

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Haverstraw Board of Trustees on Monday, January 4, 2021, beginning at 7:00 PM.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

ROLL CALL	Trustee Bueno	- Present
	Trustee Carlevaro	- Present
	Trustee Dominguez	- Absent
	Trustee Santana	- Present
	Mayor Kohut	- Present

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor opened the meeting with the first Public Hearing of the night.

Keith Schiklowitz, Rockland County Times: Mr. Schiklowitz inquired about the status of a plan that was discussed before Covid hit regarding a storage facility on Route 9W.

Mayor Kohut informed Mr. Schiklowitz that the plan had fallen through and wasn't going to happen.

Mr. Schiklowitz inquired if there was any new plan for that location.

Jay Hood, Village Attorney and owner of the property in question stated "not at this time".

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 had nothing to report.

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

**MAYOR'S REPORT, Mayor Kohut:** The Mayor reported that due to upcoming Monday holidays it would be necessary to change meeting dates.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to reschedule the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting in January to Tuesday January 19<sup>th</sup> and the second meeting in February to Tuesday February 16<sup>th</sup>. Also, the Board of Assessment Review meets on Tuesday February 16<sup>th</sup> with the time set for 4 pm to 8 pm.

**RESOLUTION # 1 - 2021**

Motion by: Gil Carlevaro  
Seconded by: Joel Santana  
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to set a Public Hearing on the matter of a Special Permit application on 85 New Main Street.

**RESOLUTION # 2 - 2021**

Motion by: Rafael Buenos Sr.

Seconded by: Gil Carlevaro  
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to refer the site plan review on the project at 85 New Main Street to the Planning Board.

RESOLUTION # 3 - 2021

Motion by: Joel Santana  
Seconded by: Rafael Bueno Sr.  
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to appoint Jose Silverio to the Architectural Review Board for a 3 year term ending in November 2023.

RESOLUTION # 4 - 2021

Motion by: Rafael Bueno Sr.  
Seconded by: Gil Carlevaro  
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut explained that we had received a proposal from SCS Engineering regarding the air monitoring that is required at the Manny Lopez ball field. The cost for the 2021 contract will be \$5,900.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to authorize him to sign the contract at \$5,900.

RESOLUTION # 5 - 2021

Motion by: Rafael Bueno Sr.  
Seconded by: Gil Carlevaro  
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to accept the retirement notification of Miquel Fernandez, Custodian at Youth and Family Services effective December 30, 2020. Miquel is retiring officially from the school district as well.

RESOLUTION # 6 - 2021

Motion by: Gil Carlevaro  
Seconded by: Joel Santana  
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to rehire Miquel Fernandez to the position of Custodian for Youth & Family Services effective January 4, 2021.

RESOLUTION # 7 - 2021

Motion by: Gil Carlevaro  
Seconded by: Joel Santana  
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut explained that we had a lease agreement with Toshiba for 4 new copy machines and 1 refurbished machine with a maintenance contract included at \$760 per month. This is the same price we are currently paying for lesser quality machines and less copies per month. The new lease would be for 5 years. The machines would be for Village Hall, Justice Court, Building Department, YFS and DPW.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to accept the proposal and sign the 5 year lease.

**RESOLUTION # 8 - 2021**

Motion by: Rafael Bueno Sr.  
Seconded by: Gil Carlevaro  
Motion Carries: All

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 December 2020, submitted by Fire Chief John “Bart” Gordon.:

Total Alarms	-	14
General Alarms	-	10
Special Calls	-	4
Mutual Aid Calls	-	0
Cooking Fires	-	1
Structure Fires	-	1
Electrical Fires	-	1
Gas Leaks	-	2
Pump Outs/Water Leaks	-	1
Extrication/Accident Call	-	1
Good Intent/Misc.	-	3
False Alarms	-	4
Total Manpower Responding		- 253 members

Trustee Bueno had nothing further to report.

Mayor Kohut notified the Board and public that the first Firefighter Training course had been completed, that this involved a new grant from the Federal government for providing in-house training, and that the program was a very big success. A graduation for the new firefighters will be held in the near future.

**PUBLIC WORKS, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Deputy Mayor Emily Dominguez:** Deputy Mayor Dominguez was absent and no report was submitted.

**YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES - Trustee Gil Carlevaro:** Trustee Carlevaro had nothing to report on the activities at the Community Center.

**BUILDINGS & CODE ENFORCEMENT – Trustee Joel Santana:** Trustee Santana read the following report submitted by the Building Inspector, Ruben Berrios, for the period of December 21, 2020 to Jan. 1, 2021:

Rental registrations	-	1
Miscellaneous inspections	-	42

Complaints	-	3
Municipal searches	-	5
Construction inspections	-	25
Violations/Tickets	-	1
Building Permits & C.O.'s	-	3

Fines collected at court - \$

Trustee Santana had nothing further to report.

Mayor Kohut:

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

Mayor Kohut:

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

Mayor Kohut:

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

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

RESOLUTION # 9 - 2021

Motion by: Rafael Bueno Sr.

Seconded by: Gil Carlevaro

Motion Carries: All

Respectfully submitted by,  
Judith Curcio, Clerk/Treasurer