

**VILLAGE OF ARDSLEY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2015**

Present:	Mayor	Peter R. Porcino
	Deputy Mayor/Trustee	Nancy Kaboolian
	Trustee	Gary Malone
	Trustee	Mollie Monti
	Trustee	Andy DiJusto
	Village Manager	Meredith A. Robson
	Village Clerk	Barbara A. Berardi
	Village Attorney	Robert J. Ponzini
	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**

**8:15 P.M. – ADJOURNED PUBLIC HEARING – For the purpose of consideration of the adoption of a Local law #2-2015 to establish a Community Choice Aggregation (Energy) Program**

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Reorganization Meeting – December 7, 2015  
Regular Meeting – December 7, 2015

**Trustee Malone: RESOLVED**, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby approves the minutes of the Reorganization Meeting of Monday, December 7, 2015 as submitted. **Seconded by Trustee Kaboolian and passed unanimously.**

**Trustee Malone: RESOLVED**, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, December 7, 2015 as amended. **Seconded by Trustee Kaboolian and passed unanimously.**

**IV. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

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

- 24 Calls for the month

- 152.00 Training Hours
- 84.5 Maintenance Hours

Other activities attended by Officers and Firefighters

- 11/10 – Started Annual Egress training, completed on 11/21
- 11/18 – Hosted monthly Battalion 14 meeting
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## **POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

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

- Court fine and fees - \$17,576
- Property Lost or Stolen - \$329
- 54 Parking summonses issued
- 53 UTT summonses issued
- 0 Appearance ticket issued
- 8 Arrests
- 223 Blotters

Other activities attended by Officers –

- 3 Swat Officers training total 48 hours
- Child passenger safety – installed 8 car seats and issued 4
- Attended coalition sponsored Drug and Pill Presentation and AHS
- Attended training Pace College on Elder Abuse
- Attended YO Meeting at St. Vincent's Hospital topic was treatment for youth substance abuse and Mental Health
- Attended a youth to youth meeting at SAS
- Attended a training on Opiate Drugs

## **LEGAL REPORT:**

Village Attorney Ponzini stated that there is nothing to report other than those items that might have been in memorandum form. Mr. Ponzini stated that he is available for an Executive Session if necessary.

## **MANAGER'S REPORT:**

### **VILLAGE MANAGER'S REPORT FOR MONDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2015**

1. Con Ed has confirmed that it will be possible to add additional facilities to their storm hardening projects (provision of redundant electric services in the event of an outage) so we

have asked them to include the ASVAC building, the library and the community center. They are now working on plans for this work.

2. Reminder that all Village offices will be closed on the afternoon of December 24<sup>th</sup> and all day on December 25<sup>th</sup> in observance of the Christmas holiday and will also be closed on the afternoon of the 31<sup>st</sup> for New Year's Eve and all day January 1<sup>st</sup> for New Year's Day. There will be village-wide collection of paper and commingled recyclables on Wednesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday, December 30<sup>th</sup>. There will also be village-wide garbage collection on Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, December 31<sup>st</sup>. Please refer to the Sanitation schedule posted on the Village's website.

3. Remember that the second installment of the Village tax bill became due and payable on December 1 and can be paid without penalty until the end of the business day on Thursday, December 31<sup>st</sup>. 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<sup>st</sup>, or that arrive via mail postmarked by the USPS after December 31<sup>st</sup>, or arrive after December 31<sup>st</sup> 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.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Village Manager, Robson read the Treasurer's Report on behalf of Marion DeMaio:

Ms. Robson stated the bills for the past two weeks totaled as follows: General Fund: \$149,665.03; Trust & Agency Fund: \$8,882.75; and from the Capital Fund: \$174.80.

**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: \$149,665.03; From the Trust & Agency Fund: \$8,882.75 and from the Capital Fund: \$174.80. **Seconded by Trustee Malone and passed unanimously.**

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

- Attended WMOA Dinner; we had a presentation by two of our State Representatives; Tom Abinanti showed up and put in the good word for the two who were there; He said that they were two of the dedicated public servants; the two gentleman who spoke at dinner had the interest of the residents and then you read the newspapers and all the corruption; it's kind of a yin and a yang; with the news, you get more bad news than good; it was a nice presentation; it's good to see in Albany that there are people who do care. The two people were former Mayors
- Attended ASVAC Dinner; Thank you Captain and the crew for inviting us
- Wanted to mention that their website is ASVAC.org and you can also access their website from Village website; they are always looking for volunteers

