INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF PIERMONT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
July 16, 2024

Present: Mayor Bruce Tucker, Deputy Mayor Mark Blomquist, Trustee Nathan Mitchell, Trustee Christine McAndrews, Lino Sciarretta, Esq. -Village Attorney, and Jennifer DeYorgi Maher Village Clerk-Treasurer.

Mayor Bruce Tucker called the meeting to order and lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Tucker began the Meeting with Agenda Item #7 and Item #8.

Item #1 Approval of Meeting Minutes

Trustee Mitchell made a motion to approve the minutes for June 11, 2024. The motion was seconded by Trustee Blomquist and so carried with a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays and 2 abstain (Trustee McAndrews and Trustee Wright).

Item #2 Approval of Warrant

Trustee Blomquist made a motion to approve Warrant# 052024 in the amount of $13,154.42 and Warrant# 071624 in the amount of $234,854.11 for a grand total of $248,008.53. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mitchell and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Item #3 Department Reports

Department of Public Works - Superintendent Tom Temple was not present.

Police Department – Police Chief Hurley stated for the month of June there were 127 summonses issued, 464 calls for service, 102 were in Grand View the remaining 362 were in Piermont. Chief Hurley stated there we no major events during Bastille Day. He stated there were speed signs installed on River Road. For the month of June there were 2,200 vehicles that passed the sign the average speed was 25mph. For the month of July to date there were 700 vehicles that traveled the roadway, the average speed was 24mph. He stated the enforcement with the signs does prove to be an effective method for speeding.

Building Department - Building Inspector Charles Schaub was not present.

Parks Department – Dan Sherman was not present.

Fire Department – Fire Chief Larry Cabrera stated through the first 6 months of the year the Piermont Fire Department to 99 calls for service, 13 EM, 104 calls to service via fire/rescue. He informed the Village Board there are a few members that were completing Dive Training.

Item #4 - Old Business

The Village Clerk-Treasurer stated she received an estimate from Sarvis Tree Service for trees to be removed from Ferry Road, the cost is $15,000.00 which includes the removal of the trees from the property. The cost would be $3,000.00 less with the trees remaining on site, which would need to be approved by the DEC. Trustee Michell will reach out to the DEC to make them aware the Village will be moving forward with the removal of the trees and keeping the dead trees in the marsh after August 2nd. A resident stated there are two trees behind the Scheofold Memorial which she feels should be looked at. Mayor Tucker stated he will check with Sarvis. Trustee Wright asked what height the trees will be trimmed to; he would like it just above the trunk.

Mayor Tucker made a motion to approve the removal of trees and hard trim by Sarvis, which was assessed by Arbor Hill in the amount of $15,000.00 the trees are being cut down to the trunk. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mitchell and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Mayor Tucker stated the Village of Piermont received two grants from Rockland County. A grant in the amount of $200,000 for Half Moon Park and a grant in the amount of $200,000.00 to improve the Community Center playground, both projects will begin in the next few weeks. Mayor Tucker stated the Village may be getting a donation of $80,000.00 from the VFW for additional playground equipment.

Trustee Blomquist had no old business to discuss.

Trustee Mitchell asked about the standpipe behind Otto's, waiting on the status from Building Inspector Charles Schaub.

Trustee Wright had no old business to discuss.

Christine McAndrews had no old business to discuss.

Item# 5 New Business

Village Clerk-Treasurer stated she received a request from the Piermont Historical Society to have an Historical Sign Dedication in front of the Mine Hole on Saturday, September 28, 2024, between 1pm-3pm. She stated there will be 30-40 people. They are requesting that South Piermont Avenue be closed to traffic from 1pm-3pm from Rockland Road intersection (just south of Canzona's) to Valentine Avenue. Cars will still have access to N. Piermont Avenue, Ferdon Avenue and Valentine Avenue. Fire Chief Cabrera stated the road closure is an issue for the Fire Department. Mayor Tucker stated they will need to fill out a Special event application and they will need Police presence. Village Clerk-Treasurer stated the Piermont Historical Society is asking for the damaged telephone pole that was hit by a car in January 2024 to be removed. They are also asking if the DPW could clean up the Mine Hole location prior to the event, they stated vines are covering the sign and it is overgrown on both sides. Mayor Tucker stated the Village does not replace telephone poles. Dan Goswick Jr. stated the pole belongs to Verizon. The Village Clerk-Treasurer said she will follow up with Tom Temple, Chief Hurley and Verizon to get the pole removed.

