

VILLAGE OF ARDSLEY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JANUARY 3, 2012

Mayor Porcino opened the January 3, 2012 Regular Meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Present:	Mayor	Peter Porcino
	Trustee	Larry J. Nardecchia
	Trustee	Nicole Minore
	Trustee	Beverly A. Levine
	Village Manager	George Calvi
	Village Clerk	Barbara Berardi
	Recording Secretary	Lorraine McSpedon
	Village Treasurer	Marion DeMaio
Absent:	Deputy Mayor/Trustee	Gary Malone
	Village Attorney	Robert J. Ponzini

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Tr. Levine: Resolved, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby approves the minutes of the regular meeting of December 19, 2011, as amended. **Seconded by Tr. Nardecchia and passed unanimously.**

8:00 P.M. – PRESENTATION – FINANCIAL STATEMENT – FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING 5/31/11 BY ALAN KASSAY – O’CONNOR, DAVIES, MUNNS & DOBBINS, LLP.

Mr. Alan Kassay presented himself to the Board and read the opinion which reads “In our opinion, the financial statements...present fairly in all material respects, the financial position of the Village of 5/31/11 for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Mr. Kassay explained that the above is considered an unqualified opinion, or a clean opinion and is the best opinion you can achieve.

Mr. Kassay continued with an overview of the financial specifics and fielded questions from the Board.

The financial statement for year ended May 31, 2011 is posted on the website for residents to view.

8:15 P.M. – CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING – For the purpose of modifying an existing site plan for Ardsley Snack Mart (Shell) located at 730 Saw Mill River Road, Ardsley, New York.

Mayor Porcino read the legal notice.

The applicant has not informed the Board of his intentions and did not show up for the meeting, therefore, the hearing has been adjourned until February 6th.

Tr. Minore: Resolved, that the continuation of the public hearing will be held before the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ardsley on Monday, February 6, 2012 at 8:30 p.m. for the purpose of modifying the existing site plan for Ardsley Snack Mart located at 730 Saw Mill River Road, Ardsley, New York. **Seconded by Tr. Levine and passed unanimously.**

8:30 P.M. – PUBLIC HEARING – Proposal to ban parking on east side of Fairmont Avenue north of Ashford Avenue.

Mayor Porcino read the legal notice and gave an overview of the parking concerns. Complaints have been received from the Fire Department and DPW as well as a report from the Police Chief which indicated that the resident complaints were valid and recommended that Section 190-17 of the Village Code be amended to prohibit parking on the east side of Fairmont Avenue from Ashford Avenue north to the cul-de-sac.

Mr. Steve Lipset, 15 Fairmont Avenue, 9 year resident of Ardsley, presented himself to the Board and expressed his concern for the narrowness of Fairmont Avenue and the problem when cars are parked on both sides. Mr. Lipset presented photos of Fairmont Avenue, with cars parked on both sides, to the Board. Mr. Lipset commented that there is a six-family apartment building on the street with an area in the rear which can be converted to accommodate at least two cars.

Mr. Lipset stated to Tr. Nardecchia that two vehicles consistently park overnight. Tr. Nardecchia questioned whether or not they had parking permits and, if so, if the parking locations were indicated when the permits were issued.

The hearing was opened for phone calls and left open until later in the meeting.

III. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

LEGAL REPORT: Attorney Ponzini was not present.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. Calvi read the Treasurer's Report on behalf of Marion DeMaio.

The bills for the last two weeks from the General Fund totaled \$146,070.47; from the Trust & Agency Account: \$175,235.09 and from the Capital Fund: \$9,075.00.

Tr. Nardecchia: Resolved, that the Village Board of Village of Ardsley hereby authorizes the Village Treasurer to pay the following: From the General Fund: \$146,070.47; from the Trust & Agency Account: \$175,235.09 and from the Capital Fund: \$9,075.00. **Seconded by Tr. Levine and passed unanimously.**

MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Calvi reported the following:

**VILLAGE MANAGER REPORT
PREPARED BY GEORGE F. CALVI
FOR MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2012**

Happy New Year to everyone!

1. CALENDARS: Please be advised that the 2012 Notice of Sanitation calendars although they were sent to the Post Office last week have been delayed somewhere in the post office's distribution network, and we have been assured they will be in resident mail boxes by the end of this week. Also, the December 2011 issue of the Ardsley Villager should have been in all mailboxes last Tuesday. If you have not received it please telephone the Village Clerk at 693-1550.

2. HOLIDAY OBSERVANCE: The next Village Board meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 17 because the Village offices will be observing Martin Luther King Day the day before. As a result the Monday trash will be collected along with the Tuesday trash.