- Deputy Mayor Kaboolian and I met with a resident who is part of the group organizing the presentation and opposition to the Jefferson Project on Lawrence Street; there is a hearing scheduled on 1/13/16 at 7:30 p.m. at the Greenburgh Town Hall on Hillside Avenue; if you are concerned about the project, please attend; The Village has hired a consultant and we will be formally commenting on the scope of the document; I wrote to the editor at the Rivertowns Enterprises; there have been a couple of letters speaking about local politicians and whether they were paying attention to the development and the problems on Lawrence Street; I wrote a letter that I am reading tonight; I will ask Barbara to post it; I received some compliments in the past and received a lot of compliments about this one.
- Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and Happy Holidays

## **COMMITTEE & BOARD REPORTS:**

### **TRUSTEE DIJUSTO:**

- Attended ASVAC Holiday Party
- I have the report from ASVAC for the month of November; the total for year to date for November was 651 calls and that is up 70 calls from the year before
- You can contact them at ASVAC.ORG; they are seeking volunteers and they do hold CPR classes for children and adults

### **TRUSTEE MONTI:**

- Nothing to report
- Happy Holidays

### **TRUSTEE MALONE:**

- Happy Holidays and Happy New Year

### **TRUSTEE KABOOLIAN:**

- Attended WMOA Dinner
- Attended ASVAC Dinner
- Seniors Pot Luck Dinner is on 12/23
- Happy Holidays and travel safe

## **V. VISITORS**

Village Historian Walter Schwartz appeared and announced that he is pleased to serve as Ardsley Village Historian for the past three (3) years and read his Report for 2015

ASVAC former Captain, Frank Doherty appeared to speak about the Energy Program

## **VI. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Resolution Reaffirming Allocation of Two Parking Spots at Legion Park for ASVAC and AVFD

### **RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING ALLOCATION OF TWO PARKING SPOTS AT LEGION PARK FOR ASVAC AND AVFD**

**Trustee DiJusto:** **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley wishes to continue to provide for one parking spot each to be set aside for use by Ardsley Secor Volunteer Ambulance Corps. for a 24 hour period and Village of Ardsley Fire Department volunteers Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. at no charge and, hereby, reaffirms such allocation effective immediately. **Seconded by Trustee Monti and passed unanimously.**

2. Resolution to consider adopting Local Law #2-2015 to establish a Community Choice Aggregation (Energy) Program

**8:15 P.M. – ADJOURNED PUBLIC HEARING** – For the purpose of consideration of the adoption of a Local Law #2-2015 to establish a Community Choice Aggregation (Energy) Program

### **Open Public Hearing**

#### **Mayor read the Public Notice into the record**

Frank Doherty appeared and spoke in detail about the Energy Program.

### **Public Comments**

Mayor Porcino asked if there were any comments from the public. There were no comments.

### **Close Public Hearing**

**Trustee Monti:** **RESOLVED**, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby closes the public hearing at 9:00 p.m. for the purpose of consideration of the adoption of a Local Law #2-2015 to establish a Community Choice Aggregation (Energy) Program. **Seconded by Trustee DiJusto and passed unanimously.**

Mayor Porcino asked if anyone wishes to propose a Motion to approve this Local Law. There being no Motion, it does not pass.

## **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Resolution Authorizing the Treasurer to close out dormant Trust & Agency Accounts

### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TREASURER TO CLOSE OUT DORMANT TRUST & AGENCY ACCOUNTS**

**Trustee: Malone: RESOLVED**, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby authorizes the Village Treasurer to close out the following Trust & Agency Accounts, as per Audit recommendations, and spend down or transfer any balances to the General Fund. **Seconded by Trustee Kaboolian and passed unanimously.**

0089 Senior Citizen Program - \$1,001

Funds previously received through dues paid by "Senior Citizen Club" members. Balance will be returned to Senior Citizen Club and account will be closed.

0092 Police Department Unclaimed Rev. - \$1,101

Unclaimed funds from various sources for police activities. Balance will be transferred to police budget and account will be closed.

0095 Police Explorer - \$161

Funds previously received in support of Police Explorer program, which is no longer in existence. Balance will be transferred to community policing line and account will be closed.

0100 Lori Hunter Memorial - \$234

Funds previously received In Memoriam in honor of deceased Village employee. Balance will be used for established purpose and account will be closed.

0101 Gazebo Bricks - \$1,180

Funds previously received for Pocost Park brick installation. Balance will be transferred to Highway budget and account will be closed.

## **VIII. CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION.** Brief Executive Session to discuss a legal matter

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

**Trustee Kaboolian: RESOLVED**, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby adjourns the regular meeting of Monday, December 21, 2015 at 9:04 p.m. **Seconded by Trustee Malone and passed unanimously.**

**X. NEXT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING:** Monday, January 4, 2016 at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Fusco  
Recording Secretary