Village Clerk-Treasurer stated the Village of Piermont participates in the Stormwater Consortium of Rockland County; it's part of the MS-4 process. The Village Clerk-Treasurer is asking for approval to enter into an agreement with Cornell Cooperative Extension Rockland County, the total cost is in the amount of $2,537.41.

Village Clerk-Treasurer stated she received an email from resident Sonia Leavey asking if her 9-year-old son could have a lemonade stand at the upcoming summer concerts, she stated her son will donate a portion to the Civic Association. Mayor Tucker stated the Civic Association runs that event and should be made aware. Trustee Mitchell stated there have been other like requests in the past that have been turned down due to Village Law. Trustee McAndrews stated the Village needs to be considerate and be careful in the decision. Village Attorney Sciarretta stated if the Civic Association is ok with it shouldn't be a problem.

Village Clerk-Treasurer stated she received an email complaint regarding Lot D from resident Joan Scheffold which included pictures. Mayor Tucker stated Building Inspector Charles Schaub will reach out to the property owners regarding the complaints.

Village Clerk-Treasurer stated the Village Clerk's office is currently working without a tax system as the current program is outdated and needs to be upgraded. She's researched companies and found that Applied Business Systems, Inc (ABS), who prints the Villages Tax Bill's offers a software system that would work for the Village with an annual licensing fee of $2,500.00 and a onetime setup fee of $650.00. Village Clerk-Treasurer stated she viewed a demo on that system and that the Clerk's Office will be doing a Virtual Demonstration of the iTax System on Wednesday July 17, 2024. She stated if ABS has the same software features as

iTax for a considerable amount less she would like the opportunity to do that and not move forward with Agenda Item #27 during this meeting.

The ABS System offers the office the chance to change/update a bill in the case a new owner moves into the Village, it will allow residents to pay, view and print their bills and payment receipts online. Escrow companies and Banks can access property information. Overall, the program will also reduce the number of daily phone calls to the Clerk's Office for property tax information. Village Clerk-Treasurer stated all research and demonstrations will be done by the August Meeting.

Betsey Franco asked if the road could be open to emergency vehicles only for the during the Historical sign dedication at the Mine Hole. Mayor Tucker stated it can be done but will require a Police Officer to be on duty.

Trustee Mitchell made a motion to enter into the annul agreement for Storm Water Consortium with Cornell Cooperative in the amount of $2,537.41. The motion was seconded by Trustee Blomquist and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Mayor Tucker made a motion to approve the lemonade stand at the summer concert series. The motion was seconded by Trustee Wright and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Mayor Tucker stated two years ago he contacted the New York State Thruway Authority, asking to have two signs installed at the Villages Thruway exits (one from each direction) making drivers / truckers aware of the 10 Ton limit. Mayor Tucker stated the NYS Thruway Authority contacted him and stated the signs will be installed in 2-4 months. Mayor Tucker thanked Chief Hurley for all the work he had done to get the signs installed.

Trustee Blomquist had no new business to discuss.

Trustee Mitchell stated he would like to make a motion to repeal local law #4 of 2023, which law enacted the CBM Zoning district. Mayor Tucker stated there is a pending lawsuit and asked if the plaintiffs in the litigation were dropping their suit. Trustee McAndrews asked if the Village Board can comment on something that is in litigation. Village Attorney Sciarreta advised the Board not to comment on the topic of pending litigation. The motion was not seconded. The Village Attorney stated that such a motion was ill-advised and could lead to further litigation.

