

**VILLAGE OF ARDSLEY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2014**

Present:	Mayor	Peter Porcino
	Deputy Mayor/Trustee	Gary Malone
	Trustee	Nancy Kaboolian
	Trustee	Mollie Monti
	Trustee	Andy DiJusto
	Village Manager	Meredith Robson
	Village Clerk	Barbara Berardi
	Village Treasurer	Marion DeMaio
	Recording Secretary	Donna Fusco

Mayor Porcino called to order the Regular Meeting at 8:00 p.m.

I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXIT SIGNS

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE – VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER – FRANK A. DITRAGLIA

**PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE BY MAYOR PORCINO TO NORMAN GOODFARB
FOR 45 YEARS OF SERVICE**

**PRESENTATION – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING
5/31/2014 BY ALAN KASAY – O’CONNOR DAVIES MUNNS & DOBBINS, LLP**

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting – December 1, 2014

Trustee Malone: RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby approves the minutes of the Reorganization Meeting of Monday December 1, 2015 as submitted and the Regular Meeting of Monday, December 1, 2014 as submitted. **Seconded by Trustee Kaboolian and passed unanimously.**

IV. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Fire Chief, Stephen Kaskawits, reported the following activities for November:

- 18 Calls for the month
- 22 Miscellaneous training hours
- 137.67 Drill training hours
- 16 NYS Training hours

Other activities attended by Officers and Firefighters

- 11/1 – Participated in annual Girl Scout campfire
- 11/13 – Chief Kaskawits and Chief Knoesel attended a update to curriculum for NYS training courses
- 11/20 – Firefighters Martin, R and Coulehan, M qualified as MPO's

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Police Chief, Emil Califano, reported the following activities for November:

- Court fine and fees - \$19,463.50
- Property Lost or Stolen - \$389
- 169 Parking summonses issued
- 60 UTT summonses issued
- 2 Appearance ticket issued
- 0 Alarm fines

Other activities attended by Officers –

- 48 hours of SWAT training
- Child passenger safety – installed 17 car seats and issued 8
- Went on Prison Trip with Ardsley High School students in Criminal Justice Class
- Attended a youth to youth conference at the Westchester County Center
- Attended 6th grade activity night
- Informational meeting with parents pertaining to 8th grade trip
- Westchester Safe Kids Meeting
- Westchester County Youth Officers Meeting
- Youth Council Meeting
- SAYF Coalition Meeting
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BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Building Inspector, Larry Tomasso, reported the following activities for November:

- 9 Building permits
- 9 Application fees

- 8 Certificates of Occupancy
- 6 Plumbing permits
- 9 Electrical permits
- 6 Letters of Compliance
- 1 Miscellaneous

Total received - \$6,548.50

Other activities –

- 34 Building inspections
- 20 Zoning inspections
- 3 Violation notices
- 11 Warning notices
- 1 Fire inspections

LEGAL REPORT:

Village Attorney Ponzini had nothing to report other than those matters that may have been submitted in memorandum form and various projects that I am working on for the Village and stated that he is available for Executive Session if necessary.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

VILLAGE MANAGER REPORT PREPARED BY MEREDITH ROBSON FOR MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2014

1. One final reminder that the second installment of the Village tax bill becomes payable on December 1 and can be paid without penalty until the end of the business day on Wednesday, December 31. Though the other administrative offices will be closing at 12 noon that day in observance of New Year's Eve, the Office of the Village Treasurer shall remain open until 4:00 pm to receive payments. Payments made in person after December 31, or that arrive via mail postmarked by the USPS after December 31, or arrive after December 31 without a USPS postmark, will be assessed a late penalty as required by New York State Real Property law. Meter-mailed postmarks are not valid proof of timely payment. Please bear in mind that no Village official is empowered to waive the late fee for any reason.
2. The sanitation and recycling schedule has come in from the printer and should be going out in the mail tomorrow so folks should keep an eye out for it in the mail.
3. My best wishes for a very happy holiday season and wonderful new year to all!

TREASURER'S REPORT: Village Treasurer, Marion DeMaio, read the Treasurer's Report.

Village Treasurer stated the bills for the past two weeks totaled as follows: General Fund: \$61,371.74; Trust & Agency Fund: \$975.26; and from the Capital Fund: \$57,882.75.

Trustee Kaboolian: RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby authorizes the Village Treasurer to make the following payments: From the General Fund: \$61,371.74; From the Trust & Agency Fund: \$975.26; and from the Capital Fund: \$57,882.75. **Seconded by Trustee Malone and passed unanimously.**

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- We had the Christmas Tree Lighting despite the rain. Downtown looks beautiful; Thank you to the DPW
- Recreation Dept. sponsored cookies and carols were sung from Ardsley High School
- Attended ASVAC Holiday Party; it was lots of fun and they were kind enough to give George Calvi an award; Thank the ASVAC
- Menorah lighting tomorrow night at 7:00 P.M.
- Wish everybody Happy Holidays and Happy New Year; See you in 2015

COMMITTEE & BOARD REPORTS:

TRUSTEE DIJUSTO:

- 12/6 – Attended Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony followed by music and refreshments at the Community Center
- 12/7 – Meeting in the Village Board Room with the President of the Historical Society, Robert Pellegrino, The Village Historian, Walter Schwartz and the ex-Fire Chief, Vinny Coulehan to discuss the plan of the upcoming program about the 100th anniversary of the Great Ardsley Fire of 1914
- 12/ 11 – Attended the ASVAC Christmas dinner in Dobbs Ferry
- 12/14 – Participated in putting on the Ardsley Historical Society's Program for the 100th anniversary of the Great Fire which was held in the Board Room. Robert Paladino, Vinny Coulehan, Walter Schwartz and Patrick from the Westchester Historical Society were presenting to a full house. After the program was over, we all commented that it was very ironic that there was a fire just ten (10) days ago at 413 Ashford Avenue in Dobbs Ferry that needed additional fire companies and the names of those companies are the exact same names of the fire companies that responded 100 years earlier. I would like to thank the Fire Departments of Ardsley, Dobbs Ferry, Hasting-on-Hudson, Irvington and Tarrytown and all the men and women of those departments for their great work on the Ashford Avenue fire and the Ardsley Country Club fire.

