

VILLAGE OF POMONA  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
APRIL 25, 2005

**ADOPTED JUNE 27, 2005**

A Board of Trustees meeting of the Village of Pomona was held at the Pomona Village Hall, 100 Ladentown Road, Pomona, New York at 7:30 p.m. on April 25, 2005.

Present

Mayor: Herb Marshall  
Deputy Mayor: Nick Sanderson  
Trustees: Ian Banks  
Alan Lamer  
Alma Roman

Doris Ulman, Village Attorney  
P. J. Corless, Village Engineer  
Michael Zrelak, Jr., Building Inspector  
Susan Glantz, Village Clerk-Treasurer

Summary of Motions

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to adopt the Minutes of March 28, 2005 as amended. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved that the escrow deposit in the amount of \$2000.00 deposited with the Village for completion of all work at Lot C-46 in the Highgate Estates subdivision be refunded. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Trustee Lamer moved to hold a public hearing on the SPDES Storm water Discharges annual report at the May 23, 2005 meeting at 7:30 p.m. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Sanderson. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to approve a preliminary expenditure up to \$3000.00 for the drainage repair on Tamarack. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to approve an expenditure up to \$2500.00 for repair of the culvert at 120 Camp Hill Road. Seconded by Trustee Roman. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to approve up to \$5000.00 for the repairs to Burgess Meredith Park based on specifications prepared by Mr. Corless. Seconded by Trustee Banks. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Trustee Lamer moved to approve two signs at Burgess Meredith Park reading “No Parking Between Sunset and Sunrise”. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Sanderson. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to approve three signs at Van den Hende Park reading “No Driving on the Grass”. Seconded by Trustee Banks. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Trustee Lamer moved to accept the recommendation of Mayor Marshall of Nik Winter as Planning Board Chair. Seconded by Trustee Roman. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved the resolution that the payment of General Funds Claims totaling \$84,642.22 set forth on pages 1 through 7 in the Monthly Abstract Listing dated March 29, 2005 through April 25, 2005, as submitted by the Village Clerk/Treasurer are hereby approved subject to individual audits by the Board of Trustees. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to approve the request from the Town of Haverstraw to pave the path leading from Cheesecote Lane to Cheesecote Park for use by emergency vehicles only. Also, the Town will post signs stating that all vehicles are prohibited except for emergency vehicles. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to adopt the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year June 1, 2005 through May 31, 2006. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Trustee Lamer moved to adopt a resolution to participate in the New York State Health Insurance Program. Seconded by Trustee Banks. Motion carried 5-0.**

- 1. Salute the Flag**
- 2. Open Period**

No one appeared to speak.

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to close the Open Period. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.**

- 3. Adoption of Minutes**
  - A. March 28, 2005**

Deputy Mayor Sanderson questioned the vote on closing the Open Period. It should be 5-0 not 4-0. Also, at the bottom of page 2, discussion on protected trees should reflect his opposition 'has been discussed and duly recorded many times'. In 6A, corrected the spelling of Ormian. Clarify the Verizon discussion to show the cable mentioned is Verizon's cable wire. 7A, Recreation, change obtaining to recruiting and correct the spelling of multi-modal.

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to adopt the Minutes of March 28, 2005 as amended. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.**

**B. April 11, 2005**

Tabled to the next meeting.

**4. Cultural Center**

A copy of the Cultural Center report is attached to the Minutes. Mr. Helfgott will complete the electrical work to the shed by Thursday, April 28, 2005. Trustee Roman reported that she has not received additional information on the puppets or computer from Mr. Gde.

**5. Building Department**

**A. Engineering and Building**

Mayor Marshall announced that a letter has been received from the Town of Haverstraw advising the Village that the rocks and debris on the Town property at Cheesecote Mountain Pathway has been resolved to their satisfaction. The escrow may now be returned to Highgate Estates. A copy of the letter from the Town of Haverstraw is attached to the Minutes.

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved that the escrow deposit in the amount of \$2000.00 deposited with the Village for completion of all work at Lot C-46 in the Highgate Estates subdivision be refunded. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.**

Mr. Corless reported there were no other requests for return of escrow money.

State Pollution Discharge Elimination System – (SPDES). All municipalities in Rockland County are required to upgrade their storm water inspection maintenance. The Village is required to hold a public hearing at the May meeting.

**Trustee Lamer moved to hold a public hearing on the SPDES Storm water Discharges annual report at the May 23, 2005 meeting at 7:30 p.m. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Sanderson. Motion carried 5-0.**

Mayor Marshall indicated that a number of drainage complaints had come into the Village. 4 South Ridge, Mr. Helfgott will meet with Mr. Corless to look at the

situation. Wavey Willow and Tamarack, Mr. Corless looked at this problem last year and reported that it involved a private catch basin that drains out to the street. When it overflowed, the water ran north to Wavey Willow and carried debris with it. The solution would be to install a catch basin behind the curb to collect the water. Mr. Corless will prepare specifications for the work and the Village will then obtain quotes for the work to be done.

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to approve a preliminary expenditure up to \$3000.00 for the drainage repair on Tamarack. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.**

120 Camp Hill Road, a stone swale and pipe is needed to correct the drainage in that area. Mr. Corless will prepare specifications for the work to be done.

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to approve an expenditure up to \$2500.00 for repair of the culvert at 120 Camp Hill Road. Seconded by Trustee Roman. Motion carried 5-0.**

2 Mountain View, water is coming out of the ground and running down the road to a catch basin. The matter was tabled to the May Board meeting.