Trustee Wright had no new business to discuss.

Christine McAndrews had no new business to discuss.

Village Clerk Treasurer stated that she would like to inform the Board before Public Comment begins that she has been receiving multiple emails from residents and nonresidents such as Jackie Shatz, Andrea Schettino, Peter Metzler, Anne Putko and Mark Brubaker regarding the ballfield at Goswick Pavilion, repealing and replacing the new CBM Zone, preserving public open space at Piermont Landing, the removal of the fence at 447-477, restoring the public walkway, maintaining the integrity and ecosystem of the Old Erie Path. She also stated that she received additional emails for Agenda Item #14 and #20 which she will read during the Agenda Item.

Item #6 Public Comment

Dennis Hardy – 21 Gair Street welcomed Trustee McAndrews. He is disappointed the motion was not passed to the repeal of the CBM Zone. He is asking the board to require Phil Griffin to remove the fence from the original Piermont Landing site. He has concerns with the property maintenance and is asking the Building Inspector to site the property owner. Mayor Tucker stated the company that put up the fence was told about the maintenance and will be back to clean the area.

Item #6 Public Comment (continued)

Lori Lowell – 21 Gair Street stated there are rollers on the fence opening on the Gair street side. As she was walking the doors opened and went halfway down the sidewalk, she stated it is a safety concern. She is against converting the ballfield next to the Goswick Pavilion into a parking area.

Christine Mooney – 1 W Lawrence Pk Drive Unit 7 asked who owns the land in front of Otto's where the table and chairs are? Mayor Tucker stated Otto's owns the land.

Howard Dean – 301 Gair Street stated going up Ash Street the trees, tall weeds bushes etc. are overgrown which makes it hard to see and would like the trees cut and all bushes and weeds trimmed. Mayor Tucker stated he will call the DPW to trim/cut what needs to be done.

Robert Zitt – 10 Ladik Street stated residents are being prevented from speaking on Agenda Items and questioned if there is a public hearing regarding the ball field. Village Clerk-Treasurer stated Public Comment is for non-Agenda items. If it's an item on the agenda the public can speak during the item. Robert Zitt withdrew his comment regarding public comment. He thanked Trustee Mitchell for the motion he requested regarding CBM District. He would like to see the law revoked. He stated he lives on Ladik which floods, is constantly inundated with traffic, people parking in front of driveways, someone urinating in public which he feels could be corrected. He stated he would like the resident's questions answered regarding the CBM Zone. Mayor Tucker stated the Board is unable to comment on litigation items.

Janice Young – 20 Ladik Street stated she would like to see the CBM Zone reconsidered. She would like the residents to be able to vote on specific Agenda Items. She would like the land to be preserved, adding we are sharing it with others.

Wendy Silberman – 210 Gair Street stated she does not want the ball field to become a parking lot because she is afraid of walking on the Pier and being run over. She would like to see the Pier not open to cars or people outside of Piermont such as New Jersey residents. She does not want to promote cars on the Pier and she would like signage stating 15 MPS. Mayor Tucker stated from May 1st though September 30th no cars on Sunday. Mayor Tucker proposed it being closed on Saturday as well. Daniel Goswick Sr. stated it's a roadway and has 911 addresses. Trustee Mitchell stated its also a DEC property as well.

Sara Tucker – 44 Piermont Avenue thanked Village employees, Board Members, Police, Fire Fighters and EMS. She stated she's lived in the community for 34 years. She stated it saddens and frustrates her to see and hear hateful and disrespectful comments on social media. She asked all to talk to their friends and neighbors when these types of post are seen and encourage them to behave in a way that demonstrates civility, honor, respect, thoughtfulness and appreciation for each other and to be solution oriented.

Alexis Starke – 153 Hudson Terrace asked if the children she brought could talk about the ball field during public comment even though its an Agenda Item. She is requesting the Village to repeal/replace CBM Zone and preserve the public open space at Piermont Landing (447-477). She wants the 11-acre site intact for the public as it was meant to be. Alexis Starke asked for the fence to be removed. She would like the Erie Path to maintain the eco systems and would like it to be kept as a piece of nature to enjoy.

