

Board of Trustees
Village of Tarrytown
Regular Meeting No. 11
Via online Zoom Video Conference
April 6, 2020
8:00 p.m.

PRESENT via Online Zoom Video Conferencing: Mayor Fixell presiding; Trustees: Brown, Butler, Hoyt, McGovern, Rinaldi and Zollo; Village Administrator Slingerland; Assistant Village Administrator Ringel; Village Attorney Kathy Zalantis; Village Treasurer Hart and Village Clerk Booth

The meeting began with the Pledge to the Flag.

Members of the Public interested in viewing the meeting should visit <https://www.tarrytowngov.com/home/events/28644> for instructions on how to join & participate.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Fixell requested a Moment of Silence for the nearly 5,000 people who have died in New York from the COVID-19 disease.

MOMENT OF CHEERING

Mayor Fixell requested a Moment of Cheering for our Police Officers, DPW Workers, Parks Department all Village Staff as well as all of the doctors and nurses and hospital workers who have been working tirelessly every day to save people's lives and Trustee Hoyt added members of the Fire Department and Ambulance Corp. Mayor Fixell noted absolutely, they are all heroes and we need to recognize them.

REPORTS

Mayor Fixell noted the following:

- He implored that everyone should observe the social distancing rules that are in place. He also asked for people when going out in the public, to please wear a face covering, a mask if you have one. As Dr. Fauci and the CDC has told us, wearing a mask protects yourself, but it is also protects others and helps to stop the spread of the virus.
- He thanked Administrator Slingerland, Assistant Administrator Ringel and Police Chief Barbelet who have been working almost 24/7 since this pandemic began. They have done a great job.
- The Mayor turned the meeting over to Village Administrator Slingerland to proceed with tonight's agenda.

Trustee Brown noted that this past Thursday, there was a meal giveaway for people who cannot afford food at this time or for people who cannot get out. Restaurateurs and volunteers of Tarrytown gave out more than 900 meals on that day. She thanked everyone who participated with the meal program.

Trustee Rinaldi noted that the food giveaway went extremely well and he thanked all the volunteers who helped that day.

Administrator Slingerland also thanked all the volunteers and donors who helped with the meal giveaway program, in particular, Ann Richards who was very instrumental in helping set it up. A lot of restaurants in Tarrytown came together and donated prepared food. 800 meals were given to people who drove up in their cars and an additional 200 were distribute to people's homes.

Trustee Rinaldi, a Psychologist, noted that he experienced an emergency situation with one of his patients in New York City Saturday night and he called the Tarrytown Police Department for help. He didn't want to call the New York City EMS due to the COVID-19

emergencies going on right now. The Tarrytown Police Officers with their connections were unbelievable and extremely helpful to me and my patient and he deeply appreciates what they were able to do to help.

Trustee McGovern noted that residents will be receiving the Census forms this week and she urged everyone to fill them out. She asked if we can remind residents to fill out the census forms as part of the robo call.

Changes and/or Additions to the Agenda - The Board of Trustees added a Resolution to Temporary Ban the Use of Leaf Blowers to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus until the Social Distancing Restrictions are lifted.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Village Administrator reported on the following:

- He thanked the Mayor and the Board of Trustees for their support, guidance and for sending the staff some meals. The Village staff greatly appreciated the Board's generosity. Everyone is working together, the elected officials, the paid staff and the volunteer organizations. Everyone is working to help keep our residents safe. The Village workers have been cut back to 50% staffing to minimize the threat of the virus.
- He announced that the Board approved TaSH, the farmers market to open earlier this year. TaSH will open on Saturday, April 11th with hours from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. The market will be observing social distancing. The TaSH's new Plan will be contactless and operating by drive-through. The new model will be drive through, pre-order and pre-pay. It will be limited to a few select vendors in the short term, including the most critical food categories (eg. Meat, produce, dairy and bread). For detailed information, please go to the Rivertown's Village Green, a/k/a TaSH Farmers Market's website. Shoppers will sign up for a time slot on the website. They will pre-order via the website. There will be links to each vendor where they can preorder and pre-pay. Shoppers show up at Lot F parking lot on the waterfront in their cars. Windows remain up. It will be a contactless pickup: As they drive past the vendors, the vendor will place their bag/box on a table which will be on the driver's side. Shopper will pick up their order off the table. Vendor/Shopper will have no contact and will always be well beyond 6 feet apart. No payment will be exchanged, no shopping will happen at the market and nobody will be standing on any lines. Tables will be cleaned regularly and staff will wear gloves and masks.
- The Village is planning to put out a robo call to remind everyone to wear masks, which is the latest recommendation from the CDC and the County and State Departments. People should wear some kind of face covering to prevent sneezing and coughing virus particles to reach other people in order to minimize the spread of the virus. Continue to wash and sanitize your hands. Wear gloves, especially for the touch points like credit card readers, ATM's and gas station pumps.

