

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on March 22, 2017 at 8:30 pm.

The meeting opened with a Pledge to the Flag. Present were Mayor Thomas J. Tweedy, Trustees Kevin M. Fitzgerald, Dominick A. Longobardi, Lynn Pombonyo and Archie T. Cheng, Village Administrator Gerard M. Bambrick, Village Clerk Susan E. Walsh, Superintendent of Building Department and Superintendent of Public Works Stephen L. Siwinski, Police Commissioner Stephen McAllister, Fire Chief John Florio, Trustee-elect Frank J. Chiara and Village Attorney John E. Ryan.

On motion by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Longobardi, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the minutes of:

March 7, 2017 - Regular Board Meeting

Trustee Longobardi offered Resolution No. 2017-72 approving the Schedule of Accounts Payable consisting of the following:

General Fund	\$ 872,638.13
Swimming Pool	\$ 46.98
Community Development	\$ 0.00
Capital Fund	<u>\$ 152,304.64</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$1,024,989.75

The Resolution was seconded by Trustee Pombonyo and adopted on roll call as follows:

Trustee Fitzgerald	- Aye
Trustee Longobardi	- Aye
Trustee Pombonyo	- Aye
Trustee Cheng	- Aye
Mayor Tweedy	- Aye

On motion by Trustee Pombonyo, seconded by Trustee Cheng, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the CSEA to use the Recreation/Pool Building on Monday, April 3, 2017 and Friday, April 7, 2017 for free health and wellness screening.

On motion by Trustee Cheng, seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the Floral Park Soccer Club, a member of the Floral Park Indians Athletic Association, to use Firefighter's Hall on Wednesday, April 5th from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm and Sunday, April 9th, 2017 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon for an AED/CPR training course for volunteer soccer and basketball coaches, pending the receipt of a certificate of insurance.

On motion by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Longobardi, and carried unanimously, the Board approved AAA Taxi Service cab permits for Kamran Javi, Jesus Rivera, Lakhbir Singh, Richard McCarthy, Jory Sherwood, Mathew Larocco, Pedro Sanchez, Garfield Brown, Matthew Caccvale, Richard DiGeorge, Michael Agrapedes, Peter Lutz, Anthony Pepitone, Donald Adams, Harry Sanchez, Antonio Sorrentino, Lucnol Jean-Pierre, William Lutz, Edmund Feuratado, Guillermo Escobar, Sinclair Parker, Gluck Hunter, Eric Wenz, Joseph Karwacki, Hamza Bhatti, Rudolph Damato, Keith Hemans, Murray Saadia, James Katan and John Williams; and taxi cab permits for John Carlos Munoz, Wayne Williams, Michael Roachat, Allen Gross and Kerwin Go from Glen Belle, each applicant having completed a background check with the Floral Park Police Department.

On motion by Trustee Longobardi, seconded by Trustee Pombonyo, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of Floral Park-Bellerose Girl Scouts to change the date of the bake-off contest from Friday, May 12, 2017 to Friday, June 9, 2017 from 5:30 pm to 9:30 pm at Firefighter's Hall, pending the receipt of a certificate of insurance.

Fire Department

Trustee Fitzgerald reported that during the month of February, the Fire Department answered a total of 101 calls including 69 ambulance calls. Trustee Fitzgerald thanked all the volunteers who respond to emergencies night and day in order to serve the residents of our great Village.

Trustee Fitzgerald made the following tribute to Mayor Thomas J. Tweedy:

‘As this is your last Board meeting as Mayor, I would like to take a few minutes to look back on your term. It is often said that it is not the destination but the journey and I’m not sure there is a better way to describe your term as Mayor. During this memorable journey, we have been through a lot together, which I will remember not only as a learning experience on a whole host of topics, some of which were Village related and some of which were on a personal level. I will also fondly remember the numerous laughs we shared. Most importantly, I do believe that during the past six years you were able to keep all the things we cherish about Floral Park the same, all while adapting to the changing world around us. You were able to adeptly and successfully tackle significant unforeseen challenges that have faced this Village while simultaneously seeing significant projects through that have improved the quality of life of our residents while improving property values. Floral Park is certainly a better place because of your service. In closing, I would like to say thank you for allowing me to be a part of this truly unbelievable ride. Thank you and your family for your time, efforts and personal sacrifices that you made on behalf of Floral Park and its residents. And lastly, thank you for your friendship. It is a priceless commodity that I will always treasure.’

Mayor-Elect Dominick A. Longobardi’s tribute to Mayor Thomas J. Tweedy

Mayor-Elect Longobardi said his entire report is a big ‘thank you’ to our Mayor, Tom Tweedy. Mayor-Elect Longobardi said it has been a great pleasure to have worked with Mayor Tweedy, a man who has shown the utmost dedication to his community. During this time, Mayor-Elect Longobardi said they have shared many events and projects together. Mayor Tweedy and his family have made many sacrifices during his tenure of 16 years on the Board which does not even include all the time he devoted to the West End Civic Association, to name just one organization. Mayor Tom Tweedy is a ‘Floral Park lifer’ and he is the epitome of this community. The Mayor has missed many personal events over the years, including special birthdays and anniversaries. No one has given more. Mayor Tweedy has lead this community during its challenges with professionalism and great concern. Mayor-Elect Longobardi said he knows that Mayor Tweedy will continue to serve his community in many other capacities and he looks forward to working with him in the future. Mayor-Elect Longobardi thanked Mayor Tweedy for his friendship and for making Floral Park the great place it is to live in.

