

MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF NORTH HILLS
Village Hall
One Shelter Rock Road
North Hills, New York
February 21, 2024
7:30 pm

PRESENT: Mayor Marvin Natiss
Deputy Mayor Dennis Sgambati
Trustees Elliott Arnold, Gail Cohen and Phyllis Lentini
Marianne Lobaccaro, Village Administrator
Peter Cinquemani, Superintendent of Building Department (by phone)
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 March 20, 2024 at 7:30 pm.

The minutes of the January 17, 2024 meeting were approved on motion by Deputy Mayor Sgambati, 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 January 2024 , which was approved unanimously on motion by Trustee Arnold, seconded by Trustee Lentini.

On motion by Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Lentini and adopted unanimously, the Board approved the general fund budgetary fund transfers and amendments as requested in the February 15, 2024 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 the community amenities fund budgetary fund transfers and amendments as

requested in the February 15, 2024 memorandum from the Village Administrator, a copy of which is on file in the Village office.

On motion by Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Lentini, and adopted unanimously, the Board approved payment of the claims on General Fund Warrant 02/24. A copy of the approved Warrant is attached to these minutes.

The Board discussed the results of requests for proposals for seasonal ground maintenance services for Lowell H. Kane Park, the Village Hall property, and other Village property for periods during 2024 and 2025. Mr. Cinquemani discussed his memorandum reports dated January 31, 2024 and February 21, 2024. On motion by Trustee Cohen, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sgambati and adopted unanimously, the Board accepted the proposal from The Ground Guys, Inc. for two years, at a cost not to exceed \$34,850 per year, and authorized issuance of appropriate purchase orders.

The Board discussed the results of oral requests for proposals for preparation and updating of village maps, as referenced in Mr. Cinquemani's memorandum report dated February 15, 2024. The Village Attorney referenced his previous comments to the Board regarding the RFP process. Mr. Cinquemani recommended the LiRo GIS, Inc. proposal. After Board discussion, on motion by Deputy Mayor Sgambati, seconded by Trustee Cohen and adopted unanimously, the Board accepted the December 15, 2023 proposal from LiRo GIS, Inc. for all items contained in that proposal, and authorized issuance of appropriate purchase orders.

The Board reviewed the most recent report on usage of the Village shuttle, as per

the February 13, 2024 memorandum from the Deputy Village Clerk. The Board will continue to review usage.

Several residents were present to discuss requests for the Village to construct sidewalks along the western side of Shelter Rock Road in front of the Imperial Gardens, Acorn Ponds and Cricket Club communities. Sharon Struminger presented comments on behalf of the group, and various unidentified individuals also commented. The Board requested the Village Attorney to provide legal opinions regarding various issues, including (a) Village Code 186-1, (b) whether the Village is obligated to provide safe passage to walk to nearby schools for children for whom the School District is not obligated to provide bus service, and (c) who is obligated to pay for construction and maintenance of sidewalks along a County road. Further discussions will be held at future Board meetings.

On motion by Mayor Natiss, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sgambati and adopted unanimously, the Board convened in executive session at 8:09 pm to discuss legal advice, prospective litigation, and matters concerning sale or lease of real estate where a public discussion might affect the price. On motion by Deputy Mayor Sgambati, seconded by Trustee Lentini and adopted unanimously, the Board returned to public session at 8:35 pm

There being no further business, on motion by Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Lentini, and adopted unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

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

TIME: 9.30 AM/PM

DATE: March 21, 2024.

PERSON FILING: Marianne Lobaccaw
(Print full name of filer)