Mr. Corless reported on two additional drainage issues. On Call Hollow Road, the builder is installing a drain and catch basin. In Burgess Meredith Park a stone swale drain was installed at the north end of the entry into the park. More drainage is needed at the sand box area of the park, about 120 feet along the parkway side of the path. Mr. Corless estimates approximately \$1400.00 for the 20 tons of stone, \$2000.00 for the 100 feet of drainage work, \$1000.00 for cleaning out the ditch by hand. Mr. Corless will prepare specifications for the work to be done. Trustee Banks commented that the parking lot also needs additional stone installed.

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to approve up to \$5000.00 for the repairs to Burgess Meredith Park based on specifications prepared by Mr. Corless. Seconded by Trustee Banks. Motion carried 5-0.**

Trustee Banks brought up the ongoing flooding problem on Ladentown Road in front of the Temple. Under the gravel is a pipe to carry away the water but it's not working. Mr. Corless will check it out.

## **B. Planning and Zoning**

Mayor Marshall recommended the re-appointment of Nik Winter as the Planning Board Chair.

**Trustee Lamer moved to accept the recommendation of Mayor Marshall of Nik Winter as the Planning Board Chair. Seconded by Trustee Roman. Motion carried 5-0.**

## **6. Committee Reports**

### **A. Recreation**

Trustee Roman reported the Recreation Committee is looking for a new chairperson. In addition no date has been set yet for the June Fish-in.

### **B. Buildings and Parks**

Trustee Banks brought up the matter of installing additional signs at the Parks. He requested "No Parking" signs be installed in the Burgess Meredith parking lot. Trustee Banks suggested "No Parking between Sunset and Sunrise", or something like that. He will obtain pricing for two signs. At Van den Hende Park at the tennis courts, a couple of signs that say "No Driving on the Grass".

**Trustee Lamer moved to approve two signs at Burgess Meredith Park reading "No Parking Between Sunset and Sunrise". Seconded by Deputy Mayor Sanderson. Motion carried 5-0.**

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to approve three signs at Van den Hende Park reading "No Driving on the Grass". Seconded by Trustee Banks. Motion carried 5-0.**

Trustee Banks reported on the progress of the electrical installation at Fairty Pond for the fountain. He has arranged a meeting with an electrician and will have a report at the next meeting.

Trustee Banks reported that the baseball backdrop at Burgess Meredith Park has been vandalized and should be removed. Trustee Banks will make arrangements to have it removed.

## **7. Finance**

### **A. Treasurer's Report**

A copy of the Treasurer's Report is attached to the Minutes.

### **B. Expenditure Abstract Resolution**

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved the resolution that the payment of General Funds Claims totaling \$84,642.22 set forth on pages 1 through 7 in the Monthly Abstract Listing dated March 29, 2005 through April 25, 2005, as submitted by the Village Clerk/Treasurer are hereby approved subject to individual audits by the Board of Trustees. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.**

### **C. Grants and Awards**

Deputy Mayor Sanderson reported that the Village will be applying for a Parks grant under the Land and Water Conservation Funds.

## **8. Code Enforcement**

A copy of the Code Enforcement Officer's report is attached to the Minutes.

## **9. Legal Period**

Mrs. Ulman reported that the Town of Haverstraw has made a request to pave a portion of the Village path leading from Cheesecote Lane to Cheesecote Park for use by emergency vehicles only. The Town will post signs stating that all vehicles are prohibited except for emergency vehicles.

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to approve the request from the Town of Haverstraw to pave the path leading from Cheesecote Lane to Cheesecote Park for use by emergency vehicles only. Also, the Town will post signs stating that all vehicles are prohibited except for emergency vehicles. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.**

Mrs. Ulman reported that she and Trustee Lamer will have a report for the next Workshop on the Highgate Developer's Agreement.

Mayor Marshall reported that he has received a letter from Abe Steinberg with the return of escrow he was holding in the amount of \$9,356.43. Mrs. Ulman will prepare the necessary paperwork before the escrow can be returned to the builder.

Mrs. Ulman reported that she has heard from Reuben Ortenberg regarding the Kwliecki lawsuit. The case has been reassigned to another judge, Judge Sherwood, and scheduled for status conference on May 5<sup>th</sup>. The file will be sent to her by May 4<sup>th</sup>.

## **10. Old Business**

Mrs. Ulman reported nothing new on the hydrant situation with the Town of Ramapo. She will continue to pursue the matter.

A resolution was presented to the Board for adoption of the 2005/2006 Budget. A copy is attached to the Minutes. The tax rate is set at \$4.67 per thousand.

**Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to adopt the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year June 1, 2005 through May 31, 2006. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.**

Deputy Mayor Sanderson reported on the utility fence to be installed on Halley Drive. The Verizon box needs to be installed and then the fence will be put in place.

Mayor Marshall reported a meeting is being set up with the new Director of the Hindu Temple and the issues regarding the Temple will be discussed. Among those issues are the dead trees along the back of the property and the drainage along the front of the property.

Attached to the Minutes is a memo from Mrs. Ulman regarding a request the Village received for a private heliport for a residence in the Village. The matter was discussed, and locations of existing helipads in the County will be recommended to the resident. He also has the option of applying to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a variance. Mrs. Ulman will send the resident a letter outlining the Board's position and his options.

Mayor Marshall introduced a resolution for participation in the New York State Health Insurance Program. A copy of the resolution is attached to the Minutes.

**Trustee Lamer moved to adopt a resolution to participate in the New York State Health Insurance Program. Seconded by Trustee Banks. Motion carried 5-0.**

**12. Office Period**

Nothing at this time.

**13. Trustees Period**

Nothing at this time.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Malverne J. Toll