

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Village of Nyack Board of Trustees held at 7:30pm on Thursday, September 8th, 2011 at Nyack Village Hall, 9 N. Broadway, Nyack New York

Hon. Richard Kavesh presiding:

PRESENT:	Richard Kavesh	Mayor
	Louise Parker	Trustee
	Steve Knowlton	Trustee
	Jen Laird-White	Trustee
	Doug Foster	Trustee

ALSO PRESENT:	Walter Sevastian	Village Attorney
	Jim Politi	Village Administrator
	Mary E. White	Village Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance

Adoption of Minutes:

Trustee Knowlton made a motion to approve minutes for special meeting of August 25, 2011 as presented. Trustee Laird-White seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Public Comment

Roger Cohen (Chamber of Commerce) – *2011/2012 Event dates*

Trustee Knowlton moved, Trustee Laird-White seconded motion approving proposed event dates for 2011/2012 from the Chamber of Commerce with the necessary amendments, (*Free Holiday parking limited to Artopee Way lot only, next year's free Holiday parking dates s/b 11/25/2012-1/2/2013*). Motion passed unanimously.

Marianne Olive – *Hurricane response*

Ms. Olive gave a report of incidents she observed during the recent Hurricane. She also inquired as to what the Village can do about repeated drainage/flooding in the Village (Main St area). The Village Attorney, Trustee Knowlton, and Trustee Laird-White also spoke on these issues.

Hot Dog Cart

This proposal was again referred to the Building Inspector.

REPORTS TO THE BOARD

Orangetown Police Department

Trustee Laird-White reported on issue of proposed reduced police coverage in the Village. Mayor Kavesh, Roger Cohen, and Marianne Olive also commented on this matter.

Village Administrator reported on:

Basketball Court project

EcoDock project

Village Treasurer

July 2011 report

Village Attorney

-At 8:30pm, Trustee Parker moved, Trustee Knowlton seconded request for an Executive Session to discuss matters of personnel and pending litigation. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

-Additional zoning code amendments (to be presented at a later date)

Village Clerk

Permit application process - deferred for review by the Village Attorney

-Trustee Knowlton moved, Trustee Parker seconded motion approving 2012 proposed event dates from ACADA. Motion passed unanimously.

Parking Authority

Ticket policy (Hurricane Irene)

After discussion, Trustee Knowlton made a motion to authorize the dismissal of all 'locational' tickets issued during Hurricane Irene (Aug. 27-29). Trustee Foster seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. It was also stated that there needs to be improved methods of notification/communication between the Village and its residents.

Mayor Kavesh thanked Jim for his efforts in coordinating emergency response procedure during the storm.

PUBLIC HEARING

At **8pm**, Mayor Kavesh opened the public hearing to amend Chapter 79 of the Code of the Village of Nyack, entitled "Residency Requirements", as pertains to the positions of Village Treasurer and Village Administrator.

After some discussion, at **8:16pm**, Trustee Knowlton moved, Trustee Parker seconded the motion to close the public hearing.

Mayor Kavesh made a motion to approve the proposed amendment. Trustee Parker seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works & Building

Infrastructure

Trustee Knowlton reported on:

Marina bid analysis

SEMO conference call

Economic Development

No report

Information Technology

Trustee Foster reported on:

Village Website transformation/update

E-mail notification updates)

Residential

Trustee Parker reported on:

Breakfast program at Waldron Terrace apartments

Housing

No report

Inter-Governmental Relations

Trustee Laird-White reported on:

Municipal consolidation resolution (survey)

Parks & Recreation

Mayor Kavesh reported on:

Clean-up/repairs of Children's playground in Memorial Park by DPW personnel and volunteers. Thanks were given to all who assisted in this effort.

Budget, Finance, and Administration

OLD BUSINESS

-Marina Update

Trustee Knowlton gave a brief report.

-RFP for Emergency Notifications

Deferred.

-23 Main St

The Village Attorney provided a brief status report on this issue.

-Jack Dunnigan inquired as to the status of repair to street light outage in the downtown area.

Village Administrator advised that O&R Utilities is scheduled to address the problem tomorrow.

COMMUNICATIONS

Edward Hopper House

Correspondence thanking the Board for its support of the 'Year of Edward Hopper' events was noted.

Friends of the Nyacks – AppleFest

It was moved by Trustee Knowlton, seconded by Trustee Parker to approve use of Memorial Park for this event on Sunday, November 6, 2011 (12n-3pm) subject to required insurance documents.

Village of Nyack '9/11 Memorial'

Scheduled for Sunday, 9/11/2011 @8:30am in Veteran's Memorial Park (Main & Cedar Streets).

NEW BUSINESS (3 minute limit per person for public comments)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:07pm, Mayor Kavesh moved to go into Executive Session to discuss a matter of possible litigation, Trustee Parker seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

At 9:24pm, it was moved by Trustee Laird-White, seconded by Trustee Knowlton to come out of Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Knowlton moved. Trustee Parker seconded motion to authorize reapplication for "211 waiver" for Fire Inspector, V. Fiorentino. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Trustee Knowlton made a motion request from the Village Attorney authorizing the expenditure of no more that \$2,000 for the cost of outside counsel in a case of pending litigation. Trustee Parker seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, nor anyone present wishing to be heard, Trustee Knowlton moved to close the Regular meeting. Trustee Parker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously at 9:28pm

Respectfully submitted,
Mary E. White, Village Clerk