

PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 30, 2017

Present

Mayor: Robert C. Corby
Trustees: Lili Lanphear
Frank Galusha
Alysa Plummer
Recording Secretary: Dorothea M. Ciccarelli

CALL TO ORDER

Motion by Mayor Corby seconded by Trustee Galusha called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.
Vote: Corby – yes, Lanphear – yes, Galusha – yes, Plummer – yes Motion carried.

BOARD MEMBER – CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

Mayor Corby asked if any of the Board members had a conflict of interest or had accepted gifts associated with any of the meeting agenda items. The Board members indicated that they had no conflicts of interest to report.

SPIEGEL COMMUNITY CENTER PROJECT

Mayor Corby expressed concern with issues that were uncovered at open house regarding the Spiegel Community Center project. The Board expressed concern with the Type II designation given for SEQR. Mayor Corby indicated it should be a Type 1, since the project is located in a historic district. The SEQR Type II designation endangers the project review process. Mayor Corby stated that he is concerned that the Town will not be working with the Village Codes for the project, because the Town regulations stop at the Village line. They are bound by the Zoning of the host community. The Board expressed concern that they should be following preservation goals. Mayor Corby indicated that he had spoken to Attorney Mindy Zoghlin, and she indicated that correspondence needs to happen immediately to the Town Supervisor. Trustee Galusha questioned if the Mayor had sent out correspondence regarding the project to date. The Mayor indicated he met with the Supervisor and reviewed all the issues and offered solutions.

Trustee Galusha requested that Mayor Corby provide the attorney with a write-up including all the issues. Mayor Corby indicated that he would work with the attorney to minimize the cost. He also indicated that the Town Supervisor has pledged to resolve the issues, but he still thinks that the letter is appropriate and should be vetted to make sure the Village is on solid ground legally.

Motion Trustee Galusha, and seconded by Trustee Plummer, to retain Mindy Zoghlin to assist Mayor Corby in drafting a letter to the Town Board regarding the renovation of the Spiegel Community Center, as authorized by the Village Procurement Policy.

Vote: Corby – yes, Lanphear – yes, Galusha – yes, Plummer – yes. Motion carried.

9 AUSTIN PARK - VOLES

Mayor Corby informed the Board that he had a conversation with the owner of 9 Austin Park, who is having a serious issue with voles on the property. Mayor Corby presented pictures

received from the owner. He requested that Trustee Galusha have the DPW clean out the drainage easement. He also requested that Scott Harter review the situation since voles could cause a breach in the canal, which is the Village's responsibility. The Board directed the Clerk to contact Scott Harter and have him review the situation and make recommendations.

Mayor Corby exited the meeting due to a conflict with 25 Schoen Place.

RGE & SPECIAL PARKING DISTRICT

Trustee Plummer spoke to the Board regarding the RGE right of way. She reviewed the history of the Village's trying to work with Debbie Wegman and obtain a lease for the area. Ms. Wegman has indicated that they will not give a lease to another party for the area until we drop our intent to lease the area.

There has been the suggestion to form a Business Improvement District to distribute the cost of the parking lease to the building owners. Trustee Plummer informed the Board that they will need an attorney to formalize the project.

Motion Trustee Plummer, and seconded by Trustee Plummer, to retain Mindy Zoghlin to represent the Village regarding the RGE right of way and the Special Parking District as authorized by the Village Procurement Policy.

Vote: Lanphear – yes, Galusha – yes, Plummer – yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Corby returned to the meeting.

Motion Mayor Corby, and seconded by Trustee Galusha, to adjourn the meeting at 6 PM.

Vote: Corby – yes, Lanphear – yes, Galusha – yes, Plummer – yes, Caraberis– yes. Motion carried.

Dorothea M. Ciccarelli, Recording Secretary