

Minutes - Regular Board Meeting Village of Greenwich  
March 14, 2022  
**Public Hearing**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Greenwich was held February 14, 2022 via digital platform. Present were Mayor Fuller, Trustees Brown, Vandewater, Tefft, Robinson, as well as Attorney Kelly, Sargeant Danko, Chief White, Treasurer Prime and Mike Smith standing in for Superintendent Flynn. CCGY president Mumby was absent.

Mayor Fuller opened the Public Hearing at 7:00pm.

**Amendments to the Village of Greenwich Zoning Code.**

The proposed Zoning Code amendments would update outdated parking regulations and ensure that new development along Main Street is pedestrian-friendly and in line with the vision of the 2019 Main Street Streetscape Plan. The primary components of the proposed zoning code amendments are (1) establishing a Main Street Overlay District generally along the Village's Main Street Corridor between Church/Academy Street and Mill Hollow; (2) establishing a site plan review process that would apply within the Overlay District; (3) providing supplemental design guidelines for the Overlay District that would be considered as part of site plan review; (4) updating parking requirements to reflect current Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) parking requirements and allow greater flexibility; (5) incorporating definitions and guidelines for food trucks and electric vehicle charging stations; and (6) additional updates to address ambiguity and inconsistencies

Mayor Fuller asked for comments from the public. No comments.

Mayor Fuller commented that it is essential to have clear guidelines on triggers for a site-plan review. She added that the current NYMS grant recipients have no projects which fall under site-plan review. Norabelle Greenberger from LaBella offered to review some key points.

**Parking:** The Institute of Parking Engineers' current standards were used to update the parking requirements including ADA requirements. Also some added flexibility such as reducing parking requirements based on demand and opportunities to share parking with another property owner. Another add is identifying EVCS, which can count towards parking requirements. A question was asked about bike lanes. They are not addressed in the zoning changes. A definition was added for food trucks on private property, which would trigger the need for a special-use permit. Clarity around what needs to be submitted to the ZBA has also been added.

Attorney Kelly stated the need for final amendments to the Zoning Code prior to the public meeting. The Public Hearing will be kept open until the April 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Board will vote on the amendments to the Zoning Law at that time..

**Vouchers**

General Fund Voucher numbers 373 - 410 totaling \$93,769.38

Water Fund Voucher numbers 75 - 80 totaling \$4,800.73

Sewer Fund Voucher numbers 49 - 56 totaling \$2,350.19

Water Supply Improvements Capital Project Fund Voucher numbers 36 - 40 totaling \$67,571.70

NYMS Grant Capital Project Fund Voucher number 41 totaling \$5000.00

**Transfers**

From: A917 \$5462.12

To: A6989.4 \$5462.12

The transfer is to appropriate remainder of last year's \$50k advance from the Dept of State for Chazen Services into this current budget year.

Mayor Fuller asked for a motion to pay these bills. Trustee Brown made this motion, seconded by Trustee Vandewater and carried by all.

## **Department Reports**

**Fire:** Chief White delivered the February report: no new members; 10 calls, 1 EMS, 5 building fires. Activity and training 188.53 hours for the month Gear update- Delivery pushed backed to May now. Millertown Garage- L324 air system, and pump repairs. Uline- We purchased entry mats, and a hand cart. The hand cart has been placed on Rescue 328 to assist moving rescue equipment. Training with other area Fire Departments has commenced and participation is anticipated to increase over the coming months.

**Police:** Sargeant Danko delivered the February report: 10 cases were handled with 17 reported to the DCJS for the year. A quiet month. Incidents handled; multiple harassments, and domestic violence, mental health, vehicle lock-outs and arson investigation. Mayor Fuller added that Benzo Consulting services have been quoted and the consensus is that the price is too high, but finding a grant consultant who focuses on law enforcement grants should be a priority.

**DPW:** Mike White delivered the February report. The item under discussion and review was purchase of a furnace up to \$5,000 for the DPW garage. Trustee Tefft added that she is the owner of a new oil furnace which may suit the purpose, which she is willing to sell for \$1000. Ken Charron will take a look. A professional should be consulted to assess the furnace as well.

**Youth:** Trustee Robinson delivered the February report. February Attendees: 217, volunteer hours:78 hrs, new Members: 2. Mid-winter cleaning took place for both downstairs and upstairs.

**Mayor:** Mayor Fuller delivered the February report: New York Main Street Grant This grant is moving ahead. The environmental reviews have been completed for all 10 properties. The rehab specialist is starting to meet with owners to do the work scope documents. The two locations that will have apartments have lead paint tests scheduled. **WQIP Grant** we were awarded the WQIP grant for the disinfectant system we are mandated to install at the wastewater plant. Per our presentation by B&L about the wastewater system at our last budget meeting, we need to figure out the whole project before making a decision about the timeline for this upgrade. **Brownfields Opportunity Area Grant** The final report has been submitted to the Department of State, so we are waiting to hear about whether we achieve Designation status. The committee will meet on Wednesday night to start planning for next priorities. **Water Project** Engineering plans for next phases of the water project have been submitted, and we have heard from B&L that they are close to approval. We will be going out to bid for the next phases of the project, replacing the water mains. **AGFTC Grant** Norabelle Greenberger from LaBella will present the final report on the zoning update recommendations to the Village Board tonight; we will hold a public meeting; and we will vote on adoption either tonight or at the April meeting. **The CARES Act Grant** I met with Norabelle from LaBella about possible funds from the CARES act. We originally discussed the grant that could target Village Hall, but we decided that it wasn't a good match. Another grant, though, is available for small businesses. I'll be pursuing the feasibility of the Village applying for

that grant, which is targeted at small businesses who were negatively affected by COVID. **Converting Streetlights to LED** We are moving forward with this project, working with NYPA. We signed the preliminary contract with the NYPA, and the next step will be finalizing the purchase of new materials. Installation will follow. **Hydroelectric power** I met with a man who wants to spearhead purchase and revitalization of our local hydroelectric turbines into a Village energy company. He will be presenting to this Board in May. **Village of Greenwich Flags/Banners** We've launched this project, and we will begin to take applications in the next week or so. **Dog Park Planning.** Our survey should be in by the end of March. When we have it, we will proceed with further planning for the dog park. Barton & Loguidice asked if Contract 1 could be put out to bid. Attorney Kelly thought we are safe doing so, subject to his review of the contract language.

**Resolution No8 of 2022 THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF GREENWICH does** authorize Barton & Loguidice Contract to put Contract 1 of the Water System Improvements Project out to bid subject to the approval of the contract language by the Village Attorney. Motion to pass made by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Tefft and carried by all.

**Old Business:**

**New Business:**

**Permits:**

- Parks Permit Application for Give Hunger the Boot Campaign – May 13<sup>th</sup> through June 17<sup>th</sup>  
Coin drop June 4<sup>th</sup> 9am-3:30 in front of Y. Permit is complete other than a question regarding sign placement. Tabled pending clarity.

8:03pm - Motion to close meeting and go into Executive Session to discuss personnel and salaries made by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Robinson and carried by all.

9:45pm - Motion to close Executive Session, made by Trustee Robinson, seconded by Trustee Tefft and carried by all.

9:45pm Motion to close Public Meeting, made by Trustee Robinson, seconded by Trustee Tefft and carried by all.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Dowling