

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Village of Nyack Board of Trustees held at 7:30pm on Thursday, April 8th, 2010 at Nyack Village Hall, 9 North Broadway, Nyack New York

Hon. Richard Kavesh presiding:

PRESENT:	Richard Kavesh	Mayor
	Steve Knowlton	Trustee
	Jen Laird-White	Trustee
ALSO PRESENT:	Walter Sevastian	Village Attorney
	John Cincotta	Village Treasurer
	Debra Karten	Clerk
ABSENT:	Doug Foster	Trustee
	Louise Parker	Trustee
	Mary E. White	Village Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Allan A. Thompson, Sr.

Adoption of Minutes

Adoption of the minutes for Regular Meeting of March 25, 2010 was deferred to the April 15, 2010 meeting for clarification.

Public Comment

Cindy Wilson – Nyack Marina

Spoke to the board in favor of keeping Marina open, citing economic hardship and safety issues. The following persons also spoke on this matter: Mia DeRosa, Peter Bannon, Bob Gabrielson, Jr.

Trustee Knowlton explained Village position of currently being in violation with the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) due to leakage of fill into the river. He also explained the processes we must adhere to at the recommendation of Village Engineer and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

The following signed up to speak during the **additional public comment** session:

- **Judy Long (ASPEC)** introduced Alexandra (Sasha) Nikotina, a Russian exchange student with the US State Department Scholarship program. She was one of 1200 students selected to receive scholarship to visit US for one year.
- **Drew Burke (Depew Manor)** spoke to the board about landscape companies and wants the Village to issue work permits.

Reports to the Board

Orangetown Police Department

Village Treasurer

- The Treasurer read the financial report. Mayor Kavesh made a motion to accept the financial report. Trustee Knowlton seconded the motion which passed by unanimous vote.

- Financial reports on Parking Authority, Water Department, and Village (expenditure/revenues) also presented to the Board for review.
- Renewal contract with Trupin Insurance Services was approved by unanimous vote.
- Motion made to adopt resolution authorizing the filing of application for a State Grant-in-aid for Municipal Waste reduction and Recycling project and for the Mayor to sign contract on behalf of the Village. The motion passed unanimously.

Village Attorney

- Attorney presented resolution for adoption authorizing Richard J. Lampert to conduct an affordable housing study for the Village. Cost of the study will be reimbursed by the Rockland County Office of Community Development. It was moved by Mayor Kavesh, seconded by Trustee Laird-White to adopt resolution as presented. The motion passed with a unanimous vote. It was also noted that this study will impact 'Superblock' project.

Village Clerk

Parking Authority

- Request from Berea Seventh Day Adventist Church to close Hudson St., (between Broadway and Piermont Ave.), in connection with annual Health Fair on June 7, 2010 (8am-6pm) was approved subject to additional clarification. Hudson St. area will be used as a location for conference van (private consultations).
- The Village Attorney also reported on pending applications before the various land use board: -Walgreen's
- Still attempting to secure meeting date with Tan Wax.

Water Department

Public Hearing

At 8pm, Mayor Kavesh opened the public hearing to discuss amending the Code of the Village of Nyack to create the position of Village Administrator.

The following persons were afforded opportunity to speak: Peter Vermazen, Salahudin Rahim, Henry Rand, Beth Riso, Carlo Pellegrini, Roger Cohen, Terri Grenier, John Gray.

Steve Knowlton suggested amending the job description for Administrator (see attached). Mayor Kavesh stated that he would like the position to be revenue neutral with an expansion of the duties now performed by John Cincotta.

After discussion, Mayor Kavesh moved to close public hearing and vote will be deferred (April 15th @ 6:30pm) since Trustees Parker and Foster are not present. Trustee Knowlton seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

Committee Reports

Public Works & Building – Trustee Knowlton

- Report on TZ Bridge project. Marie Lorenzini did attend Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) meetings on behalf of the Village.*
- Status report on Zoning Code revision/amendments.*

Infrastructure

Economic Development

Information Technology

Residential

Housing

Inter-Governmental Relations

-Trustee Laird-White reported that Senator Schumer has put \$300,000 for the Nyack Center in the Congressional pipeline..

Parks & Recreation

Budget, Finance, and Administration –Mayor Kavesh

-Marilyn Kaskel nominated to Chair the CDBG committee for 2010-2011 since she did such a commendable job last year.

-Mayor Kavesh moved that April 9th be declared “Jerry Koblin Day”, Trustee Laird-White seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

-Parking on Hart Place (overcrowding). After discussion, the three-hour limit requested by one resident via Mayor Kavesh will not be implemented, as doing this on Hart Place could lead to having to do it on other village streets. As an alternative, striping on either side of the driveway was suggested.

Old Business

Earth Week –

Board may have to consider cancelling events planned for the April 25th since the insurance requirement has not been met. To be discussed at a later date.

Communication

- Request approved allowing Nyack Fire Department to hold annual Firefighter’s Memorial Parade and Prayer Service on Sunday, June 13th, 2010. This approval is subject to receipt of the necessary insurance certificate. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- No action taken on request for ‘TAZ’ Memorial Basketball Tournament (July 11th) due to lack of specifics.

New Business

Executive Session

Adjournment

There being no further business nor anyone present wishing to be heard, Mayor Kavesh moved to close the regular meeting. Trustee Parker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously at 9:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary E. White, Village Clerk
Village of Nyack