

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Haverstraw Board of Trustees held on Monday, February 2nd, 2015, beginning at 8:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

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

Noel Rappaport, 31 New Main Street: Mr. Rappaport mentioned that he spoke with the Village Clerk, Judy Curcio, regarding the taxi situation on New Main Street, stating that the previous Tuesday and then again on Sunday morning when he went in to his shop there were about 8 taxi cabs lined up on both sides of New Main Street making it difficult for 2 cars to pass by, as well as making parking difficult for prospective customers and regardless of the snow situation, they were parking in areas where they were not supposed to be. He also mentioned that over the past 2 weeks he has called the Police on several occasions with regard to a car parked overnight right in front of the synagogue which has never been ticketed. He knew it had been there overnight because the snow was piled up around the car from the previous snow storms. He requested the Board do something about these issues as he feels they are items of concern for the Village.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor stated that since the beginning of winter, tickets should have been issued to anyone violating the overnight parking regulations. He also mentioned that the parking spot in front of the synagogue is a "Handicap" spot, where overnight parking is allowed, except during a snow storm, when all vehicles have to be off the streets for plowing purposes.

Noel Rappaport: Mr. Rappaport believes the sign was installed in front of the synagogue for the use of the elderly people who attend services at the synagogue on Saturday mornings. He did notice, however, that the vehicle owner has since been ticketed and the car has been moved. He also mentioned when riding through the Village he noticed several firefighters shoveling out fire hydrants.

With no further input from the floor, the Mayor continued with the night's meeting agenda entertaining a motion to open a Public Hearing with regard to changing the start time for the regular Monday night Board Meetings from 8:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

RESOLUTION #16-2015

Motion by: Rafael Bueno
Seconded by: Emily Dominguez
Motion Carries: All

Noel Rappaport: Mr. Rappaport did not care one way or the other about the start time for the Board Meetings.

Emily Dominguez: Trustee Dominguez suggested that the Public Hearing remain open until the next Board Meeting scheduled for February 16th, due to the weather and lack of attendance at this meeting.

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

RESOLUTION #17-2015

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
Seconded by: Francisco Batista
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut:

REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS

VILLAGE ATTORNEY, Jay Hood, Jr.: The Mayor mentioned that Counselor Hood was at the Village Hall earlier, but left before the meeting because he was not feeling well, therefore no report was given.

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

MAYOR'S REPORT, Mayor Kohut: The Mayor reminded everyone that Village Grievance Night would take place on Tuesday, February 17th from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM. And due to the Presidents Day holiday on Monday, February 16th the regular Village Board Meeting is rescheduled to Tuesday Feb. 17th and will begin at its regular time, 8:00 PM.

The Mayor reported that the Farmer's Market will be held this year every Sunday from June 14th through October 11th, at its regular location, between the hours of 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

The Mayor then reported that the OASAS-COLA Agreement with the County of Rockland had to be approved and signed with a resolution attesting that the funding received will be used solely to support salaries and salary related fringe benefit increases for members of the Reach Out staff described in the Agreement.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the 2% COLA increase as listed in the agreement.

RESOLUTION #18-2015

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
Seconded by: Rafael Bueno
Motion Carries: All

The Mayor requested approval from the Board to sign off on the agreement between the Village of Haverstraw Reachout Counseling Center and the Town of Haverstraw in the amount of \$20,000.00.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign off on the above stated agreement as written.

RESOLUTION #19-2015

Motion by: Francisco Batista
 Seconded by: Emily Dominguez
 Motion Carries: All

The Mayor reported that the Board is required to adopt the new policies and procedures of the Affordable Care Act. The policies were developed to ensure that the Village of Haverstraw complies with the new rules required by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to adopt the policies and procedures as stated above.

