

Board of Trustees
Village of Tarrytown
Regular Meeting No. 7
One Depot Plaza
Tarrytown NY 10591
February 21st, 2023
7:00 p.m.

PRESENT in person: Mayor Brown presiding; Trustees: Hoyt; McGovern; Mitchell and Rinaldi. Village Administrator Slingerland; Village Attorney Zalantis; Village Treasurer Morales; Village Clerk Gilligan and Deputy Clerk Fasman

REGULAR MEETING: 7:00 P.M.

The meeting began with the Pledge to the Flag.

BOARD MISCELLANEOUS AND LIAISON REPORTS

Deputy Mayor McGovern wished to remind everyone that the Village has started the hiring process for Lifeguards and Camp Counselors. If you are interested, applications can be found on the Village website. In addition, pool memberships will be available for the upcoming season in April.

CHANGES AND/OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no changes or additions to the agenda.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Slingerland reported that the main priority that the Village is working on at this time is the budget for the next fiscal year. We are preparing to submit the tentative budget to the Board of Trustees on March 17th. All of the department heads are working with him along with the Village Treasurer and the plan is to stay within the property tax cap and see if we can possibly reduce it further.

Mayor Brown wished to also report that the St. Patrick's Day Parade will be held on March 12th starting at 1:30 pm. She hopes everyone will be able to join us.

APPOINTMENT AND SWEARING IN CEREMONY OF POLICE OFFICER- DEVON BAUTISTA

Mayor Brown reported that Officer Devon Bautista will be replacing Officer Sonia Hennessy who recently retired after 21 years of service to the Village. Officer Bautista graduated from Bernard Baruch College where he earned a BA in Business Administration while also minoring in Psychology. He brings with him six years of law enforcement experience having served as a New York state Court Officer from 2017 to 2020 and as a Mount Vernon Police Officer from 2020 to present.

On a motion made by Trustee Hoyt, and seconded by Trustee Rinaldi the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 5-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby appoint Devon Bautista to the position of Police Officer, Grade 4 in the Village of Tarrytown Police Department at an annual salary of \$91,721.00 effective Wednesday, February 22, 2023. This appointment is subject to the provisions of Civil Service and the Village's contract with the PBA, including a probationary period of not less than twelve weeks and not more than fifty-two weeks as mandated by Civil Service Rules and Regulations.

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

There were no public speakers on agenda items.

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT DONATION OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

On a motion made by Trustee Mitchell, and seconded by Deputy Mayor McGovern, the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 5-0

WHEREAS the Elizabeth Mascia Child Care Center leases the building at 171 Sheldon Avenue from the Village; and

WHEREAS under the terms of the lease agreement, the Elizabeth Mascia Child Care Center is responsible for the repair and replacement of the playground equipment in the two playgrounds on the east side of the structure;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown hereby accepts the donation for the procurement and installation of new playground equipment valued up to \$50,000, which playground equipment will be used by the Elizabeth Mascia Child Care Center and by the public; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Administrator will work with the Building Department, the Parks Department and the Elizabeth Mascia Center to ensure compliance with all applicable Village codes for the installation of the new equipment.

RESOLUTION TO INCREASE SALARIES FOR CAMP AND POOL STAFF

On a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGovern, and seconded by Trustee Mitchell the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 5-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown hereby approves a \$1 per hour increase to the salaries of all tiers of summer camp personnel, and a \$0.50 per hour increase to the salaries of all tiers of pool personnel in order to remain competitive with other municipalities for summer staffing.

RESOLUTION TO RENEW THE LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR THE GREENBURGH DRUG AND ALCOHOL TASK FORCE

On a motion made by Trustee Hoyt, and seconded by Trustee Rinaldi the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 5-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby authorize and direct the Village Administrator to execute a one-year license agreement renewal with the Greenburgh Drug and Alcohol Task Force for the rental of a portion of the former Police Headquarters building, effective March 1, 2023, subject to conditions included in the agreement.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE 2022 FIREFIGHTER SERVICE RECORDS FOR LOSAP

On a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGovern, seconded by Trustee Mitchell, with Trustee Hoyt abstaining, the following resolution was approved. Approved: 4-0-1

WHEREAS the Village of Tarrytown Fire Department participates in the Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) whereby volunteer firefighters earn credit points for their service toward a post retirement pension; and

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees must review and approve of the credit points list annually;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby approve the 2022 Fire Service Records List as outlined in the LOSAP Coordinator's documentation for the 2022 Service awards Program which shall be affixed to the official minutes of this meeting as part of the official record.