Beatrice Starke – 50 Kirchner Drive Tappan NY stated she would like the field to stay a field she enjoys playing kick ball and soft ball and would like it to remain the same.

Shannon Ryan – 153 Hudson Terrace and **Mike Matulac** 307 Ferdon Avenue – Shannon stated she does not think the field should be turned into a parking lot. Mike Matulac has been coaching her and other kids playing softball and kickball as a community. She said there is a playground at the Pavilion, and she thinks having a parking lot there wouldn't be safe. Mike Matulac stated

he has been a teacher in the community for 25 years and been a resident for 10 years. He stated the fields are so important, it helps with recreation together and feels the kids are at a deficit.

Victoria Starke – 50 Kirchner Dr. Tappan NY she feels the turning the ball field into a parking lot is bad for the kids and the environment.

Clara Ryan – 153 Hudson Terrace stated she feels turning the ball field into a parking lot will be a great loss to the kids in the community. She stated she has been playing softball and kickball on the field and asked for it to stay a ball field.

Jason Kramer – 308 Ash Street stated he lives above Confetti. He stated Confetti and the Bike shop (Piermont Bicycle Connection) use the fire lane as a selling point and a loading and unloading zone, he thinks it's unsafe. Piermont Avenue near Otto's he was almost hit by a car three times. The CBM, the fence, needs to be removed and cleaned. He would like Piermont to stay the same, he would like solutions for parking and flooding.

Tim Lehey – 381 Ferdon Avenue stated there is a lack of recreational facilities in the Village. He stated he's watched kids play on the ball field for years. He would like to see outside play promoted and would like to Volunteer with the PAL. He is against the ball field being turned into a parking lot.

Stephen Pena – 126 Cresent Road stated he is against the ball field being turned into a parking lot. He is concerned with the lack of recreational activities for children within the Village. He feels the Village kowtows to visitors more than residents/families that live here. He asked what is being done with playground facilities for children within the Village. Mayor Tucker stated there is a grant for the Community Center to playground to be redone.

Barbara Riso – 130 Orchard Terrace stated she is speaking on her husband's behalf and stating how much she loves Piermont. She would like the CBM district to be revoked. She stated the Village will not stay the same and the area will become congested like Fort Lee. They are against the ball field being turned into a parking lot.

Item #7 Accept the resignation of Trustee Rob Burns

Mayor Tucker thanked Trustee Rob Burns for his years of service. The Board accepted the resignation of Rob Burns

Item #8 Appointment of Christine McAndrews as Trustee to serve out Trustee Rob Burns term

The Board approved the resignation of Rob Burns and approved Christine McAndrews as Trustee to serve out Trustee Rob Burns term.

Item #9 7:00pm Public Hearing to add Bus Stops in the Village of Piermont

Trustee Mitchell made a motion to open the Public Hearing at 8:15pm to add Bus Stops in the Village of Piermont at. The motion was seconded by Trustee Blomquist and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Trustee Mitchell stated a few months ago he spoke with Police Chief Hurley who stated there is only one Bus Stop in the Villages inventory. The public hearing is to amend the current inventory and add additional Bus Stops. Trustee Mitchell stated the locations that will be added are the bench bus stop at the corner of Piermont and Tate, Gair Memorial at Ash Steet and Piermont Avenue and the bench bus stop at the intersection of Hester and Piermont Avenue.

Public Comment - None

Trustee Mitchell made a motion to close Hearing at 8:16pm to add Bus Stops in the Village of Piermont. The motion was seconded by Trustee Blomquist and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Village Attorney Sciaretta stated the local law amends chapter 190-40 and adds the stops to the list so the Village can enforce and ticket those locations.

