

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Haverstraw Board of Trustees on Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014, beginning at 8:00 PM.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL	Trustee Batista	- Absent
	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.

Noel Rappaport, 31 New Main Street: Mr. Rappaport requested an update on the Streetscape Project.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor responded that the majority of the documentation has been sent to the State for review. He is hopeful that the project will be finalized and approved within the next month, at which time bid documents will be prepared and sent out, with construction to begin in 2015.

Larry Levine, 1414 Round Pointe Drive: Mr. Levine again mentioned that he feels there is a need for a "STOP" sign at the corner of Clove Avenue and New Main Street.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor responded that the Board will be addressing that issue later in the meeting.

Larry Levine: Mr. Levine requested clarification on the towing service owned by the gentleman applying for a permit to open a mechanics garage on Dr. Girling Drive.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor responded that the gentleman has lots in several municipalities in the County, some from which he does towing for those municipalities and the occasional towing he does for the Town of Haverstraw.

Larry Levine: Mr. Levine then inquired if there would be a sign stating that they do towing.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor responded that the name of the business is Rockland Recovery & Towing.

Adam Pont, 21 Clinton Street: Mr. Pont requested clarification of the alternate side of the street parking signage.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor explained that the original signs regarding alternate side of the street parking had to be changed because most people did not understand when they were allowed to park on a particular side of the street. He believes the new signs will clarify the issue. The Mayor also mentioned that the signs will not be changed again and have been installed in all locations, except Hudson Avenue.

Adam Pont: The gentleman still does not understand the sign.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor responded that the new signs not only give parking rules for overnight parking in the winter, but also includes language for alternate side of the street parking for year round street cleaning purposes. With no further input from the public, the Mayor continued with that evenings agenda.

Mayor Kohut:

## **REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS**

**VILLAGE ATTORNEY, Jay Hood, Jr.:** Counselor Hood reported that he discussed with the County having the roads in certain locations of the Village restriped, which he hopes will be taken care of within the next month or two.

He then requested approval of an agreement to give a 33% reduction in assessed value to the property located at 31-37 West Broad Street for a ten year period, after which time the property will be fully assessed. This reduction is being given because the building is mostly occupied by Rockland Community College, a not-for-profit organization, and as an incentive for them to take over the second floor of the building.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the assessed value reduction to the property at 31-37 West Broad Street as stated above.

### **RESOLUTION #88-2014**

Motion by: Terence Watson, Jr.

Seconded by: Emily Dominguez

Motion Carries: All

Counselor Hood then introduced an application for 46-48 Broadway to convert two existing apartments (1 two bedroom apartment and the other a large unfinished apartment) into three apartments. Edward Mandel, the owner, described his intentions for the property.

Jay Hood, Jr., Esq.: Counselor Hood explained that this application was presented for approval at a Planning Board Meeting with Assistant Village Attorney Dennis Michaels. The Planning Board gave the application a negative recommendation because the Village Code does not allow for more than one apartment over a commercial space.

Edward Mandel, 46-48 Broadway: Mr. Mandel explained that 46-48 Broadway was previously two separate commercial spaces combined as one during the 1960's. He informed the Board that 46 Broadway is currently occupied by a cleaning establishment, but 48 Broadway is just an unoccupied open space completely separate from 46, with one apartment above each commercial space, which is what the Village Code allows. The space that he is looking to split is located over the cleaning establishment.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor inquired about the parking situation for tenants.

Edward Mandel: Mr. Mandel presented plans and pointed out specifics to the Board stating that there is off street parking in the back of the building.

Jay Hood, Jr., Esq.: Counselor Hood also mentioned that the other requirement for this to happen would be to obtain a "Use Variance" from the

Zoning Board, where the owner would have to show that he cannot financially make it without two apartments.

Edward Mandel: Mr. Mandel stated that he started this process in November appearing before the Village Board who referred him to the Planning Board. He stated that the only issue that board had with his application at that time was parking spaces and he addressed those concerns.

Jay Hood, Jr., Esq.: Counselor Hoods suggested the Village Board table this application for further discussion with the Planning Board.

Edward Mandel: Mr. Mandel does not understand why, after all his efforts and the Planning Board's only concern being parking, that things have now changed.

Jay Hood, Jr., Esq.: Counselor Hood explained that these other issues were presented to Mr. Mandel's lawyer at the last Planning Board meeting and should have been conveyed to him.

Edward Mandel: Mr. Mandel stated that he is in contact with the Building Department, but is always getting different answers to his questions, which is very frustrating.

