

MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF NORTH HILLS
Village Hall
One Shelter Rock Road
North Hills, New York
January 18, 2023
7:30 pm

PRESENT: Mayor Marvin Natiss
Deputy Mayor Dennis Sgambati
Trustees Elliott Arnold, Gail Cohen and Phyllis Lentini
Marianne C. Lobaccaro, Village Administrator
Peter Cinquemani, Superintendent of Building Department
A. Thomas Levin, Village Attorney

EXCUSED: None

Mayor Natiss called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Mayor Natiss announced that the next regular meeting date for the Board of Trustees will be February 15, 2023 at 7:30 pm.

The minutes of the December 21, 2022 meeting, as previously circulated to the Board, were approved on motion by Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Arnold adopted unanimously. The approved minutes are on file in the village office.

The Mayor opened the public hearing with respect to Case 22-11bt, Greater New York Corporation of Seventh Day Adventists. The Village Administrator confirmed that the applicant had not done the required mailing of the legal notice, although all other required notice had been duly given. On motion by Mayor Natiss, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sgambati and adopted unanimously, the hearing was continued to February 15, 2023, at 7:30 pm. The applicant will be notified of the requirements for mailing of the legal notice.

The Board held a public hearing with respect to a proposed contract with Roslyn Fire Companies (consisting of Rescue Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1, Inc. and Roslyn Highlands Hook & Ladder, Engine & Hose Co., Inc.) for fire protection and emergency ambulance services for certain portions of the Village not located within a fire district, for the period January 1, 2023 through and including December 31, 2023. There were no public comments. The public hearing was closed on motion by Deputy Mayor Sgambati, seconded by Trustee Arnold and adopted unanimously. After Board discussion, on motion by Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Lentini and adopted unanimously, the Board (a) waived any omission to file supporting documentation required by statute, on the ground that the Village is familiar with the information otherwise required in such documentation, (b) classified the proposed action as a Type II Matter pursuant to SEQRA, and (c) authorized the Mayor, acting on behalf of the Village, to execute the proposed agreement.

The Village Administrator read the Treasurer's Report for December 2022, which was approved unanimously on motion by Deputy Mayor Sgambati, seconded by Trustee Lentini.

The Board reviewed the Village Administrator's January 13, 2023 memorandum requesting approval of various budget account transfers. A copy of the memorandum is on file in the Village office. The transfers requested in that memorandum for transfers from the Community Amenities Fund to reimburse the General Fund were approved unanimously on motion by Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Arnold. The remaining

budget transfers requested in that memorandum were approved on motion by Deputy Mayor Sgambati, seconded by Trustee Cohen, and adopted unanimously.

On motion by Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Lentini and adopted unanimously, the Board approved payment of the claims on General Fund Warrant 01/23. A copy of the Warrant is attached to these minutes.

The Board addressed Case 22-14bt, The Links at North Hills Homeowners Association. Mayor Natiss and Trustee Cohen recused themselves from any discussion and/or vote, and left the rostrum. Deputy Mayor Sgambati presided over the discussion. On successive motions by Trustee Lentini, seconded by Trustee Arnold, and each adopted by vote of three in favor and none opposed, the Board (a) determined to retain jurisdiction over the application, (b) scheduled a public hearing to be held on February 15, 2023 at 7:30 pm, and (c) classified the proposed action as a Type II Matter pursuant to SEQRA.

The Board discussed the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer's January 10, 2023 memo regarding usage of the Village shuttle service. The Board will continue to monitor this issue.

The Mayor announced that the Nassau County Police Department had held a community meeting at which it discussed crime prevention tips for residents to reduce property crimes. The Mayor has sent a summary of this presentation to the Presidents of all communities in the Village.

Anthony Lombardi, from L.I. Wholesale Fence, addressed the Board regarding a January 10, 2023 letter from Buckley Country Day School to the Village, requesting relief

from the penalty for having performed fence installation work without a permit. Mr. Lombardi explained circumstances under which he had assumed that the School had obtained the required permit before the work began. Pursuant to the Village Code, the Village will assess a penalty of two times the permit fee, to be paid in addition to the required permit fee. The work has stopped pending issuance of the permit, and the permit fee has not yet been determined. After discussion, on motion by Mayor Natiss, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sgambati and adopted unanimously, the Board reduced the penalty to an amount equal to the permit fee, to be paid in addition to the permit fee, on condition that no further work be done prior to obtaining the required permit.

Various residents addressed the Board in relation to property crime prevention and security issues.

There being no further business, on motion by Trustee Lentini, seconded by Trustee Cohen, and adopted unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

THE ABOVE MINUTES WERE FILED IN THE VILLAGE
OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH HILLS AT:

TIME: 11:50 AM/PM

DATE: 2/16, 2023.

PERSON FILING: Marianne C. Lobaccaro
(Print full name of filer)