Trustee Brown asked if the Village can include on the robo call information about the early opening of the farmer's market and the particulars.

- Coronavirus Update
Administrator Slingerland noted that the Village has been coordinating with the department heads with respect to the new COVID-19 rules and guidelines regarding protective equipment and ways to keep all of our employees safe. The Village has been working with all the Villages within Greenburgh and Sleepy Hollow to jointly purchase personal protective equipment and gear, gloves, sanitary wipes and facial masks. We want to have enough protective gear for the police, DPW workers, Fire Department and Ambulance Corp members.

CONTINUATION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE VILLAGE OF TARRYTOWN'S TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021, TO BE CONTINUED THROUGH TO THE NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON APRIL 20, 2020, WITH THE ADOPTION OF THE BUDGET SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 27, 2020

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Rinaldi and unanimously carried, that the hearing be opened.

Administrator Slingerland noted that the Board will be continuing the public hearing on the budget until Monday, April 20th and the Board is now adding a special budget meeting on Monday, April 27th, which is the night the Board proposes to adopt the budget. The reason for this is the volatility with the global economy because of the COVID-19 pandemic, which is having major impacts on the Village, the New York metropolitan region, the State, the United States and globally. The Village is looking at a significant reduction in revenues and the staff has been directed to reduce spending to only essential spending. The Board will be planning a special budget work session on Wednesday, April 22nd and a special budget meeting on Monday, April 27th. The Board will be scheduling a public hearing on the possibility of adopting a local law exceed the 2% tax cap.

There were no other speakers.

Trustee Brown moved, seconded by Trustee McGovern, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby continue the public hearing to Monday, April 20, 2020, the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees.

CONTINUATION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING – ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW
BOARD REQUIREMENTS

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Butler and unanimously carried, that the hearing be opened.

Mayor Fixell asked if the graphic changes will be able to get done by April 20th. Administrator Slingerland noted that he will follow up with the Village Engineer.

There were no speakers.

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Butler, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby continue the public hearing to Monday, April 20, 2020, the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ONLY ON AGENDA
ITEMS. SPEAKERS SHALL HAVE THREE (3) MINUTES EACH TO ADDRESS THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Alfreda Williams, Westchester County Legislator, noted that she is present during this difficult time and if anyone is making facial masks using a cloth or a scarf, a more effective way would be is to insert a paper towel in the cloth or scarf.

Ellen Hendricks, Staff Assistant to County Executive George Latimer, noted that County Executive George Latimer will be calling into the meeting in approximately 10 minutes.

County Executive George Latimer provided the following update on the COVID-19 pandemic: The numbers show that Westchester County has done a lot of testing and shows a lot of positive tests results. To date, there are 14,294 positive cases in Westchester; total testing, 45,353. Eighteen (18) days ago, Tarrytown had no cases of COVID-19 and today Tarrytown has 73 cases of COVID-19. Westchester County has lost 233 residents to the virus. 377 Westchester residents are currently hospitalized out of 14,000 people who are positive. There are over 3,000 hospital beds in Westchester, so right now it is manageable. It depends how much it grows over the next 3 or 4 weeks. The County Center was turned over to the State to turn it into a temporary hospital, which will yield 100 plus beds. The Westchester Emergency Operation Department is responsible to collect all of the requests