Jay Hood, Jr., Esq.: Counselor Hood suggested that the Village Board meet with the Planning Board to fully discuss this application.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor explained that the Board would not give Mr. Mandel an answer to his application that night because if they were to do so at this point it would probably be a denial based on the Planning Board's recommendation. The Mayor then tabled the application to be presented at the next meeting on April 21<sup>st</sup>, after they have met and fully reviewed the application with the Planning Board. The Mayor again reminded Mr. Mandel that if the Village Board approves this application that he would have to appear before the Zoning Board for a zone change.

Edward Mandel: Mr. Mandel informed the Board that he appeared twice before the Zoning Board because he was asking for a variance for one of the parking spaces, which they granted.

Counselor Hood had nothing further to report.

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

**MAYOR'S REPORT, Mayor Kohut:** The Mayor announced that Rockland BOCES, who is now operating at the Gerald Neary Elementary School location (still owned by the North Rockland School District), has requested a Memorandum of Understanding with the Village to use the Community Center as an evacuation/staging point for the staff and students, from what is now known as the Hilltop Neary School, in the event of an emergency. This issue arose due to a recent emergency where the school had to be evacuated on a cold winter day due to a boiler problem.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to sign the Memorandum of Understanding as stated above.

RESOLUTION #89-2014

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

The Mayor received a request from property owners on Clove Avenue, between Fairmount and Tor Avenues, for a “speed bump” to combat the speeding issues in that area.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to install either a “speed bump” or “speed hump” in the area stated above.

RESOLUTION #90-2014

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

The Mayor received a Letter of Resignation from Cliff Elton, Community Garden Coordinator, who is moving to another part of New York State.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to accept his resignation with regret.

RESOLUTION #91-2014

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

The Mayor reported that the Community Center is setting up an After Camp Program that will run from 3:00 PM, when camp ends for the day, until 5:30 PM for those children who attend camp and cannot be picked up until a later time. Child care, crafts and snacks will be provided by the staff on non-trip camp days throughout the six week summer camp season at a sum of \$180.00 per child, or \$100.00 if a child is a part of the free or reduced lunch program at school.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to establish the rates for the after camp program as stated above.

RESOLUTION #92-2014

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

The Mayor received a request from the Calvary Baptist Church to waive all permit fees subject to repairing a bowing wall that needs to be shored up and ultimately replaced. The church has hired Conserve Construction Company for this project and would appreciate the Board considering this request.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to waive all permit fees subject to the above project.

RESOLUTION #93-2014

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

The Mayor announced that CSX will be repairing the New Main Street crossing starting on April 28<sup>th</sup> and continuing for a total of five days during which time the crossing will be closed. CSX will provide signage for both the closing and detour information.

The Mayor received a letter from NYS Local Employees Retirement System in the matter concerning the disability retirement of Damaris Torres, which NYS has approved.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to accept the Article 15 Disability Retirement approval of Damaris Torres.

RESOLUTION #94-2014

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

The Mayor received a request from the owners of 1 Broadway, Ripe Properties, to convert the upper floor of the Key Bank building into 2 apartments.

Daniel Rivera, 2 Broadway: Mr. Rivera informed the Board that there is 2,000 square feet that they wish to convert into 2 apartments. He intends to keep the high tin ceilings throughout both apartments, which will each have 2 bedrooms. He also mentioned that the lower floor will remain commercial.

The Mayor explained the application process to Mr. Rivera and then entertained a motion to forward his application to the Planning Board.

RESOLUTION #95-2014

Motion by: Rafael Bueno  
Seconded by: Terence Watson, Jr.  
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 as a bus stop for their summer day camp program. Camp will run Monday's through Friday's starting June 30<sup>th</sup> and ending August 8<sup>th</sup>, with pickup at 8:35 AM and drop off at 4:15 PM. A copy of Liability Insurance was also submitted with the letter.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the request of the Girl Scouts to utilize the Village Parking Lot as stated above.

RESOLUTION #96-2014

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

The Mayor received a proposal in the amount of \$1,200.00 from Brooker Engineering to prepare the annual MS4 Compliance Report required by NYSDEC from every municipality.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve preparation of the MS4 Compliance Report as stated above.

RESOLUTION #97-2014

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

The Mayor received a letter from Joe Miller, a DPW employee whose car was damaged by a fence gate as he was leaving the yard. He has received three estimates to repair the damage with the lowest estimate from The Painter amounting to \$375.00.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve repair to Mr. Miller's vehicle by The Painter as stated above.

