**VILLAGE OF VALATIE**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**JANUARY 10, 2016**

**PRESENT**: **AUDIENCE**:

Mayor Diane Argyle 1st Asst. Chief Rustin Dolan

Trustee Frank Bevens Ann Pulver, Brian Hubert

Trustee Larry Eleby Register Star Reporter

Trustee Angelo Nero

Trustee David Williams

Robert Fitzsimmons, Esq.

Mayor Argyle opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Argyle opened the Public Hearing at 7:01 pm for Local Laws No. 1, 2 & 3. Village attorney Rob Fitzsimmons read the Public Notice and then explained what the Special Committee for Senior Housing reviewed regarding the current Senior Housing Law. He also explained that the Village Board determined that they should stay with the current law but expand on it and make it better defined. Regarding Patton Lane, there would not be any parking on this lane from Church Street all the way to Lake Street.

Mr. Fitzsimmons recommended the Board table Local Law No. 3 regarding a 3 month moratorium on solar energy facilities and/or solar farms, to collect more information.

Mayor Argyle opened up the Public Comment period to the audience at 7:05 pm.

Resident Brian Hubert had concerns about the Valtucket cottages being so close and the definition of travel trailers. Ann Pulver also had a concern about travel trailers regarding residents having a fence up.

Attorney Fitzsimmons explained that residents must comply with setbacks of the Village which have been in place for a long time. The only changes that were made to the local laws were a clarification of definitions in regard to travel trailers. The Board was not expanding the law, just anticipating any adverse impacts.

There were no other public comments.

Mayor Argyle closed the Public Hearing at 7:28 pm. Attorney Fitzsimmons read through the SEQR for Local Law #1.

**Resolution # 237** was made by Trustee Bevens to issue a negative declaration for purposes of SEQR for Local Law #1. Trustee Eleby seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution # 238** was made by Trustee Nero to adopt Local Law # 1 of 2017 entitled “Amending the Village of Valatie Zoning Code Chapter 130 concerning the Residence Senior Housing; amending Chapter 85 regarding travel trailers, and amending Chapter 124 regarding parking on Patton Lane”. Trustee Bevens seconded, all in favor, carried.

Mayor Argyle opened the meeting for Board discussion and Public Comment for Local Law # 2 at 7:32 pm.

The Board discussed changing the intersection at Merwin Lane and Williams Street to include a yield sign on Merwin Lane. All were in favor of this. The Board also discussed putting a 15 minute parking area on Lake Street by the Wild Horse Liquor Store. Again all were in favor of this.

There were no public comments.

Mayor Argyle closed the Public Hearing for Local Law #2 at 7:34 pm.

**Resolution #239** was made by Trustee Bevens to issue a negative declaration for purposes of SEQR for Local Law #2. Trustee Williams seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution #240** was made by Trustee Bevens to adopt Local Law #2 of 2017 entitled “Amending the Code of the Village of Valatie in relation to Vehicles and Traffic Chapter 124”. The Board was also in favor of the 15 minute parking on Lake Street by Wild Horse Liquor and to place a yield sign at the intersection of Merwin Lane and Williams Street. Trustee Nero seconded, all in favor, carried.

The Board decided to table Local Law # 3 under the advice of council until more information is obtained.

Mayor Argyle opened the Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 7:35 pm.

**Resolution # 241** was made by Trustee Bevens to approve the minutes of December 13, 2016. Trustee Eleby seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution #242** was made by Trustee Williams to approve claims 2017-8-#370-417 for a total of $23,531.67 and $56,073.21 for off abstract bills which includes the second payment for the Highway contract-$42,000.00, for a total of all bills of $79,604.88. Trustee Nero seconded, all in favor, carried.

Public Comment-

Ann Pulver commented that she was ok with the travel trailer law because she did not want to have any violations or issues with the Village. She also commented that she had sold her RV. Ms. Pulver also asked about what was going on with the Fireman’s Park on Main Street being partially taken over by Joe Staib. Mayor Argyle stated that Mr. Staib was going to meet with the fire company to discuss options.

**Fire Department**-(report on file in Clerk’s Office)

First Assistant Chief Rustin Dolan reported that there were 8 calls in December 2016 and the annual spaghetti dinner will be held on March 4th from 4-7 pm. Members are selling tickets at a cost of $10.00 for adults and $5.00 for children.

Trustee Williams inquired about the floor in the fire house and he was informed that the blue prints will not be ready until at least the end of December or in January.

**Theater**- no report.

**Parks**- John Bryan’s son is cleaning up Pachaquack Park trails for the Village as a community service project.

**Water/Sewer Dept**.- (report on file in Clerk’s Office)

The Board discussed letters from the Village Engineer (from Weston & Sampson) and the response letter from Paul Warner. Each letter was given to the Board members which were in regard to the on-going problem with the meter in the Village of Kinderhook. The letters will be forwarded on to the Village of Kinderhook.

**Clerk**-

The Clerk reminded the Board of the upcoming election to be held on March 21, 2017.

**Resolution #243** was made by Trustee Nero, NOT to have a registration day for the election but rather to remind residents that they can register to vote at the Board of Elections in Hudson at least 10 days before the election is to take place. Trustee Williams seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution # 244** was made by Trustee Williams to designate the Martin H. Glynn Municipal Building as the Polling place for the Village Election to be held on March 21, 2017. Trustee Nero seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution # 245** was made by Trustee Williams to set the time for the Village election from 12 noon to 9:00 pm on March 21, 2017. Trustee Nero seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution #246** was made by Trustee Williams to approve Frank Genovese, Maryann Perez, Jane Pulver and Bernadette Mancini, as election inspectors for the March 21, 2017 Village Election. Trustee Nero seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Other business**-

Mayor Argyle stated that a Solar Panel Committee has been formed. Members include Marilyn Huffman (Chairperson) and David Williams with possibly more members to be added.

**Senior Center**-

A new railing has been added to the front of the building to prevent people from cutting across the lawn.

**Highway**-

A sign is needed for no parking in an area on New Street and a “No Dumping” sign is also needed at the end of Genesee St. by Pachaquack Park. Still waiting for the sign by Holly Hills.

Weather permitting, the road by the Theater may open by this week.

**Building Dept**.- (report on file in Clerk’s Office)

**MHG Applications**-

Supervisor Pat Grattan and Mayor Argyle met and had approved a continuing agreement for the Hoopsters. There is still a problem with people locking the doors at night.

**Resolution #247** was made by Trustee Nero to approve the Hoopsters using the Gym from

3:30-5:00 pm. Trustee Williams seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution #248** was made by Trustee Nero to enter in to executive session to discuss a HUD Loan application before the Board at 8:11 pm. Trustee Williams seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution #249** was made by Trustee Nero to exit the executive session at 8:21 pm. Trustee Williams seconded, all in favor, carried.

**Resolution #250** was made by Trustee Bevens to approve a HUD Loan application for the Valatie Main Street Diner. Trustee Eleby seconded, all in favor, carried.

With no further business before the Board,

**Resolution #251** was made by Trustee Eleby to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:22 pm. Trustee Bevens seconded, all in favor, carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Fischer, RMC

Village Clerk