

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Port Washington North was held on Wednesday, **February 3, 2016** at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall, 3 Pleasant Avenue, Port Washington, New York.

Present: Mayor - Robert Weitzner
 Trustees - Steven Cohen
 - Matthew Kepke
 - Sherman Scheff
 Clerk - Palma Torrisi
 Attorney - Stuart Besen

Excused: Trustee Malatino

1. Clerk

A. Minutes

On motion of Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Kepke, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the reading of the minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting of December 2, 2015 be waived and that they be and hereby are approved as prepared by Clerk Torrisi.

B. Tentative Assessment Roll

Clerk Torrisi reported that she, as the Assessor of the Village of Port Washington North, has completed the Assessment Roll of the Village of Port Washington North for the year 2016, and that a copy thereof has been filed with the Village Clerk on February 1, 2016. On motion of Trustee Kepke, seconded by Trustee Cohen, it was unanimously

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees acting as the Board of Assessors have completed and accepted the Assessment Roll of the Village of Port Washington North for the year 2016, that a copy thereof has been filed with the Village Clerk on February 1, 2016, and that a legal notice shall be published stating that the Assessment Roll may be seen and examined by any person during business hours at the Village Hall, 3 Pleasant Avenue, Port Washington, New York 11050, until the 16th day of February 2016.

C. Clerk's Tax Return

Clerk Torrisi submitted to the board a written report of taxes for the year June 1, 2015 to May 31, 2016 assessed against various properties in the Village which are unpaid and past due. On motion of Trustee Scheff, seconded by Trustee Cohen, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS the Village Clerk on the 3rd day of February 2016 did return and file an account of unpaid taxes to this Board for the year 2015, to wit:

**VILLAGE OF PORT WASHINGTON NORTH
 CLERK'S TAX RETURN
 2015 TAXES
 FEBRUARY 3, 2016**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Assessed To</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>\$ Amount</u>
2015	Angelo & Filomena Gaudio	4	J	38		1,483.30 + Penalties
2015	Franklin Stainless Corp.	4	J	636		102.48 + Penalties
2015	Chatherine Yuva	4	J	753	247	431.50 + Penalties
2015	Frederick Hehn	4	Q	31		218.45 + Penalties
2015	Erik Ross & Katherine Weinstein	4	28	60		56.10 + Penalties
2015	A. Richard Hosein	4	116	16		970.88 + Penalties
2015	Tamara M Harris Irrevocable Trust	4	117	20		1,546.27 + Penalties
2015	Nicholas & Jamie Bodouva	4	119	25		1,328.22 + Penalties
2015	Paul Pisano	4	137	42		1,436.10 + Penalties
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County of Nassau)
 State of New York) ss:

I, Palma Torrisi, Clerk of the Village of Port Washington North, Nassau County, New York, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the Tax Return of the Village of Port Washington North for the 2015 tax year as of February 3, 2016. Witness my hand and official seal of the said Village this 3rd day of February 2016.

Seal

Palma Torrisi, Village Clerk

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees, at a meeting at the Village Hall in the Village of Port Washington North on the 3rd day of February 2016 did examine such account and did compare it with the original tax rolls and did therefore certify to the effect that they found it to be correct, a copy of which certification is affixed hereto; and WHEREAS from the account of unpaid taxes returned by the Clerk of the Village of Port Washington North, New York, to this Board for the year 2015, the following taxes still remain due and unpaid after diligent efforts have been made to collect the same, to wit:

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board, pursuant to Article 14 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, determines to collect the amount of such unpaid taxes levied or assessed for the year 2015 by a tax sale in the manner and after the form and requirements as provided and prescribed by said Article, and completed subsequent to the 20th day of March 2016, but not later than June 30, 2016, in accordance with Section 1452, subdivision 4, of the Real Property Tax Law; that a copy of this resolution, certified by the Clerk shall be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Village with the account, affidavit and certificate of such unpaid taxes, and that the Village Treasurer, upon receiving such account of unpaid taxes and a certified copy of this resolution, be and hereby is authorized and directed to cause to be published in the official newspaper of the Village, once each week for three consecutive weeks, a list as shown in the tax roll with the amount of the tax, interest, fees and charges thereon, excepting therefrom such parcels of property on which the Village holds and owns one or more unredeemed certificates of tax sale; and also a notice that said real estate will, on a day to be determined by said Village Treasurer and specified in said notice, be sold at public auction at a place in said Village to be designated by said Village Treasurer, to discharge the tax, interest, fees and charges aforesaid, which may be due thereon at the time of such sale, and that the said Village Treasurer, at the time and place specified in said notice proceed with the sale of said real estate upon which such taxes are unpaid, as set forth above, and continue the same from day to day until the sale is completed; that such real estate shall be sold subject to any unpaid assessments thereon levied by the Village of Port Washington North and also subject to any unpaid tax liens purchased and held by the Village; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in all cases where no bid shall be made on a lot or parcel of land so offered for sale for any amount sufficient to pay the said tax, interest, fees and charges, the said premises shall be deemed to have been sold to and purchased by the said Village of Port Washington North.

State of New York)
County of Nassau) ss:

We the undersigned, constituting the Board of Trustees of the Village of Port Washington North, hereby certify that we have compared the foregoing return and account of taxes for the year 2015, as submitted by the Village Clerk, with the

original tax roll for the Village for the year 2015, from which such account was transcribed and find it to be correct.