- 12/16 – Will attend the Menorah lighting in Veterans Park by the Christmas tree.
- I would like to wish everyone a Happy Chanukah and a Merry Christmas

TRUSTEE MONTI:

- Happy Holidays
- Attended ASVAC Dinner
- Menorah Lighting tomorrow night

TRUSTEE MALONE:

- Attended ASVAC Dinner
- Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays
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TRUSTEE KABOOLIAN:

- Attended ASVAC Dinner
- WMOA Executive Meeting
- Tree Lighting; Select choir sang at Community Center
- SAYF Coalition partnered with High School Glee Club and they partnered with the Ardsley Youth at the Middle School
- December is Impaired Driving Awareness Month
- SAYF Coalition working on parents survey
- December is a good time to clean out your medicine cabinet; you can dispose of any old medicine at the Ardsley Police Station
- Annual Senior's Holiday dinner on 12/5 was a great success; Thank Rick Thompson and Patrick Lindsay and Tony Vacca
- Happy Holidays and Happy New Year
- Don't drink and drive

V. VISITORS

No visitors

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution approving attendance for SAYF Coalition Coordinator and Community Police Officer to attend CADCA's Drug Free Communities Leadership Conference in Washington, DC

**RESOLUTION APPROVING ATTENDANCE FOR SAYF COALITION
COORDINATOR AND COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER TO ATTEND
CADCA'S DRUG FREE COMMUNITIES LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN
WASHINGTON D.C.**

FROM FEBRUARY 1ST - FEBRUARY 5TH, 2015

Trustee DiJusto: Resolved, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby approves of the attendance of SAYF Coalition Coordinator Theresa Del Grosso and Community Policing Officer Anthony Vacca to attend the Drug Free Communities–CADCA LEADERSHIP Conference in Washington D.C. from February 1St through February 5th at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.00 for lodging, travel, and meals expenses. Such costs to be fully borne by funds from the Coalition's Drugs Free Communities grant. **Seconded by Trustee Monti and passed unanimously.**

2. Water Quality Improvement Projects and Nonagricultural Nonpoint Source Projects/Short EAF- Street Sweeper Grant

**Municipal Resolution
Water Quality Improvement Projects and
Nonagricultural Nonpoint Source Projects
Municipal Resolution**

Resolution authorizing the items listed below pursuant to the Bond Acts enacted in 1965, 1972 and 1996 and the Environmental Protection Fund, as well as federal grant awards available for such projects.

Trustee Monti: WHEREAS, Village of Ardsley

(Legal Name of Municipality)

herein called the "Municipality", after thorough consideration of the various aspects of the problem and study of available data, has hereby determined that certain work, as described in its application and attachments, herein called the "Project", is desirable, is in the public interest, and is required in order to implement the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Conservation Law ("ECL") authorizes State assistance to municipalities for water quality improvement projects by means of a contract and the Municipality deems it to be in the public interest and benefit under this law to enter into a contract therewith;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY Village Board of Trustees

(Governing Body of Municipality)

1. That , Meredith S. Robson, Village Manager ,

(Name and Title of Designated Authorized Representative)

or such person's successor in office, is the representative authorized to act in behalf of the

Municipality's governing body in all matters related to State assistance under ECL Articles 17, 51 and 56 and/or any applicable federal grant provisions. The representative is also authorized to make application, execute the State Assistance Contract, submit Project documentation, and otherwise act for the Municipality's governing body in all matters related to the Project and to State assistance;

2. That the Municipality agrees that it will fund its portion of the cost of the Project and that funds will be available to initiate the Project's field work within twelve (12) months of written approval of its application by the Department of Environmental Conservation;

3. That one (1) certified copy of this Resolution be prepared and sent to the Albany office of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

4. That this Resolution take effect immediately. **Seconded by Trustee DiJusto and passed unanimously.**

3. Resolution declaring the Village of Ardsley's continued support for the installation of the Route 9A Bypass

**RESOLUTION DECLARING THE VILLAGE OF ARDSLEY'S CONTINUED
SUPPORT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF THE ROUTE 9A BYPASS**

Trustee Malone: WHEREAS, there were a number of bypass alternatives previously discussed with officials from the Town of Greenburgh, Village of Elmsford, Westchester County Department of Transportation and the Village of Ardsley; and

WHEREAS, although there is no direct benefit to the Village of Ardsley, the Village of Ardsley desires to be cooperative and supportive of intermunicipal planning efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley fully supports the two-way connection alternative, providing vehicular access between Route 119 and Route 9A (including access from 287 via Exit 1 Ramp), which was recently evaluated by New York State Department of Transportation technical staff; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley that the Village Board fully supports continuing efforts to further the Route 9A Bypass project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Mayor of the Village of Ardsley is hereby authorized to send a letter of support for the bypass project to the Department of Transportation. **Seconded by Trustee Kaboolian and passed unanimously.**

CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION. No Executive Session.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Trustee Malone: RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby adjourns the regular meeting of Monday, December 15, 2014 at 9:03 p.m. **Seconded by Trustee Kaboolian and passed unanimously.**

IX. NEXT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING: Monday, January 5, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Fusco
Recording Secretary