Trustee Mitchell made a motion to amend the provisions of the Village of Piermont Code, Chapter 190, Vehicles and Traffic, Article VIII, Schedules XII: bus stops 190-40, by adding the following bus stops: Piermont Avenue and Hester Street, Piermont Avenue and Ash Street (Gair Memorial) and Piermont Avenue and Tate Avenue. The motion was seconded by Trustee Blomquist and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Item #10 Special Permit request from Café Diem to have outdoor seating and evening dining three nights per week

John McCormick –Manager of Café Diem located at 456 Piermont Avenue stated they would like to add small tables outside and extend the hours 9am-9pm Thursday – Saturday for dinner service. Mayor Tucker stated Café Diem was issued daytime FILOP parking for 27 seats, John stated they have 27 seats. Mayor Tucker stated for the Board to consider outside tables the inside seating physically needs to be reduced to 23. John McCormick stated he will discuss that with the owner of Café Diem. Mayor Tucker stated he's not inclined to grant the request to extend the hours at this time. Trustee McAndrews asked about the safety of the seats on the sidewalk. Mayor Tucker stated the Building Inspector informed him the outside seating meets the ADA requirements.

Mayor Tucker made a motion to deny the Special Permit request from Café Diem to have outdoor seating and evening dining three nights per week. The motion was seconded by Trustee Michell and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Item #11 Resolution to add two parking spots (one two hour and one ADA) in front of 505 Piermont Avenue

Trustee Mitchell stated he would like to request the property owner of 505 Piermont Avenue to put in a curb stop. Mayor Tucker stated the Village will put that request in.

Mayor Tucker made a motion to adopt a Resolution to add two parking spots (one two hour and one ADA) in front of 505 Piermont Avenue with a concrete temporary curb. The motion was seconded by Trustee Michell and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF PIERMONT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

505 Piermont Avenue – Parking

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Piermont seeks to utilize its existing right-of-way along Piermont Avenue by adding two additional striped parking spaces in front of Otto's Full Service Restaurant located at 505 Piermont Avenue (the "Property"), specifically in front of what was previously the drive aisle when the Property was used an auto repair shop (see annexed photo);

WHEREAS, the Property's drive aisle is no longer used as a driveway for the storage of vehicles and is not necessary for the operation of the current restaurant use;

WHEREAS, the Property owner has agreed to have the two striped parking spaces painted in the Village's right-of-way in front of the former, unused drive aisle on the condition that the Village remove such spaces if and when the Property ceases as a restaurant use;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees directs the Village Department of Public Works to stripe two parking spaces in front of the Property's former drive aisle;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Village shall remove the two spaces if and when the Property ceases to operate as a restaurant upon receipt of written notice from the Property owner to the Village Board of Trustees.

This resolution was adopted by a unanimous resolution of the Board of Trustees at the regular meeting of the Board on July 16, 2024.

Item #12 Request from the Piermont Traffic Committee to increase the length of the No Parking Zone on Hudson Terrace at the corner of Ritie Street

Paul Kadin – 329 Hudson Terrace representing the Piermont Traffic Committee stated the committee is made up of Village residents who are interested in identifying problems that relate to traffic and parking. He stated the Traffic Committee studies solutions and recommends actions to the Village Board. Paul Kadin explained the reasoning why the Traffic Committee is recommending increasing the length of the No Parking Zone on Hudson Terrace at the corner of Ritie Street.

Mayor Tucker made a motion to extend the No Parking Zone from 30ft to 50ft on Hudson Terrace at the corner of Ritie Street. The motion was seconded by Trustee Michell and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Item #13 Review pricing information for EZFacility software services to manage the activities and programs at the Piermont Community Center

Trustee Wright stated this management software will help run the Community Center. He stated the software will help with running programs, people will be able to sign up online and keep the program running and organized. Costs include a Monthly cost of $203.17, Annual Cost $2,438.04 and a set up and instruction cost of $400.00. Cancellation with a 30-day notice and no penalty.