for personal protective equipment (PPE), gloves, masks, hand sanitizers and to redistribute to the different communities who need them. This is going to be a greater challenge in the next 3 to 4 weeks. The County has to protect the doctors and nurses in order for them to continue to serve all of the COVID-19 patients. The County has increased testing sites. Along with the State Health Department Nurses, the County is now going house to house to test people for COVID-19. They have turned over Glen Island parking lot for drive-thru testing. The County has urged the State to open the Westchester Medical Center to perform tests as well. The testing allows the County to identify people who test positive and then they could stop the spread of the virus through quarantine and isolation. The Bee Line Bus drivers need to be protected, so the riders will enter and exit from the back of the bus and there is no collection of fares. The County is losing revenue, but keeping the bus drivers safe is very important in order to keep the bus line system running. Since the bus ridership is down, people can be spaced out and the schedule of service has been lowered. If you need information on the bus line, go to westchestergov.com. The County's position on parks has been to keep them open, which would include the nature centers, hiking trails, trailways, and also the County's golf courses. The reason they decided to keep these areas open, is that all of these activities, biking, hiking and walking and golfing are not contact activities and it is not difficult for people to keep their social distance. If the County is in the same predicament in two months' time, the County will not open the pool, beaches or Playland. Tomorrow, the County has setup a call in with the Director of the Budget and Assistant Director of the Budget to be available to Village financial officials and elected officials to discuss some of the principles of what the County is going through to try to estimate revenues. He knows the Village is putting a budget together, the worst possible time to do it. Nobody knows when our sales tax numbers will turnaround. The County was happy with last year's numbers, but now the bottom has dropped out of it. As the Village works on its budget, this conversation tomorrow will help the Village to outline some of the financial principles the County will be facing. Since we never seen anything like this before, the County is trying to make an intelligent decision as they can. He would like the County to be the best partner with Tarrytown that they can be.

Mayor Fixell noted that he has been listening to County Executive Latimer every other day on the COVID-19 updates and he appreciates his leadership and the admiral way that he has tirelessly been working so hard. He thanked County Executive Latimer for doing an incredible job during this horrible pandemic.

Trustee Rinaldi asked County Executive Latimer how the County's health care professionals are doing. County Executive Latimer noted that right now the County's health care professions are very close to full staff. They had some people test positive and they have been taken out of service. A few members of the County Police Department have tested positive. The heavy lift is coming when the surge of people who become ill to this disease increases. The County has been very diligent on staff wearing personal protective equipment. They have put a call out for volunteer nurses and doctors, for those who may have retired or left the profession to come back and volunteer their services to help the County. They really need Respiratory Therapists to help operate the ventilators because this is a respiratory disease.

Trustee Rinaldi asked how the County is doing with supplies of PPE and ventilators. County Executive Latimer noted that the supply of Personal Protective Equipment for the County's health care professionals are good for the short term. Not sure for the long term. There seems to be product out there, but the problem seems to be access of the equipment. Ventilators come from the State and Federal level. They seem to be moving ventilators around to where they are needed.

County Executive Latimer thanked the Mayor and Board of Trustees and Administrator Slingerland for their time and asked if anyone has additional questions, to please reach out to him anytime. The Mayor and Board of Trustees and Administrator Slingerland thanked County Executive Latimer for joining the meeting tonight and appreciates the incredible job he is doing on the fight of this pandemic.

SCHEDULE A SPECIAL BUDGET WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Butler, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby schedule a special budget work session of the Board of Trustees on Wednesday, April 22, 2020 at 6:15 p.m. via Zoom Video Conferencing to discuss Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Tentative Budget.

SCHEDULE A SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Hoyt moved, seconded by Trustee Rinaldi, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby schedule a special budget meeting of the Board of Trustees on Monday, April 27, 2020 at 8:00 p.m. via Zoom Video Conferencing to discuss Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Tentative Budget, with the adoption of the budget scheduled on this date, since the Village's budget has to be adopted on or before May 1st by law.

