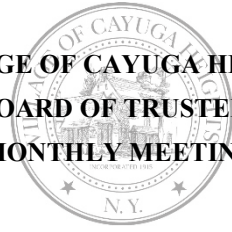


Minutes
Marcham Hall

VILLAGE OF CAYUGA HEIGHTS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MONTHLY MEETING

Monday, March 16, 2020
7:00 p.m.



Present: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski,(arrives at 7:20 p.m.) Friend (by phone) Marshall, Robinson, and Salton; Police Chief Wright; Village Engineer Cross; Director of Public Works Wiese; Attorney Marcus (by phone) Treasurer Mangione (by phone); Clerk Walker; Absent: Trustee: McMurry

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Woodard calls the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.
2. **a. Approval of Meeting Minutes: January 27, 2020 (Exhibit 2020-147)**

Resolution # 8592

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves the January 27, 2020 meeting minutes as presented.

Motion: Trustee Marshall

Second: Trustee Salton

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Marshall, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions:

Motion Carried

2. **b. Approval of Meeting Minutes: February 18, 2020 (Exhibit 2020-148)** -Tabled for lack of quorum
3. **Report of Fire Superintendent Tamborelle: Submitted Report (Exhibit 2020-149)**

- The CHFD is down a few members since Cornell University has closed the campus.
- Only the EMTs will go on calls and everyone will be wearing masks and gloves.
- The CHFD annual banquet has been postponed until May but it will depend on how the Corona Virus threat.

4. **Privilege of the Floor:** No members of the public wished to speak.

5. Report of Mayor Woodard:

a. Annual Village Court Report: Submitted Report (Exhibit 2020-150)

- Justice Galbreath reports that there was a 25% increase in the number of cases in 2019.
- Justice Galbreath reports that he has received notification that due to the Corona Virus threat, the NYS Court system has shut down all Town and Village Court business.

Trustee Biloski arrives at 7:20 p.m.

- Clerk Walker states that the JCAP award resulted in a grant of \$8500 for court chairs.

b. Annual Historians Report: Submitted Report (Exhibit 2020-151)

- The Village Historian Bea Szekely states that she has concentrating on oral interviews of Village residents.

c. Maryann Friend Resolution: Mayor Woodard reads the resolution to the Board.

Resolution # 85

RECOGNITION OF THE PAST AND CONTINUED OUTSTANDING
PUBLIC SERVICE OF MARYANN FRIEND

WHEREAS, Maryann has brought respect, honor, and integrity to her role as Trustee of the Village of Cayuga Heights, a position he has held since April 2014; and

WHEREAS, Maryann has also served on the Public Safety, Human Resources, and Communications Committee, and Bike-Pedestrian Committee; and

WHEREAS, Maryann has contributed to the Village moving forward on clean energy initiatives and was helpful assisting with the TAP grants application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees does hereby commend Maryann Friend for her dedication, commitment, and outstanding past and continued public service to the Village of Cayuga Heights

Motion: Trustee Robinson

Second: Trustee Marshall

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Bilsoki, Marshall, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

d. Andre Bensadoun Resolution: Mayor Woodard reads the resolution to the Board.

Resolution # 85

RECOGNITION OF THE PAST AND CONTINUED OUTSTANDING
PUBLIC SERVICE OF ANDRE BENSADOUN

WHEREAS Andre Bensadoun has served the Village of Cayuga Heights with honor and distinction over many years, providing the Village with exceptional stewardship in the areas of Village Forester and Village beautification.

WHEREAS, Andre has brought respect, and integrity to his role as the Village Forrester of the Village of Cayuga Heights a position he has held since August 2007; and

WHEREAS, Andre has been Chair of the Shade Tree Advisory Committee, and

WHEREAS, Andre has made a substantial contribution to the environmental health of our community and was instrumental in certifying the Village as a Tree City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees does hereby commend Andre Bensadoun for his dedication, commitment, and outstanding past and continued public service to the Village of Cayuga Heights; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees that the Village commits to plant a tree on Arbor Day 2020 in a location on Village property as token of our appreciation.