RESOLUTION #98-2014

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

The Mayor received a letter from the United Latin Festival Committee to host their fourth annual parade and festival on Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, with a parade starting at 12:00 PM from 86 Main Street to the Haverstraw Elementary School where a festival will be held until 8:00 PM. Along with permission for the parade/festival, they are requesting assistance from the Department of Public Works.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the request of the United Latin Festival Committee as stated above.

RESOLUTION #99-2014

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

The Mayor received a request from Judith Curcio to attend a Human Resources Conference in White Plains on June 4<sup>th</sup> at a cost of \$149.00 and for Isabel Gonzalez to attend a Health Insurance Conference in White Plains on April 10<sup>th</sup> at a cost of \$35.00.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve attendance by both employees at conferences as stated above.

RESOLUTION #100-2014

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

The Mayor received a memo from the Planning Board with regard to Terrace on the Hudson, allowing Bravo Contracting to cut down 13 trees, most of which are dead or decaying, without removing the stumps or root systems. They are also requiring the owner to submit changes to the Site Plan due to an architectural change being made that was not reflected on the original Site Plan, which must also include the stabilization of the slope to assure there will not be any erosion onto the property. The Planning Board has given this request a favorable recommendation.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to that effect.

RESOLUTION #101-2014

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

The Mayor then requested approval to schedule a Public Hearing on the Mayor's Proposed Budget for Monday April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. He explained that State law requires a Public Hearing be scheduled before April 15<sup>th</sup> and approved by April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to that effect.

RESOLUTION #102-2014

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

The Mayor received a request from Brooker Engineering regarding the additional cost proposal for Link Land Surveyors for a change order on the Streetscape project to allow an updated survey at a total cost of \$3,787.50.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to that effect.

RESOLUTION #103-2014

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

Trustee Bueno requested a "STOP" sign be installed at the easterly approach of the corner of Clove Avenue and New Main Street.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to that effect.

RESOLUTION #104-2014

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

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve an IDA PILOT AGREEMENT for a 33% reduction on property located at 31-37 West Broad Street.

RESOLUTION #105-2014

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

The Mayor received a letter from the owners of Dog Hill Day Care which he read in full. In brief, the letter stated that complaints from Doris Quinones, have caused him to be harassed by the Building Inspector, Code Enforcement Officer and the Police. He mentioned that there have been no other complaints made by neighbors in the area. He stated that with all the visits made by the above mentioned officers, they have received no violations or citations and feels these complaints are unfounded, yet things have continued to escalate with Mrs. Quinones. They find her actions and the defamation of their business to be totally unacceptable and have no recourse but to obtain legal counsel to assist them in this matter, taking

whatever legal action is necessary to assure the conclusion of her harassment.

The Mayor had nothing further to report.

**Mayor Kohut:**  
**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**FIRE & ORDINANCES** – Trustee Rafael Bueno: Trustee Bueno submitted the following application for admittance to the Haverstraw Fire Department:

Thomas Davis – Lady Warren Hose Co., #5

The application is complete and duly notarized.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to accept Mr. Davis into his chosen fire company.

**RESOLUTION #106-2014**

Motion by: Rafael Bueno

Seconded by: Emily Dominguez

Motion Carries: All

Trustee Bueno then read the following report for the month of March, 2014, submitted by Fire Chief Al Lynch:

Total Alarms	-	19
General Alarms	-	13
Special Calls	-	4
Mutual Aid Calls	-	2
Structure Fires	-	1
Cooking Fires	-	1
Vehicle Fires	-	1
Gas Leaks	-	2
Hazardous Condition	-	1
Extrication Calls	-	1
Carbon Monoxide Alarms		1
Elevator Rescue	-	1
Good Intent/Misc.	-	4
False Alarms	-	4

Total Manpower Responding - 363 members

Trustee Bueno had nothing further 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 April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014:

- 1) De-winterized the trucks.
- 2) Blacktopped and patched potholes throughout the Village.
- 3) Cleared major sewer blockages on Route 202 and Halgren Crescent.
- 4) Started preparing the Manny Lopez Ball Field for the upcoming season.



5) Picked up debris and cleaned all village parking lots.

Trustee Watson had nothing further to report.

**YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES - Trustee Francisco Batista:** Trustee Batista was absent, therefore no report was given.

