

**REGULAR MEETING
SOUTH NYACK BOARD OF TRUSTEES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021
VILLAGE HALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Bonnie Christian
Deputy Mayor Catherine McCue
Trustee Michael Lockett
Trustee Michael Hogan

ALSO PRESENT: Village Clerk Jill Schwarz
Village Attorney James Birnbaum
Police Chief Daniel Wilson

Members of the public

ABSENT: Trustee Jeffrey Hirsch

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Christian called the open session of the regular Board of Trustees meeting to order at 7:31pm. There were no comments from the public and Mayor Christian closed the open session at 7:32pm.

Steve Collazuol, Collazuol Engineering & Surveying Assoc., LLC, discussed the survey that was prepared for the Village of South Nyack of the Interchange 10 property. This property was taken from the village by the New York State Thruway Authority when the Tappan Zee Bridge was built back in the 1950's. Mr. Collazuol's comments included the following:

- Size – 107,890 sq. feet which equates to 2.477 acres
- Encumbered by drainage structures, utility poles, fiberoptic line, camera pole
- Several easements may be required

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon a motion by Mayor Christian, seconded by Trustee Hogan, the minutes of the regular Board of Trustees meeting of August 24, 2021, were adopted with a 3-0 vote as follows (Trustee Lockett did not attend the August 24th BOT meeting):

Bonnie Christian - Aye
Catherine McCue - Aye
Michael Hogan - Aye

REPORTS:

POLICE: Police Chief Wilson presented the August report including that \$35.00 in fees were collected.

DPW: The August report was reviewed.

TREE & PARK COMMITTEE – Deputy Mayor McCue gave a Tree & Park Committee update which included that 38 trees will be planted in the fall.

Mayor Christian read aloud an email dated September 12, 2021, from Beatrice Soil who would like to donate money to the village for the purchase and installation of a tree in the Franklin Street Park in honor of her son.

The Board agreed to install small plaques to indicate the species of the trees that have been planted by the village.

There was a discussion about whether to allow memorial plaques (ex. trees, benches). Deputy Mayor McCue will check to see what the Town of Orangetown's stand is on this.

BLDG/CODE/FIRE INSPECTOR: The August report was reviewed including that \$5,125.00 in fees were collected.

Trustee Hogan inquired about the status of the former Nyack College property.

VILLAGE JUSTICE: \$3,500.00 in fines were collected in August. Of the \$4,281 in fines collected in July 2021, \$2,764.50 remained in the Village and \$1,516.50 went to the State.

NEW BUSINESS:

FENCE BID: Mayor Christian moved as follows:

#43 RESOLVED, to accept the bid from Yaboo Fence Co., Inc. for the removal and complete installation of a new fence in Franklin Street Park in the amount of \$24,769.00.

Trustee Hogan seconded this resolution and adopted with a 4-0 vote as follows:

Bonnie Christian – Aye
Catherine McCue - Aye
Michael Lockett – Aye
Michael Hogan – Aye

Deputy Mayor McCue noted that Pavion Apartments had gifted \$25,000 to the village for improvements in Franklin Street Park.

CONCRETE BID: Mayor Christian moved as follows:

#44 RESOLVED, to accept the bid from MFD Quality Construction, Inc. for replacement of concrete curbs, sidewalks, and handicap accessible ramps.

Deputy Mayor McCue seconded this resolution and adopted with a 4-0 vote as follows:

Bonnie Christian – Aye
Catherine McCue - Aye
Michael Lockett – Aye
Michael Hogan – Aye

PUBLIC HEARING DATE:

Mayor Christian read aloud the draft of proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2021.

Mayor Christian moved as follows:

#45 RESOLVED, to hold a Public Hearing on October 12, 2021, at 7:30pm to elicit public comment regarding proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2021 related to amending Article II Section 47 of the Village of South Nyack to Establish a Disbandment Date for the South Nyack Police Department.

Trustee Lockett seconded this resolution, and it was adopted with a 4-0 vote as follows:

Bonnie Christian – Aye
Catherine McCue - Aye
Michael Lockett – Aye
Michael Hogan – Aye

Mayor Christian noted that the 45-day window to submit a petition requiring the village to hold a referendum regarding the dissolution plan will end at midnight. Auctions International was chosen by the Board to sell off village vehicles, equipment, etc. Commercial Real Estate Agencies will be submitting proposals to represent the village in selling village owned properties.

Village Attorney Birnbaum reported that an unemployment insurance fund needs to be created to cover any costs that may be incurred by the village upon dissolution.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE FUND: Mayor Christian moved as follows:

#46 RESOLVED, that an unemployment insurance fund will be created that will serve the Village of South Nyack and any successor entity or legacy district.

This resolution was seconded by Trustee Hogan and adopted with a 4-0 vote as follows:

Bonnie Christian – Aye
Catherine McCue - Aye
Michael Lockett – Aye
Michael Hogan – Aye

Mayor Christian called the open session of the regular Board of Trustees meeting to order at 8:30pm. There were no comments from the public and Mayor Christian closed the open session at 8:31pm.

Mayor Christian read aloud an email dated September 14, 2021, from Lee Prisament regarding a moratorium on land development as noted in the dissolution plan.

PAYMENT OF ABSTRACTS: Upon a motion made by Mayor Christian, seconded by Deputy Mayor McCue, the following abstracts of audited vouchers were approved for payment with a 4-0 vote as follows:

Bonnie Christian – Aye
Catherine McCue - Aye
Michael Lockett – Aye
Michael Hogan - Aye

No. A22 – 07 - General Fund - \$63,064.40
No. B22 – 07 - South Nyack Police Fund - \$30,833.07

At 8:38pm, upon motion made by Mayor Christian, seconded by Trustee Lockett, the meeting was adjourned with a 4-0 vote as follows:

Bonnie Christian – Aye
Catherine McCue - Aye
Michael Lockett – Aye
Michael Hogan - Aye

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Schwarz
Village Clerk