

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Haverstraw Board of Trustees on Monday, February 6th, 2017, beginning at 7:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL	Trustee Santana	- Present
	Trustee Bueno	- Present
	Trustee Watson	- Present
	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.

Ted L. Estrange, Otisville, New York: Mr. Estrange addressed the Board with regard to organ harvesting currently taking place in China. He read documentation regarding this matter, mentioning that thousands of people are killed each year for retrieval of their organs. He presented the Board with literature regarding this matter and requested the Board pass a resolution condemning this activity.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor thanked Mr. Estrange and informed him that the Board will review the documentation and take action on it at the next meeting.

With no further input from the public, the Mayor continued with the agenda for that night's meeting.

Mayor Kohut:

REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS

VILLAGE ATTORNEY, Jay Hood, Jr.: Counselor Hood requested the Board to authorize release of \$1,353.95 for tax certiorari settlement for Murphy Manor Housing.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to that affect.

RESOLUTION #17-2017

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
Seconded by: Terrence Watson, Jr.
Motion Carries: All

Counselor Hood had nothing further to report.

VILLAGE TREASURER, Judith Curcio: Ms. Curcio gave the following Treasurers Report for the months of September, October and November, 2016:

Total Disbursements	-	\$2,357,223.00
Total Revenue	-	\$ 545,126.00

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to accept the Village Treasurer's report.

RESOLUTION #18-2017

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
Seconded by: Terrence Watson, Jr.
Motion Carries: All

Ms. Curcio had nothing further to report.

MAYOR'S REPORT, Mayor Kohut: The Mayor requested the Board to accept the resignation of Henri Bullock, Parking Enforcer, effective immediately.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to accept a resignation as stated above.

RESOLUTION #19-2017

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
Seconded by: Joel Santana
Motion Carries: All

The Mayor then requested the Board's approval for the Village to go out for bids on the Riverside Avenue Drainage Project.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to that affect.

RESOLUTION #20-2017

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
Seconded by: Terrence Watson, Jr.
Motion Carries: All

The Mayor then requested approval of the Board to approve a contract with Nelson, Pope & Voorhis, a planning group who has merged with the former Turner Miller Group.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to that affect.

RESOLUTION #21-2017

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
Seconded by: Joel Santana
Motion Carries: All

The Mayor requested authorization from the Board for the Mayor to sign the Rockland County 2017 SNUG Grant in the amount of \$11,000.00.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to that affect.

RESOLUTION #22-2017

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
Seconded by: Joel Santana
Motion Carries: All

The Mayor then requested authorization from the Board for the Mayor to sign a contract with the Town of Haverstraw for the 2017 contribution of support of \$20,000.00 for the Village's Reach Out Program.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to that affect.

RESOLUTION #23-2017

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
 Seconded by: Terrence Watson, Jr.
 Motion Carries: All

The Mayor reminded everyone that the Board of Assessment Review will meet at the next regularly scheduled board meeting on Tuesday, February 21st from 4:00 to 8:00 PM.

The Mayor announced the following amendments to the 2016-2017 budget as submitted by Joseph Modafferi, Village Accountant:

2016-2017 BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS				
Acct. #	Account Name	Increase	Decrease	Increase
		Appropriations	Appropriations	Revenue
A1620.0422	DPW Building Repair	\$ 43,500.00		
A1990.0401	Contingent		\$ 43,500.00	
A1410.0400	Clerk Clerical	500.00		
A1990.0401	Contingent		500.00	
A1010.0400	Board of Trustees (Contractual)	200.00		
A1990.0401	Contingent		200.00	
A1325.0420	Payroll Processing	500.00		
A1990.0401	Contingent		500.00	
A9025.0800	Firemen's Benefits	100.00		
A1990.0401	Contingent		100.00	
A1650.0450	Central Communications- Alarm	2,000.00		
A1990.0401	Contingent		2,000.00	
A1420.0400	Law/Attorney Contractual	24,000.00		
A1990.0401	Contingent		24,000.00	
	TOTALS	\$ 70,800.00	\$ 70,800.00	

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the above adjustments to the 2016-2017 budget.

