

Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held at 7:30pm on Thursday, July 9th, 2009 at Village Hall, 9 North Broadway, Nyack NY.

Hon. Louise Parker presiding:

PRESENT: John H Shields Mayor (departure 10:00pm)
 Denise Hogan Trustee
 Louise Parker Trustee
 Richard Kavesh Trustee
 Marie Lorenzini Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Walter R. Sevastian Village Attorney (arrived 7:35pm)
 John J Cincotta Village Treasurer
 Mary E White Village Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance

Adoption of Minutes:

Adoption of minutes for Regular meeting of June 25th, 2009 approved with any necessary corrections by a motion from Tr. Hogan, seconded by Tr. Lorenzini. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Public Comment

C. Pellegrini – Circus Parade

Mr. Pellegrini has invited the board to participate/march in Circus parade (7/25 @10am).

B. Silarski – Bus Shelter

Mr. Silarski made a presentation to the board, with plans/drawings for the proposed bus shelter (Ar topee Way). After discussion, Tr. Lorenzini moved to approve design, Tr. Parker seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous roll call vote. Funding was discussed and it was decided that Mr. Silarski will report back to the board regarding pricing, etc.

P. Aagaard –

Downtown Yard Sale –

Deferred to 8/13/09 (for event clarification)

Free Parking-

P. Aagaard presented to the board a proposal for free parking in the Village on Thursdays from 6pm-9pm. This event is designed to increase business traffic. Previous ‘free parking’ night was not successful. The Village Board is being asked to ‘donate/forgive’ the cost of parking for this amount of time.

After discussion, Tr. Kavesh made a motion to approve the proposal, Tr. Parker seconded the motion with the following restrictions:

From July 13, 2009 – Jan 1, 2010 (every Thursday) 6pm – 9pm in the lots west/south of the Riverspace only. Periodic status reports are to be given on the progress of this endeavor.

Motion passed with the following roll call vote:

YES-Trs. Kavesh, Lorenzini, Parker; NO-Tr. Hogan, Mayor Shields.

Additional comments made pertaining to the affect the restrictions would have on businesses in the south end of the Village. Tr. Parker made a motion, Tr. Lorenzini seconded motion to re-open and rescind the previous motion. They apologized that they did not take this into consideration during the previous vote. Motion passed with the following roll call vote:

YES-Trs. Lorenzini, Parker, Hogan, Mayor Shields; NO-Tr. Kavesh

Tr. Hogan moved to approve new motion to read as follows:
“Free Parking” event will occur every Thursday from July 13, 2009 to January 1, 2010 (6pm -9pm) in the entire Village of Nyack. Mayor Shields seconded the motion which passed with the following roll call vote:

YES-Trs. Lorenzini, Parker, Hogan, Mayor Shields; NO-Tr. Kavesh

The participants/business owners were admonished to be truthful when reporting on the positives/negatives of this event.

These persons also spoke on this matter: Trs. Kavesh, Hogan, Lorenzini, Parker, Mayor Shields, M. Olive, A. Lipson, V. Jones, D. Zornow, F. Mancione, C. Pelligrini, M. Caskill, J. Dunnigan, M. Whittingham.

S. Masters – *Wheelchair accessibility*

Mrs. Masters was referred to J. Lavelle (Parking Authority)

Reports to the Board

Treasurer:

- The Treasurer read the financial report. Tr. Kavesh made a motion to accept the financial report. Tr. Lorenzini seconded that motion which passed by unanimous vote.
- Tr. Hogan moved to approve paving of Pine Street in connection with the Nyack Housing Authority project. Their will be no cost to the Village, it will be done by Gabrielson Construction. Tr. Lorenzini seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Village Attorney:

- Status report given to the board regarding court dates for '17 North Broadway' code violations.
- Village attorney advised that he will be on vacation from 8/3-8/17/09, therefore, he will not be present at next board meeting.

Department of Public Works:

- The following topics were discussed:
 - *J. Fisk is doing research on cost of Memorial Park sprinkler repair.
 - *Comfort Station bathrooms/benches scheduled to be painted by Nyack College student volunteers.
 - *Tr. Hogan made motion approving Village Engineer to dig and inspect hole on south wall of the culvert. Tr. Parker seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
 - *Mill Street culvert report.
 - *Status report on conditions at Nyack Senior Center. After discussion, it was decided that E. Burns (Director) should be contacted to provide a list of items for temporary repair/replacement. CDBG funding will be sought for the Center in 2009-2010 application year.

Village Clerk:

-Nyack Housing Assistance Corp. Ribbon cutting ceremony re-scheduled for 8/19 @ 11am.

-Nyack Water Department has satisfactorily complied with the NYS Department of Labor Notice of Violation dated 5/27/09.

Public Hearing

At **8pm**, Mayor Shields moved to open public hearing to discuss addition of a section to the Code Village of Nyack, entitled "Parks". Tr. Lorenzini seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

(9:15pm) After some discussion, it was decided that addition review was needed. Public Hearing held open.

Reports from the Board

Tr. Hogan:

- Tr. Hogan spoke regarding the 'unprofessional' appearance of Parking Authority employees smoking while on duty (on street, or in car).

- Tr. Hogan made a motion to approve \$50,000 BAN, the cost of hiring project Architect (approx. \$16,500) & Engineer (\$34,100) for the Downtown Revitalization project. Tr. Lorenzini seconded the motion and after discussion, was passed with the following roll call vote:

YES-Mayor Shields, Tr. Lorenzini, Tr. Kavesh, Tr. Hogan
NO –Tr. Parker

Tr. Kavesh:

-No action on previous speed hump placement request (lower Main Street).

Old Business

1. Comprehensive Master Plan/Zoning Code re-write
2. Landscape Architect – Downtown Re-Vitalization – ***Village Clerk directed to remove this item from agenda.***
3. Snow Ordinance
4. O'Connell/Hesse Meeting Room – ***Tr. Hogan made a motion approving \$300 expenditure (max.) for purchase of memorial plaque. Tr. Lorenzini seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote. Scheduled date for public dedication is 9/24/09 @ 7:30pm.***
5. Street Parking re-alignment

Communications

- Tr. Lorenzini moved, Tr. Hogan seconded motion to approve request from R. Zifchock (Nyack Public Schools) to have their homecoming events on Wednesday, October 7th- (bonfire) and Friday, October 9th- (parade), 2009. Further details will be forthcoming. This request will be referred to the Building Department regarding banner application and Fire Safety requirements. Approval is subject to receipt of the necessary insurance certificate. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

New Business

Tr. Kavesh inquired about the placement of crosswalks on 5th Avenue as a solution to the speeding problem. V. Overton (DPW) will be consulted for a list of crosswalk locations.

Open Forum**Adjournment**

There being no further business, nor anyone present wishing to be heard, Tr. Kavesh moved to close the Regular meeting. Tr. Hogan seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously at 10:08pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary E. White
Village Clerk