk-Treasurer