

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Haverstraw Board of Trustees on Monday, March 19th, 2018, beginning at 7:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL	Trustee Bueno	- Present
	Trustee Watson	- Present
	Trustee Dominguez	- Present
	Trustee Santana	- Present
	Mayor Kohut	- Present

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor opened the floor to the public for the first Public Participation inviting people to ask questions or make comments.

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

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to continue the Board of Assessment Review Meeting, which was originally started on February 20th.

RESOLUTION #47-2018

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

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the 2018 Tax Roll with the amendments reviewed, discussed and agreed upon.

RESOLUTION #48-2018

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

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to close the Board of Assessment Review Meeting.

RESOLUTION #49-2018

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

Mayor Kohut:

REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS

VILLAGE ATTORNEY, Jay Hood, Jr.: Counselor Hood requested authorization from the Board for the Mayor to sign an "Inter-Municipal Agreement" between the Village of Haverstraw and the Town of Haverstraw relating to the purchase of property from the Congregation Sons of Jacob located on Clove Avenue in the Village.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with the Town of Haverstraw as stated above.

RESOLUTION #50-2018

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

Counselor Hood had nothing further to report.

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

MAYOR'S REPORT, Mayor Kohut: The Mayor reported that the Board has received an invitation to join the members of the Haverstraw Little League for their Opening Day Celebration, beginning with their parade on Saturday, April 14th, 2018 at 9:00 AM.

As the Village has done in previous years, the Mayor entertained a motion to contribute \$1,500.00 to the journal and activities for the "8th Annual United Latin Festival of Haverstraw" to be held on Sunday, August 5th and to provide the services of the DPW.

RESOLUTION #51-2018

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
Seconded by: Joel I. A. Santana
Motion Carries: All

The Mayor reported that the Village has received grant funding for a new "Comprehensive Plan" along with a revised "Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan" (LWRP), therefore, he entertained a motion to proceed with the next steps with these plans.

RESOLUTION #52-2018

Motion by: Rafael Bueno
Seconded by: Joel I. A. Santana
Motion Carries: All

In conjunction with the above, the Mayor requested the Board's approval to create a committee for both the "Comprehensive Plan" and the revised "LWRP". The following is a list of committee members for approval by the Board.

Jared Rodriquez, Richard Sena, Magdolina Molina, Gil Carlevara,
David Urena, Jr., and Joel Santana.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the above stated people as the Committee for both the "Comprehensive Plan" and the revised "LWRP".

RESOLUTION #53-2018

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

The Mayor then entertained a motion to accept the resignation of Carmen "Nelly" Villegas from her DPW position, effective March 5th.

RESOLUTION #54-2018

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

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the agreement with Shannon Modafferi, CPA to reconcile bank statements for the Justice Court, at a cost of \$75.00 per hour.

RESOLUTION #55-2018

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
Seconded by: Terence Watson
Motion Carries: All

The Mayor read the following adjustments to the 2017-2018 budget year submitted by Joseph Modafferi, Village Accountant:

2017-2018 BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS				
Acct. #	Account Name	Increase	Decrease	Increase
		Appropriations	Appropriations	Revenue
A5110.0200	Street Maintenance Equip.	\$ 6,501.00		
A5110.0400	Street Maint. Contractual		\$ 6,501.00	

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

RESOLUTION #56-2018

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
Seconded by: Terence Watson
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 Robert Drexler, Jr., Superintendent of Public Works, as of March 19th, 2018:

- 1) Set out brine on all village hills and main streets due to storm on March 7th.
- 2) Put millings on alleyways throughout the Village in order to fix potholes.
- 3) Salted roads for approaching snow storms on March 7th and March 13th. All trucks were cleaned after each storm.
- 4) Removed snow from various locations throughout the Village.

- 5) Cleaned out and repaired “catch basin” on Fairmount Avenue by Green Hills with assistance from the Joint Regional Sewer Board, as well as cleaning “catch basins” in the area of the Knights of Columbus Parking Lot, Maple Avenue and Lincoln Street.

Trustee Watson then mentioned that the Warranty/Extended Maintenance Agreement on the FUELMASTER system has expired. He requested the Board’s approval to renew their “annual service agreement” at a cost of \$1,175.00 per unit.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor entertained a motion to approve the FUELMASTER Annual Service Agreement as stated above.

