

VILLAGE OF POMONA  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
JUNE 24, 2002

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 June 24, 2002.

Present

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

Summary of Motions:

**Adoption of Minutes of May 6, 2002. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Adoption of Minutes of May 20, 2002. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Motion to recommend Constantine Gletsos' name to the Legislature of Rockland County for consideration to receive the Pride of Rockland Award. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Appel. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Trustee Sanderson moved to adopt the Resolution establishing standard workdays for Village Employees, as amended. Seconded by Trustee Roman. Motion carried 5-0.**

1. Salute to the Flag
2. Open Period

No one appeared to speak.

**Trustee Roman moved to close the Open Period. Seconded Deputy Mayor Appel. Motion carried 5-0.**

3. Adoption of Minutes
  - A. April 22, 2002

On page 3, Building Inspector section, the word should be 'different' not 'difference'. In the same paragraph, the last two sentences need to be clarified.

On page 5 in the Legal section, paragraph 7, the correct spelling for the Village's insurance agent is Rusty Phelan.

The minutes for April 22, 2002 were tabled to the next meeting.

**B. May 6, 2002**

**Trustee Sanderson moved to adopt the minutes of May 6, 2002 as presented. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Appel. Motion carried 5-0.**

**C. May 20, 2002**

On page 3, 7B, Building Inspector, it should read that 9 Building Permits were given out last month, not 9 C.O.'s.

**Trustee Sanderson moved to adopt the minutes of May 20, 2002, as amended. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Appel. Motion carried 5-0.**

**4. Committee Reports**

**A. Cultural Center**

The Director's report is attached. Gde reported on the repeated destruction of the Cultural Center sign. He will obtain copies of the two separate incident police reports for Mr. Ortenberg. Trustee Sanderson will check with the Village's insurance agent regarding insurance coverage for replacing the sign. Trustee Banks will meet with Gde to come up with details for a flagpole with lights at the Cultural Center and a plan to replace the destroyed sign. Information will be presented to the Board at its next meeting.

**B. Recreation**

Trustee Roman reported that the Committee will consider holding the fishing derby after the summer.

**C. Other**

**A. Catch Basin Program**

A complaint was received from a resident on Woodfield regarding dumping into the Minisceongo Creek. The Department of Health was notified and will be checking it out. Mayor Marshall reported that the Department of Health is also starting a program of marking catch basins alerting people not to dump into them. The Clean-up Committee will be contacted to see if they are interested in working on the program.

**5. Grants and Awards**

Deputy Mayor Appel reported that the Village has received a \$5000.00 grant from Senator Morahan's office for the purchase of computer equipment. He will

look into obtaining \$15,000.00 for an outdoor Village clock. Gde will check on grant possibilities from the Rockland County Arts Council and report back to the Deputy Mayor.

Mayor Marshall reported on a conversation with Supervisor Phillips of the Town of Haverstraw regarding a joint endeavor to refurbish Cheesecote Park and tie it into Burgess Meredith Park. Deputy Mayor Appel will follow up regarding grant money for the project.

**6. Building Department**  
**A. Code Enforcement**

Deputy Mayor Appel is continuing to monitor real estate signs that are set up for Open Houses in the right of ways

Walter Morris, the Village's Fire Inspector examined the burned out structure owned by Mr. Frenzel. His report stated that the building has not yet been properly secured or demolished and that the premises are in violation of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code. The matter will be turned over to Mr. Ortenberg to follow up.

The Hindu Temple still has not cleaned up their property. Mayor Marshall will meet with Deputy Mayor Appel to see what can be done.

A discussion then ensued regarding new construction vegetation used as screening. It was agreed that the Code needs to be researched regarding the matter. Long-term vegetation and long-term screening are two separate items and need to be handled separately. Mayor Marshall, Trustee Banks and Mr. Ortenberg will meet to work on the question.

Mayor Marshall brought up the large number of complaints coming into the office about the garbage collections. Trustee Sanderson suggested that the Village return to the two different collection days for each half of the Village. It will be suggested to Waste Management for consideration.

**B. Building Inspector**

Mr. Zrelak reported that he has toured some of the sites in Highgate that are requesting certificates of occupancy. It was determined that some of the rock walls deviated from the site plans. Four C. of O.'s were issued for Highgate and 1 for Litman Lane. Mr. Zrelak will send out letters to the builders about maintaining silt fences and keeping the road clean in front of their sites.

**C. Engineering**

Mr. Corless is meeting on the Highgate site with their Engineer. A revised site plan is being submitted for I-6.

There is no action currently at Summit at Pomona. C-25 and C-26 are before the Planning Board.

The Park at Pomona hydrants have been approved and the information returned to United Water Company. The Fire Company has requested a second hydrant for the private driveway.

Mr. Eric Portevien of 154 Camp Hill Road reported drainage problems on the street in front of his property. Mr. Corless will check it out during the next rainfall.

Deputy Mayor Appel checked out a road opening at Sherwood Ridge Road. The section where the road was opened is sinking and O&R needs to return to repair it. Mr. Corless responded that when O&R requests a road opening permit, they should put up a bond for possible road repair. Mr. Corless and Mayor Marshall will work with O&R on how their repair of roads after opening them.

Mr. Corless has completed the specifications for curbs and berms and will send a copy of his report to the Board.

Deputy Mayor Appel announced that the Village has received a grant of \$10,000 for handicap access to the parks.

## **7. Legal Period**

Mr. Ortenberg suggested the Village amend Local Law 40-11 through 13 regarding pit bulls and other dangerous animals because of its unenforceability. He will prepare a draft of the revision before the next workshop meeting in order to set a Public Hearing. Input will also be obtained from Claude Van Kleeck, the Dog Control Officer.

Mr. Ortenberg is still working on the Fee Revision Law. It is not quite ready yet.

## **8. Old Business**

There was no Old Business at this time.

## **9. New Business**

Clerk Glantz brought up a letter received from the Legislature of Rockland County which is sponsoring a 'Pride of Rockland' Award to individuals for outstanding and valuable community service. Clerk Glantz recommended submitting Constantine Gletsos' name to the Legislature.

**Trustee Sanderson moved that the Village recommend Constantine Gletsos' name to the Legislature of Rockland County for consideration to receive the Pride of Rockland Award. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Appel. Motion carried 5-0.**

## **10. Office Period**

A resolution was submitted establishing standard workdays for Village Employees. Item 2 will be removed from the proposed resolution.

**Trustee Sanderson moved to adopt the Resolution establishing standard workdays for Village Employees, as amended. Seconded by Trustee Roman. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Trustee Sanderson moved to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss matters of litigation and personnel matter. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Appel. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Deputy Mayor Appel moved to close the Executive Session and reopen the public portion of the meeting. Seconded by Trustee Sanderson. Motion carried 5-0.**

A complaint was received regarding the Village's park at Tamarack. It was requested that the park be cleaned out. The Village's contract with Pro Cut specifies that the first ten feet of the park be cleaned and the rest of the area is a passive park and remains in its natural state. Trustee Banks will look into the matter.

## **11. Trustees Period**

Trustee Roman requested that the Ethics Committee be placed on the next meeting's agenda.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Malverne J. Toll