



MINUTES

Ardsey Village Board of Trustees

8:00 PM - Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Meeting Held Via Zoom Platform

Present: Mayor	Nancy Kaboolian
Deputy Mayor/Trustee	Andy DiJusto
Trustee	Asha Bencosme
Trustee	Steve Edelstein
Village Manager	Joseph L. Cerretani
Village Clerk	Ann Marie Rocco
Village Attorney	Robert J. Ponzini

Absent: Trustee Craig Weitz

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SPECIAL PRESENTATION Presentation from NYPA and Sustainable Westchester on Community Solar Program

1. Ben Cuzzo Lead Project Manager from NYPA provided an overview of the program:
 - We focus on solar electric systems.
 - Developed the Westchester Community Solar Program.
 - The Village would be able to receive discounted bill credits to reduce Con Edison bills.
 - Residents can sign up for Community Solar through Sustainable Westchester.
 - If residents/business already have solar panels, they are not allowed to participate.
 - 10% guarantee of the value of bill credits you receive that month.

Claire Kokoska from Sustainable Westchester explained the benefits of enrolling in local solar farm:

- \$3,000-\$10,000 in est. annual savings.

- Agreement is flexible, with no fee to enroll or cancel.
- No change to electricity supply.
- No installation in the Village.
- Support local solar farms and a greener electric grid.

Next Steps:

- Review the sample agreement (Standard Disclosure Agreement).
- When the next solar farm is available, Village may sign and enroll.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2.1 January 3, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

Moved by Trustee DiJusto, Seconded by Trustee Edelstein and passed 4-0-0
RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, January 3, 2022 as submitted.

3. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. LEGAL

- 1.a Village Attorney Robert Ponzini stated there is nothing to report other than those items that he is working on with Village staff and he is available for Executive Session if needed.

2. MANAGER

2.a January 18, 2022 Village Manager Report

Village Manager Joseph Cerretani read the following Manager Report:

1. **WEATHER EVENTS** Special thanks given to the DPW, Police Department, Fire Department, and ASVAC for their efforts during the recent weather events.
2. **OVERNIGHT PARKING PERMITS:** Residents are reminded to renew their overnight parking permits for 2022 with the Police Desk. For applications and information, kindly telephone the Police Desk at 693-1700.
3. **ALARM PERMITS:** Residents are reminded to renew their alarm permits for 2022 with the Village Clerk. Any questions, please contact the Village Clerk at 914-693-1550.
4. **SCHOOL TAX:** Village residents are reminded that the second installment of the School tax is due by Monday, January 31st, 2022. 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 914 -989-1550.

5. **2022-2023 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.

3. TREASURER

3.a January 18, 2022 Abstract Report

Village Manager Joseph Cerretani read the Treasurer's Report for January 18, 2022. Village Manager Cerretani stated that the bills for the past two weeks totaled as follows: From the General Fund: \$252,128.30; from the Sewer Fund: \$1306.64; from the Trust & Agency fund: \$3,336.63 and from the Capital Fund: \$618.75

Moved by Trustee Bencosme, Seconded by Trustee Edelstein and passed 4-0-0
RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby authorizes the Village Treasurer to make the following payments: From the General Fund: \$252,128.30; from the Sewer Fund: \$1,306.64, from the Trust & Agency Fund: \$3,336.63 and from the Capital Fund: \$618.75

4. BUILDING

4.a December 2021 Building Department Report

Mayor Kaboolian accepted the December 2021 Building Department report under submission.

- 9 Building permits
- 12 Application fees
- 9 Certificates of Occupancy
- 5 Plumbing permits
- 3 Electrical permits
- 5 Title Searches
- 0 Miscellaneous

Total received - \$5,955.00

Other activities:

- 41 Building inspections
- 4 Zoning inspections
- 3 Violations
- 1 Warnings

5. FIRE

5.a December 2021 Fire Department Report

Chief Murray read the following Fire Department report for the month of December 2021.