Resolution to Renew the License Agreement for the Greenburgh Drug and Alcohol Task Force

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby authorize and direct the Village Administrator to execute a one-year license agreement renewal with the Greenburgh Drug and Alcohol Task Force for the rental of a portion of the former Police Headquarters building, effective March 1, 2023, subject to conditions included in the agreement.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT WITH PAYBYPHONE

On a motion made by Trustee Hoyt, and seconded by Trustee Rinaldi the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 5-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby authorize and direct the Village Administrator to execute a renewal agreement with PayByPhone Technologies to provide wireless applications to enhance payment process for parking at parking facilities and metered parking stalls.

RESOLUTION TO EXECUTE CONTRACT FOR RE-SURFACING PIERSON PARK PLAYGROUND AND SPLASH PAD

On a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGovern, and seconded by Trustee Mitchell the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 5-0

WHEREAS the surface material for the playground and splash pad at Pierson Park are deteriorating and need to be replaced; and

WHEREAS, the Parks Department sought estimates from at least three companies that work with the type of playground surface material necessary for the Pierson Park sites; and

WHEREAS Marturano Recreation Company (MRC), Inc. of Sea Girt, New Jersey is authorized by the New York State Office of General Services Procurement Services to provide park and recreation equipment to New York Municipalities under Contract Number PC67833;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown authorizes the Village Administrator to award the contract for re-surfacing the playground and splash pad at Pierson Park to Marturano Recreation Company (MRC), Inc. of Sea Girt, NJ for the amount of \$113,080.00, with funding to be appropriated from operating funds, general fund surplus, or capital fund surplus, based on the determination of the Village Treasurer and the Village Administrator.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO BENEFITS FOR NON-UNION EMPLOYEES

On a motion made by Trustee Rinaldi, and seconded by Trustee Mitchell the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 5-0

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown approved the Stipulation of Agreement with the Civil Service Employees Association (CSEA) on February 8, 2023, which included the addition of Juneteenth as a Village holiday, the removal of the “floating holiday” benefit, and the addition of one personal day for CSEA employees.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown hereby approves the addition of Juneteenth as a Village holiday for CSEA and non-union Village employees; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that non-union employees will also be granted an additional personal day and will no longer receive the benefit of a floating holiday, effective January 1, 2023.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING OF FEBRUARY 8, 2023

On a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGovern, and seconded by Trustee Mitchell the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 5-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby approve the minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting held on Wednesday, February 8, 2023 as submitted by the Village Clerk.

APPROVAL OF AUDITED VOUCHERS

On a motion made by Trustee Rinaldi, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGovern the following resolution was unanimously approved. Approved: 5-0

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown does hereby approve Abstract No. 15 of Audited Vouchers in the total amount of \$1,432,869.13 as presented by the Village Treasurer, to be paid in the following amounts:

General	\$ 684,672.66
Water	\$ 119,396.45
Sewer Fund	\$ 1,401.21
Capital	\$ 587,360.11
Library	\$ 36,674.00
Trust & Agency	\$ 3,364.70
Total	\$ 1,432,869.13

Roll Call: Trustee Hoyt; Yes, Trustee Mitchell; Yes, Trustee Rinaldi; Yes, Deputy Mayor McGovern; Yes, Mayor Brown; Yes.

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

John Stiloski from Wildey Street poke about Asbury Terrace. He stated that the use of a corporation for a non for profit was set up for affordable housing. He is speaking on behalf of the people in need. The original corporation was focused on the needs of the least fortunate as opposed to this now for profit entity. This assists the upper middle class who make \$125,000 on 80 percent AMI forcing the poor out of this community whose rents were doubled as shown on the court documents that were part of the HUD approval on the sale of the building. Essentially we are not helping the people this corporation was formed to help. He is saddened that he has faced resistance in his effort to bring this to the Boards attention. It is a disgrace to every faith based group that the Board set in place to protect the people in affordable housing, are now forcing these people out of town by doubling their rent. You should all be ashamed and the people on these Boards and Committees should be removed. This sale should have never occurred, and the people involved should not be on housing committees or oversee any buildings that are going to help the needy. He asks the Board of Trustees to figure out who is on the Boards, find where the problem is, and set the record straight. The faith based groups had no involvement in this, and received no information.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:21 pm on a motion made by Mayor Brown, and seconded by Trustee Mitchell with all voting aye: 5-0

Kristine Gilligan
Village Clerk