

**REGULAR MEETING  
SOUTH NYACK BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2019  
VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Bonnie Christian  
Deputy Mayor Alain Leinbach  
Trustee Nancy Willen  
Trustee Catherine McCue  
Trustee Goodwillie

**ALSO PRESENT:** Village Clerk Jill Schwarz  
Village Attorney James Birnbaum  
Village Treasurer Maryann Baietti  
Police Chief Daniel Wilson  
DPW Superintendent James Johnson

Members of the Public

Mayor Christian called the open session of the regular meeting to order at 7:37pm. Following an inquiry from Michelle and Vernon Hamilton about the Nyack College property that is for sale, there was a discussion about Zone R18; the zone in which the college's property is located. Dee O'Hagan inquired about Rockland Community College's interest in the property.

Mayor Christian commented that the Village is exploring the possibility of purchasing the river front property currently owned by the Living Christ Church.

Dee O'Hagan's inquired about why the Town of Orangetown has their own landlord registry and is the village pursuing permit parking. Discussions followed addressing both items.

Christine Nicolaou questioned water flowing down Chase Avenue and expressed her concern about the waste of water and the dangerous conditions that are created when that water turns into ice. DPW Superintendent Johnson responded that this is ground water coming from Nyack Water College property. New drainage is needed to resolve this.

Mayor Christian closed the open session at 8:00pm.

DPW Superintendent Johnson and Building Inspector Fine reported their concerns about private resident sump pumps which are pumping ground water onto Village streets. This water has created significant icing on several streets. New York State and Village code states that a homeowner must correct a situation which is creating a dangerous condition. A Board discussion followed. Residents in non-compliance will be noticed.

**MINUTES:** Upon a motion by Mayor Christian, seconded by Trustee Willen, the minutes of the Public Hearing of December 11, 2018 were adopted on a 3-0 vote. Deputy Mayor Leinbach and Trustee Goodwillie were absent from the December 11th meeting.

Upon a motion by Mayor Christian, seconded by Trustee McCue, the minutes of the regular Board of Trustees meeting of December 11, 2018 were adopted on a 3-0 vote. Deputy Mayor Leinbach and Trustee Goodwillie were absent from the December 11th meeting.

Upon a motion by Mayor Christian, seconded by Trustee Goodwillie, the minutes of the regular Board of Trustees meeting of January 8, 2019 were adopted on a 4-0 vote. Trustee McCue was absent from the January 8th meeting.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Village Treasurer Baietti reported that the Village's 2018 year end budget modifications need to be reviewed and accepted. The budget process for the 2019-2020 fiscal year will begin next month.

**VILLAGE JUSTICE:** Mayor Christian reported that of the \$8,800 in December, 2018 fines collected, \$4,581 remained in the Village and \$4,219 went to the State.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NO STOPPING/STANDING LOCAL LAW:** The Board is considering changing parking restrictions on Franklin Street between Cedar Hill Avenue and Clinton Avenue from No Parking to No Stopping/Standing. A discussion took place about how a proposed law should be worded. Village Attorney Birnbaum will draft two versions of a proposed local law for the Board to review.

92 Clinton Avenue – amended resolution – Environmental Testing: Trustee Goodwillie moved as follows:

**#8 RESOLVED**, that the Village will put out a request for proposal for professional services related to performing Phase 1 & 2 environmental testing of an area of land which the Village may be interested in purchasing. This piece of property is indicated on the preliminary conceptual sketch dated November 1, 2018 located at 92 Clinton Avenue, South Nyack.

This resolution was seconded by Deputy Mayor Leinbach and unanimously adopted.

Mayor Christian moved as follows:

**#9 RESOLVED**, that the Board rescinded resolution #95 of 2018 related to a request for bid for professional services.

This resolution was seconded by Deputy Mayor Leinbach and unanimously adopted.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**DPW LABORER- Appointment:** Mayor Christian recommended the appointment of Vincent Skokos as Laborer in the Department of Public Works.

Deputy Mayor Leinbach moved as follows:

**#10 RESOLVED**, to approve the Mayor's appointment of Vincent Skokos as Laborer in the Department of Public Works effective January 23, 2019 pending Rockland County Personnel approval.

This resolution was seconded by Trustee Goodwillie and unanimously adopted.

**REGISTRAR – Reappointment:** Mayor Christian recommended the re-appointments of Jill Schwarz as Registrar of Vital Statistics and Sokuna Mam as Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics.

Deputy Mayor Leinbach moved as follows:

**#11 RESOLVED**, to authorize the Mayor's re-appointment of Jill Schwarz as Registrar of Vital Statistics and Sokuna Mam as Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics both effective January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019.

This resolution was seconded by Trustee Goodwillie and unanimously adopted.

**V.J. NETWORKS – New Pricing:** There was a discussion about V.J. Networks new pricing and request for a signed contract beginning in 2019. There was also a discussion about whether the Village has to go out to bid for these services.

**VILLAGE NEWSLETTER:** There was a discussion about whether or not to send out a Village Newsletter. The Board will review the Communication Report drafted in 2014 by the South Nyack Communications Advisory Committee. Discussion will be continued at the next meeting.

There was a discussion about the Employee Handbook and Village Code projects. The Employee Handbook has been on hold while Village Attorney Birnbaum is working on the updated Village Code. Village Attorney Birnbaum will instruct General Code to move forward with the Village Code draft.

Trustee McCue reported that the tree committee will draft a report following their February 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**PAYMENT OF ABSTRACTS:** Upon a motion made by Mayor Christian, seconded by Trustee Willen and carried, the following abstracts of audited vouchers were approved for payment:

Abstract #A19-15 – General Fund - \$47,218.55

Abstract #B19-15– Police - \$34,427.22

At 9:20pm, upon motion made by Mayor Christian, seconded by Trustee Willen and carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Schwarz  
Village Clerk

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