**BUILDINGS & CODE ENFORCEMENT - Trustee Emily Dominguez:** Trustee Dominguez read the following report submitted by the Building Inspector, Ruben Berrios, for the period of March 17<sup>th</sup> through April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014:

Rental property inspections	-	2
Municipal searches	-	2
Miscellaneous inspections	-	197
Construction inspections	-	2
Complaints	-	12
Violations & tickets	-	28
Permits	-	12

Trustee Dominguez had nothing further to report.

Mayor Kohut:

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

Mayor Kohut:

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Kohut:

**2<sup>nd</sup> PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Ann Mauer, 80 Sharp Street: Ms. Mauer inquired if there has been a date set for the demolition of 78 Sharp Street.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor informed Ms. Mauer that there is no date set yet, but that HUD does have a contractor scheduled to do the job. The Building Inspector was in contact with the contractor today and was told that he is obtaining the necessary demolition permits. The asbestos issue also has to be addressed on the main building.

Terence Watson: Trustee Watson informed Ms. Mauer that everything involved in this demolition is contracted out through HUD and not the Village.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor explained that HUD has taken over the property and the Village cannot make any further moves on that property, however, he did mention that Counselor Hood has spoken with HUD on several occasions to move the process along.

Ann Mauer: Ms Mauer was under the impression that the contractor should already have the proper licenses.

Mayor Kohut: As the Mayor previously mentioned he does not know who the contractor is because they are hired by HUD. He also explained that it may be an out of state contractor who would need to obtain New York State credentials.

Ann Mauer: Ms. Mauer mentioned that this fire occurred in 2012 and she believed it was the responsibility of the Village to see that the building was taken down 90 days after it was condemned. She feels it is a public safety hazard, and her carport has been destroyed. She read a letter that she received from her insurance company which stated that she would not be reimbursed for the loss of her carport due to the status of the burned out property and her premiums are now being raised. She also informed the Board that besides the raise in her premium no-one else will insure her property because of the condition of 78 Sharp Street. She wanted to know how she would get reimbursed from the Village for the increase in her insurance premiums.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor informed Ms. Mauer that the Village would not be allowed to reimburse her for her property insurance and apologized for what she has had to endure during this process.

Ann Mauer: Ms. Mauer wanted to know how this was any different than damage being done to a DPW workers' vehicle. She explained that she has been coming to board meetings to address this issue for over a year, her premiums are going up and she is still living in a potentially dangerous situation. She still feels it is the responsibility of the Village, who should have taken care of this issue according to the Village Code, even at a cost to the Village and now with the issue with the contractor, which will take an indefinite amount of time, will hold the demolition back even longer. She believes that the Board should be focused on the public safety issue at this point and that something needs to be done by the Village before someone gets seriously hurt.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor feels it is an unfortunate situation and the Village is doing everything in its power to get this taken care of as soon as possible. He mentioned that Counselor Hood spoke again with HUD that day requesting that they complete the demolition of the building.

Ann Mauer: Ms. Mauer feels that the Board needs to find out who the contractor is, how long it will take for them to get their permits and finally how long the whole process is going to take.

Jay Hood, Jr., Esq.: Counselor Hood informed Ms. Mauer that the Building Department handles these matters directly, but that he will get in touch with the Building Inspector to get the information on the contractor.

Ann Mauer: Ms. Mauer again requested the Board to take ownership of this problem and do what needs to be done.

Terence Watson, Jr.: Trustee Watson informed Ms. Mauer that the Village cannot use taxpayer dollars to demolish this building, which is now owned and controlled by HUD.

Anne Mauer: Ms. Mauer feels there is no amount of money that can be placed on public safety. Her fear is that the house can collapse at any time and cause a tragedy that could have been prevented.

Mayor Kohut: Again the Mayor explained that the Village is working on this matter on a regular basis and is doing everything it can to get the problem resolved.

Ann Mauer: Ms. Mauer again asked if she would be reimbursed for the increase in her insurance premium, but the DPW person had his vehicle repairs paid for.

Judy Curcio: Ms. Curcio explained that it was village property that damaged the vehicle and the Village, by law, cannot legally pay for her insurance premium increase.

Jay Hood, Jr., Esq.: Counselor Hood explained to Ms. Mauer that it is not Village property, therefore, the Village cannot simply take matters into their own hands.

Noel Rappaport: Mr. Rappaport mentioned that while driving through the Village of Suffern he noticed the signage throughout the Village was uniform and everything nicely painted. He wondered if the Village could do something better for our downtown area with signage and storefronts that match each other.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor responded that the Village of Suffern has utilized Community Development Funds recently for their façade program and that the Village of Haverstraw used that program approximately ten years ago. He explained that since that time the Village has been using Community Development funds for infrastructure improvements, which is vital to the Village structure.

