

Minutes of the meeting and Public Hearing of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Hewlett Neck held on Monday, April 15, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. at Village Hall, 30 Piermont Avenue, Hewlett, New York.

1. Calling the meeting to order:

Mayor Epstein called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

2. Roll call:

Present	Mayor	Ross Epstein-
	Deputy Mayor	Steve Hochberg- Arrived 8:02 PM
	Trustee	Trustee Aron Schnell
	Trustee	Michael Levine- 8:05pm
	Trustee	Brett Cooper
	Village Attorney	Brian Stolar, Esq.
	Village Clerk	Michelle Blandino
	Treasurer	Schlomo Cohen

3. Notice of Meeting–Nassau Herald:

Clerk Blandino reported that notice of this evening's public hearing and meeting was mailed to the Nassau Herald and was posted on the bulletin board outside Village Hall and in the lobby of Village Hall.

4. Minutes –March 5, 2019 meeting minutes

On motion by Mayor Epstein seconded by Trustee Schnell, the Board voted unanimously (with Trustee Levine not yet present) to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the March 5, 2019 Board as the Clerk has previously mailed such minutes to the Board and they are hereby approved.

5. Continuation of Public Hearing Application of Crown Castle NG East LLC, 16-16 Whitestone Expressway, Whitestone, NY for a special use permit pursuant to Village Code Chapter 192, to install a telecommunication facility in the right-of-way

A representative of the applicant was present and discussed a potential alternative site. On motion by Mayor Epstein, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hochberg, and unanimously carried the public hearing was continued to May 20, 2019 at 8:00 PM.

6. Public Hearing for adoption of 2019/20 Tentative Budget:

A. Open Hearing – The mayor opened the public hearing:

- B. Notice of hearing - Clerk Blandino reported that notice of this evening's public hearing appeared in the Nassau Herald and was posted on the bulletin board outside Village Hall and in the lobby of Village Hall
- C. Affidavits – Clerk Blandino reported that notice of publication and posting was received.
- D. Appearances: None
- E. Close hearing – All those desiring to be heard, having been heard, Mayor Epstein made a motion to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Trustee Schnell and unanimously approved.

7. Adoption of Budget:

On motion by Mayor Epstein, seconded by Trustee Schnell, and unanimously approved, it was resolved that the tentative budget as presented this evening be adopted as the official budget of the Village for fiscal year commencing June 1, 2019 and ending May 31, 2020, and directed that a certified copy of the final budget be filed with the New York State Comptroller's office. Said budget to be entered at large upon the minutes of this meeting by attaching a copy hereto:

(COPY OF ADOPTED BUDGET IS ATTACHED)

8. Setting the Rate:

Mayor Epstein offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Village previously elected to cease being an assessing unit, and the Assessment Roll for the year 2019 was prepared and filed by Nassau County Assessors,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the rate of 85.250 for Class 1 properties, 2.340 for Class 3 properties and 11.213 for Class 4 properties be affixed to apply to each \$100.00 of assessed valuation as appearing on said roll for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2019 and ending May 31, 2020 and the Clerk is authorized and directed to extend and carry out the Roll, the amount to be collected from each person therein.

The above resolution was seconded by Trustee Schnell and unanimously approved.

9. Delivering the Roll:

On motion by Mayor Epstein, seconded by Trustee Schnell, and unanimously approved, the Clerk was instructed to deliver to the Treasurer on or before May 20, 2019 the Assessment Roll with a warrant attached thereto signed by the Mayor, attested to by the Clerk under the Corporate seal of the Village, containing a summary statement of the purposes and total amount for all purposes and commanding the Clerk to collect the taxes therein.

10. Mailing Tax Bills:

On motion by Mayor Epstein, seconded by Trustee Schnell, and unanimously approved, the Clerk was instructed to mail tax bills to all persons and corporations whose names appear on the assessment roll subsequent to May 25, 2019.

11. Publications and Posting:

On motion by Mayor Epstein, seconded by Trustee Schnell, and unanimously approved, the following instructions were issued to the Clerk:

“Subsequent to May 8, 2019 and on or before June 1, 2019, the Clerk shall cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Village (Nassau Herald) and posted in five conspicuous places in the Village that the tax roll and warrant have been left with her for collection of taxes from June 1, 2019 to July 1, 2019, inclusive from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily except Saturdays, Sundays and holidays containing such other matters as set forth in Section 1428 of the New York Real Property Tax Law. This notice must be published again one week after the first publication.

12. Tax Warrant:

On motion by Mayor Epstein seconded by Trustee Schnell and unanimously approved, the Mayor is to execute the warrant.

13. Proposals for Annual Storm Water Report:

West Side Engineering, PC	\$1600.00
Nelson & Pope Engineers	\$2800.00

The Board received proposals from two (2) companies; West Side Engineering, P.C./ James Antonelli, P.E., and Nelson and Pope Engineers

On motion by Trustee Schnell, seconded by Trustee Levine, the Board voted unanimously to authorize West Side Engineering, PC. to prepare the Year 16 Annual Report for the Phase 2 Storm Water Program in accordance with a written proposal, and authorized the Mayor to execute any documents necessary to accept the proposal for a fee not to exceed \$1600.00.

