

VILLAGE OF POMONA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MARCH 25, 2002

CORRECTED MINUTES

A Board of Trustees meeting of the Village of Pomona was held at the Pomona Village Hall, Old Route 202 and Camp Hill Road, Pomona, New York at 7:30 p.m. on March 25, 2002.

Present

Mayor: Herb Marshall
Deputy Mayor: Al Appel
Trustees: Ian Banks
Alma Roman
Nick Sanderson
Village Attorney: Reuben Ortenberg
Bldg. Inspector: Michael Zrelak
Village Clerk: Susan Glantz

Absent

Village Engineer: Joe Corless

Summary of Motions:

Adoption of 2002/2003 Budget, as amended. Motion carried 5-0.

Adoption of the Minutes of February 19, 2002. Motion carried 5-0.

Adoption of the Minutes of February 25, 2002. Motion carried 4-0-1.

Acceptance of the low bid for landscaping in the Village for the year 2002/2003 from Pro Cut for \$4,995.00. Motion carried 5-0

1. Salute to the Flag

2. Open Period

No one from the public appeared to speak.

Trustee Sanderson moved to close the Open Period. Seconded by Trustee Roman. Motion carried 5-0.

3. Public Hearing – Budget

No one from the public appeared to speak.

Trustee Roman moved to close the Public Hearing. Seconded by Trustee Sanderson. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Marshall made a change in the proposed budget, item 1910.4 should read General Insurance and not Unallocated Insurance.

Trustee Sanderson moved to adopt the budget as amended. Trustee Roman seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

4. Adoption of Minutes

A. February 19, 2002

Trustee Sanderson moved to adopt the minutes of February 19, 2002 as presented. Seconded by Trustee Banks. Motion carried 5-0.

B. February 25, 2002

Corrections by Trustee Sanderson; page 2, item 4A, the “opening” of the exhibit was a success. Also, a misspelling on page 4, should be “trial” and not trail.

Trustee Sanderson moved to adopt the minutes of February 25, 2002 as amended. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Appel. Motion carried 4-0-1. Trustee Roman was absent from the meeting and abstained.

5. Landscape Bid Opening

Six sealed bids were presented for consideration:

Rolling Acres Lawns and Landscaping of New City presented a bid of \$32,500.

County Setting Landscaping of Suffern presented a bid of \$19,500.

Pro Cut presented a bid of \$4,995.

Di Leo Landscape of Mount Vernon presented a bid of \$22,400.

Ascape Landscaping and Construction Corporation presented a bid of \$14,000.

Pat Scanlon presented a bid of \$8,500.

Trustee Sanderson moved to accept the low bid of Pro Cut for \$4,995 for the landscaping for 2002/2003 on the basis that he is a qualified bidder. Seconded by Trustee Roman. Motion carried 5-0.

6. Rockland County Stream Control Act

This item was placed on the agenda at the request of Charles Vezzetti, Chair of the Rockland County Drainage Authority. No one from the Drainage Authority

was present to discuss the matter. Mr. Ortenberg mentioned the Village has received correspondence Donald Tirschwell, Esq. attorney for the Park at Pomona, which had a subdivision approved by the Planning Board before last November and the County Clerk is refusing to accept the subdivision map because it doesn't show compliance with Chapter 846, which was not effective until November of last year. at the earliest, if it's in effect at all. The County Clerk has taken the position that all unfiled subdivision maps, even if they were approved prior to the effective date of this law, must be signed off by the Drainage Agency. Mr. Tirschwell is challenging the matter. Mr. Ortenberg will continue to pursue the matter.

7. Committee Reports
A. Cultural Center

The Director of the Cultural Center's report is attached. Mr. Gde requested funding for a flag pole and flag for the front of the Cultural Center. Trustee Banks will work with Mr. Gde on gathering information and cost on the types of flag poles, the wiring for lighting the pole, and its installation for the next Board meeting. Deputy Mayor Appel announced that the Cultural Center is being considered for an award by the Arts Council of Rockland on April 11th.