Trustee Wright made a motion to accept the purchase of EZFacility software services to manage the activities and programs at the Piermont Community Center. The motion was seconded by Trustee McAndrews and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Item #14 Discussion on the possible ban on gas powered leaf blowers in the Village of Piermont

Paulo Ribiero – 1 Rockland Road (Ferdon House) presented a proposed draft law banning the use of gas-powered leaf blowers in the Village. He would like gasoline-powered leaf blowers used only between March 15th through May 15th, and September 15th through December 15th, used from 8am until 6pm Monday through Friday, 9am – 5pm Saturday and 12pm – 5pm on Sunday's. He is proposing the restriction to not become effective until May 31, 2025, and effectively be prohibited after January 1, 2027. Trustee Mitchell asked if Nyack's ordinance is a noise law or environmental? Currently it is unknow if Nyack has gas leaf blowers under a noise or environmental law. Village Attorney Sciaretta stated most of the time the restriction is part of

a noise section, it's usually at certain times of the year. At times there are exceptions. Village Attorney Sciaretta stated the enforcement is difficult, because by the time code enforcement gets there the people operating have left, there have been instances when the landscapers and homeowners have received violations. Village Attorney stated he can draft a local law for Piermont based on what others have done.

Public Comment

Allen Lehman – 92 Piermont Place stated he feels that gas powered leaf blowers are more effective and save time. He feels you will spend more hours with electric leaf blowers and will have a net increase in noise pollution and an increased cost. He stated alternates are not always practical, electric blowers may not always provide the necessary power, battery powered models also have environmental impacts. He feels outright bans may overlook the practical needs of certain industries of the Town and homeowners alike. He feels a balanced approach is essential in a practical manner. Paulo stated noise pollution is not true, gas powered are more powerful and in two years batteries will become more developed. Paulo also stated one hour of gas leaf blowers is equivalent to driving a ford truck for 3900 miles.

Jonathan Levy – 99 Orchard Terrace stated leaf blowers destroy any good feeling of being outside in Piermont. The engines pollute the earth and feel the leaves are okay to be left on the ground and the larger items can be pulled by a rake. He recommends the Village moving forward with the ban of gas-powered leaf blowers.

Patricia Lukes – 103 Devries Court stated she is concerned with the cost to the residents and asked if there could be a compromise of possible gas-powered leaf blowers one day a week.

Ira White – 100 Orchard Terrace stated he remembers the DPW starting to switch to electric powered blowers. Trustee Mitchell confirmed the DPW have purchased electric blowers to use early in the morning on main street. Trustee Mitchell stated they are significantly quieter; they do require batteries and recharging facilities. He stated The Village has a municipal climate action plan that's on the Villages website to review. He stated they are working on a community climate action plan for asking for residents to make a transition on their own. Ira White stated he feels if it works for DPW it works.

Julie Finefrock – 90 Piermont Place asked if in the Noise Ordinance anything over 100 decimals downtown should be run for 6 minutes out of every hour. She stated she has been subject to gas powered noise for longer than 6 minutes, it's been hours at a time. She feels it's disruptive to her and her family's mental health. She stated she supports the ban of gas-powered leaf blowers.

Alexis Stark – 153 Hudson Terrace is in support of banning gas-powered leaf blowers. She is concerned with long-term effects.

John Savage – 130 Crescent stated he supports a gradual phase of banning gas-powered leaf blowers. He stated he came from a community that had a no gas power leaf blower ordinance. He stated it needs to be more important for the landscaping companies to maintain the batteries vs paying the fine.

Lee Vazquez – 25 Hestor Street stated she has no grass. She planted natural plants such as perennials and has no power tools.

Ahmet Ozsu - 315 Hudson Terrace – He stated batteries are not the only electric power available, you could use corded as well.

Elise Hurley – 99 Hudson Terrace stated she is in the landscaping service, years ago they did not use gas powered leaf blowers. She is in support of banning gas-powered leaf blowers, stating phasing it in would be a good idea.

Village Clerk-Treasure stated she received two emails in support of banning gas leaf blowers. One from **Thomas Hughes** and another from **Richard Skipper**.