RESOLUTION REGARDING FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL CHIEF'S CONVENTION

Trustee Zollo moved, seconded by Trustee McGovern, that the following resolution be approved: Motion carried, all voting "aye" with the exception of Trustee Hoyt who recused himself. Approved: 6-0-1

Trustee Brown noted that the following resolution allows the Fire Department a 30-day delay to hold the Tarrytown Fire Department elections with no further delay.

WHEREAS, the Village of Tarrytown and the Board of Trustees and Village staff and volunteers have been responding to the declared emergency at the Local, County, State and Federal levels regarding the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees has been working to comply with the Governor's Executive Orders to suspend laws and regulations, which include a mandate that no large gatherings or meetings may occur, which includes holding Board of Trustee Meetings remotely via video conference, while working to meet and take action on the regular day-to-day business of Village government; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has considered what should be done with the annual election of officers in the companies of the Tarrytown Fire Department, which take place annually pursuant to the applicable provisions of NYS Village Law and NYS General Municipal Law; and

WHEREAS, after discussing this matter with the Chiefs of the Department and the Village Administrator, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown has determined that it is in the best interests of the Department to have adequate time to arrange for unusual meetings arrangements in this climate; and

WHEREAS, in order to accomplish this, the Board of Trustees has determined that pursuant to the declaration of emergency and suspension of laws by New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo, that it is reasonable to allow the postponement of the annual fire department elections by one month, to the first Tuesday in May, with such accompanying dates and processes that must take place for such election within the Fire Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby authorize the Tarrytown Fire Department and the Board of Fire Wardens to postpone its annual elections of officers and chief engineers by thirty (30) days to the first Tuesday in May, 2020, to accommodate the State and Federal bans on gatherings, while this does not preclude the Fire Companies and Board of Fire Wardens from meeting before that, if they are able to do so; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Fire Department shall also take measures to arrange for such meeting(s) to take place that include provisions that if there are ongoing concerns about the elections being held in person, that the Department shall plan for and institute measures to meet and vote by the following means and methods, as authorized

under the current situation, which includes but is not limited to voting – by text, by e-mail, by telephone, by video conference, by paper ballot (including by mail), or by some other confidential means, if necessary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown, hereby directs the Village Clerk and the Village Administrator to convey this resolution to the Fire Chiefs and the Board of Fire Wardens of the Village of Tarrytown to make such preparations and take such actions necessary to move forward the annual election of officers and chiefs within the Tarrytown Fire Department.

SCHEDULE A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Rinaldi moved, seconded by Trustee McGovern, that the following resolution be approved: Motion carried, all voting “aye” with the exception of Trustee Hoyt who recused himself. Approved: 6-0-1

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby schedule a special meeting to be held via Zoom video conference on Friday, May 8, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. to confirm the actions taken at the Fire Chief’s Convention on the first Monday of May, 2020.

SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING – PROPERTY TAX LEVY CAP LEGISLATION

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Brown, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby schedule a public hearing for the regular meeting of April 20, 2020, at 8 p.m. E.S.T., via Zoom Video Conferencing to hear and discuss a proposed local law authorizing the Village to exceed the property tax levy cap pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-c.

Village Administrator read the following draft proposed public hearing notice regarding the property tax levy cap legislation:

“BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown as follows
A local law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 1. Legislative Intent

Due to the COVID-19 coronavirus global pandemic, and the impact on the local, regional and national economy, it is the intent of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown to consider whether it is necessary to allow the Village of Tarrytown to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2020 – May 31, 2021 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law § 3-c.

Section 2. Authority

This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-c, which expressly authorizes a local government’s governing body to override the property tax cap for the coming fiscal year by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) of said governing body.

Section 3. Tax Levy Limit Override

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown, County of Westchester, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2020- May 31, 2021 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 4. Severability

If a court determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court’s order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this local law, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5. Effective date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon adoption.”

