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

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 29, 2024
7:00pm

PRESENT

ABE SICKER, MAYOR
SHIMON LEVI, TRUSTEE
MOSHE SCHULGASSER, TRUSTEE
MARC SCHIFFMAN, TRUSTEE
SHALOM MINTZ, DEPUTY MAYOR

ABSENT

ALSO PRESENT

ALLISON WEINRAUB, VILLAGE CLERK
TREASURER
BRUCE MINSKY, VILLAGE ATTORNEY (7:15pm)

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

OPEN FLOOR- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.

Mrs. Berman-9 Ash Lawn Ave.

Has issues with the roadway through the cemetery to Ashlawn Ave. that was put in. Was told the roadway from the cemetery would only be used once a year and does not believe that's accurate. Feels there's a personal violation of her rights. She was asked for ID when she went home the other day, because the road was closed off to public traffic. Was told people on the block agreed and no one did. can't understand why they are pushing for this. She moved here because it was a quiet block. Buses were coming and going all day Sunday and they don't want that in their neighborhood.

Mayor Sicker explained the situation involving traffic and parking management around a cemetery, particularly on a day when large numbers of people visit for a yahrzeit (a memorial event). Initially, the mayor opposed opening a small street to accommodate traffic, but after some neighbors agreed to the plan, it was allowed on the condition that the police would manage access, limiting it to residents and buses only. The cemetery isn't directly responsible for managing traffic, but they coordinate with local authorities to prevent gridlock, as tens of thousands of visitors come from different areas. It's within the cemetery's right to file for an application to open the road to their property, and this might involve a minor site plan amendment. They emphasize that the priority is managing traffic for the one-day event, as opposed to creating a regular access point. Though it's a small, quiet street, buses are allowed, and the temporary disruption is a result of the large volume of visitors. While the Mayor understands the inconvenience and is not a fan of it opening, he stresses that this is a necessary part of the plan to manage the large crowds. The officers are doing you a favor by confirming you live there. This is preventing 2,000 cars from parking on your block.

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Mrs. Merman would appreciate advance notice next year and the Mayor requested that she check in next year to provide you with more information. The mayor has a note to be sure to send out something that has the information.

Bayla Solomon, 4 fisher ct.

Also felt it worked out well and really appreciates the sidewalk project on Union Rd.

Moshe Farkus, 7 Wishers Ln

Agrees that the traffic worked well this year and appreciates the progress on the sidewalk on Union Rd. Would also like to thank the Mayor for help with the utility company who before the holiday contacted residents that there would be a disruption in electricity causing an issue for anyone who had stuff programmed to Shabbos mode. Within an hour he had the issue taken care of.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: September 24, 2024

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

Resolution # BOT 2024-79

Resolved, that the minutes of the regular meeting of September 24, 2024 are hereby approved and the reading of said minutes is waived. Mayor Sicker called for a vote. The vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

APPROVAL OF AUDITED VOUCHERS 2024-10

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

Resolution # BOT 2024-80

Resolved, that abstract of Audited Vouchers 2024-10, #21472-20521 in the amount of \$ 107720.69 are hereby approved. Mayor Sicker called for a vote. The vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIGITAL RECORD AS THE OFFICIAL RECORD FOR THE VILLAGE OF NEW HEMPSTEAD

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

Resolution # BOT 2024-81

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of New Hempstead shall maintain all digitally created records in their native digital format for the legally proscribed retention period of the record. The Village of New Hempstead shall maintain all digital records adhering to the guidelines set forth in the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Part 185.8. Copies of records in other formats, including paper, shall be deemed convenience copies and disposed of when no longer needed for reference or other administrative purposes. Mayor Sicker called for a vote. The vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

SCHEDULE THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2025 BUDGET

Trustee Schiffman offered the following motion, which was seconded by Trustee Levi:

Resolution # BOT 2024-82

Resolved, that the village board of the Village of New Hempstead hereby schedule the public hearing for the 2025 budget for November 26, 2024. Mayor Sicker called for a vote. The vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE CLERK TREASURER TO LEVY TAXES APPROVED PURSUANCE TO THE 2024 BUDGET.

Trustee Schiffman offered the following motion, which was seconded by Trustee Levi:

Resolution # BOT 2024-83

Resolved, that the village board of the village of New Hempstead hereby authorize the village Clerk Treasurer to levy taxes approved pursuant to the 2024 Budget. Mayor Sicker Called for a vote. The vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE WARRANT FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES AND AUTHORIZED THE VILLAGE CLERK TREASURER TO TRANSMIT THE SAME TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE

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

Resolution # BOT 2024-84

Resolved, that the village board of the village of New Hempstead hereby accept the warrant for uncollected taxes and authorize the village Clerk Treasurer to transmit the same to the Rockland County Commissioner of Finance. Mayor Sicker called for a vote. The vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

ADJOURN TO November 26, 2024 CONTINUATION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING: DENTON ACRES_FAVISH LANGSAM, INTERSECTION OF RT-45 AND NEW HEMPSTEAD RD, NEW HEMPSTEAD, NY 10977. THE APPLICANTS ARE PETITIONING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A ZONE CHANGE FROM A 1R-35 TO AN NCD (NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL DISTRICT) PER THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 290-36.1 TO PERMIT THE CONSTRUCTION MAINTENANCE AND USE OF A TWO STORY OFFICE BUILDING WITH ACCESSORY PARKING. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF RT-45 315 FT. +/- FROM THE INTERSECTION OF NEW HEMPSTEAD RD. THE PROPERTY IS DESIGNATED ON THE TOWN OF RAMAPO TAX MAP AS SECTION 42.15-1-

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

Resolution # BOT 2024-85

Resolved, that the village board of the village of New Hempstead hereby adjourn the Public Hearing of Denton Acres for a petition for a zone change to November 26, 2024. Mayor Sicker called for a vote. The vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

MAYORS REPORT:

DEPUTY MAYORS REPORT:

TRUSTEES REPORT:

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MOTION TO ADJOURN

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

Resolution # BOT 2024-86

Resolved, that the meeting on October 29, 2024 of the Board of Trustees is hereby adjourned. Mayor Sicker called for a vote. The vote was 4-0. The resolution was adopted.

Respectfully submitted,
Allison Weinraub,
Village Clerk-Treasurer