

**VILLAGE OF TUXEDO PARK
CONTINUATION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
FROM APRIL 18, 2007 RECESSED MEETING
APRIL 20, 2007
8:00 A.M.**

Present: Mayor David McFadden
Deputy Mayor Christopher Hansen
Trustee Lawrence Darby
Trustee Oliver Parker
Trustee Houston Stebbins

Clerk: Deborah Matthews

Also: THR Reporter Ramsey Al-Rikabi, Svetlana Gorda

Mayor McFadden called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mayor McFadden that the Board enter Executive Session to discuss the Isles lawsuit and Sterling Forest lawsuit. The vote was 5-0 in favor.

RE-ENTER REGULAR SESSION

A motion was made by Mayor McFadden that the Board re-enter regular session at 9:03 a.m. The vote was 5-0 in favor.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED BY MAYOR MCFADDEN

Mayor McFadden introduced three (3) resolutions for the Board's consideration and read each. These resolutions were titled: 1) Resolution to Limit the Length of Monthly Regularly Scheduled Meetings-Part A, 2) Resolution to Limit the Length of Public Hearings and Public Comment Periods at the Trustees Meetings-Part B, and 3) Resolution to Raise the Meeting Stipend and or Hire a Professional Transcription Service for Meeting Minutes of All Board Meetings-Part C. A copy of each is attached.

A lengthy discussion followed.

BUDGET

Deputy Mayor Hansen stated that he incorporated all the budget comments and changes made at the April 18th Trustees meeting which resulted in the version that is before the Board.

A very lengthy discussion was held on the proposed 2007-2008 budget.

ADOPT BUDGETS

Capital Projects: The Board agreed that of the \$205,000 being budgeted in line item 1620.20A (Buildings-Equipment/Capital Items) in the General Fund, \$100,000 would be designated and appropriated for the Wee Wah dam and capital projects.

Surplus: The Board agreed that \$125,000 appropriated surplus would be applied to the General Fund budget.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Hansen, seconded by Trustee Darby that the Board adopt the proposed fiscal year 2007-2008 budget dated April 20, 2007 for the General Fund of the Village of Tuxedo Park totaling \$3,351,766 with a tax rate of \$38.0794 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. The vote was 5-0 in favor of adoption.

Water Rates: Because revenues will not meet the expenses for the 2007-2008 budget, it was agreed that the water rates be increased by 4.8% for residential and commercial usage.

Surplus: The Board agreed that \$26,362 of appropriated surplus would be applied to the Water Fund as well as \$12,000 from unspent bond payments indicated in line item 2801F (Interfund Revenues).

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Hansen, seconded by Trustee Darby that the Board adopt the proposed fiscal year 2007-2008 budget dated April 20, 2007 for the Water Fund of the Village of Tuxedo Park totaling \$551,361 and that the water rates be increased by 4.8%. The vote was 5-0 in favor of adoption.

BUILDING PERMITS

A motion was made by Mayor McFadden, seconded by Trustee Stebbins that the building permit application of Seth & Laura Denberg, 33 Turtle Mt. Road, Tax Map No. 103-1-18, for renovation of the existing garage/artists studio at a cost of \$75,000 be approved. The vote was 5-0 in favor.

A motion was made by Mayor McFadden, seconded by Trustee Parker that the building permit application of Alan & Sue Heywood, 68 Fox Hill Road, Tax map No. 108-1-14, for installation of central air conditioning at a cost of \$24,714 be approved. The vote was 5-0 in favor.

SLEP/GORDA REQUEST FOR NYSDEC SEWER EXTENSION APPLICATION

Mrs. Slep explained that she needs to extend the sewer main to her property for the house she received approval to construct from the PB and BAR. She requested the Board approve her application to the NYSDEC for their consideration of the extension. A discussion followed. The Board will ask the Planning Board for their comments on the application. The matter was tabled until the next Trustees Meeting.

VILLAGE PLANNER

The proposed contract with Tim Miller Associates, Bonnie Franson-Planner will be sent to Village Attorney Roemer for review.

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

Bills in the amount of \$196,018.32 for the General Fund, claim numbers 4-1 to 4-89, and \$10,724.52 for the Water Fund, claim numbers W4-1 to W4-8, were audited and ordered paid.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mayor McFadden, seconded by Trustee Darby that the meeting be adjourned at 12:30 p.m. The vote was 5-0 in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah A. Matthews
Clerk-Treasurer

These minutes were approved at the 8/15/07 BOT meeting.