RESOLUTION #57-2018

Motion by: Terrance Watson
Seconded by: Emily Dominguez
Motion Carries: All

Trustee Watson then reported that 2 of the DPW vehicles were involved in small accidents on their lot. He received a proposal in the amount of \$2,738.53 from B&B Auto Body to repair both vehicles.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor entertained a motion to approve the repair of 2 DPW vehicles as stated above.

RESOLUTION #58-2018

Motion by: Terrance Watson
Seconded by: Rafael Bueno
Motion Carries: All

Trustee Watson then mentioned he received a proposal from Goosetown Communications in the amount of \$6,676.00 for monthly pump station monitoring.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor entertained a motion to approve the monthly pump station monitoring as stated above.

RESOLUTION #59-2018

Motion by: Terrance Watson
Seconded by: Rafael Bueno
Motion Carries: All

Trustee Watson had nothing further to report.

YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES - Trustee Joel Santana: Trustee Santana had nothing to report, but did mention that the Monthly Youth Celebration would be held the following day and also that the number of days off school for the children will be shortened; therefore, Unity in the Community will be as well, with the children attending 3 days instead of 5.

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 March 5th thru March 16th, 2018:

Rental Registrations	-	2
Miscellaneous inspections	-	66
Complaints	-	12
Municipal searches	-	3
Construction inspections	-	16
Violations/Tickets	-	5
Building Permits & C.O.'s	-	1

Deputy Mayor Dominguez had nothing further to report.

MINUTES: The Mayor entertained a motion to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of January 16th and February 5th, 2018.

RESOLUTION #60-2018

Motion by: Terrance Watson
 Seconded by: Emily Dominguez
 Motion Carries: All

The Minutes were approved with an amendment to the January 16th Minutes.

Mayor Kohut:

OLD BUSINESS

None.

Mayor Kohut:

NEW BUSINESS

None.

Mayor Kohut:

2nd PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mel Post, 1422 Round Pointe Drive: Mr. Post requested an update on the GDC matters relating to Site A and Site B.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor responded that Mr. Ginsburg's intentions for Site A are to complete the build-out this year, lessening the size of the building by reducing the number of for-sale condo units from 48 to 40 units, which the Mayor does not believe needs any kind of Site Plan review. Mr. Ginsburg would like to build on Site B in 2019, however, there are still outstanding issues with the Village that both parties are trying to negotiate through.

Larry Levine, 1414 Round Pointe Drive: Mr. Levine was interested in hearing about the public's feedback on the Chair Factory Project.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor informed Mr. Levine that all the comments and feedback from the public, with the exception of 1 gentleman, was all very positive. There are 2 interested developers who have spoken briefly with the Mayor and the Committee will be meeting again to determine the next step in the process.

Mel Post: Mr. Post inquired about what people actually thought about the presentation itself, because he did not think it was very well done. He thought the Mayor did a very good presentation when he took over.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor stated that the person who was supposed to do the presentation left the company and he agreed that the presentation was not very impressive at all.

Larry Levine: Mr. Levine inquired if the Streetscape Project has been completed at this time.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor responded that the only thing left to do is the crosswalks (where the brick pattern is) which have to be painted once the ground is warm enough, hopefully by late April.

Mel Post: Mr. Post inquired when the painting project would begin in the downtown business district.

Emily Dominguez: Deputy Mayor Dominguez informed Mr. Post that the lead person from Sherwin Williams for this project was transferred to North Carolina and the other person who attended the meetings with him will now be the lead person. She and the Mayor will be meeting with him soon to get that project moving forward.

Mayor Kohut: With regard to the Painting Project, the Mayor mentioned that the Village cannot force anyone to take part in this project, but the Village will be offering all the businesses the opportunity to do so.

Emily Dominguez: Deputy Mayor Dominguez also mentioned that Sherwin Williams is also willing to help with a residential project.

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

RESOLUTION #61-2018

Motion by: Emily Dominguez
Seconded by: Terrance Watson
Motion Carries: All

Respectfully submitted by,

Beverly A. Swift, Senior Steno Clerk