

**VILLAGE OF ARDSLEY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2020**

Present:	Mayor	Nancy Kaboolian
	Deputy Mayor	Any DiJusto
	Trustee	Joann D’Emilio
	Trustee	Steve Edelstein
	Trustee	Evan Yager
	Village Manager	Meredith S. Robson
	Village Clerk	Ann Marie Rocco
	Village Attorney	Robert Ponzini

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

**\*SWEARING IN OF POLICE OFFICER-JONATHAN GOLDSTEN\***

**I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXIT SIGNS**

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Regular Meeting – January 6, 2020

**Trustee DiJusto: RESOLVED**, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 6, 2020 as submitted. **Seconded by Trustee D’Emilio and passed 4-0-1 Trustee Yager abstained.**

**IV. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**LEGAL REPORT:** Village Attorney Ponzini stated there is nothing to report other than the matters that may have been submitted in memorandum form and stated that he would be available for Executive Session if needed.

**MANAGER’S REPORT 1/21/2020**

**Village Manager, Meredith S. Robson read the following report:**

**OVERNIGHT PARKING PERMITS:** Residents are reminded to renew their overnight parking permits for 2020 with the Police Desk. For applications and information, kindly telephone the Police Desk at 693-1700.

1. **ALARM PERMITS:** Residents are reminded to renew their alarm permits for 2020 with the Village Clerk. Any questions, please contact either the Police Department at 914-693-1700 or the Village Clerk at 914-693-1550.
2. **SCHOOL TAX:** Village residents are reminded that the second installment of the School tax is due by January 31. For those of you who like to pay in person at the last minute, please remember not to bring your payments to Ardsley Village Hall. Bring them directly to Greenburgh Town Hall which is located at 177 Hillside Avenue. Should you have any questions, please telephone the Town Tax Receiver's Office at 989-1550.
3. **2020-2021 BUDGET:** The budget process has begun! I have given the department heads their budget request packets and we are all beginning to work through these and get estimates put together on capital items.
4. **FINANCIAL SOFTWARE IMPLEMENTATION:** As I have previously mentioned, we are in the early stages of implementing our new financial software package. There are a few bumps along the way, as expected, but for the most part it seems to be going fairly well. Patience is a virtue as we go through this change! My thanks to our Village Treasurer, Leslie Tillotson, and our Accounts Payable Clerk, Theresa DelGrosso, who have borne the brunt of the switch and to our department heads and other staff who are working hard to get familiar with the new system.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Village Manager, Meredith S. Robson read the Treasurer's Report for January 21, 2020:

Ms. Robson stated the bills for the past two weeks totaled as follows: From the General Fund: \$174,540.25; from the Capital Fund: \$575.00; Trust & Agency Fund: \$4,399.42.

**Trustee Yager: RESOLVED,** that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby authorizes the Village Treasurer to make the following payments: From the General Fund: \$174,540.25 from the Capital Fund: \$575.00; Trust & Agency Fund: \$4,399.42. **Seconded by Trustee DiJusto and passed unanimously.**

**BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Mayor Kaboolian stated that the Building Department Report be accepted under submission for December 2019:

- 5 Building permits
- 3 Application fees
- 13 Certificates of Occupancy
- 7 Plumbing permits
- 4 Electrical permits
- 7 Letters of Compliance

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Mayor Kaboolian stated that the Fire Department Report be accepted under submission for December 2019:

- 12/7/19 Attended Annual tree lighting ceremony
- 12/11/19 Chief Murray attended Ardsley Schools Safety Committee Meeting
- 12/11/19 Chiefs Lindsay & Murray attended Battalion 14 Holiday Party
- 12/24/19-Members participated in annual Santa ride.
- 12/29/19 Ex-Chief Coulehan attended function at North Massapequa Fire Department with Westchester County Chief's Association.
- 31 Calls for the Month

**POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

Police Chief, Anthony Piccolino read the following December 2019 Police Report:

- Court fine and fees - \$36,589.00
- Property Lost or Stolen - \$15,670.00
- Property Recovered - \$0
- Meter collection- \$2,581.15
- Alarm fines & feels \$5,490
- 121 Parking summonses issued
- 16 UTT summonses issued
- 3 Appearance ticket issued
- 3 Arrests
- 255 Blotters

**TRAINING**

- Total training for the month of December - 64 hours
- The training consisted of SWAT, interrogation techniques and juvenile justice

**COMMUNITY POLICING:**

- 9 child seat units installed by appointment
- Sponsored holiday cookie decorating event at the Ardsley High School and were assisted by the Ardsley SAYF coalition
- Tony attended juvenile training which was offered from the state juvenile association.
- Participated and assisted with the Ardsley Senior Citizens luncheon at the Ardsley High School.

- Cosponsored the Holiday Tree Lighting event with the recreation department and purchased gifts for the event.
- Participated in the Ardsley school district security emergency assessment plan meeting.
- Participated in the Ardsley High School criminal justice class presentations and demonstrations from the DA's office, NYSP k-9 & Secret Service.
- Attended the Ardsley Senior Citizens holiday dinner event and purchased gifts for the event.

