

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Haverstraw Board of Trustees on Tuesday, February 19th, 2013, beginning at 8:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL	Trustee Batista	- Present
	Trustee Bueno	- Present
	Trustee Watson	- Present
	Trustee Dominguez	- Absent
	Mayor Kohut	- Present

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor opened the meeting with the first Public Participation inviting the public to ask questions or make comments.

With no input from the floor, the Mayor moved forward with the regular agenda.

Mayor Kohut:

REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS

VILLAGE ATTORNEY, Jay Hood, Jr.: The Mayor announced that Counselor Hood was not present at the meeting, however, he reported that Counselor Hood has asked for a Public Hearing to be schedule for a Special Permit for the Ferguson property on Dr. Girling Drive. The Mayor scheduled the Public Hearing for 8:05 PM on Monday, March 4th.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to schedule the Public Hearing as stated above.

RESOLUTION #34-2013

Motion by: Terence Watson, Jr.

Seconded by: Francisco Batista

Motion Carries: All

There was nothing further to report.

VILLAGE TREASURER, Judith Curcio: Ms. Curcio had nothing to report.

MAYOR'S REPORT, Mayor Kohut: The Mayor received a request from the Building Inspector to purchase a new computer program for the Building Department and Fire Inspector's Office, which is essential to provide the Department with up-to-date computer functions needed to efficiently perform the duties of the department. The program is provided by Business Automations Services, Inc. at a cost of \$12,000.00, with further implementation services at a cost of \$4,500.00 in the first year and support and maintenance fees costing \$2,160.00, for a total of \$17,360.00.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the purchase of the above equipment for the Building Department.

RESOLUTION #35-2013

Motion by: Terence Watson, Jr.

Seconded by: Rafael Bueno

Motion Carries: All

The Mayor gave an update on the damage to the building known as Civile's at Emeline Park, reporting that part of the damage was to the HVAC system, which was torn off the building during Hurricane Sandy. With this in mind, the Building Inspector has received three estimates for replacement of that system from CV Plumbing, Raffa Plumbing and AAA Plumbing. The low bidder for this project was CV Plumbing with a bid of \$7,300.00.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to award CV Plumbing and Heating the project of replacing the HVAC system as stated above.

RESOLUTION #36-2013

Motion by: Terence Watson, Jr.
Seconded by: Francisco Batista
Motion Carries: All

The Mayor received a letter from the Maintenance Supervisor of the DPW with regard to a vehicle accident that occurred on January 31st, when an employee backed into the driveway of a village resident, hitting a car. Three estimates were received to repair the car belonging to Maritza DeLaCruz; B&B Auto Body, J&B Auto Body and Rockland Auto Body with the lowest estimate received from J&B Auto Body at a cost of \$698.60.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve repair of the car by J&B Auto Body as stated above.

RESOLUTION #37-2013

Motion by: Terence Watson, Jr.
Seconded by: Francisco Batista
Motion Carries: All

The Mayor received a request from the Girl Scouts of the Hudson Valley to use the Village Parking Lot adjacent to the Knights of Columbus, for use as a bus stop for their summer day camp program. The Village has allowed this in past years and the scouts have submitted the insurance required.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to allow the Girl Scouts to use a village parking lot as stated above.

RESOLUTION #38-2013

Motion by: Francisco Batista
Seconded by: Terence Watson, Jr.
Motion Carries: All

The Mayor reported that there was a backup in the sewer system at 17 Harding Avenue on January 21st. He verified with George White, DPW Superintendent, that it was indeed a Village problem. The owner of the property secured and paid for his own plumber to the scene, who confirmed that it was a village sewer line that was backed up. The owner is requesting the Village to reimburse him \$3,261.00, the total he paid for cleanup and repairs to his property.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve reimbursement to the owner of 17 Harding Avenue as stated above.

RESOLUTION #39-2013

Motion by: Francisco Batista
Seconded by: Terence Watson, Jr.
Motion Carries: All

The Mayor requested authorization from the Board for the Mayor to sign an agreement with Rockland County for the State OASAS funding for Reachout in the sum of \$212,151.00

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to that effect.

RESOLUTION #40-2013

Motion by: Terence Watson, Jr.
Seconded by: Francisco Batista
Motion Carries: All

The Mayor received a request from Michelle Natale for permission for the Chamber to hold their Annual Street Fair on Sunday, September 22nd, 2013.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve this event, including the closing of streets, etc.

RESOLUTION #41-2013

Motion by: Francisco Batista
Seconded by: Terence Watson, Jr.
Motion Carries: All

The Mayor had nothing further to report.

Mayor Kohut:

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FIRE & ORDINANCES – Trustee Rafael Bueno: Trustee Bueno had nothing to report.

PUBLIC WORKS, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Trustee Terence Watson: Trustee Watson read the following report submitted by George White, Superintendent of Public Works, as of February 19th, 2013:

- 1) Plowed and cleaned the streets due to a major snow storm.
- 2) Removed snow throughout the Village.
- 3) In the process of installing a perimeter fence at the DPW yard.
- 4) Worked on snow brine truck #4-97.

Trustee Watson had nothing further to report.

YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES - Trustee Emily Dominguez: There was no report given in the absence of Trustee Dominguez.

BUILDINGS & CODE ENFORCEMENT - Trustee Francisco Batista: Trustee Batista read the following report submitted by Building Inspector, Ruben Berrios, for the period of February 4th through February 15th, 2013:

Rental property inspections	-	1
Municipal searches	-	2
Miscellaneous inspections	-	197
Construction inspections	-	4
Complaints	-	6
Violations & tickets	-	53
Permits	-	1

Trustee Batista had nothing further to report.

MINUTES: The Mayor presented the minutes of the Regular Board Meetings of January 7th and January 22nd for approval by the Board.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the above stated minutes.

With no Board members having reviewed the minutes, approval of the above stated minutes was tabled until the next meeting.

Mayor Kohut:

OLD BUSINESS

None.

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NEW BUSINESS

Rafael Bueno: Trustee Bueno informed the Board that a parking meter in front of Union Restaurant was damaged by a car.

The Mayor will inform the DPW to repair damaged meters.

Mayor Kohut:

2nd PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Sherry Coplon, 68 Main Street: Ms. Coplon inquired why the Village is paying for damage done to Civile's building.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor informed Ms. Coplon that the building is owned by the Village and since Civile's will no longer be a tenant all necessary repairs need to be made to the building before the Village will be able to once again rent it out.

Sherry Coplon: Ms. Coplon inquired, with all the damage done to our shoreline, if the Greenway Trail is being taken into account.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor responded yes, however, the Village Engineers are revising their plans and ideas based upon the damage that has been done.

Sherry Coplon: Ms. Coplon inquired about what kind of ideas are being proposed.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor responded that materials being used, whether or not heights have to be increased in certain areas, etc. He mentioned that there will be a public meeting, probably some time in April, regarding the proposed promenade, once the engineers have completed their proposals.

Mayor Kohut: With no further business to be conducted by the Board, the Mayor entertained a motion to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting, however, he announced that the Board of Assessment Review will remain until 9:00 PM to hear any further tax grievances.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to that effect.

RESOLUTION #42-2013

Motion by: Francisco Batista

Seconded by: Terence Watson, Jr.

Motion Carries: All

Respectfully submitted by,

Beverly A. Swift
Senior Steno Clerk
March 5, 2013