3. RECYCLING: As reported in the December 2011 Ardsley Villager, residents are now able to place in their green recycling bins plastic containers with Nos. 3 though 7 in addition to Nos. 1 and 2.

4. ALARMS & PARKING: Residents are reminded that the annual alarm registration permit fee of \$25 is due during the month of January, as is the overnight parking sticker fee of \$25. For information, please contact the Police Desk at 693-1700.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1) A Happy New Year was wished to all.
- 2) Attended the menorah lighting (along with the Village Manager) and lit the first candle.
- 3) Will meet Friday morning with the Ardsley School District Finance Sub-Committee for Advocacy and Collaboration to discuss possible opportunities for synergy to help the school and village budgets. Trustee Levine, Manager Calvi, and DPE Foreman Thompson also plan to be in attendance.
- 4) A Rivertowns Square hearing will be held on January 9 and January 23 at 6:30 p.m. at the Embassy Club in Dobbs Ferry. Ardsley will be submitting written comments to Dobbs Ferry.
- 5) The Ardsley Villager newsletter has gone out.
- 6) A plea was made for volunteers for the Village.
- 7) The next Village Board meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 17, 2012.

IV. COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS:

Tr. Malone: Absent.

Tr. Nardecchia:

- 1) Received Lorraine Kuhn's chemical analysis of Dobbs Ferry's environmental report. Mr. Calvi will forward a copy of the 18 page draft.

Tr. Minore:

- 1) Reviewed the DEIS Report for the Rivertowns Square.

Tr. Levine:

- 1) The membership for the Historical Society begins in January.

V. VISITOR'S

Mr. Robert Wootten, 17 Fuller, presented himself to the Board and commented regarding his concern for the narrowness of Fairmont Avenue since he works for the DPW and cannot get through with the trucks.

The issue of parking permits was discussed regarding exact locations where vehicles can be parked and the difficulty of policing violators.

Mr. Calvi mentioned the numerous garages in the Village which were being used for storage rather than parking. Tr. Nardecchia mentioned that many driveways were not being efficiently utilized.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Tr. Nardecchia: Resolved, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby closes the public hearing for amending Section 190-60 Schedule XII of the Ardsley Village Code to ban parking on the east side of Fairmont Avenue between Ashford Avenue north to the cul-de-sac. **Seconded by Tr. Levine and passed unanimously.**

RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER AMENDING SECTION 190-60 SCHEDULE XII TO BAN PARKING ON THE EAST SIDE OF FAIRMONT AVENUE BETWEEN ASHFORD AVENUE AND THE CUL DE SAC

Tr. Nardecchia: RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby amends Section 190-60 Schedule XII of the Ardsley Village Code to ban parking on the east side of Fairmont Avenue between Ashford Avenue and the cul de sac. **Seconded by Tr. Levine and passed unanimously.**

VII. NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION DECLARING LEAD AGENCY & SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR A CHANGE OF USE PERMIT FOR JEZA VETERINARY ASSOC. PC LOCATED AT 718 SAW MILL RIVER ROAD

Tr. Nardecchia requested that the handicapped space in front of the premises either be made compliant or be removed at this time and made a condition of approval for this application.

Tr. Levine: RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby declares itself lead agency for the permit to convert the former Riviera Bakery at 718 Saw Mill River Road into a veterinary clinic,

FURTHERMORE, be it resolved that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby schedules a public hearing on Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 8:15 p.m. to discuss the proposed Change of Use permit for JEZA Veterinary Assoc PC located at 718 Saw Mill River Road, Ardsley, New York. **Tr. Nardecchia and passed unanimously.**

RESOLUTION REGARDING ATTENDANCE OF SAYF COALITION COORDINATOR AT CADCA FORUM IN WASHINGTON DC

Tr. Minore: Resolved, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby approves of the attendance of Theresa Del Grosso, SAYF Coalition Coordinator, and possibly one coalition member, to the CADCA (Community Anti Drug Coalitions of America) National Leadership Forum to be held in Washington DC from February 5 to February 9, 2012, at a cost not to exceed

\$3,972, as provided for in the guidelines of the approved grant budget. **Seconded by Tr. Levine and passed with Tr. Nardecchia abstaining.**

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

Tr. Nardecchia: Resolved, that the Village Board of the Village of Ardsley hereby adjourns the regular meeting of January 3, 2012, at 9:22 p.m. **Seconded by Tr. Levine and passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,
Lorraine McSpedon, Recording Secretary