

**VILLAGE OF HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON, NEW YORK
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2018**

Regular Meeting Opened 7:30 PM

PLACE: **MEETING ROOM**, Municipal Building, 7 Maple Avenue

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Swiderski
 Trustee Armacost
 Trustee Lemons
 Trustee Leaf
 Trustee Lopez

Village Manager Frobels
Village Attorney Whitehead

IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Lopez moved to approve the minutes for the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees, April 24, 2018, as presented, seconded by Trustee Armacost. Motion carried, all voting “aye”. Approved 5-0.

V. **APPROVAL OF WARRANTS**

Trustee Lopez moved to approve the warrants, seconded by Trustee Armacost. Motion carried, all voting “aye”. Approved 5-0.

WARRANT 58 = \$207,878.70

VI. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- John Gonder of 153 James Street addressed the Village Board with respect to Immigration and Customs Enforcement (I.C.E.) and local law enforcement.

VII. **RESOLUTIONS**

34:18 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER FOR THE PURPOSE OF UNDERTAKING A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.

- The Village Manager provided background on the resolution and the CDBG Program. A brief discussion followed.

Trustee Armacost moved, seconded by Trustee Lemons, and unanimously carried upon roll call vote, that the following resolution be approved: Approved 5-0.

- WHEREAS,** the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development of the United States is authorized, under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended, and Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, to make grants to states and other units of general local government to help finance Community Development Programs; and
- WHEREAS,** Section 99-h of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York grants to any municipal corporation the power, either individually or jointly with one or more municipal corporations, to apply for, accept and expend funds made available by the federal government, either directly or through the State, pursuant to the provisions of any Federal law which is not inconsistent with the statutes or constitution of this State, in order to administer, conduct or participate with the Federal government in programs relating to the general welfare of the inhabitants of such municipal corporation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Community Development Act of 1974 as amended, Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, and any “Eligible Activities” thereunder are not inconsistent with the statutes or Constitution of the State; and
- WHEREAS,** a number of municipalities have requested Westchester’s participation, and the County of Westchester has determined that it is desirable and in the public interest that it make application for Community Development Block Grant funds and HOME funds as an Urban County; and
- WHEREAS,** participation by the County of Westchester as an Urban County in the Community Development Program requires that the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson and the County of Westchester cooperate in undertaking, or assisting in undertaking, essential community development and housing activities, specifically those activities authorized by statutes enacted pursuant to Article 18 of the New York State Constitution.
- WHEREAS,** this Board deems it to be in the public interest for the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with the County of Westchester for the aforesaid purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Manager be and hereby is authorized to execute a Cooperation Agreement between the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson and the County of Westchester for the purposes of undertaking a Community Development Program pursuant to the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended and Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended.

35:18 ESTABLISHMENT OF CAPITAL RESERVE FUND TO FINANCE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS OR EQUIPMENT FOR VILLAGE PARKS.

- The Village Manager provided background on the resolution.

Trustee Armacost moved, seconded by Trustee Lopez, and unanimously carried upon roll call vote, that the following resolution be approved: Approved 5-0.

RESOLVED: that pursuant to Section 6-c of the General Municipal Law, as amended, there is hereby established a capital reserve fund to be known as the “Capital Reserve Fund” (hereafter “Reserve Fund”).

The purpose of this Reserve Fund is to accumulate moneys to finance the cost of a type of capital improvement and/or equipment. The type of capital improvement and/or equipment to be financed from the Reserve Fund is the construction, reconstruction, acquisition or capital improvement at property referred to as Village-owned parks or park land; and be it further

RESOLVED: that the Treasurer is hereby directed to deposit and secure the moneys of this Reserve Fund in the manner provided by Section 10 of the General Municipal Law. The Board of Trustees may invest the moneys in the Reserve Fund in the manner provided by Section 11 of the General Municipal Law, and consistent with the investment policy of the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson. Any interest earned or capital gains realized on the moneys so deposited or invested shall accrue to and become part of the Reserve Fund. The Treasurer shall account for the Reserve Fund in a manner which maintains the separate identity of the Reserve Fund and shows the date and amount of each sum paid into the fund, interest earned by the fund, capital gains or losses resulting from the sale of investments of the fund, the amount and date of each withdrawal from the fund and the total assets of the fund showing cash balance and a schedule of investments, and shall, at the end of each fiscal year, render to the Board a detailed report of the operation and condition of the Reserve Fund, and be it further

RESOLVED: except as otherwise provided by law, expenditures from this Reserve Fund shall be made only for the purpose for which the Reserve Fund is established. No expenditure shall be made from this Reserve Fund without the approval of this governing board and such additional actions or proceedings as may be required by Section 6-c of the General Municipal Law or any other law, including a permissive referendum if required by subdivision 4 of Section 6-c.