Fire Department Report for the month of December 2021:

- December 4th Chief Murray hosted the Village Holiday Lights
- December 6th Chief Murray met with the Elevator Company to get fixed
- December 7th Chief Murray gave new Village Manager Tour of Firehouse
- December 9th Chief Murray attended FEMA Meeting
- December 10th Chief Murray attended the Concord Road School Safety Meeting
- December 15th Chief Murray attended the lockdown drill at Concord Rd School
- December 19th Department held annual holiday party
- December 22 Chief Murray met with elevator company to finish work at firehouse
- December 24 Department held annual Santa run for the Village
- December 28 Chief Murray met with Sound Shore Pest Control
- December 29 Chief Murray met DP Wolff for HVAC work.

Total calls for the month of December: 24

Training Officers Report -December 2021

- December 2nd Training Hrs. 32.50, 13 Members present-Ladder Ops/Fire Prevention Prep
- December 9th Training Hrs. 15.00, 30 Members present Situational Awareness Drill at High School
- December 16th Training Hrs. 52, 26 Members present Maintenance/Meters/Member Party
- December 23rd Training Hrs. 0.00, 0 Members present-No Drill
- December 30th Training Hrs 0.00, 0 Members present -No Drill

6. POLICE

6. December 2021 Police Department Report

a Chief Piccolino reported the following activities for December 2021:

- Court fine and fees - \$71,580.00
- Property lost or stolen - \$0.00
- Alarm fines and fees - \$0.00
- Meter collection - \$1,582.15
- 12 Traffic Accidents
- 0 Arrests
- 262 Calls for Service
- 4 Investigations
- 1 Impoundment
- 13 UTT summonses issued

- 8 Parking summonses issued
- 0 Appearance tickets issued
- 21 Total summonses issued

Training:

Total training for the month of December: 12 hours on juvenile law

Community Policing:

The child passenger safety unit installed 6 child seats and issued zero.

Attended the State of NY Police Juvenile Officer's Association training and meeting which totaled 12 hours.

Community policing officers participated in the holiday tree lighting ceremony. Members were assisted by the Ardsley Recreation & Fire Departments. Gifts were purchased and light snacks and beverages were provided for the event.

Participated via zoom in the Westchester County Coalitions meeting on behalf of the Ardsley SAYF Coalition.

Participated via zoom KNOW 2 Prevent presentation on how to empower parents with essential tools to reduce risky behaviors among the youth.

Community Policing Officers participated in the senior citizens holiday dance event. Members were assisted by Ardsley Recreation & Fire Departments. Gifts were purchased and handed out to the senior citizens.

School Resource Officers & Fire department members conducted with school officials a lock down drill at the Concord Road School.

Community Policing officers with assistance of the Mayor & Village Manager handed out Covid-19 rapid test kits and KN95 facial masks.

Community Policing officers along with the Ardsley Fire Department participated in the Blue Santa event. The event took place at Maria Ferreri Children's Hospital where several law enforcement, fire and EMS personnel staged outside the hospital, waving blue light sticks and wishing all the children happy holidays and a speedy recovery.

Community Policing officers with the guidance from the Ardsley Cares Committee conducted a Toys for Tots fund drive at Ardsley Police headquarters.

Community Policing officers with the generous help from some of the Ardsley veterans and the American Legion Post provided three families in need within our community with gift cards for the holiday season.

Ardsley Police officers held a no shave November event in which all police officers within the department donated money for various causes. Members decided to donate \$750.00 to the Ardsley Panthers Family Fund.

Village of Ardsley Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative Plan Update January 18, 2022

Pursuant to then Governor Cuomo's Executive Order #203, signed on June 12, 2020, entitled NYS Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative, the Village of Ardsley undertook a review of the policies, procedures, and practices of its police department. To carry out this directive, the Village of Ardsley established the Ardsley Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative Committee (the "Committee"), which included law enforcement professionals, clergy representatives, criminal justice and police reform advocates, human rights professionals, and public servants.

Over the course of multiple meetings, the Committee reviewed and discussed the Ardsley Police Department's (the "Department") policing practices and programs, hiring process, training, financial matters, arrest data, discipline and transparency matters and New York State's accreditation. Based on this review, the Committee generated recommendations and the Village of Ardsley Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative Plan (the "Plan") was adopted on April 1, 2021, and was submitted to the State as required by the Executive Order.