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE 2019 TARRYTOWN VOLUNTEER
AMBULANCE CORPS SERVICE AWARD (PENSION) PROGRAM ANNUAL REPORT
REGARDING QUALIFYING POINTS RECEIVED

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Rinaldi, that the following resolution be approved: Motion carried, all voting “aye” with the exception of Trustee Hoyt who recused himself. Approved: 6-0-1

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby acknowledge receipt of the Tarrytown Volunteer Ambulance Corps 2019 annual report of points achieved by respective members of the Ambulance Corps for qualification for Village contribution to the Ambulance Corps members service award program, which report shall be posted for public inspection and comment for 30 days prior to Board of Trustees’ consideration of approving submission of the report to the pension fund underwriter, subject to final sign-off by the Mayor.

VILLAGE PAYMENTS

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

Trustee Hoyt asked if this would include property tax payments. Administrator Slingerland noted that not right now. Tax payments are due in June and the Village will re-visit this in May whether or not to include property tax payments.

BE IT RESOLVED that based on the current situation and the economic shutdown caused by the global COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby authorize persons and businesses making payments to the Village including parking permits, water payments, hotel tax and other payments for Village fees and taxes an additional thirty (30) days to make payment from the original due date without accrual of late charges or penalties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that water arrears will continue to be put on the tax bills.

RIVERTOWN’S VILLAGE GREEN (AKA TASH FARMER’S MARKET) CONTRACT
RENEWAL

Trustee Zollo moved, seconded by Trustee McGovern, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby authorize and direct the Village Administrator to execute the operating plan and agreement with Rivertown’s Village Green Inc. (“RVG”), for the operation of a Farmers Market in Patriots Park for the 2020 farmer’s market season.

AGREEMENT WITH WESTCHESTER COUNTY YOUTH BUREAU FOR
TARRYTOWN/SLEEPY HOLLOW SUMMER DAY CAMP

Administrator Slingerland noted that if the Village is still under the order to continue social distancing, the pool and the camp will not be authorized to open. However, for now, we are moving forward with the following resolution.

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby authorize and direct the Village Administrator to execute an agreement between Westchester County and the Village of Tarrytown to provide funding for the 2020 Tarrytown/Sleepy Hollow Summer Day Camp program.

IMA WITH WESTCHESTER COUNTY FOR RADIO REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

Trustee Hoyt moved, seconded by Trustee Butler, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby authorize and direct the Village Administrator to execute an agreement between Westchester County and the Village of Tarrytown for a radio replacement program and for the construction of a new multimillion dollar replacement project to enhance emergency communications for Fire, EMS, Public Safety and Hospitals in Westchester County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this agreement will be at no cost to the Village of Tarrytown.

RE-ADOPTION OF AGREEMENT WITH THE TARRYTOWN UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE PURCHASE OF GASOLINE

Trustee Butler moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby authorize and direct the Village Administrator to sign an inter-governmental cooperation agreement between the Village of Tarrytown and the Union Free School District of the Tarrytowns for the purchase of gasoline for school vehicles at the Village of Tarrytown's Department of Public Works facility.

RE-ADOPTION OF AGREEMENT WITH THE TARRYTOWN UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SANITATION SERVICES

Trustee Butler moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby authorize and direct the Village Administrator to sign an inter-governmental cooperation agreement between the Village of Tarrytown and the Union Free School District of the Tarrytowns for sanitation services provided to the schools.

RE-ADOPTION OF LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE TARRYTOWN UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR PORTION OF VILLAGE DPW FACILITY

Trustee Butler moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby authorize and direct the Village Administrator to renew the lease agreement between the Village of Tarrytown and the Union Free School District of the Tarrytowns to lease a portion of the Village DPW facility to be utilized by the school district for bus repair purposes.