36:18 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SHORELINE PLAN

Trustee Lemons moved, seconded by Trustee Armacost, and unanimously carried upon roll call vote, that the following resolution be approved: Approved 5-0.

WHEREAS, the Shoreline Advisory Committee of the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson has presented the Village Board of Trustees a Shoreline Report incorporating various mitigation, environmental, functional, and aesthetic components; and

WHEREAS, the Report contained elements such as a salt marsh area, viewing platform, boathouse, a soft shoreline, and an outline of community engagement efforts; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Village Board of Trustees express their full support of the Shoreline Report as presented by the Shoreline Advisory Committee, along with the specific elements and features contained therein.

37:18 INTERFUND TRANSFER

- The Village Manager provided background on the resolution. A discussion followed with respect to fund balance.

Trustee Armacost moved, seconded by Trustee Lemons, and unanimously carried upon roll call vote, that the following resolution be approved: Approved 5-0.

RESOLVED: that the Mayor and Board of Trustees authorize the Deputy Village Treasurer to make the following budgetary interfund transfer:

From: General Fund Unallocated Fund Balance	\$150,000
To: Capital Reserve Fund	\$150,000

From: General Fund Unallocated Fund Balance	\$75,000
To: Parks Capital Reserve Fund	\$75,000

38:18 PURCHASE OF A SEWER CLEANOUT JET

- The Village Manager provided background on the resolution. Public Works Superintendent Michael Gunther provided further background on the necessity for the immediate purchase of the equipment. A discussion followed.

Trustee Armacost moved, seconded by Trustee Lemons, and unanimously carried upon roll call vote, that the following resolution be approved: Approved 5-0.

RESOLVED: that the Mayor and Board of Trustees authorize the Village Manager to purchase one (1) VecJet Trailer Mounted Diesel Powered Jetter from Peirce-

Eagle Equipment Company, 3388 Route 22 West, Branchburg, NJ 08876 in the amount of \$78,950.00 in accordance with the NJPA Contract Award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the purchase will be funded through General Fund unallocated fund balance.

VIII. VILLAGE MANAGER'S REPORT

- The Village Manager reported that a sinkhole formed at the pool after a significant rain storm and that a draining project is underway utilizing Village personnel. Public Work Superintendent Gunther provided a detailed account of the initial drainage failure and repair project.
- Village Clerk Joseph Cerretani gave an overview of the annual MS4 Report and provided information on stormwater resources available.

IX. BOARD DISCUSSION AND COMMENTS

- Village Manager Frobel provided information on a local law with respect to a Charitable Gift Reserve Fund in response to recent tax legislation at the state level. Village Clerk Cerretani provided further information. A detailed discussion followed.
- Trustee Armacost discussed plantings at Riverview Park.
- Trustee Armacost inquired about meeting with the new Parks and Recreation Superintendent. Village Manager Frobel announced he will be present at the upcoming meeting on the Forestry Grant Program. Trustee Lemons provided further background on the Forestry project.
- The Village Board discussed in detail parks projects including Uniontown Park and Zinsser Field improvements.
- The Village Board briefly discussed Waterfront Trust accounts and fund availability as it relates to parks projects.
- Trustee Armacost announced the appointment of Chloe Sikirica to the Arts Commission.
- Trustee Lopez discussed pedestrian signage and street resurfacing. A brief discussion regarding road maintenance followed.
- Trustee Lemons provided a detailed report on a panel discussion held at the Community Center on Sunday, April 29 regarding Indian Point.
- Trustee Armacost inquired about discussion Village debt at an upcoming meeting.
- It was discussed that at the next Board of Trustees Meeting the Board would discuss the summer Board Meeting schedule.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Wed. May 2 – Youth Council 7:30 PM Community Center
2. Mon. May 7 – Architectural Review Board 8:00 PM Village Hall Meeting Room

3. Tues. May 8 – Conservation Commission 8:00 PM Village Hall Conference Room
4. Thurs. May 10 – Affordable Housing Committee 7:30 PM Village Hall Conference Room
5. Thurs. May 10 – Waterfront Rezoning Committee 7:30 PM Community Center
6. Tues. May 15 – Board of Trustees Regular Meeting 7:30 PM Village Hall Meeting Room

XI. **ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Lemons moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Armacost. Motion carried, all voting “aye”. Approved 5-0.

Meeting Adjourned 9:01 PM

Joseph L. Cerretani
Village Clerk