Robert Weitzner, Mayor

Steven Cohen, Trustee

Matthew Kepke, Trustee

Sherman Scheff, Trustee

Sworn to before me this 3rd day of February 2016

Palma Torrisi, Notary Public

State of New York)
County of Nassau) ss:

I, Palma Torrisi, Clerk of the Village of Port Washington North, Nassau County, New York, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Port Washington North at a regular meeting of said Board held on February 3, 2016 at which a quorum was present. Witness my hand and official seal of the said Village this 3rd day of February 2016.

SEAL

Palma Torrisi, Village Clerk

D. Village Election

1. On motion of Trustee Kepke, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was unanimously RESOLVED that Theodore Knopp, Margaret Malanga, Eric Mohr and Sally Weintraub be and hereby are appointed Inspectors of Election for the next General Village Election, that Sandy Becker-Hyman and Sonia McKenna be and hereby are appointed Alternate Inspectors of Election, and that said Margaret Malanga be and hereby is appointed Chairperson of said Inspectors; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Inspectors and Alternate Inspectors, except for the Chairperson, shall be compensated at the rate of \$175.00 per day and that said Chairperson shall be compensated at the rate of \$200.00 per day; and BE FURTHER RESOLVED that the Inspectors of Election of the Village of Port Washington North shall prepare the Register of Voters for the General 2016 Election of the Village of Port Washington North on March 10, 2016 at the Village Hall, 3 Pleasant Avenue, Port Washington, New York, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Vote was recorded as follows: Trustee Cohen-aye, Trustee Kepke-aye, Trustee Scheff-aye, Mayor Weitzner-aye. Motion carried.

2. Treasurer

A. Abstract of Vouchers

On motion of Trustee Kepke, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the reading of the General Fund Abstract of Vouchers #170, totalling \$76,699.86, and the Trust & Agency Abstract of Vouchers #119, totalling \$949.50, be waived and that they be and hereby are approved as prepared by Treasurer Bella.

B. Budget Report

On motion of Trustee Scheff, seconded by Trustee Cohen, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Budget Report as of January 31, 2016, showing the General Fund Balance to be \$1,703,003.10 and the Trust & Agency Fund Balance to be \$0.00, and the modifications contained therein, be and hereby are accepted as prepared by Treasurer Bella.

C. Trustee Scheff stated that he reviewed the bank statement reconciliations for December 2015.

3. Reports

A. Public Works

On motion of Trustee Kepke, seconded by Trustee Cohen, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Public Works Department report for the month of January 2016 be and hereby is accepted as submitted by Superintendent Novinski.

B. Building Department

On motion of Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Building Department reports for January 2016 be and hereby are accepted as submitted by Superintendent Barbach and Inspector Lauria.

C. Emergency Management

On motion of Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Emergency Management report for the month of January 2016 be and hereby is accepted as presented by Commissioner Kaplan.

4. Public Comment

Eugenia and Carlos Pesantez addressed the Board with regard to the process for their application for a conditional use permit to operate a car and boat wash and detail business at 2 Channel Drive.

5. Business

A. Resignation & Appointment

Mayor Weitzner accepted the resignation, effective January 31, 2016, of Henry Cosenza as a member of the Board of Appeals. The Mayor appointed Paul Joseph to fill the unexpired term of Henry Cosenza as a member of the Board of Appeals, said term to expire April 2017. On motion of Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the appointment of Paul Joseph to fill the unexpired term of Henry Cosenza as a member of the Board of appeals, said term to expire April 2017, is hereby ratified.

Mayor Weitzner administered the oath of office to Paul Joseph.

B. Bay Walk Park Phase 2 Bid

On motion of Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Kepke, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Village of Port Washington North hereby invites the submission of sealed bids on the "Bay Walk Park Phase 2" contract. Bids will be received until 12:00 noon on Monday, March 28, 2016 at the Village Hall, 3 Pleasant Avenue, Port Washington, New York 11050. At said time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read. Contract and bid forms may be obtained at said Village Hall. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to waive any informalities in the bids or to reject an unbalanced bid or to reject all bids or to accept any bid, with or without alternates, which is the lowest responsible bidder and which in the opinion of the Board of Trustees will be in the best interest of the Village, so long as such decision is in accordance with the provisions of the General Municipal Law.

C. Depositing Photographs at Port Washington Library

On motion of Trustee Scheff, seconded by Trustee Cohen, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS it is the opinion of the Board of Trustees that it is in the best interest of the Village for certain photographs to be deposited at the Port Washington Public Library, where said photographs will be preserved, cataloged and made part of the local history collection and, thus, be available for future use; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED that the Village of Port Washington North hereby gives and transfers thirteen photographs to the Port Washington Public Library, its successors and assigns, and authorizes the Mayor to execute a deed of gift.

6. Executive Session

On motion of Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Kepke, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Board enter into executive session to discuss litigation and a contract with counsel.

On motion of Trustee Kepke, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the executive session be adjourned and the regular meeting be reconvened.

Mayor Weitzner stated that no action was taken in executive session.

7. Business (continued)

A. Tax Certiorari, Small Claims & Non-residential Assessment Consultant

On motion of Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Port Washington North hereby terminates its agreement with Gerard Terry, Esq. to provide tax certiorari, small claims assessment review, and non-residential assessment services effective February 3, 2016.

B. Thomson Industries Tax Certiorari Litigation

On motion of Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Village of Port Washington North hereby engages the services of Michael Haberman & Associates Inc. to provide an appraisal of the Thomson Industries property at 2 Channel Drive, Port Washington, New York, at a cost not to exceed \$7,500.00.

On motion of Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Kepke, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the meeting be and hereby is adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Palma Torrisi, Village Clerk