TARRYTOWN/SLEEPY HOLLOW "THE BASICS" CAMPAIGN

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Rinaldi, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

WHEREAS, the Tarrytown/Sleepy Hollow Basics campaign is based on "The Boston Basics" which is five easy and nurturing practices aimed at benefitting infants and toddlers between the ages of 0 and 3, in order to stimulate brain growth and development, since brain growth is greatest up until age 3; and

WHEREAS, practice #1 – Maximize Love, Manage Stress – Babies and toddlers thrive when their world feels loving, safe and predictable. Respond with smiles, words, and touch to develop a sense of security and self-control; and

WHEREAS, practice #2 – Talk, Sing and Point – Babies learn language from the moment they are born. Respond to their sounds, and later, words, while pointing to help them learn; and

WHEREAS, practice #3 – Count, Group and Compare –Talk about numbers, shapes, patterns and comparisons to help children learn to love math; and

WHEREAS, practice #4 – Explore through Movement and Play – Babies are like scientists who love making discoveries, encourage their curiosity and help them learn when they play and explore; and

WHEREAS, practice #5 – Read and discuss Stories – Reading turns kids into confident thinkers. Make books a regular part of your relationship from the very beginning. With infants, point at the pictures and speak with excitement. With toddlers, just make it fun.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby adopt this resolution in support of the Tarrytown/Sleepy Hollow Basics Campaign.

RESOLUTION TO BAN THE USE OF LEAF BLOWERS TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS UNTIL THE SOCIAL DISTANCING RESTRICTIONS ARE LIFTED

Trustee Hoyt moved, seconded by Trustee Brown, that the following resolution be approved: Motion carried, all voting “aye” with the exception of Trustee Butler who abstained and Trustee Zollo who voted no. Approved: 5-1-1

WHEREAS, in the best interests of the public health, safety and welfare, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown hereby find that the use of leaf blowers is problematic and could potentially lead to the disturbance and dispersion of dirt and other particles that may carry the COVID-19 Coronavirus, which in turn could lead to the spread of the virus to those who are not ill at the present time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes and directs that there shall be a ban on the use of leaf blowers in the Village of Tarrytown, in the best interests of the public health, safety and welfare, until such time that the State and Federal social distancing orders are discontinued or amended to obviate the need for this ban, and authorizes the Village Administrator to renew this temporary ban at such times and intervals as required by New York State Law, until such date and time that the COVID-19 pandemic-related social distancing orders are discontinued, or such time that a level of government or court of competent jurisdiction overturns this action.

Trustee Brown asked the Village Administrator to outline what services to homes are allowed to be conducted right now under the social distancing rules and guidelines. Administrator Slingerland noted basically it is lawn maintenance and essential construction. New construction cannot start, but construction that has already started can continue to get to a point where the home is habitable and safe. Utility projects, such as water, gas, electric, roads and bridges or other utilities are allowed and considered essential. Construction of medical facilities are allowed. All of the Governor’s executive orders and non-essential services will be listed on the state’s website. Assistant Village Administrator Ringel noted that construction can be conducted with only one (1) worker at a job site at a time. Building, cleaning and maintenance is considered essential services along with sanitation. Dry cleaning services and laundromats are now allowed to operate. The Governor’s executive orders continue to be updated daily.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON MARCH 16, 2020

Trustee McGovern moved, seconded by Trustee Zollo, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held on March 16, 2020 as submitted by the Village Clerk.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON APRIL 1, 2020

Trustee Rinaldi moved, seconded by Trustee McGovern, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby approve the minutes of the special meeting of the Board of Trustees held on April 1, 2020 as submitted by the Village Administrator.

APPROVAL OF AUDITED VOUCHERS

Trustee Zollo moved, seconded by Trustee Butler, and unanimously carried, that the following resolution be approved: Approved: 7-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby approve Abstract No.18 of Audited Vouchers in the total amount of \$1,049,831.95 to be paid in the following amounts:

General	\$ 434,252.38
Water	\$ 43,920.44
Sewer Fund	\$ 705.72
Capital	\$ 522,340.88
Library	\$ 27,554.59
Trust & Agency	\$ 21,057.93
Total	\$1,049,831.95

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA. SPEAKERS HAVE FIVE (5) MINUTES BEFORE YIELDING TO THE NEXT SPEAKER; THEN THREE (3) MINUTES FOR ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

There were no speakers.

The Mayor and Board of Trustees urged everyone to stay safe and to practice the safety rules and guidelines in place.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Trustee McGovern, seconded by Trustee Hoyt, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:30 p.m. by vote of seven in favor, none opposed.

Carol A. Booth
Village Clerk