In general, the proposed recommendations in the Plan were designed to improve an understanding of the Department's activities, to encourage open communication between the department and the community, to hold meetings with community groups, to require implicit/anti-bias training annually, to provide training regarding responding to people with mental illness or disabilities, to advocate for changes in the Civil Service hiring process, to evaluate the need for a non-police advisory board, to encourage more community policing practices and to promote improved relationships between the Department and the community based on trust, fairness, accountability, and transparency.

The Village and the Department promised to provide and update the status of the Committee's recommendations. Unfortunately, due to Covid, staffing shortages and other circumstances this update was delayed as have been some of the Committee's community policing and practices recommendations.

However, we are pleased to report that since the submission of the Plan, the Village has addressed and taken positive steps toward accomplishing some significant recommendations put forth by the Committee.

Hiring and the Hiring Process – One of the major topics discussed by the Committee was the Civil Service hiring process requirements. The Civil Service hiring process is still cumbersome and has caused significant delays in the Village's ability to hire qualified candidates. Both the Chief and Mayor have discussed these issues with our county representatives, including County Executive, George Latimer. We will continue to advocate for changes in the Civil Service process.

Women's Locker Room - The Committee learned that the Department did not have a proper Women's locker room to accommodate female police officers. As a result of the recommendations by the Committee and input by the Chief, the Village has built a new woman's locker room in the police station which is substantially similar to the men's locker room.

We are proud to announce that the Village will be hiring two female officers in the next two months. The Village will also be hiring a Spanish speaking officer. Hopefully these new hires will be completed by February.

Community Outreach– The Committee also learned that while we live in a very safe community many people were unaware of all of the things that the Department does and is involve with. For example, with the assistance from Ardsley veterans and the American Legion Post the Department provided families in need with gift cards for the holiday season. The Department also donated \$750.00 to the Ardsley Panthers Family Fund. The Ardsley PBA along with the Ardsley Fire Department hosted a classic car show which raised \$1,500 for underprivileged children.

While Covid has made meeting in person and community outreach more challenging the Department was still able to hold the ice cream social, coffee with a cop, ice cream with a cop, participated in Trunk & Treat, the tree lighting ceremony, the Fire Department Santa Ride. The Department was also able to hold the seniors' barbeque and holiday party. The Department also participated in a Toys-for-Tots drive. Members of the Department participated in the Blue Santa event at the Maria Ferreri Children's Hospital.

With the hiring of an additional officer and hopefully once we can meet safely again in person, the Department anticipates that it will significantly increase its community outreach to include student visits to the police station, roundtable meetings with elected officials and the police, and new resident outreach.

Additionally, the Department has increased its presence in our schools. Officers have been encouraged to stop by the schools to converse and interact with students in a comfortable and causal setting. There are ongoing discussions with the school district regarding a designated school resource officer. The Department has always enjoyed an open line of communication with the school district. The Department participated in among other things, the read to me event at the elementary school, the Halloween events at the elementary and middle schools, the pep rally/homecoming game event at the high school.

The Department had implemented an Opioid diversion program known as Hope Not Handcuffs. This is an initiative by Family Against Narcotics, aimed at bringing law enforcement and community organizations together in an effort to find viable treatment options for individuals seeking help to reduce dependency with heroin, prescription drugs, and alcohol.

The Department has increased its foot and/or bike patrol. An additional officer was recently trained and certified for bike patrol.

The Department also makes wellness checks for seniors and others.

The Department attended and assisted with the Juneteenth Celebration, Pride Event and Diwali Celebration.

The Department is working on instituting an “awards night for everyday heroes”.

The Department facilitated the distribution to Village residents of Covid test kits and masks provided to the Village by the County.

Communication – Based on recommendations by the Committee, the Department has substantially increased its communication with the community through its Instagram account and the Village newsletter. While every resident should feel comfortable contacting the Chief and any other member of the Department, the Village, has provided a means for a person to anonymously contact the Police Chief through the Village website. Statistical data is provided by the Chief every month at a Board of Trustee meeting and the annual report is included herein. The Chief, the Village Manager and the Board of Trustees are always available for anyone to contact them directly with any questions or concerns.

Training – Training has always been a top priority. Prior to the Committee’s recommendations the Department had already implemented annual implicit bias training to its other annual training protocols.

