

Minutes of the Village Board Meeting held at Town Hall on September 14, 2017 at 7PM

Present: Michael Queenan, Mayor  
Neil Crouse, Timothy Egan, Thomas Flood and Anthony Mickolajczyk, Trustees  
Absent: None  
Also Present: Sandra Capriglione, Planning Board

**I. Administrative Business:**

a. Acceptance of Minutes:

Motion was offered by Trustee Flood, seconded by Trustee Egan, to accept receipt of the minutes of the meeting held August 24, 2017.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Queenan, Crouse, Egan, Flood, Mickolajczyk  
NOES 0

b. Approval of Abstract:

Motion was offered by Trustee Crouse, seconded by Trustee Mickolajczyk, to approve Abstract 7 containing vouchers 170535 - 170664 and totaling \$448,126.25.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Queenan, Crouse, Egan, Flood, Mickolajczyk  
NOES 0

c. Use of Building:

Motion was offered by Trustee Egan, seconded by Trustee Flood, to approve the use of the meeting room by Marlene Dardignac on September 16, 2017, 10AM - 6PM to hold a baby shower.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Queenan, Crouse, Egan, Flood, Mickolajczyk  
NOES 0

d. Application of Fire Department Membership:

Motion was offered by Trustee Egan, seconded by Trustee Crouse, to approve the application for membership with the Highland Mills Fire Company from Tyler Hennessey and Nicole Theiss. Both have successfully passed their physicals.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Queenan, Crouse, Egan, Flood, Mickolajczyk  
NOES 0

e. Fire Department Equipment Requests:

Motion was offered by Trustee Egan, seconded by Trustee Mickolajczyk, to approve Equipment Request 2017-13 totaling approximately \$749.85 for the purchase of CO detector and 2017-14 totaling approximately \$359.80 for the purchase of floor mats.

**ADOPTED** AYES 5 Queenan, Crouse, Egan, Flood, Mickolajczyk  
NOES 0

**II. Old Business:** *There was no old business to discuss.*

**III. New Business:**

a. Renaming of Melody Lane South to Mercedes Way:

Motion was offered by Trustee Flood, seconded by Trustee Mickolajczyk, to approve the name change of Melody Lane South to Mercedes Way effective immediately, as requested by the Building Inspector. This will eliminate the confusion that exists with the nearby street named Melody Lane North.

**ADOPTED**      AYES    5            Queenan, Crouse, Egan, Flood, Mickolajczyk  
                     NOES    0

It was noted the Building Department will notify Orange County 911 and all involved entities.

b. Return of Snow & Ice Bond – Woodbury Junction Phase 2A and Phase 3A:

Trustee Egan stated he has concerns returning these funds until it is proven a valid and functioning Homeowners Association (HOA) exists. Trustee Crouse and Trustee Flood stated they agree. Trustee Crouse noted the Board has limitations in what it can do and feels this is something that they can have control over, which Trustee Egan agreed with. Trustee Mickolajczyk noted he attended one of the HOA meetings and has seen firsthand that it is not functional. The residents there have no input and they do not represent the homeowners at all. There is no indication that the HOA is financially able to pay the contract for the removal of snow and ice. Clerk Potvin suggested the discussion on this issue be tabled and a memorandum be requested from the one of the Village attorneys explaining clearly what can or cannot be done by the Board.

c. Tax Re-Levy for Previously Exempt Eligible Property:

Motion was offered by Trustee Egan, seconded by Trustee Crouse, to adopt the following resolution to re-levy a prorated tax amount due on property(ies) located at various locations that was/were previously eligible for a veteran exemption:

**WHEREAS**, the owner(s) of property was/were eligible for a veteran exemption on property taxes and upon the sale/death this exemption must be removed; and

**WHEREAS**, notification was received by the Village Clerk on September 8, 2017 from the Woodbury Assessor that prorated amount(s) need to be re-levied onto the FY18/19 taxes for this/these property(ies).

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED** that the Village Board directs the Village Clerk, Village Tax Collector and any other Village official, employee or agent of the Village to take any and all necessary actions to levy and collect the following amounts on the following affected land(s) in the same manner as all other Village Charges and to take any necessary actions to execute and record a lien upon such land:

204-1-9.32	10 Owens Drive	\$316.75
212-2-9	16 Lexington Drive	\$48.49
218-2-42.1	64 Skyline Drive	\$95.43
218-2-47.5	96 Pine Hill Road	\$61.42
220-5-57	31 Rutledge Avenue	\$74.64
255-1-18	281 Co Route 105	\$67.51

**ADOPTED**      AYES    5            Queenan, Crouse, Egan, Flood, Mickolajczyk  
                     NOES    0

**IV. Public Comment:**

Susan Ciriello stated the sponsor/developer deeded incomplete roads to the HOA that still need topcoat. She also does not believe they were constructed properly. Construction vehicles are on the roads constantly and the snowplows are damaging them. She was told the HOA is having issues finding a company to do the snow removal due to the conditions of the roads. She also added the financial status of the HOA is unknown as the residents are not provided with income statements.

Joe Zlata stated he was also told the HOA is having difficulty finding a company to do the snow removal, adding the work done last year was below standards. He added the residents have not been advised that a contract is being negotiated. Regarding the roads, issues were brought to the attention

of the Attorney General but no response has been received. He was told that properties can be deeded to the HOA without them being accepting. He confirmed that no financials have been shared with the residents. He understands there are legal limitations on what the Village Board can do.

**V. Board Member/Department Comments:**

Trustee Mickolajczyk thanked the Woodbury Fire Department and Michael Hansen for the 9/11 memorial this week. Trustee Egan also thanked the members of the community that attended the memorial to support the emergency services. He and the rest of the Board felt that a beautiful job was done and all agreed the events of 9/11 should be remembered.

Trustee Egan noted he and Trustee Flood have been researching benefits that are available to those that would like to volunteer for the Fire Department or the Ambulance Corps. Individuals that maintain an active status for either organization could be eligible for a \$200 property tax credit. For the Fire Department, there is also a pension plan available. Plus both entities provide free training that can be used in everyday life.

Mayor Queenan reminded all that school has started and he urged all to drive safely.

**VI. Adjournment:**

With no further business to discuss, a motion was offered by Trustee Egan, seconded by Trustee Flood, to adjourn the meeting at 7:25PM.

<b>ADOPTED</b>	AYES	5	Queenan, Crouse, Egan, Flood, Mickolajczyk
	NOES	0	

Desiree Potvin, Village Clerk