### **COMMUNITY INFORMATION:**

- Bank fraud continues to be an issue. Please make sure you check your bank statements.
- We have had several reports of phone scams so be mindful of it. Many of these scams are explained on our website. If you have any questions, you can contact the police desk.
- While we haven't experienced any home burglaries in the Village, many jurisdictions around us have. When you leave your house, lock your doors and use your alarm system if you have it. Lock your car doors and report any suspicious activity. The police department does keep a log of homes that are unoccupied such as vacationing residents or snowbirds. If you are one of them and you notify the department, an officer will check on your house while you are away and notify you if we see anything suspicious.
- The Ardsley PBA participated in "No Shave November and December" and raised \$2,000.00. The monies raised were donated to Debra of America. Information can be found at [www.debra.org/give](http://www.debra.org/give). And <https://vimeo.com/148107993>.

### **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mayor Kaboolian announced the following:

- Submitted our comments on the comprehensive plan PACE.
- Attended the Village Officials meeting in Dobbs Ferry.
- Attended WMOA dinner.
- Attended the Friends of Ardsley Library Fundraiser-Comedy Improv

### **COMMITTEE & BOARD REPORTS:**

#### **TRUSTEE DIJUSTO:**

Nothing to report

#### **TRUSTEE YAGER:**

- Submitted comments regarding the Comprehensive Plan to PACE.
- Kicked off the marketing firm discussion with Camoin and met with local businesses.
- The Environmental Committee is working with the schools regarding our recycling program including the plastic bag ban campaign.

### **TRUSTEE D'EMILIO:**

- The Sayf Coalition will be sponsoring a talent show at the Ardsley High School on February 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.
- Reminded residents that the Library Board meets once a month and the meetings are open to the public and they do have a visitor section.

### **TRUSTEE EDELSTEIN:**

- The Multicultural Committee is sponsoring the Lunar New Year Event this Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 p.m. -4:00 p.m. at the Community Center.
- Will be meeting with Trish Lacy to discuss improvements to the Community Center.

### **VISITORS:**

Armen Boyajian, 486 Ashford Avenue, Ardsley stated that he has taken photos of all the in the Village and North and South of 9A. He will get copies of the photos to the Village Board members and will submit them prior to the next Board Meeting.

### **V. OLD BUSINESS**

### **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Consider a resolution to confirm health benefit eligibility

#### **RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM HEALTH BENEFIT ELIGIBILITY**

**Trustee Edelstein:** RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby confirms the existing practice of providing health benefit coverage eligibility to full time employees only. **Seconded by Trustee D'Emilio and passed unanimously.**

2. Consider a resolution authorizing the Village Manager to sign an agreement with Suez Water Westchester Inc. for Water Usage Data Sharing & Security

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH SUEZ WATER WESTCHESTER INC. FOR WATER USAGE DATA SHARING & SECURITY**

**Trustee D'Emilio:** RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby authorizes the Village Manager to sign an agreement with SUEZ Water Westchester Inc. located at 2525 Palmer Avenue, New Rochelle, New York 10801 for water usage data sharing and security effective January 21, 2020. **Seconded by Trustee Edelstein and passed unanimously.**

3. Consider a resolution authorizing the Village Manager to sign an agreement with Brown & Weinraub, PLC for Legal Services for the creation of a Village Sewer Fund and finalizing the agreement with Suez Water Westchester, Inc.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO SIGN  
AN AGREEMENT WITH BROWN & WEINRAUB, PLLC FOR LEGAL  
SERVICES FOR THE CREATION OF A VILLAGE SEWER FUND AND  
FINALIZING THE AGREEMENT WITH SUEZ WATER  
WESTCHESTER INC.**

**Trustee DiJusto:** RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby authorizes the Village Manager to sign an agreement for legal services with Brown & Weinraub, PLLC located at 175 Varick Street, New York, NY 10014 for the creation of a village sewer fund and finalizing the agreement with SUEZ Water Westchester Inc. effective January 21, 2020.  
**Seconded by Trustee Yager and passed unanimously.**

4. Consider a resolution rescheduling Board of Architectural Review Meetings for 2020

**RESOLUTION RESCHEDULING  
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW MEETINGS FOR 2020**

**Trustee D’Emilio:** RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby reschedules the Board of Architectural Review meetings as follows:

February 6<sup>th</sup>, Thursday  
February 20<sup>th</sup>, Thursday  
March 5<sup>th</sup>, Thursday  
March 19<sup>th</sup> Thursday  
April 2<sup>nd</sup>, Thursday  
April 16<sup>th</sup> Thursday  
May 7<sup>th</sup>, Thursday  
May 21<sup>th</sup>, Thursday

**Seconded by Trustee Edelstein and passed unanimously.**

**VII. CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION.** Executive session to discuss personnel matters.

**VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**January 7, 2020 – Board of Architectural Review Meeting**  
**January 13, 2020 – Planning Board Meeting**

**January 20, 2020 – Village Offices closed – Martin Luther King Jr. Day**  
**January 21, 2020 - Board of Architectural Review Meeting**  
**January 21, 2020 – Board of Trustees Meeting**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

**Trustee Edelstein: RESOLVED**, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby adjourns the regular meeting of Monday, January 21, 2020 at 8:27 p.m. **Seconded by Trustee D’Emilio and passed unanimously.**

**X. NEXT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING: Monday, February 3, 2020 at 8:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Marie Rocco  
Village Clerk