

Minutes of the public meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Hewlett Neck held on Friday, December 13, 2024, at 9:30AM At Village Hall, 30 Piermont Avenue, Hewlett NY 11557

1. Calling the meeting to order:

Mayor Blinder called the meeting to order at 9:35AM

2. Roll call:
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| Mayor                   | Moshe Blinder     |
| Deputy Mayor            | Isaac Showman     |
| Trustee                 | Edward Vilinsky   |
| Trustee                 | Russel Weinrib    |
| Village Clerk/Treasurer | Michelle Blandino |
| Attorney                | Brian Stolar Esq. |
| Excused Trustee         | Michael Levine    |

3. Notice of Meeting–Nassau Herald:

Clerk Blandino reported that notice of this morning’s public meeting was sent to the Nassau Herald, posted on website, and posted on the bulletin board outside Village Hall.

4. Minutes –Minutes for November 21, 2024

On motion by Mayor Blinder seconded by Deputy Mayor Showman and approved unanimously by those present, the Board dispensed with the reading of the minutes of the November 21, 2024 as the Clerk had previously mailed such minutes and they are hereby approved.

5. Proposed Bill VHN-2406- A Local Law to amend Chapter 195 (Zoning) of the Code of the Village of Hewlett Neck, to amend the definition of story and revise the building/structure footprint calculation

The Mayor opened the public hearing. The Board confirmed that the hearing notice was published in the Nassau Herald and posted on the bulletin board outside of Village Hall and in the lobby of Village Hall and Village Website. Affidavits of posting and publication of the hearing notices are on file at the Village Clerk’s office, and hearing no comments from the public, on motion duly made by the Mayor Blinder, seconded by Deputy Mayor Showman, and unanimously approved, the Board closed the public hearing and adopted the following resolution:

- RESOLVED, that the Board hereby finds and concludes that
- (a) Proposed Law HN-24-06 is an Unlisted Action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its regulations.
  - (b) the Board is the lead agency with respect to environmental review of this proposed action;
  - (c) the Board has considered the following factors in respect to its review of the environmental impacts of the proposed action:

- (i) whether the proposed action would result in any substantial adverse change in existing air quality, ground or surface water quality or quantity, traffic or noise levels, nor any substantial increase in solid waste production, nor create a substantial increase in the potential for erosion, flooding, leaching or drainage problems;
- (ii) whether the proposed action would result in the removal or destruction of large quantities of vegetation or fauna, substantial interference with the movement of any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species, impacts on a significant habitat area, substantial adverse impacts on a threatened or endangered species of animal or plant, or the habitat of such a species, or other significant adverse impacts to natural resources;
- (iii) whether the proposed action would impair the environmental characteristics of any Critical Environmental Area;
- (iv) whether the proposed action would conflict with the community's current plans or goals as official approved or adopted;
- (v) whether the proposed action would impair the character or quality of important historical, archeological, architectural or aesthetic resources or of existing community or neighborhood character;
- (vi) whether the proposed action would result in a major change in the use of either the quantity or type of energy;
  
- (vii) whether the proposed action would create a hazard to human health;
- (viii) whether the proposed action would create a substantial change in the use, or intensity of use, of land, including agricultural, open space or recreational resources, or in its capacity to support existing uses;
  
- (ix) whether the proposed action would encourage or attract large numbers of persons to any place for more than a few days, compared to the number who would come to such place without such action;
- (x) whether the proposed action would create changes in two or more elements of the environment, no one of which would have a significant impact on the environment, but when taken considered together would result in a substantial adverse impact on the environment;
- (xi) whether the proposed action would create substantial adverse impacts when considered cumulatively with any other actions, proposed or in process;
- (xii) whether the proposed action would result in substantial adverse impact with respect to any relevant environmental consideration, including noise, aesthetics, traffic, air quality, water quality or adequacy of water supply, drainage, soil conditions, or quality of life in the community in general and the immediate neighborhood in particular;
  
- (d) the proposed action, would not have a significant adverse environmental impact, as that impact is considered under SEQRA; and
  
- (e) no further environmental review is required with respect to the proposed action, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board adopts Proposed Bill HN-24-06 as Local Law HN-6 of 2024, and directs the Village Clerk to file Local Law HN-6 of 2024 with the New York Secretary of State and take all actions required by law.

6. Verizon Update – Trustee Weinrib updated the Board

7. Security Cameras/Security Patrol- Treasurers recommendation to transfer funds

After some discussion by the Treasurer, the following modifications were made to the 2024/25 Budget on motion by Mayor Blinder, seconded by Deputy Mayor Showman, and approved unanimously.

