A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Port Washington North was held on Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 7:30 pm at the Village Hall, 3 Pleasant Avenue, Port Washington, New York.

Present: Mayor - Robert Weitzner
Trustees - Steven Cohen
- Matthew Kepke
- Michael Malatino
- Sherman Scheff
Clerk - Palma Torrisi
Attorney - Stuart Besen
Public Stenographer - Susan Bartlett

1. Public Hearing - Target Site Plan Review

Mayor Weitzner opened the public hearing, duly adjourned from March 1, 2017, to consider the application of Transwestern, Senior Property Manager, as agent for LBUBS 2007-C7 Shore Road, LLC, c/o C-III Asset Management LLC, as owner and Nicholas Pophehn, Senior Development Manager, Target Corporation as applicant for the premises located at 101 Shore Road a/k/a Soundview Shopping Center, Port Washington, New York. The applicant/owner is seeking Site Plan Review pursuant to Chapter 137 of the Port Washington North Village Code. The parcel of land is located in the Business District and is further described as Section 4, Block 129, Lots 1, 10, 12 and 14C on the Land and Tax Map of Nassau County. The applicant/owner is seeking Site Plan approval for a Target shopping store with a Starbucks Coffee inside said store.

A stenographic transcript of the hearing is on file with the Village Clerk. All those present wishing to speak having been heard, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Mayor Weitzner introduced the Short Environmental Assessment Form prepared by Attorney Besen. On motion of Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Scheff, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Village has prepared and reviewed an environmental assessment form containing an explanation of the action and impacts and has conducted a public hearing with respect to the site plan review application of Transwestern, Senior Property Manager, as agent for LBUBS 2007-C7 Shore Road, LLC, c/o C-III Asset Management LLC, as owner, for a Target store and Starbucks Coffee inside said store; and
WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees has declared its intention to declare itself lead agency; and
WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees has reviewed the environmental assessment form, and pursuant to said review of the relevant environmental factors affected by the proposed action, and the Village Board of Trustees has determined that said action be classified as an unlisted action and be deemed a Negative Declaration, causing no significant adverse effect upon the environment, in accordance with the Environmental Conservation Law of the State of New York and its regulations thereon,
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees, as Lead Agency, finds that it is not an action and is classified as exempt pursuant to SEQRA and that it be deemed to constitute a Negative Declaration. The deeming of this action as a Negative Declaration indicates that it would cause no significant adverse effect on the environment.

2. Village Election Inspectors

On motion of Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Kepke, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:
WHEREAS, the Village Clerk, as election officer of the Village of Port Washington North, has attempted to obtain the names of six residents of the Village of Port Washington North who would qualify to hold the office of Inspector of Election, in accordance with the election Law of the State of New York; and
WHEREAS, the Village Clerk has not been able to find six persons who reside within the Village of Port Washington North who reside within the Village of Port Washington North and who meet the requirements to be appointed as Inspectors of Election as specified in the Election Law and who are willing to serve as such;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the requirement that Inspectors of Election of the Village of Port Washington North reside within the Village of Port Washington North, is hereby amended pursuant to Village Law Section 3-300 to provide that this Board of Trustees is hereby authorized to appoint any resident of the county of Nassau, who is otherwise duly qualified to act as an Inspector of Election, to act as an Inspector of Election for the Village of Port Washington North for the Village of Port Washington North’s 2017 General Election.

On motion of Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Kepke, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:
RESOLVED that Richard L. Maxted and Margarita L. Rivera be and hereby are appointed a Alternate Inspectors of Election; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Alternate Inspectors shall be compensated at the rate of $175.00 per day.

3. Cablevision Kiosk Maintenance
On motion of Trustee Kepke, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Village of Port Washington North enter into an agreement with Cablevision for the maintenance of the internet connection of the computer kiosk in Bay Walk Park at a cost not to exceed $104.89 per month.

4. Tax Certiorari Settlements
On motion of Trustee Scheff, seconded by Trustee Cohen, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:
WHEREAS there are now pending in the Supreme Court, Nassau County proceedings by the owners of certain real property within the Village of Port Washington North to reduce the assessed valuation placed on property for Village Tax purposes; and
WHEREAS the Village Attorney recommends that said proceedings be settled in accordance with a written memorandum to the Board dated February 10, 2016; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Attorney is hereby authorized to settle the following tax certiorari proceedings on the bases indicated:

A. Channel Drive Inc., Section 4, Block 123, Lots 29 & 30, a lump sum settlement refund of $7,000.00 for the years 2011/12 through 2016/17, and an assessed value of $46,000.00 for the years 2017/2018 through 2019/20;

B. Thomas E. Hoar Inc., Section 4, Block 123, Lot 15, a lump sum settlement refund of $3,000.00 for the years 2011/12 through 2016/17, and an assessed value of $32,000.00 for the years 2017/2018 through 2019/20;

C. Soundview Gardens, Section 4, Block 128, Lot 17, a lump sum settlement refund of $28,885.00 for the years 2008/09 through 2016/17 to be paid in three allotments as stipulated, and an assessed value of $120,881.00 for the years 2017/2018 through 2019/20;

D. Fab-Con Machinery Development Corp., Section 4, Block 123, Lot 28, a lump sum settlement refund of $12,000.00 for the years 2008/09 through 2016/17, and an assessed value of $34,000.00 for the years 2017/2018 through 2019/20:

E. Spivack Realty Co., Section 4, Block 128, Lots 21, 23 & 24, a lump sum settlement refund of $18,000.00 for the years 2010/11 through 2016/17, and an assessed value of $290,000.00 for the years 2017/2018 through 2019/20;
F. Gerhard and Brigitta Clusener, Section 4, Block 1, Lot 37, a lump sum settlement refund of $7,000.00 for the years 2005/06 through 2016/17, and an assessed value of $15,000.00 for the years 2017/2018 through 2019/20;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor is hereby directed to place the aforesaid assessments for the aforementioned properties upon the 2017 roll, pursuant to the settlements of the foregoing tax certiorari proceedings.

5. Budget Workshop

The Board of Trustees reviewed and made preliminary alterations to the Tentative Budget with Treasurer Bella. Treasurer Bella, as Budget Officer, filed the Tentative 2017/2018 Budget she had prepared with the Village Clerk.

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

Palma Torrisi, Village Clerk