Noel Rappaport: Mr. Rappaport feels if the downtown area was more presentable there would be more business conducted. He also feels when anyone in the Village renovates or makes any improvement to their property that it should be acknowledged with some sort of recognition.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor responded that the Board has been talking about doing something like that.

Larry Levine: Mr. Levine feels that the Tilcon “mountains” are getting out of control and are now as high as the overpass and still growing. He feels this has to become a village and town issue because it is becoming overwhelming and is going to be that much more dangerous with the summer heat, explaining that the dust and dirt that floats into the Harbors is hard to even imagine.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor explained that there is nothing in Tilcon’s mining permits that limits the size of the piles, mentioning that both he and Supervisor Phillips have spoken with the head of Tilcon who basically said that it is a function of their business and the piles go up and go down. The head of Tilcon stated that they might consider seeding the piles as a possibility, however, he is not going to remove or reduce the piles explaining that part of the reason the piles have grown is because their property has shrunk due to the new overpass, which limits where they can put things.

Larry Levine: Mr. Levine mentioned that there is another pile to the left of the large one that has not changed in years.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor explained that one is closer to the water and there is a danger of spillage into the river.

Larry Levine: Mr. Levine feels this is something the Village has to keep reminding Tilcon of, because besides being harmful to the Village it takes away from the aesthetics of the Village.

Edward Pont: Mr. Pont inquired if the sign program for the businesses in the Village is paid for by the Village or the business owner.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor responded that the signage is paid for by any business owner who wants to put up a sign, explaining that the business owner has to submit a proposed sign to the Building Department and then the Architectural Review Board for a positive recommendation to the Village Board for approval. The Mayor explained that the signs can be changed, however, there are parameters that must be met and that no illuminated signage is allowed. The goal of the Board is to have all wooden signage or a facsimile of wooden signage on all downtown businesses.

Edward Pont: Mr. Pont then requested an update on the Civile's property.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor responded that the Board met that evening with restaurateurs, who will be preparing and submitting plans/proposals for the extensive renovation of that site. It will still be owned by the Village but no lease has been signed yet.

Mel Post: Mr. Post mentioned that he had suggested hydro seeding of the Tilcon piles when he met with Tilcon 1½ years ago. He stated that they rejected the suggestion, in writing, indicating that they could not sell the "fine" if it was hydro seeded. He reported to the Board that Tilcon does not keep up with watering the piles as was agreed to and on windy days when it is dry the dust blows all over the Village. He believes it is time for the Village to start contacting whatever agency is involved to get something done about this problem. He then mentioned that according to a Journal News article that day, some of the Towns and Villages in the County are staying under the 2% tax cap and wanted to know the Villages' intention.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor explained that currently the Village is slightly above the 2% cap but his budget is not final and will be reviewed by the Trustees and a public hearing held on it. Everyone is hopeful that the budget will stay under the 2% cap.

Mel Post: Mr. Post requested the Board to consider the financial situation of the entire country, the job market situation, etc. when reviewing the budget, to keep it from going over the 2% cap, which will make it a little easier for the residents of the Village.

Steve Mauer, 80 Sharp Street: Mr. Mauer believes that the cost to demolish 78 Sharp Street could be paid by the Village by putting a lien on the property.

Jay Hood, Jr. Esq.: Counselor Hood gave an example stating that if a property is auctioned off for \$10,000.00 and the tax bill amounts to \$26,000.00, that municipality would suffer the loss and never be totally reimbursed, which would be a significant risk for the Village.

Steve Mauer: Mr. Mauer feels that the value of the property exceeds the cost of the demolition and there would be no risk to the Village. He mentioned he intends to bid on the property when it gets to that point and also that he spoke with Supervisor Phillips who informed him that taxes have not been paid on this property since 2008. He mentioned also that there is an asbestos issue that also needs to be addressed.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor responded that a property is allowed to sit three years and then must be auctioned off, therefore, if it was 2008 it would already have been done.

Terence Watson: Trustee Watson agreed that the house should have been taken down after it was condemned, but the Board never thought it would take this long for HUD to demolish the building

Jay Hood, Jr., Esq.: Counselor Hood informed Mr. Mauer that it is not simply taking the funds and demolishing the building, explaining there is a whole process that must be followed, which is time consuming and costly.

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

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to that effect.

RESOLUTION #107-2014

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

Respectfully submitted by,

Beverly A. Swift  
Senior Steno Clerk