In addition, the members of the Department:

1. Completed training in domestic violence high-risk assessment or DVHRT. The program is in collaboration with the Westchester County Office for Women, the Westchester County District Attorney’s Office, Westchester Medical Center, Pace Women’s Justice Center and Legal Services of the Hudson Valley.
2. Participated in a Human and Sex trafficking training hosted by Westchester County District Attorney's Office.
3. Participated in Greenburgh Youth Court training sessions. There were 23 students from local school districts who are attending a 7-week training where they will learn

the aspects of the law, defense, jurors, judge, DA functions of the court and also used as a diversion program for youth who are charged with an offense.

4. Participated in training sponsored by Victims Assistance Services of Westchester County and the Westchester County Town Hall meeting Know2Prevent marihuana issues and new legislation.

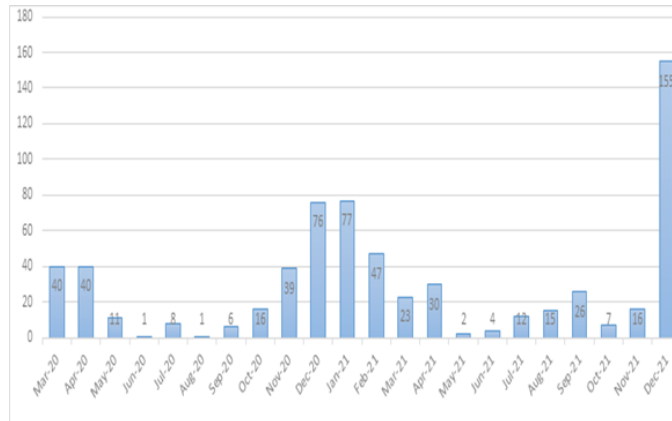
The Department through Westchester County's Project Alliance will work closely with the County's Department of Community Mental Health, Department of Public Safety, Department of Emergency Services and Department of Social Services to address the needs of Westchester County residents with behavioral health challenges

Financial Matters- The Department appreciates the support it receives from the Village to effectively and efficiently protect the Village and its residents. The Chief and Board of Trustees and Village Manager have discussed the cost, utility, and necessity of body cameras. No decision has been made. Discussions are ongoing.

Discipline and Transparency – The Committee learned that some people do not want their name to be known so they do not make a complaint. In response to this concern, the Village has provided a mechanism for an individual to contact the Department anonymously with any complaints or concerns. In addition, on June 12, 2020, New York State repealed Civil Rights Law 50-a and amended Public Officers Law 86, 87, and 89 regarding public access to law enforcement disciplinary records. Police disciplinary records previously protected under Section 50a of the state Civil Rights Law are now subject to Freedom of Information.

Accreditation - The Department accreditation manual is complete and has been approved by the village board. The manual was implemented on June 1, 2021. The state of New York has been advised that we are ready for state inspection. We are currently slated for assessment in the second quarter of 2022.

The Department's use of force policy is posted on the Village website.



Prevention:

The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus. However, as a reminder, CDC always recommends everyday preventative actions to help the spread of respiratory disease including:

- Avoid close contact with people.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Stay home when possible and limit travel.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Follow CDC's recommendations for using a facemask.

For information about handwashing, see CDC's Handwashing website:

<https://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/index.html>

For information specific to healthcare, see CDC's Hand Hygiene in Healthcare Settings:

<https://www.cdc.gov/handhygiene/index.html>

These are everyday habits that can help prevent the spread of several viruses. CDC does have specific guidance for travelers.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html>

For more information, please visit the CDC website at:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>

Delta Variant: What We Know About the Science

On July 27, 2021, CDC released [updated guidance](#) on the need for urgently increasing COVID

- 19 vaccination coverage and a recommendation for everyone in areas of [substantial or high transmission](#) to wear a mask in public indoor places, even if they are fully vaccinated. CDC issued this new guidance due to several concerning developments and newly emerging data signals.

First, a significant increase in new cases reversed what had been a steady decline since January 2021. In the days leading up to our guidance update, CDC saw a rapid and alarming rise in the COVID-19 case and hospitalization rates around the country.