Item #15 Consent for the Planning Board to be Lead Agency for a subdivision at 20 Hartz Terrace

Village Attorney Sciaretta stated this is consenting to the Planning Board becoming lead agency for a subdivision at 20 Hartz Terrace.

Mayor Tucker made a motion to consent to send the request to the Planning Board as Lead Agency for a subdivision at 20 Hartz Terrace. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mitchell and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Item #16 Accept the resignation of Adra Bubesi Mounier as Alternate to the Planning Board

The Village Board of Trustee's accept the resignation of Adra Bubesi Mounier as Alternate to the Planning Board.

Item #17 Appoint Don Guyton as Member of the Planning Board to fill the unexpired term of Christine McAndrews

The Village Board of Trustee's appoints Don Guyton as Member of the Planning Board to fill the unexpired term of Christine McAndrews

Item #18 Appoint Mary Kirby to be an Alternate on the Planning Board

The Village Board of Trustee's appoints Mary Kirby to be an Alternate on the Planning Board

Item #19 Review and approve insurance settlement Simon & Kazimierski vs. Piermont

Village Attorney Sciaretta stated this is litigation regarding a claim regarding a drainage pipe that may or may not have been the Villages. It was settled and the insurance company is paying the claim in the amount of $27,500.00.

Mayor Tucker made a motion to accept the insurance settlement Simon & Kazimierski vs. Piermont in the amount of $27,500.00. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mitchell and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Item #20 Discussion on converting the former ballfield next to the Goswick Pavilion into a graveled (permeable) parking area

Mayor Tucker read a statement he wrote regarding converting the ballfield next to the Goswick Pavilion into a graveled (permeable) parking area. He stated it was never intended to turn the entire field into a parking lot. Mayor Tucker apologized for the agenda wording, adding the first word was discussion, not resolution, not to vote, only to discuss. He stated the Trustee's were not privy to the work being done by himself, Superintendent Tom Temple Building Inspector Charles Schaub and Village Engineer. There were no discussions made by the Board in advance of the meeting. There was no intention to dishonor the Art Rittenberg Field. After a lot of research and consideration they were able to gain 27 additional spots, 9 spots which are already graveled. He stated he received many emails, calls from residents and friends asking not to

touch the field. He withdraws the proposal to add the 27 spots. He recommends residents who are interested in Piermont's parking and traffic issues to join the Piermont Traffic Committee.

Item #21 $40,000 Bond Resolution for DPW Vehicle

Trustee Blomquist made a motion to approve $40,000, Bond Resolution for DPW Vehicle. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mitchell and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Item #22 $25,000 Bond Resolution for Goswick Pavilion New Roof

Trustee Blomquist made a motion to approve $$25,000 Bond Resolution for Goswick Pavilion New Roof. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mitchell and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Item #23 $25,000 Bond Resolution for Curbs on First Street

Trustee Blomquist made a motion to approve $25,000 Bond Resolution for the curbs on Hudson Terrace below First Street. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mitchell and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Item #24 $60,000 Bond Resolution for DPW Building New Roof

Trustee Mitchell made a motion to approve $60,000 Bond Resolution for DPW Building New Roof. The motion was seconded by Trustee Blomquist and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Item #25 $16,650 Bond Resolution for Foot Bridges at Piermont Landing

Trustee Mitchell made a motion to approve $16,650 Bond Resolution for Foot Bridges at Piermont Landing. The motion was seconded by Trustee Blomquist and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Item #26 $6,000 Bond Resolution for Decking at Kane Park

Trustee Mitchell made a motion to approve $6,000 Bond Resolution for Decking at Kane Park. The motion was seconded by Trustee Blomquist and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Item #27 Resolution to approve the purchase of iTax Property Tax Software System in the amount of $11,650.00 to be paid from the General Fund Balance

Discussed during new business.

Item #28 Adjournment

Trustee Mitchell made a motion at 9:17pm to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Trustee McAndrews and so carried with a vote of 4 ayes and 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer DeYorgi Maher
Clerk-Treasurer