

VILLAGE OF NEW HEMPSTEAD
108 OLD SCHOOLHOUSE RD.
NEW CITY, NEW YORK 10956

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2015
VILLAGE HALL – 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT

SOLOMON FUERST, DEPUTY MAYOR
BRUCE MINSKY, TRUSTEE
PAUL MUNDT, TRUSTEE
DAVID WEISS, TRUSTEE

ABSENT

FRED BRINN, MAYOR

ALSO PRESENT

KATHY ZALANTIS, VILLAGE ATTORNEY
CAROLE VAZQUEZ, VILLAGE CLERK-TREASURER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Open Floor – Public Participation

Stephen Geis
7 Kingston Dr.

New Hempstead – re: Item #8 on the agenda – “resolution approving zoning map to be used by the Rockland County GIS portal website.” He wanted to know if that is the map that is currently posted on the Village’s website. The answer was “yes”.

Ms. Vazquez stated that is not the map of the Village of New Hempstead. The map referred to is a proposed map.

Mr. Geis asked the status of the Master Plan, which appears to be inviting developers, to consider higher development than we are accustomed to in New Hempstead. He wanted to know the position of the Board considering the suggestions that now appear on the Village website.

Deputy Mayor Fuerst stated there has been no change since the last meeting. There was a meeting scheduled and was taken off the schedule. There is nothing proposed.

Mr. Geis also asked a question regarding item #5 on the agenda regarding the scheduling of a public hearing on Community Development Block Grant Program.

Deputy Mayor Fuerst stated that would be discussed by the Attorney at the scheduled public hearing.

Mr. Geis also asked that the minutes of the meetings be presented a little faster than they have been.

Deputy Mayor Fuerst and Ms. Vazquez assured him that the minutes are drafted and sent to the Board Members prior to the upcoming meeting. Recently there were some corrections that needed to be made so the minutes were not approved as quickly.

Aron Saperstein
4 Pennington Way

New Hempstead, N.Y. – The public is perceiving that if the Village does take Federal or other monies in terms of a Grant, may open themselves up to the judicial requirements for second housing, if that is not the case, it would be nice for this to be brought up at the next meeting.

Trustee Minsky replied that the grants can have conditions attached to them. When the grant is discussed, he would expect that the conditions, whatever they are, will be discussed. As far as this particular one, we do not know the details yet.

Mr. Saperstein also asked if the Village owns the building rights on the Golf Course on Brick Church.

He was told he would have to do a F.O.I.L. on that to request any information.

Mr. Sheinfeld

9 Kingston Dr. – suggested the Village website would be a good place to clarify rumors.

Deputy Mayor Fuerst closed the public hearing.

Scheduling public hearing on application of Steven Rosenstock, 24 Brockton Road for a special permit for a Passover kitchen.

Trustee Weiss offered the following motion, which was seconded by Trustee Minsky:

Resolution # BOT 2015-118

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of New Hempstead hereby schedules a public hearing on application of Steven Rosenstock, 24 Brockton Road for a special permit for a Passover Kitchen to be held on January 28, 2016.

Deputy Mayor Fuerst called for a vote and the vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

Scheduling public hearing on Community Development Block Grant program for January 28, 2016 at 7:45 p.m.

Trustee Weiss offered the following motion, which was seconded by Trustee Minsky:

Resolution # BOT 2015-119

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of New Hempstead hereby schedules a public hearing on Community Development Block Grant Program for January 28, 2016 at 7:45 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Fuerst called for a vote and the vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

Resolution authorizing Mayor to sign contract with the Town of Ramapo for Building and Zoning Services for the 2016 year.

Trustee Weiss offered the following motion, which was seconded by Trustee Minsky:

Resolution # BOT 2015-120

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of New Hempstead hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign contract with the Town of Ramapo for Building and Zoning Services for the 2016 year.

Deputy Mayor Fuerst called for a vote and the vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

Resolution authorizing payment of annual dues to the New York Planning Federation.

Trustee Minsky offered the following motion, which was seconded by Trustee Weiss:

Resolution # BOT 2015-121

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of New Hempstead hereby authorizes payment of annual dues to the New York Planning Federation.

Deputy Mayor Fuerst called for a vote and the vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

Resolution approving zoning map to be used by the Rockland County GIS Portal website

Trustee Minsky offered the following motion, which was seconded by Trustee Weiss:

Resolution # BOT 2015-122

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of New Hempstead hereby approves zoning map to be used by the Rockland County GIS Portal website.

Deputy Mayor Fuerst called for a vote and the vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

Resolution approving Abstract of Audited Claims.

Trustee Minsky offered the following motion, which was seconded by Trustee Mundt:

Resolution # Bot 2015-123

Resolved that Abstract of Audited claim numbers 16812 through 16855 in the aggregate amount of \$101,510.08 is hereby approved.

Deputy Mayor Fuerst called for a vote and the vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

Deputy Mayor's Report – Nothing specific – “really nice looking shed outside”

Trustee's Report – Trustee Minsky stated that the property on Summit Park Rd, the senior citizen homes, according to the building plan, were to have one entrance going in and there is to be an emergency entrance going through Adele Blvd. What's happened now is that the construction trucks are now going to the main entrance. Practically everything is coming through the emergency entrance. That entrance is supposed to be used for only that. There is a lot of traffic and dust going through that area. I don't think, according to the plan, that they should be using that entrance at all. That entrance should be shut down. I think there are also complaints that they are working earlier hours and they do later hours and also working on Saturdays. We have made communications with the builder, but they have not been complied, it is incumbent on us to take strong action to stop this.

Ms. Vazquez stated the Code Inspector has been out there 3 or 4 times. We have gotten in touch with the builder. The next thing will be to put a Stop Work Order and to close down the construction.

Deputy Mayor Fuerst stated the Building Inspector should go there Monday or Tuesday and shut it down. Unless there is special permission to use the emergency entrance, it should be shut down.

Trustee Minsky also mentioned the property on Union Rd., where they are building the school, apparently sold. The property is still sitting there and there has been absolutely nothing done. There has been no building there for 6, 7, 8, 10 years. It is a complete eyesore. They should be required to build there or not. They came to us for a variance and they have done absolutely nothing. That could cause a precedence. Once a permit is given, they should build. If not, the permit should be pulled back.

Ms. Vazquez confirmed there was a change of ownership.

Attorney Zalantis stated conditions should be put on permits.

No other reports from the Trustees

Trustee Weiss offered the following motion, which was seconded by Trustee Minsky:

Resolution # BOT 2015-124

Resolved, that the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of New Hempstead, held on December 17, 2015, is hereby adjourned.

Deputy Mayor Fuerst called for a vote and the vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

Respectfully submitted – Carole Vazquez, Village Clerk-Treasurer - LPM