In late June, the 7-day moving average of reported cases was around 12,000. On July 27, the 7-day moving average of cases reached over 60,000. This case rate looked more like the rate of cases we had seen before the vaccine was widely available.

Second, new data began to emerge that the Delta variant was more infectious and was leading to increased transmissibility when compared with other variants, even in some vaccinated individuals. This includes recently published data from CDC and our public health partners, unpublished surveillance data that will be publicly available in the coming weeks, information included in CDC's updated [Science Brief on COVID-19 Vaccines and Vaccination](#), and ongoing outbreak investigations linked to the Delta variant.

Infection & spread

the Delta variant causes more infections and spreads faster than early forms of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19.

- **The Delta variant is more contagious:** The Delta variant is highly contagious, more than 2x as contagious as previous variants.
- **Some data suggest the Delta variant might cause more severe illness than previous variants in unvaccinated people.** In two different studies from Canada and Scotland, patients infected with the Delta variant were more likely to be hospitalized than patients infected with Alpha or the original virus that causes COVID-19. Even so, the vast majority of hospitalization and death caused by COVID-19 are in unvaccinated people.
- **Unvaccinated people remain the greatest concern:** The greatest risk of transmission is among unvaccinated people who

are much more likely to get infected, and therefore transmit the virus. Fully vaccinated people get COVID-19 (known as [breakthrough infections](#)) less often than unvaccinated people. People infected with the Delta variant, including fully vaccinated people with symptomatic breakthrough infections, can transmit the virus to others. CDC is continuing to assess data on whether fully vaccinated people with asymptomatic breakthrough infections can transmit the virus.

- **Fully vaccinated people with Delta variant breakthrough infections can spread the virus to others. However, vaccinated people appear to spread the virus for a shorter time:** For prior variants, lower amounts of viral genetic material were found in samples taken from fully vaccinated people who had breakthrough infections than from unvaccinated people with COVID-19. For people infected with the Delta variant, similar amounts of viral genetic material have been found among both unvaccinated and fully vaccinated people. However, like prior variants, the amount of viral genetic material may go down faster in fully vaccinated people when compared to unvaccinated people. This means fully vaccinated people will likely spread the virus for less time than unvaccinated people.

Vaccines

Vaccines in the US are highly effective, including against the Delta variant

- The COVID-19 vaccines approved or authorized in the United States are highly effective at preventing severe disease and death, including against the Delta variant. But they are not 100% effective, and some fully vaccinated people will become infected (called a breakthrough infection) and experience illness. For all people, the vaccine provides the best protection against serious illness and death.
- Vaccines are playing a crucial role in limiting spread of the virus and minimizing severe disease. Although vaccines are highly effective, they are not perfect, and there will be vaccine breakthrough infections. Millions of Americans are vaccinated, and that number is growing. This means that even though the risk of breakthrough infections is low, there will be thousands of fully vaccinated people who become infected and able to infect others, especially with the surging spread of the Delta variant. [Low vaccination coverage](#) in many communities is driving the current rapid surge in cases involving the Delta variant, which also increases the chances that even more concerning variants could emerge.

- Vaccination is the best way to protect yourself, your family, and your community. High vaccination coverage will reduce spread of the virus and help prevent new variants from emerging. CDC recommends that everyone aged 12 years and older get vaccinated as soon as possible.

Masks

Given what we know about the Delta variant, vaccine effectiveness, and current vaccine coverage, layered prevention strategies, including wearing masks, are needed to reduce the transmission of this variant

- At this time, as we build the level of vaccination nationwide, we must also use all the prevention strategies available, including masking indoors in public places, to stop transmission and stop the pandemic. Everyone who is able, including fully vaccinated people, should wear masks in public indoor places in areas of [substantial or high transmission](#).

Omicron Variant: What You Need to Know

Updated Dec. 5, 2021 Languages

[Print](#)

Emergence of Omicron

On November 24, 2021, a new variant of [SARS-CoV-2](#), B.1.1.529, was reported to the World Health Organization (WHO). This new variant was first detected in specimens collected on November 11, 2021 in Botswana and on November 14, 2021 in South Africa.

On November 26, 2021, WHO named the B.1.1.529 Omicron and classified it as a Variant of Concern (VOC). On November 30, 2021, the United States designated Omicron as a [Variant of Concern](#), and on December 1, 2021 the first confirmed U.S. case of Omicron was identified.

