

Board of Trustees
Village of Baxter Estates
2 Harbor Road, Port Washington, New York
January 9, 2006

Present: Mayor John Maher
Trustee Douglas Baldwin
Trustee Charles Comer
Trustee Vivian Schneck
Trustee Ray Keenan
Village Clerk Yvonne Whitcomb
Attorney Christopher Prior

Also present: Treasurer Laurence Tuck, Maurice Mandel, Fred Nicholson, Michael Giaramita, Marilyn Sacrestano, James Sacrestano, Margaret Murphy, Stuart Rosen, Alicia McCarthy, Nancy Comer, Michael Giaramita, Loretta DiBenedetto, Court Reporter Mary Bensi.

Also present: Members of the Port Washington Fire Department: Chairman of the Board Geoffrey Cole, Chief Glen Peterson, Frank Pavalak, John Cella, John Orshefsky, Martin Masarek, Jame Weiss, Beverly Reese, Dan Salerno.

1. Public Hearing

The Board heard a presentation by representatives of the Port Washington Fire Department relating to the proposed Fire Protection Contract for the year 2006 in the amount of \$89,390.00. A transcript of the public hearing is annexed to these minutes as Exhibit A. The Mayor closed the public hearing.

On the motion of Trustee Comer, seconded by Trustee Baldwin, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Village accept the contract from the Port Washington Fire Department for the year 2006 in the amount of \$89,390.00

2. Clerk

A. Minutes

On the motion of Mayor Maher, seconded by Trustee Comer, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the reading of the minutes of the December 5, 2005 meeting of the Board of Trustees be waived and that they be and hereby are approved as presented by Clerk Whitcomb.

3. Treasurer

A. General Fund-Claims

On the motion of Mayor Maher, seconded by Trustee Keenan, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the abstract of Audited Vouchers dated January 9, 2006, for the General Fund, totaling \$ 60,053.42 be and hereby is approved as prepared by Treasurer Tuck.

B. Conservancy Fund

On the motion of Mayor Maher, seconded by Trustee Keenan, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Village approve a voucher in the amount of \$300.00 as reimbursement from the Village account to the Baxter Pond Conservancy Fund.

C. Assessment Roll

Treasurer Tuck informed the Board that a draft of the Tentative Assessment Roll for the Village for the year 2006-2007 would be prepared for the Board, in its capacity as Board of Assessors for the Village, to review and correct prior to the February 1, 2006 date of completion. A Special Meeting will be called when the draft is ready for the Board to review for the purpose of accepting same by not later than February 1, 2006.

4. Old Business

A. Parking Pads

On the motion of Mayor Maher, seconded by Trustee Comer, it was unanimously RESOLVED that a letter regarding illegal parking pads in form acceptable to the Village Attorney, be mailed by the Village Clerk to the following residents: Burack, Marx, Rothman, Hirshfield, Klok, Reese.

B. Trustee Keenan
Office Space

The Village is still looking for new office space and will report any viable rentals at the next meeting of the Board.

Emergency Management Update

Trustee Keenan stressed there were many considerations for the Village to address in case of an emergency: evacuation, transportation, medical, etc. He will use the Village of Port Washington North as a guide.

The Intermunicipal Agreement

The Intermunicipal Agreement: A Resolution No. 16-2006 authorizing the filing of a grant application with the New York Department of State under the Shared Municipal Services Incentive Program was approved by the Town of North Hempstead on January 3, 2006.

Central Drive Storm Water Runoff Committee

Trustee Keenan will form a Committee to address Central Drive issues.

Metal Plate on Central Drive replacement

The Board of Trustees will await further guidance from the County before taking any action.

Sally Eisenman-Detol

Sally Eisenman-Detol will address the February meeting of the Board on the monetary issue of relocating her cesspool to save the tree on the site of her proposed swimming pool.

New Business:

A. Charles Comer: Action needed on Zoning Issues

Trustee Comer stated that he would like to establish clear and specific codes for future construction for set backs, floor area ratios, etc. to better control area use of property.

B. Maurice Mandel: Implementation of BZA decisions.

Maurice Mandel stated that changes had been made to a construction project after it had been approved by the Board of Zoning Appeals and having a Board of Trustees member work more closely with the building inspector to review building permit applications and monitor progress on building projects.

C. Fred Nicholson

Fred Nicholson presented photographs to the Board of possible violations of the Code by a neighbor and past correspondence and requested the Board to act on it.

D. Town of North Hempstead GIS Resolution

On the motion of Mayor Maher, seconded by Trustee Comer, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the GIS resolution in the form presented to the Village by the Town of North Hempstead; and annexed hereto as Exhibit B, be adopted by the Village of Baxter Estates.

5. Public Works

A. Central Drive

On the motion of Trustee Comer, seconded by Trustee Baldwin, it was RESOLVED that the speed limit applicable to vehicles operating on Central Drive within the Village be, and it hereby is, reduced from 30MPH to 25 MPH is hereby adopted by the Village of Baxter Estates, and that appropriate signage reflecting same be installed.

The white lines will be repainted.

6. Tree Report

Francesca Villalta was granted permission to remove a dangerous tree on 5 Overlook Drive.

Michael Dea was granted permission to remove two trees on his property at 50 Sandy Hollow Road, one due to decay and one near the construction of his new foundation.

There being no further business before the Board, on the motion of Trustee Keenan, seconded by Trustee Schneck, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the meeting be and hereby is adjourned at 11:30pm.