RESOLUTION #24-2017

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
 Seconded by: Terrence Watson, Jr.
 Motion Carries: All

The Mayor reported that Green Hills has come to the Village with plans to renovate the entire building, including installation of sprinkler systems throughout the building. He also mentioned that Green Hills will be transitioning out difficult patients to a format similar to Assisted Living.

The Mayor had nothing further to report.

Mayor Kohut:
REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FIRE & ORDINANCES – Trustee Rafael Bueno: Trustee Bueno read the following report of fire activity for the month of January, 2017, submitted by Fire Chief Robert Drexler, Jr.:

Total Alarms	-	13
General Alarms	-	9
Special Calls	-	1
Mutual Aid Calls	-	3
Structure Fires	-	0
Vehicle Fires	-	1
Cooking Fires	-	1
Electrical Fires	-	1
C.O. Leaks	-	1
Good Intent/Misc.	-	2
False Alarms	-	4

Total Manpower Responding - 265 members

Trustee Bueno had nothing further to report.

PUBLIC WORKS, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Trustee Terence Watson: Trustee Watson read the following report submitted by Robert Drexler, Superintendent of Public Works, as of February 6th, 2017:

- 1) Replaced signs on Riverside Avenue and George Street.
- 2) Painted plows on all trucks.
- 3) Repaired potholes on village streets and alleyways.
- 4) Department was called out on January 14th and January 23rd to salt village streets.
- 5) Repaired valves on Riverside Pump Station.
- 6) Repaired roof on trailer #2.
- 7) Moved furniture for Community Center and Justice Court.
- 8) Repaired damaged parking meters on Lincoln and West Streets.
- 9) Cleaned up major sewer problems on Robbins Court in Halgren Crescent.

Trustee Watson reported that a new Fuel Master System has been installed.

Trustee Watson then requested approval of the Board for DPW staff to attend 3 classes, including a Work Zone Flagging Class, Confined Spaces Class and Bucket Truck Recertification Class, beginning on April 24th and ending on April 28th. The total cost for 12 staff members to attend is \$2,700.00.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to send 12 members of the DPW staff for training classes as stated above.

RESOLUTION #25-2017

Motion by: Terrence Watson, Jr.
Seconded by: Emily Dominguez
Motion Carries: All

Trustee Watson had nothing further to report.

YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES - Trustee Joel Santana: Trustee Santana read the following report of activities at the Community Center for the period of January 17th through February 6th, 2017:

- 1) The Haverstraw Collaborative continues to meet on the first Wednesday of every month.
- 2) Celebrating Families is in its 11th week of the program.
- 3) The Jump Program, Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- 4) Positive Alternatives
- 5) Unity in the Community
- 6) The Spanish Speaking Parents Group will be meeting on March 1st at 6:00 PM.
- 7) He thanked the Philippine Association of Rockland for their event, and specifically Mark Sanchez for all his help in the community.

Trustee Santana had nothing further to report.

BUILDINGS & CODE ENFORCEMENT – Deputy Mayor Emily Dominguez: The Deputy Mayor read the following report submitted by the Building Inspector, Ruben Berrios, for the period of January 17th through February 3rd, 2017:

Rental registrations	-	0
Miscellaneous inspections	-	107
Complaints	-	6
Searches	-	5
Construction inspections	-	8
Building Permits & C.O.'s	-	6
Violations/Tickets	-	28

Fines collected at court: \$2,000.00

Deputy Mayor Dominguez had nothing further to report.

MINUTES: The Mayor presented the minutes of the Regular Meetings of November 7th & 21st and December 5th & 19th, 2016 for approval by the Board.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the above stated minutes with the changes made to the December 5th minutes by Deputy Mayor Dominguez.

RESOLUTION #26-2017

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

Mayor Kohut:

OLD BUSINESS

None.

Mayor Kohut:

NEW BUSINESS

None.

Mayor Kohut:

2nd PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

Mayor Kohut: With no further business to be conducted by the Board, the Mayor entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting with a moment of silence for Joseph Gambino, son of the owners of Mariella's Restaurant on New Main Street, who recently passed away.

RESOLUTION #27-2017

Motion by: Emily Dominguez

Seconded by: Rafael Bueno

Motion Carries: All

Respectfully submitted by,

Beverly A. Swift, Senior Steno Clerk