RESOLUTION #20-2015

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
 Seconded by: Francisco Batista
 Motion Carries: All

The Mayor then reported the following budget adjustments:

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>DECREASE</u>
Justice Court	A1110.11	\$ 1,765.35	
Clerk/Treasurer	A1410.11	2,192.35	
Reach Out	CM1421.1	739.44	
Recreation	A7140.1	739.44	
Employee Retirement	CM1421.1 & A7140.1	21,596.90	
Building Dept.	A3620.1	2,555.78	
DPW Laborer, etc.	A5110.1	10,212.95	
DPW Administration	A5010.1	4,052.85	
OT Contingency	A1990.41		\$ 43,855.06

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the above budget changes.

RESOLUTION #21-20145

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
 Seconded by: Rafael Bueno
 Motion Carries: All

The Mayor had nothing further to report.

Mayor Kohut:
REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FIRE & ORDINANCES – **Trustee Rafael Bueno:** Trustee Bueno submitted the following report for the month of January, 2015, submitted by Fire Chief Al Lynch:

Total Alarms	-	24
General Alarms	-	20
Special Calls	-	2
Mutual Aid Calls	-	2
Structure Fires	-	2
Cooking Fires	-	1
Dumpster Fires	-	1
Electrical Problems	-	1

Gasoline Leak	-	3
Water Leaks	-	4
Carbon Monoxide Alarms		1
Snow Storm Standby	-	1
Good Intent/Miscellaneous		6
False Alarms	-	2

Total Manpower Responding - 558 members

Trustee Bueno had nothing further to report.

PUBLIC WORKS, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Trustee Terence Watson:

In the absence of Trustee Watson, the Mayor reported that there had been several snow storms over the previous 2 week period which the DPW addressed diligently. He then mentioned that the snow removal in the downtown area would take place on Wednesday and Thursday.

YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES - Trustee Francisco Batista: Trustee Batista gave the following report of activities at the Community Center for the period of January 16th through January 29th, 2015:

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1) The Haverstraw Collaborative will meet at the Center on Wednesday, February 4th from 12:00 to 2:00 PM. He explained that the Collaborative is a group of Human Services Providers who plan and promote activities to better serve the community.
- 2) The Spanish Speaking Parents Group will meet at the Center on Wednesday, February 4th at 6:00 PM.

Late Night Fridays: On January 30th, approximately 40 young people attended this event and a fun night was had by all.

Trustee Batista had nothing further to report.

BUILDINGS & CODE ENFORCEMENT - Trustee Emily Dominguez:

Trustee Dominguez read the following report submitted by the Building Inspector, Ruben Berrios, for the period of January 18th through January 30th, 2015:

Rental registration	-	1
Miscellaneous inspections	-	124
Construction inspections	-	37
Complaints	-	3
Violations & tickets	-	9
Searches	-	1
Building Permits/CO's	-	3

Trustee Dominguez had nothing further to report.

MINUTES: The Mayor presented the minutes of the Regular Meetings of November 17th, December 1st & 15th, 2014 and January 5th, 2015 for approval by the Board.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to the above stated minutes.

RESOLUTION #22-2015

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
Seconded by: Francisco Batista
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut:
OLD BUSINESS
None.

Mayor Kohut:
NEW BUSINESS
None.

Mayor Kohut:
2nd PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Noel Rappaport: Mr. Rappaport inquired if there will be enough parking at the new Terrace on the Hudson Restaurant and Catering facility on Route 9W.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor responded that it is the exact same footprint as the old building with the exception of the 2nd floor addition. He also informed everyone that the owners have made arrangements with neighboring property owners for additional parking, if needed, for special events, etc., as well as the usual parking along Route 9W.

Francisco Batista: Trustee Batista also reported that there are enough parking spots for the restaurant that will be open on a daily basis.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor then reminded everyone that the Dominican Day Flag Raising will be held on Saturday, February 28th at the Village Hall, with a ceremony to follow at the Quisqueya Club on Broadway.

Mayor Kohut: With no further business to be conducted by the Board, the Mayor entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

RESOLUTION #23-2015

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
Seconded by: Rafael Bueno
Motion Carries: All

Respectfully submitted by,

Beverly A. Swift, Senior Steno Clerk