Motion: Trustee Marshall

Second: Trustee Robinson

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Bilsoki, Marshall, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

e. Brian Eden Resolution: Mayor Woodard reads the resolution to the Board.

Resolution # 85

RECOGNITION OF THE PAST AND CONTINUED OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE OF BRIAN EDEN

WHEREAS Brian Eden has served the Village of Cayuga Heights with honor and distinction over many years, providing information on environmental issue that affect the Village; and

WHEREAS, Brian has brought respect, honor, and integrity to his role representing the Village as the Chair of the Environmental Management Council; and

WHEREAS, Brian has also served as the Chair of Solar Tompkins, Chair of the Tompkins County Hillview Road Landfill Citizens Advisory Committee, Tompkins County Ethics Advisory Board, Town of Ithaca's Energy Action Plan Advisory Committee, and the Tompkins County Energy Roadmap Steering Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees does hereby commend Brian Eden for his dedication, commitment, and outstanding past and continued public service to the Village of Cayuga Heights.

Motion: Trustee Robinson

Second: Trustee Marshall

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Bilsoki, Marshall, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

f. A Local Law to override the Tax Cap.

Resolution # 85

BE IR RESOLVED THAT : The Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees hereby schedules a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law A of 2020 at 7:05 p.m. on April 15, 2020.

VILLAGE OF CAYUGA HEIGHTS

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW A OF THE YEAR 2020

**A LOCAL LAW TO OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN
GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW §3-C**

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Cayuga Heights as follows:

Section 1 Legislative Intent: It is the intent of this local law to allow the Village of Cayuga Heights to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing in 2019 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the tax levy limit as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 2 Authority: This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-c which expressly authorizes a local governing body to override the property tax cap for the coming fiscal year by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) of said governing body.

Section 3 Tax Levy Limit Override: The Board of Trustees of the Village of Cayuga Heights, County of Tompkins, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing in 2019 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 4 Severability: If a court determines that any clause sentence paragraph subdivision or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person firm or corporation or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional the court order or judgment shall not affect impair or invalidate the remainder of this local law but shall be confined in its operation to the clause sentence paragraph subdivision or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person individual firm or corporation or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5 Effective Date: This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Motion: Trustee Marshall

Second: Trustee Biloski

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Bilsoki, Marshall, Robinson, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

6. Report of the Trustees:

- Trustee Salton informed the Board that an email from the Tompkins County Greater Municipal Health Consortium was sent out with an updated Municipal Cooperative Agreement (MCA).
- Last month, the Board passed a resolution acknowledging that they had reviewed the MCA and had no revisions.

7. Report of Police Chief Wright: Submitted Report (Exhibit 2020-143)

- Chief Wright stated that part-time police officer Ninivaggi submitted her resignation letter affective March 7, 2020. Officer Ninivaggi is seeking full-time employment elsewhere.
- Sergeant Manning has completed his required Sergeant training school.

8. Report of Director of DPW Wiese: Submitted Report (Exhibit 2020-144)

- Director Wiese states that he is reviewing applications for the open MEO position and will set up interviews of potential candidates in early March.

9. Report of Engineer Cross:

a. WWTP Construction Update:

- The WWTP boiler system is online and working.
- GHD will have the engineering report for phase two of the WWTP expansion ready for the Village Board of Trustees in March 2020. GHD will also present a fee proposal for the design phase of phase two.

10. Report of Treasurer Mangione: Submitted Report(Exhibit 2020-145)

- Treasurer Mangione was absent from this meeting.

Resolution # 8591

Abstract # 9

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves Abstract # 9 for FYE2020 consisting of TA 74-89 vouchers in the amount of \$30,777.75 and Consolidated Fund vouchers 588-660 in the amount of \$315,843.08 and the Treasurer is instructed to make payments thereon.

Motion: Trustee Salton

Second: Trustee McMurry

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Friend, McMurry, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion carried

11. Report of Clerk Walker:

•Clerk Walker was absent from this meeting.

a. JCAP Award: The Cayuga Heights Court was awarded a grant for courtroom chairs in the amount of \$8533.92. The Village Justice has 180 days to expend the funds.

12. Report of Attorney Marcus: No report

13. Adjournment: Mayor Woodard adjourns the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

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