The following line items were modified

Transfer out of Contingency Account 1990.40 \$41,000.00 and modify Public Safety as follows;

Transfer into 3120.40 Security Patrol \$11,000

Transfer into 3120.41 Security Cameras \$30,000

The Board discussed a significant recent uptick in property crimes in the Village and the immediate surrounding area. The Board identified this sudden surge as an imminent threat to public safety, health, or life, and that immediate action is required. The Board has sought proposals from companies with security cameras that can be installed immediately and monitored by a company with local resources for immediate response. The Village has received one proposal, dated November 12, 2024 from \_Mitman Low Voltage at a cost of \$2500.00 per camera for seven (7) security cameras to be installed at locations agreed upon by the Village. On motion by Mayor Blinder, seconded by Deputy Mayor Showman, and unanimously approved, the Board finds that the proposal from Mitman Low Voltage is in the best interests of the Village and includes monitoring that satisfies the Board's need for specialized local monitoring, and the Board authorizes the immediate acquisition of safety cameras from Mitman Low Voltage at a cost of \$2500.00 per camera, as provided in the November 12, 2024 proposal, to be immediately deployed within Village right-of-way locations determined by the Mayor.

The Board discussed security patrol. The Board noted that security patrol requires specialized skills, expertise and training, with professional judgment and discretion, and is therefore a professional service as provided in the Village's procurement policy. On motion by Mayor Blinder, seconded by Deputy Mayor Isaac and unanimously carried, the Board approved a proposal from Intuit Investigative Resources Inc. to provide for security patrol of Village public roadways for four (4) hours per night at a rate of \$55 per hour for the period running through July 1, 2026 , subject to entering into an agreement approved as to form and substance by the Village Attorney.

8. Resolution defining the times of permitted parking in the Village

On motion by Mayor Blinder, seconded by Trustee Weinrib, and unanimously approved, the Board

WHEREAS, in accordance with Village Code §§140-15(A) and (B), parking of vehicles is prohibited on any Village roadway except during hours, dates and duration determined by the Board of Trustees by resolution from time to time, and

WHEREAS, in accord with the Board's authority, the Board amends Village Code §140-38, Schedule XIV, entitled "No Parking" to read:

"Notwithstanding the prohibition of parking in Village Code §140-15, the Board authorizes the parking of passenger vehicles only on Village streets from 8:00am to 5:00pm."

9. Reports:

A. Public Safety –November 2024

1. Police Activity Report

November	Arrests	0
	Criminal Mischief	0
	Movers	0
	Parkers	0
	Aided Cases	0
	Larceny (non Auto)	0

B. Treasurer's Report –

Cash status November 2024

Bank balances Reg., Pay., M.M.

As of 11/1/2024

\$911,799.12

Plus Receipts

Departmental Income	500.00
Use of Money & Property	189.36
License and Permits	36,963.85
Fines and Forfeitures	-191.00

37,462.21  
\$949,261.33

Less Disbursements

General Government Support	12,500.98
Judicial	288.00
Public Safety	3,502.12
Transportation	9,066.22
Home and Community	1,018.58
Employee Benefits	15,977.49

-42,353.39  
\$906,907.94

Proof Bank Balances:

Flag Star Regular	14,368.20
Flag Star Money Market	764,072.54
Flag Star Payroll	3,467.20
Flag Star- Trust Account	<u>125,000.00</u>
	906,907.94

1. Audit of Claims

The Board discussed the claims. The Village Treasurer confirmed that the items in abstract #704 represented the purchase of goods and services actually received and/or performed and that each item contained in the abstract was for a proper Village purpose. On motion duly made by Mayor Blinder, seconded by Deputy Mayor Showman and adopted unanimously, the Board authorized and directed the Village Clerk/Treasurer to pay the general fund claims in the total sum of \$26,302.21 set forth in abstract #704 (copy of the abstract is on file in the Village office).

C. Roads- No Report

10. Building Permits –November 20, 2024 – December 12, 2024

A. Issued Permits:

- |               |                  |                      |
|---------------|------------------|----------------------|
| a. HN-2024044 | 190 Priscilla Rd | Fence                |
| b. HN-2024045 | Ocean Ave        | Street Opening - Gas |

B. Completed Permits:

- |                |                     |                    |
|----------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| a. HN-20180146 | 250 Dolphin Drive   | Boat lift & floats |
| b. HN-2023048  | 131 Hewlett Neck Rd | Fence              |
| c. HN-2023049  | 116 Harold Road     | Gas                |

C. Stop Work Orders:

None

11. New Business:

None

12. Next Meeting: -- January 27, 2025 at 6:30 PM

13. Adjournment:

As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned 10:20 AM  
Village Clerk

Michelle Blandino