

**VILLAGE OF ARDSLEY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2015**

Present:	Mayor	Peter Porcino
	Deputy Mayor/Trustee	Nancy Kaboolian
	Trustee	Gary Malone
	Trustee	Mollie Monti
	Trustee	Andy DiJusto
	Village Manager	Meredith Robson
	Village Clerk	Barbara 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

8:00 P.M. – SAYF Coalition – Public Service Announcements

8:15 P.M. – PUBLIC HEARING – To consider a request from Xing Long Spa, Inc. for a permit to convert the former Yogurt by You shop into a health spa at 718 Saw Mill River Road (a/k/a 726 Saw Mill River Road)

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting – September 21, 2015

Trustee Malone: RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, September 21, 2015 as submitted. **Seconded by Trustee Kaboolian and passed unanimously.**

IV. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

LEGAL REPORT:

Village Attorney Ponzini had nothing to report other than certain items that he is working on with the Village. We do have one small tax matter that we are going to settle. It is a holdover from when we had our assessment roll and he should have it on the agenda in the next couple of weeks. Mr. Ponzini stated that he is available for an Executive Session if necessary.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

VILLAGE MANAGER REPORT FOR MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2015

1. The completion of the storm hardening work being done in front of Village Hall by Con Edison has been postponed due to an accident with the machinery that took place a week ago. Thankfully, there were no injuries and property damage was minimal. The project has been stopped while an investigation into the accident is completed. We are hopeful that the delay will be no greater than three weeks.
2. The Village will be bringing on a new payroll vendor which will provide enhanced services, including assistance with the ACA reporting requirements, at a significantly reduced price. The new system should be in place for the second payroll of this month.
3. I am extremely happy to report that our fund balance has received a much needed boost as of the end of the last fiscal year. Based on initial auditor review, we will be increasing our fund balance by approximately \$550,000. Though this will still leave the Village shy of the balance at the end of the 2013-2014 fiscal year, and significantly less than the balance at the end of the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 fiscal years, this is still a great step in the right direction to protect the Village's fiscal health. This will presumably allow us to get off the list of fiscally stressed municipalities that the State Comptroller's Office determines. For those who have seen the latest reports from the State Comptroller's Office, that had nothing new to do with Ardsley at this point in time. The reason the list made "news" again was because the Comptroller's Office just released a new report which included calendar year communities. Ardsley was identified back in the winter when they reported on non-calendar year municipalities based on the prior fiscal year. The news has only gotten better since then.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Village Manager 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: \$81,794.48; Trust & Agency Fund: \$5,825.72; and from the Capital Fund: \$879.50.

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: \$81,794.48; From the Trust & Agency Fund: \$5,825.72 and from the Capital Fund: \$879.50. **Seconded by Trustee Malone and passed unanimously.**

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- I signed plans for the storage facility at the building inspector's request
- We received word that Town of Greenburgh has declared itself Lead Agency on the Jefferson Housing Project on Lawrence Street; that is the preliminary step to the formal process; there are certain parties that have a right to object within thirty (3) days and if not, the town will proceed as the Lead Agency and the formal process will start which is first a submission of a draft environmental impact statement and once that is adopted, they will have an opportunity to address that and raise concerns that we have at that project
- At that last meeting I mentioned two (2) vacancies on the Planning Board; if anyone is interested, please contact the Mayor or the Village Manager; we are looking for people with some expertise in engineering or an architectural background
- Received notice from the Attorney General that he has created a new site to help New Yorkers identify scams so they can report potential scammers directly to the Attorney General's office. The website is agscamhelp.com and it will be posted
- I went on the Facebook and Twitter sites today. We are on Facebook and not on Twitter. The sanitation schedule for October was posted there
- Next Monday is Columbus Day and there will be no pick up and the Village offices will be closed. Check the schedule

COMMITTEE & BOARD REPORTS:

TRUSTEE DIJUSTO:

- Attended homecoming football game and volunteered at the concession stand

TRUSTEE MONTI:

- Nothing to report

TRUSTEE MALONE:

- Attended Ardsley Library Board of Trustees Meeting

TRUSTEE KABOOLIAN:

- Seniors meet on Wednesdays; on 10/7 there will be a talk by an elder lawyer
- 10/14 there will be a concert
- 10/21 - Apple picking from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; if you are interested, call Nick at 914-693-8012
- 10/28 - Zumba at 12:30
- 10/29 - Halloween party in Dobbs Ferry
- Attended WMOA Meeting this month
- I will be attending WMOA dinner this month; one big topic was the second circuit's decision in the Westchester Housing case; One of the WMOA members asked that our

attorney issue a short statement about the case because they did not fully inform people as to what the decision actually was; WMOA counsel is going to draft something

V. VISITORS

Armen Boyjian of 23 Grandview Avenue presented a Master Schedule for Funding for the Future Development of Ardsley, New York.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Resolution to consider granting permission to Xing Long Spa, Inc. for a permit to convert the former Yogurt by You shop into a health spa located at 718 Saw Mill River Road (a/k/a 726 Saw Mill River Road)

8:15 P.M. – PUBLIC HEARING – To consider a request from Xing Long Spa, Inc. for a permit to convert the former Yogurt by You shop into a health spa at 718 Saw Mill River Road (a/k/a 726 Saw Mill River Road)

Open Public Hearing

Mayor read the Public Notice into the record

The owner/operator and her son appeared at the Public Hearing. They stated that Xing Long Spa, Inc. is employing the owner/operator only at the beginning and the spa will be open seven (7) days per week from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Vice-President/property owner of Ardsley Village Green, Mr. Hyacinth appeared and discussed parking at the Village Green and explained so as long as the use is in place is continued in the same class, there is no additional parking requirement for Xing Long Spa, Inc.

Public Comments

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

Close Public Hearing

RESOLUTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR A PERMIT TO CONVERT THE FORMER YOGURTY BY YOU SHOP INTO A HEALTH SPA LOCATED AT 718 SAW MILL RIVER ROAD (A/K/A) 726 SAW MILL RIVER ROAD)

Trustee Kaboolian: RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby closes the public hearing at 8:47 p.m. to consider a permit to convert the former Yogurt by You shop into a health spa located at 718 Saw Mill River Road (a/k/a 726 Saw Mill River Road). **Seconded by Trustee Malone and passed unanimously.**

**RESOLUTION GRANTING PERMISSION TO XING LONG SPA, INC. FOR A
REQUEST TO CONVERT THE FORMER YOGURT BY YOU SHOP INTO A HEALTH
SPA LOCATED
718 SAW MILL RIVER ROAD
(A/K/A 726 SAW MILL RIVER ROAD)**

Trustee Kaboolian: RESOLVED, that the Village of Ardsley hereby grants permission to Xing Long Spa, Inc., to convert the former Yogurt by You shop into a health spa located at 718 Saw Mill River Road (a/k/a 726 Saw Mill River Road) with the following conditions:

Seconded by Trustee Malone and passed unanimously.

1. The applicant must provide plans showing compliance with the NYS Building Code for the interior alterations.
2. The applicant must obtain a building permit prior to commencement of work.
3. The applicant must obtain a separate sign permit for all proposed signage.
4. The hours of operation will be from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. 7 days a week
5. All employees must obtain parking permits.
6. The applicant must provide proof that all required licenses have been obtained.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution to consider granting permission to erect Red Ribbon Week Banner for the SAYF Coalition

**RESOLUTION GRANTING PERMISSION TO ERECT BANNER FOR RED RIBBON
WEEK**

Trustee DiJusto: RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby approves a request from the Ardsley SAYF Coalition to erect a 20' x 4' banner across Ashford Avenue near Village Hall from October 21st through November 2nd, 2015 that reads:

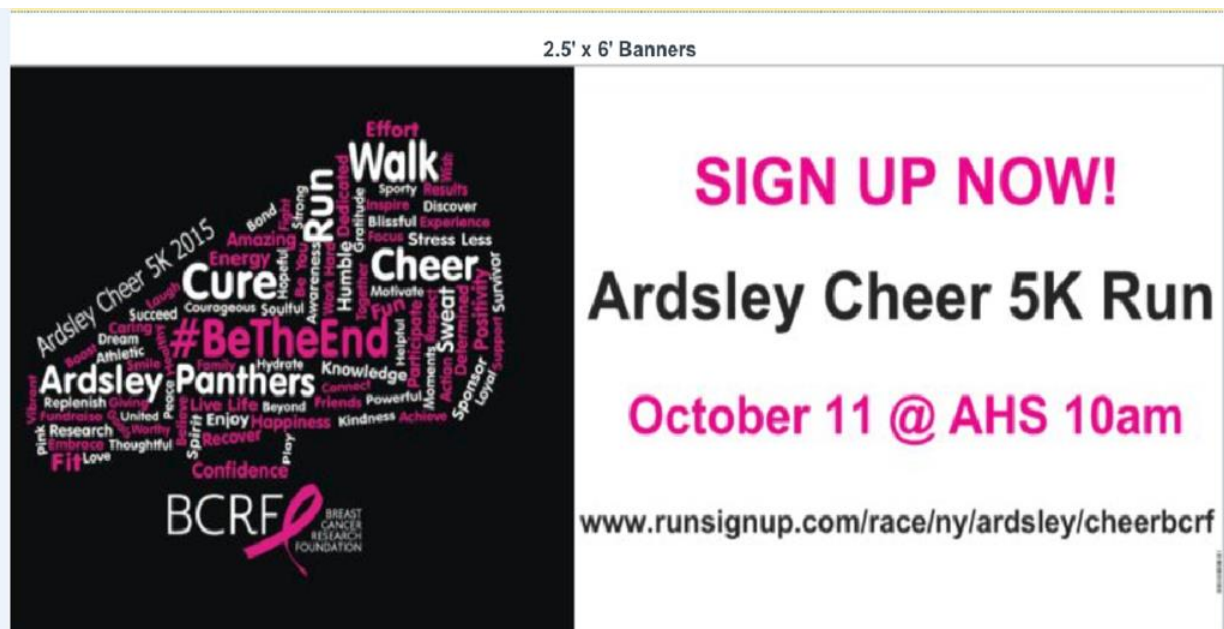
***“NATIONAL RED RIBBON WEEK. JOIN OUR FIGHT AGAINST UNDERAGE
ALCOHOL AND DRUG USE. HELP OUR TEENS GROW UP SAYF, HAPPY AND
HEALTHY. WEAR A RED RIBBON TO SHOW SUPPORT.”***

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, the SAYF Coalition's Youth Leadership Committee has permission to tie red ribbons around telephone poles throughout the Village of Ardsley for the same said period of time. The red ribbons will be taken down by the Youth Leadership committee by November 6, 2015. **Seconded by Trustee Monti and passed unanimously.**

2. Resolution to consider granting permission to erect Ardsley High School Cheer-5K Fundraiser banners

RESOLUTION GRANTING PERMISSION TO ARDSLEY HIGH SCHOOL CHEER 5 K FUNDRAISER TO ERECT BANNERS

Trustee Monti: RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby grants permission to the Ardsley High School Cheer to erect a banner across Ashford Avenue near Village Hall and additional banner to be erected on the split-rail fence in the jug handle of McCormick Drive from October 6, 2015 through October 13, 2015 that reads: **Seconded by Trustee DiJusto and passed unanimously.**



3. Resolution to modify 2015-2016 Village Budget to recognize State Award of Child Passenger Safety Program Grant (\$4,500.00)

RESOLUTION TO MODIFY 2015-2016 VILLAGE BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE STATE AWARD OF CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY PROGRAM GRANT (\$4,500)

Trustee Malone: RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby authorizes the Village Treasurer to modify the 2015-2016 Village Budget by increasing revenue code A-3989 by \$4,500.00 and increasing appropriations line item 3120.200 by \$4,500.00 to recognize the receipt of a grant from the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee to participate in the statewide "Child Passenger Safety" program. **Seconded by Trustee Kaboolian and passed unanimously.**

VIII. CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION. Executive Session to discuss legal matter.

IX. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Trustee Malone: RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby adjourns the regular meeting of Monday, October 5, 2015 at 8:47 p.m. **Seconded by Trustee Kaboolian and passed unanimously.**

X. NEXT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING: Monday, October 19, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Fusco
Recording Secretary