14. Schedule Public Hearing for Storm water Annual Report:

On motion by Mayor Epstein, seconded by Trustee Schnell and unanimously approved, the Board voted to hold a Public Hearing on May20, 2019 at 8:00 pm, with respect to the Storm Water Annual Report, and directed the publication of the required legal notice.

15. Street Sweeping Proposals:

A. Stasi Brothers Asphalt Corp.	\$1650.00
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On motion by Mayor Epstein, seconded by Trustee Schnell and unanimously approved, the Board awarded a contract to Stasi Brothers Asphalt Corp. for street sweeping, based on a proposal submitted to the Village on 3/19/19, at a total cost not to exceed \$1,650.00, including debris removal, to be performed in the Spring, and authorized the Mayor to execute any documents necessary to accept the proposal.

16. Roadside trench at 121 Hewlett Neck Road:

The Board directed the homeowner's contractor to restore the road in a condition to be approved by the Village Building Department or Village Engineer. [e](#)

17. Community Rising Update/Flooding Issues:

- A. Nelson Pope Engineers proposals for drain issues

The Board discussed the proposal.

18. Clean up of Woodbine Ditch Proposals:

JC Tree Care NY Corp.	\$8000.00
Arata Landscaping Inc.	\$7900.00

The Board discussed the proposals.

19. Correspondence:

- A.
- Letter received 1/4/19 from Mr Blinder who resides at 285 Dolphin Drive Regarding the abandoned septic tank on his property that has water expelling from it

A letter was sent to Mr. Blinder on 4/3/19 instructing him to have the septic tank removed within two weeks of the letter. The Village Clerk will report back to the Board when septic tank is removed

- B.
- Letter from 4th Precinct forwarded by Town of Hempstead on 4/15/19 requesting a Hidden Driveway Sign be installed in the vicinity of 115 Ocean Ave

Discussion by the Board

20. Election Update and Resolution:

- A. Designate polling place and hours for Village Election to be held on Tuesday, June 18, 2019.

On motion by Mayor Epstein, and seconded by Trustee Schnell, the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Election Law, the Board of Trustees is required to designate the polling place for the Village election to be held on June 18, 2019, and the hours of election,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the polling place for the Village Election to be held on June 18, 2019 shall be the Keystone Yacht Club, Woodmere Blvd, Woodmere, New York.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the hours of the said Village Election shall be from 12:00 noon to 9:00 p.m., inclusive.

- B. Appoint Election Inspectors and Compensation

On motion by Mayor Epstein, seconded by Trustee Schnell, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board:

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Election Law of the State of New York, personal registration is required in the Village of Hewlett Neck for Village Elections, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Election Law, the Board of Trustees is required, at least 40 days prior to the Village election, to appoint an even number of inspectors of election, and fix their compensation, and designate one of them as Chair,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following persons are hereby designated and appointed inspectors of election, and they shall meet on June 18, 2019 at the place designated for such Village Election, between the hours of 12 Noon and 9:00 p.m., inclusive, for the purpose of the Village Election:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>PARTY</u>
Helen Butler	530 Penninsula Blvd Cedauhurst, New York 11516	Democrat
Marion Pearlman	40 Daly Place Lynbrook, New York 11563	Democrat
Arlene Veltri	250 Central Ave Lawrence, New York 11559	Republican
Ester Brower	320 DAUB AVENUE HEWLETT NY 11557	REPUBLICAN

21. Reports:

A. Public Safety – March 2019

1. Police Activity Report

March	Arrests	0
	Crime Reports	0
	Movers	18

B. Treasurer's Report – March

Clerk Blandino summarized the Treasurer's Report

Cash status March, 2019

Bank balances Reg., Pay., M.M.	
As of 3/1/19	\$551,162.78

Plus Receipts

Non Property Taxes	71.52	
Departmental Income		2,750.00
Licenses and Permits		8,975.00

Fines and Forfeitures	50.00	
Sale of other Property	1.00	
		<u>11,847.52</u>
		\$563,010.30
<u>Less Disbursements</u>		
General Government Support	18,239.26	
Judicial	266.67	
Public Safety	4,490.00	
Transportation	1,402.23	
Home and Community Services	9,617.30	
Employee Benefit	<u>-406.61</u>	<u>33,608.85</u>
		529,401.45
<u>Proof Bank Balances:</u>		
Capital One – Regular	14,268.07	
Capital One – Payroll	9,624.27	
Capital One – Money Market	<u>505,509.11</u>	
	529,401.45	

1. Audit of Claims

The Board discussed Abstract #652. After such discussion, and confirmation that the items in such abstract represented the purchase of goods and services actually received and/or performed and that each item contained in such abstract was for a proper Village purpose, on motion duly made by Mayor Epstein, seconded by Trustee Schnell and unanimously approved, the Board authorized and directed the Village Treasurer to pay the general fund claims in the amount of \$36,873.86 as set forth in abstract #652.

A. Roads – Road Commissioner Ziarno– No report

22. New Business: None

23. Next Meeting: May20, 2019 at 8:00 PM

24. Adjournment:

As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Village Clerk
Michelle Blandino