CDC has been collaborating with global public health and industry partners to learn about Omicron, as we continue to monitor its course.

CDC has been using [genomic surveillance](#) throughout the course of the pandemic to track variants of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, and inform public health practice. We don't yet know how easily it spreads, the severity of illness it causes, or how well available vaccines and medications work against it.

Despite the increased attention of Omicron, [Delta](#) continues to be the main variant circulating in the United States.

Infection and Spread

- **How easily does Omicron spread?** The Omicron variant likely will spread more easily than the original SARS-CoV-2 virus and how easily Omicron spreads compared to Delta remains unknown. CDC expects that anyone with Omicron infection can spread the

virus to others, even if they are vaccinated or don't have symptoms.

- **Will Omicron cause more severe illness?** More data are needed to know

if Omicron infections, and especially reinfections and breakthrough infections in people who are fully vaccinated, cause more severe illness or death than infection with other variants.

- **Will vaccines work against Omicron?** Current vaccines are expected to protect against severe illness, hospitalizations, and deaths due to infection with the Omicron variant. However, [breakthrough infections](#) in people who are fully vaccinated are likely to occur. With other variants, like Delta, vaccines have remained effective at preventing severe illness, hospitalizations, and death. The recent emergence of Omicron further emphasizes the importance of vaccination and boosters.
- **Will treatments work against Omicron?** Scientists are working to determine how well existing treatments for COVID-19 work. Based on the changed genetic make-up of Omicron, some treatments are likely to remain effective while others may be less effective.

We have the Tools to Fight Omicron:

Vaccines remain the best public health measure to protect people from COVID-19, slow transmission, and reduce the likelihood of new variants emerging. COVID-19 vaccines are highly effective at preventing severe illness, hospitalizations, and death. Scientists are currently investigating Omicron, including how protected fully vaccinated people will be against infection, hospitalization, and death. CDC recommends that everyone 5 years and older protect themselves from COVID-19 by getting [fully vaccinated](#). CDC recommends that everyone ages 18 years and older should get a [booster](#) shot at least two months after their initial J&J/Janssen vaccine or six months after completing their primary COVID-19 vaccination series of Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna.

Masks offer protection against all variants. CDC continues to recommend wearing a mask in public indoor settings in areas of substantial or high [community transmission](#), regardless of vaccination status. CDC provides [advice about masks](#) for people who want to learn more about what [type of mask](#) is right for them depending on their circumstances.

Tests can tell you if you are currently infected with COVID-19. Two types of tests are used to test for [current infection](#): nucleic acid amplification tests ([NAATs](#)) and [antigen tests](#). NAAT

and antigen tests can only tell you if you have a current infection. Individuals can use the [COVID-19 Viral Testing Tool](#) to help determine what kind of test to seek. Additional tests would be needed to determine if your infection was caused by Omicron. Visit your [state](#), [tribal](#), local, or [territorial](#) health department's website to look for the latest local information on testing.

[Self-tests](#) can be used at home or anywhere, are easy to use, and produce rapid results. If your self-test has a positive result, stay home or isolate for 10 days, wear a mask if you have contact with others, and call your healthcare provider. If you have any questions about your self-test result, call your healthcare provider or public health department.

Until we know more about the risk of Omicron, it is important to use **all tools available** to [protect yourself and others](#).

Virus Characteristics

CDC scientists are working with partners to gather data and virus samples that can be studied to answer important questions about the Omicron variant. Scientific experiments have already started. CDC will provide updates as soon as possible.

Variant Surveillance

In the United States, CDC uses [genomic surveillance](#) to track variants of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19 to more quickly identify and act upon these findings to best protect the public's health. CDC established multiple ways to connect and share genomic sequenced data being produced by CDC, public health laboratories, and commercial diagnostic laboratories within publicly accessible databases maintained by the [National Center for Biotechnology Information](#) (NCBI) and the [Global Initiative on Sharing Avian Influenza Data](#) (GISAID). CDC's national genomic surveillance can detect a variant that is circulating at 0.1% frequency with 99% statistical confidence.

7. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Kaboolian announced the following:

- Attended the Climate Advisory Committee (CAC) and the Ardsley Multicultural, Diversity and Inclusion Committee film screening of *The Sacrifice Zone*.
- Our Covid cases are up to 144 and we are beginning to see a drop in cases.
- Police Department still has free N95 Masks for Ardsley residents.

- Free at home Covid-19 test kits can be ordered at www.COVIDtests.gov. Each household order will contain 4 rapid tests and will be shipped at the end of January.

8. COMMITTEE & BOARD REPORTS

Trustee DiJusto did not have anything to report.

Trustee Bencosme also attended the film screening *The Sacrifice Zone*-a film on the environmental and social injustice.

Trustee Edelstein did not have anything to report.

4. VISITORS

Jodie Reaver Ardsley resident thanked Chief Piccolino for his police reform update report and had the following training:

- Will mental health/disabilities and implicit bias training be part of your annual training?
- Has there been any further thought of establishing a Non-Policy Advisory Board?
- Is there a way to tour the new women locker room?

Ms. Reaver thanked everyone for all the work they have done.

Mayor Kaboolian stated that the locker room was supervised by our labor lawyer and the women locker room is substantially similar to the men's locker room.

Steven Glusker Ardsley resident congratulated the Board and the Police Chief for making the changes. Mr. Glusker had the following questions:

- Requests that the committee be called back again to ask questions of the Chief.
- Will/Is there be a Chief's Corner on our Village website? Are statistics being placed on the website?

Chief Piccolino yearly statistics are provided in municipal court.

Mayor Kaboolian explained we can discuss with the Chief if we need to reconvene the Committee.

Jean-Marie Bradford Ardsley resident questioned what do think helped you obtaining diversity in the new hires?

Chief Piccolino explained that we are still having problems with County personnel. It's extremely difficult to hire candidates.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- 6.1 Consider a Resolution to Approve Annual Certification of the Volunteer Fire Fighter Service Award List for 2021

Moved by Trustee Edelstein, Seconded by Trustee Bencosme and passed 4-0-0

WHEREAS,

in 1991 the Village of Ardsley established a Volunteer Fire Fighters Service Award Program, and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of a participating volunteer fire company to maintain all required records on forms prescribed by the governing board of the Village of Ardsley, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with General Municipal Law, Article 11-A, Service Award Programs, Section 219-a.2.d, Ardsley Engine Company No. 1 has furnished the Village Board of Trustees a list, certified under oath, identifying those volunteer members who have qualified for credit under the award program for calendar year 2021, and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees has reviewed the list of Ardsley Engine Company, No. 1

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees hereby approves the annual certification of the service award list for 2021 and that the approved list of certified members be returned to Ardsley Engine Company No. 1 and posted for at least 30 days for review by the membership.

- 6.2 Consider a Resolution for Appointment to the Board of Architectural Review
Vladimir Kowalyk

Moved by Trustee DiJusto, Seconded by Trustee Bencosme and passed 4-0-0

RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the Village of Ardsley hereby makes the appointment of Vladimir Kowalyk as a member to the Board of Architectural Review completing the unexpired term of Andy Laub, effective immediately through December 4, 2023.

- 6.3 Consider a Resolution for Appointments to the Recreation Commission Mona Swanson & Alka Shukla

Moved by Trustee Bencosme, Seconded by Trustee Edelstein and passed 4-0-0

RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the Village of Ardsley hereby makes the appointments of Mona Swanson and Alka Shukla to the Recreation Commission, effective through December 5, 2022.

7. CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

8. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

8.1 Adjournment

Moved by Trustee Edelstein, Seconded by Trustee DiJusto and passed unanimously. RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby adjourns the regular meeting of Tuesday, January 18, 2023, at 9:18 p.m.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 18, 2022 Board of Architectural Review Meeting 8:00 pm

January 26, 2022 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting 8:00 pm

January 27, 2022 Library Board Meeting 7:30 pm

February 1, 2022 Board of Architectural Review Meeting 8:00 pm

February 1, 2022 Board of Trustees Worksession Meeting 7:30 pm

February 3, 2022 Climate Action Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

10. NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Monday, February 7, 2022

Village Clerk, Ann Marie Rocco

Date: