

MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF NORTH HILLS
Village Hall
One Shelter Rock Road
North Hills, New York
November 15, 2023
7:30 pm

PRESENT: Mayor Marvin Natiss
Deputy Mayor Dennis Sgambati
Trustees Gail Cohen, Elliott Arnold and Phyllis Lentini
Marianne Lobaccaro, Village Administrator
Peter Cinquemani, Superintendent of Building Department
A. Thomas Levin, Village Attorney

Mayor Natiss called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Mayor Natiss announced that the next regular meeting date for the Board of Trustees will be December 20, 2023 at 7:30 pm.

The minutes of the October 18, 2023 meeting were approved on motion by Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Arnold and adopted unanimously. The approved minutes are on file in the village office.

The Village Administrator read the Treasurer's Report for October 2023, which was approved unanimously on motion by Deputy Mayor Sgambati, seconded by Trustee Lentini.

On motion by Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Lentini and adopted unanimously, the Board approved the budgetary fund transfers and amendments as requested in the November 7, 2023 memorandum from the Village Administrator, a copy of which is on file in the Village office.

On motion by Deputy Mayor Sgambati, seconded by Trustee Arnold and adopted unanimously, the Board approved payment of the claims on General Fund Warrant 11/23. A copy of the approved Warrant is attached to these minutes.

Frank Faber, of Skinnon & Faber, the Village's auditor, presented reports as to the Village annual audit and the Village Justice Court annual audit. On motion by Deputy Mayor Sgambati, seconded by Trustee Cohen and adopted unanimously, the Board accepted the two audit reports.

The Village Administrator presented a proposal from Skinnon & Faber, Certified Public Accountants PC, for auditing services for the fiscal year 2023-24, as outlined in her November 7, 2023 memorandum. On motion by Trustee Lentini, seconded by Trustee Arnold and adopted unanimously, the Board approved the proposal and authorized the Mayor to execute the agreement on behalf of the Village.

Discussion of Case 22-11bt, Greater New York Corporation of Seventh Day Adventists, with respect to which public hearings had been held and concluded, was deferred to later in the meeting.

The Board reviewed the most recent report on usage of the Village shuttle, as per the November 7, 2023 memorandum from the Deputy Village Clerk. There has been a recent increase in usage. The Board will continue to review usage.

The Board discussed a November 9, 2023 letter request from Bruce Migatz, Esq, attorney for Buckley Country Day School, for an extension of time to obtain all required permits for construction in furtherance of the Board's decision in Case 18-01bt. Mr.

Cinquemani recommended approval of the request. On motion by Deputy Mayor Sgambati, seconded by Trustee Lentini and adopted unanimously, the Board approved an extension of time to and including May 17, 2024.

The Board discussed a November 12, 2023 letter request from Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock for permission to erect a temporary banner on the south side of its driveway, for a two week period ending December 10, 2023. Mayor Natiss recommended approval. On motion by Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Arnold and adopted unanimously, the requested permission was granted.

On motion by Mayor Natiss, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sgambati and adopted unanimously, the Board convened in executive session at 7:50 pm, to receive legal advice from the Village Attorney and to deliberate on a pending matter. The Board discussed various legal advice matters. The Board also deliberated with respect to pending Case 22-11bt, and requested the Village Attorney to draft a decision incorporating the various comments of the Board members.

On motion by Mayor Natiss, seconded by Trustee Cohen and adopted unanimously, the Board returned to public session at 8:43 pm.

There being no further business, on motion by Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Lentini and adopted unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:44 pm.

THE ABOVE MINUTES WERE FILED IN THE VILLAGE
OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH HILLS AT:

TIME: 9:15 (AM/PM)

DATE: December 21, 2023.

PERSON FILING: M. LoBaccaro

(Print full name of filer)