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

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING

May 31, 2022

7:30 P.M.

PRESENT

ABE SICKER, MAYOR
ADAM REICH, TRUSTEE
SHALOM MINTZ, DEPUTY MAYOR
MOSHE SCHULGASSER, TRUSTEE

ABSENT

JEN EISENSTEIN, TRUSTEE

ALSO PRESENT

BRUCE MINSKY, VILLAGE ATTORNEY
ALLISON WEINRAUB, VILLAGE CLERK TREASURER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

OPEN FLOOR

Mr. Braun, 6 Grandview Ave.

Any update on the roadway improvements from the county and about the sidewalks on Union Rd?

The mayor and village engineer mentioned the county did get back to them with a phone call this afternoon and they will not do any improvements. The Mayor will make a few phone calls to see if anything can be done and they will request the denial in writing from the county.

The sidewalks by Union are being worked on. There is an agreements with the school that is needed and is being worked on.

Mr. Gestetner, 45 Fessler Dr.

Union and Viola traffic lights change too quickly. Is there anything that can be done? Would also like to thank the board and professionals for the shortcut by Southgate. In the winter a car may be able to get through from the Southgate side.

The village engineer will monitor the situation to see if additional work is needed to prevent vehicles from entering.

That area is in the Village of Spring Valley but the village will make a call to county to see if they can do anything.

Shelley Karben, 16 Josell Ct

Has issue with the development of the proposed park. The land was designated as wetlands and was promised it would not be developed.

Golda Leah Fishman, 24 Fessler Dr.

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Concerned about two safety issues in the Fessler area. On Fessler coming from 306 there are no lights except one by 26 Fessler Dr. but is being blocked by trees and from 22 Fessler Dr. - Rt. 306 there are a lot of cars that idle there. Is there anything that can be done?

The village will call someone to clear the brush in front of the light and the Mayor will go out to see if they should put no idle anytime sign.

A gentleman from the public spoke but did not give his name or address. He is in favor of the speed hump as long as they are legal and the village has the authority to install them. He also has issue with dumping.

Mr. Farkus, 7 Wishers Ln.

Appreciates all the efforts in addressing all of his previous concerns. The only item he did not hear back from was the retaining wall by his property.

The village professionals informed him it is on private property and it is not for the village to maintain. The homeowner can repair it if he'd like.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES APRIL 26, 2022

Trustee Schulgasser offered the following motion, which was seconded by Deputy Mayor Mintz:

Resolution # BOT 2022-50

Resolved, that the minutes of the regular meeting of April 26, 2022 are hereby approved and the reading of said minutes is waived. Mayor Sicker called for a vote. The vote was 3-0.

APPROVAL OF AUDITED VOUCHERS 2022-5

Deputy Mayor Mintz offered the following motion, which was seconded by Trustee Reich:

Resolution # BOT 2022-51

Resolved, that abstract of Audited Vouchers 2022-5, #20042-20092 in the amount of \$114,049.79 is hereby approved. Mayor Sicker called for a vote. The vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED: WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS

The Mayor explained the village currently does not allow for overnight parking on any street in the village from November- April from 2am-6am. The board is considering amending that section of the code to something similar to Teaneck NJ. The board would like to keep those months for the regulation but only during predicted snow or during snow removal. This will allow for easier clearing during the day and it will allow residents to park overnight when it's a 60 degree day in November.

Deputy Mayor Mintz offered the following motion, which was seconded by Trustee Schulgasser:

Resolution # BOT 2022-52

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Resolved, that the Village Board of the Village of New Hempstead hereby declare intent to be the lead agency on a Local Law to amend Chapter 269 of the Code of the Village of New Hempstead entitled Prohibit Parking within the Village of New Hempstead pursuant to Municipal Home Rule Law Section 10 et seq. --2022. Mayor Sicker called for a vote. The vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

DISCUSSION: FESSLER SPEED HUMPS

A petition was submitted to the Village with about 17 signatures requesting the Temporary Speed humps that were placed on Fessler Dr. become permanent and include additional ones as well. The Village sent out a letter to all of the residents in the area about this meeting. No decision will be made this evening.

The gentleman who did not provide his name or address believes the No Parking on Schooldays is not being enforced.

Golda Leah Fishman, 24 Fessler Dr.

Would like to know why there is no parking during schooldays? Is in favor of the speed humps

The Mayor explained the signs were initially put in about 20 years ago and reassessed again about 5 years ago but it is essentially to prevent students from parking on both sides of the street and blocking traffic.

Mr. Gestetner, 45 Fessler Dr.

Initiated the petition. Noticed most of the traffic is from outside the neighborhood. Since the Speed Humps have been installed traffic has visibly slowed down, but the speed by Fessler to N. Southgate is out of control. Would appreciate 1 or 2 permanent speed humps to be installed.

Chaim Schild, 19 N Southgate

His house is past Tracy Ct. and the current Speed Hump status allows for people to slow down but then gain speed again once they reach his property. The busses use Fessler Dr. as a cut thru and the bussing company has not done anything. There are also busses from private schools. Is in favor of the speed hump install.

The Mayor and village professional explained the location was determined as a test run. Now the village can come up with a plan for the area, and we will also look into the bussing issue.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING VILLAGE GRANT WRITER TO APPLY FOR GRANTS ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW HEMPSTEAD

The Mayor explained there is a \$200,000.00 grant the County is awarding. The village would like Joel Grossbarth to apply.

Deputy Mayor Mintz offered the following motion, which was seconded by Trustee Reich:

Resolution # BOT 2022-53

Resolved, that the Village Board of the Village of New Hempstead hereby authorize the Village Grant Writer to apply for the Rockland County Resilient Recreation Grant. Mayor Sicker called for a vote. The vote was 3-0. Trustee Schulgasser was no present to vote. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT REGARDING FAIRWAY PARK-679 NEW HEMPSTEAD RD-42.13-2-50 WITH THE TOWN OF RAMAPO.

The Mayor explained the goal for this project is to have some type of walking path about a mile long with two playgrounds, maybe a volleyball basketball or tennis court. The closest bounce will be about 250 ft. from anyone's property. There will be a 50ft buffer from anyone's property. The walking path comes from Keri Ln, and Fairway Oval. There will be a discussion on June 15, 2022 on this. Please email if you will be attending.

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2022 MS4 REPORT

Deputy Mayor Mintz offered the following motion, which was seconded by Trustee Reich:

Resolution # BOT 2022-54

Resolved, that the Village Board of the Village of New Hempstead hereby accept the 2022 MS4 Report. Mayor Sicker called for a vote. The vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

ADJOURN TO JUNE 28, 2022- CONTINUATION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ON- A LOCAL LAW REPEALING AND AMENDING LOCAL LAW 3 OF 2021 A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND THE VILLAGE OF NEW HEMPSTEAD ZONING CODE TO INCLUDE PROPOSED ZONING CHANGES AND ADDITIONS/AMENDMENTS/MODIFICATIONS TO VILLAGE ZONING LAW BASED

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Deputy Mayor Mintz offered the following motion, which was seconded Trustee Schulgasser:

Resolution # BOT 2022-55

Resolved, that the village Board of the Village of New Hempstead hereby adjourns the Public Hearing on a Local Law to amend the Village of New Hempstead zoning code to include proposed zoning changes and additions/amendments/modifications to village zoning law to June 28, 2022. Mayor Sicker called for a vote. The vote was 3-0 the resolution was adopted.

MAYORS REPORT-

DEPUTY MAYORS REPORT

TRUSTEEES REPORT-

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Trustee Schulgasser offered the following motion, which was seconded Trustee Schulgasser:

Resolution # BOT 2022-56

Resolved, that the meeting on May 31 2022 of the Board of Trustees is hereby adjourned. Mayor Sicker called for a vote. The vote was 3-0. The resolution was adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Weinraub,
Village Clerk-Treasurer