B. Recreation

Trustee Roman reported the Committee has not met recently.

C. Other

Patrolman Flatley, Shield 416, of the Ramapo Police Department suggested that 4" reflective address numbers be placed on the Cultural Center. Trustee Sanderson will also put a notice in the Newsletter asking residents to place 4" numbers on their homes in appropriate places for identification in case of emergencies.

8. Grants and Awards

Deputy Mayor Appel reported there was no activity at this time. Mayor Marshall reported on correspondence received from Senator Schumer about FEMA and assistance of fire fighting grants.

9. Building Department
A. Code Enforcement

Deputy Mayor Appel reported that he had contact with Mr. Frenzel's attorney and the matter of the burned out house will be resolved without going to court.

Deputy Mayor Appel reported one additional violation to the sign law by Rand Realty. Weichert will also be written up with violation notices on signs in the right of way.

Mr. Ortenberg reported on the current Rand Realty lawsuit. The case was resolved with the payment of a fine. Mr. Ortenberg doesn't know if the papers have been served on the second Rand violation or on the Weichert violation. Deputy Mayor Appel will pursue the matter.

B. Building Inspector and Engineering

Mr. Zrelak reported on 65 Camp Hill Road. The builder had cut down some trees but will stop cutting down any more trees. After discussion, it was decided that the regulations to be followed should be given out with the building permit. The matter will be pursued further at the next Building Meeting.

The Highgate subdivision has 6 homes framed, 3 almost complete and 2 started.

Requests for return of escrow need to be approved by the Village Engineer.

Mr. Ortenberg reported that Halley II has had its DEIS public hearing before the Planning Board.

Mr. Zrelak reported there is nothing new going on at Summit at Pomona. Deputy Mayor Appel reported that it looks like it's been abandoned for the last three or four weeks.

The local law revisions were tabled to the next regular Board Meeting in order to obtain input from the Village Engineer.

10. Legal

Mr. Ortenberg reported that Michael Miranda has made a motion to dismiss the Schechter lawsuit. Mr. Schechter opposed the motion and cross moved for a judgment in his favor. The Village's insurance attorney is in the process of preparing a response.

On Hidden Valley, Mr. Ortenberg is waiting for the stake holder action to be started by the Village of Wesley Hills.

There has been no change in the Mickleberry Estates matter since last month.

Deputy Mayor Appel brought up the matter of dangerous dogs in the Village. Chapter 40 has a chapter regarding pit bulls and should be enforced. The dog control officer will pursue the matter.

Clerk Glantz raised the question of the escrow money for the Schecter pump station. She will clarify the matter with the Village Engineer.

11. Old Business

Mayor Marshall raised the issue of the Ladentown Road (Old Route 202B) house numbering. 911 is working on establishing the numbers for the houses along the road. Trustee Banks asked if the residents would have input in the numbering because he wanted some common sense used. Mayor Marshall will discuss the criteria used with the representatives of 911 in the numbering pattern. Trustee Banks will contact Pablo Ramos at 911 to discuss the matter.

12. New Business

Trustee Sanderson attended the Supervisor of Ramapo's meeting with the local officials. Most of the meeting was spent with the Mayors in the Ramapo Section discussing the Ramapo Highway Contract. The Supervisor asked for solutions to the points raised in the letter from the Conference of Mayors. The new clauses, in response to the points raised, will be prepared by Mayor Kobre and Doris Ulman and submitted to the Supervisor.

13. Office Period

Clerk Glantz had nothing to report at this time.

14. Trustees Period

Mayor Marshall reported that the Village of Pomona has no problem with the proposed redistricting. Sal Corello will replace Doug Jobson as one of the Village's Legislators. The second Legislator, Ilan Schoenberger, will remain as a representative of the Village.

Trustee Sanderson moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Appel. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Malverne J. Toll