Building Department

Trustee Pombonyo extended appreciation to our Department of Public Works for their almost round-the-clock work clearing our roads and Village property during and after the March 14th snow and ice storm. DPW also collaborated with the Building Department to insure that the sidewalks were cleared at several abandoned homes in the Village. Thanks to all.

Floral Park Public Library

Trustee Pombonyo said the new Reading Room is complete. Many library patrons are already enjoying the warmth and comfort of this beautiful new space. Thanks go to our Village DPW staff for the talent, skill and hard work they lent to this project and the Friends of the Floral Park Library for their support.

On Wednesday April 12th, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, the St. Francis Hospital Health Van will visit the library to provide free screenings and conduct simple blood testing. This service is offered to adults over the age of 18. No advance registration required. Visit the library website for news about exciting upcoming springtime events and activities: www.floralparklibrary.org.

Trustee Lynn Pombonyo's tribute to Mayor Thomas J. Tweedy

Trustee Pombonyo said she, too, would like to thank Mayor Tweedy for the hard work, dedication and the wealth of knowledge he have given to the Village. His contributions have been significant. Trustee Pombonyo also thanked Mayor Tweedy's wife, Mary Ann, for her husband's time.

Department of Public Works

Trustee Cheng said the Department of Public Works did a great job clearing the snow and ice during the last storm. The reconstruction of Charles Street continues to move along nicely.

Trustee Archie T. Cheng's tribute to Mayor Thomas J. Tweedy

Trustee Cheng said he has been a Trustee for only a short period of time but that Mayor Tweedy has assisted him greatly, especially with the Third Track Expansion Project, in which they have together fought the MTA and the LIRR. Trustee Cheng said Mayor Tweedy has a lot of history in this town and he knows how hard he has worked and the sacrifices both he and his family have made to make this Village a better place in which to live. Trustee Cheng thanked Mayor Tweedy for his years of dedicated service.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Tweedy said that on his way up to the Board meeting this evening, he was speaking to Trustee Pombonyo about every time for the past 16 years he was always inspired to serve on the Board knowing that he was working with a group of dedicated and educated people. Even though we may have disagreed on some issues, it was done with understanding and for the service to the Village. Mayor Tweedy said he appreciated the wealth of knowledge from all the staff, including Gerry Bambrick and Susan Walsh and from all the Mayors he has served under. Mayor Tweedy thanked the residents of Floral Park for the opportunity and the privilege to have served them.

After several residents paid tribute and applauded Mayor Tweedy, Trustee Fitzgerald offered a motion to recess the Board Meeting, first thanking Mayor Tweedy again for his many accomplishments during his 16 years of dedicated service to the Village of Floral Park and on behalf of the Board of Trustees and Village staff, extended to the Mayor their gratitude. The motion was seconded by Trustee Longobardi.

Mayor Tweedy recessed the meeting at 9:00 pm.

The Mayor stated the Village Board Meeting would continue in his office with Department Heads after a brief recess and the public is invited to attend.

On motion by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Longobardi, and carried unanimously, Mayor Tweedy recessed the meeting at 9:05 pm.

Trustee Fitzgerald offered Resolution No. 2017-73 authorizing the transfer of \$10,000.00 from Contingency Account to Pool Capital Account No. 008-8800-0376.

The Resolution was seconded by Trustee Pombonyo and adopted on roll call as follows:

- Trustee Fitzgerald - Aye
- Trustee Longobardi - Aye
- Trustee Pombonyo - Aye
- Trustee Cheng - Aye
- Mayor Tweedy - Aye

Trustee Longobardi offered Resolution No. 2017-74 authorizing payment to Philip Ross Industries in settlement of unfinished pool project items in the amount of \$89,000.00.

The Resolution was seconded by Trustee Cheng and adopted on roll call as follows:

Trustee Fitzgerald	- Aye
Trustee Longobardi	- Aye
Trustee Pombonyo	- Aye
Trustee Cheng	- Aye
Mayor Tweedy	- Aye

Trustee Cheng offered Resolution No. 2017-75 authorizing Village Administrator Gerard Bambrick to submit grant application to New York State Dormitory for ADA improvements in the amount of 200,000.00.

The Resolution was seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald and adopted on roll call as follows:

Trustee Fitzgerald	- Aye
Trustee Longobardi	- Aye
Trustee Pombonyo	- Aye
Trustee Cheng	- Aye
Mayor Tweedy	- Aye

The Board of Assessment Review was reconvened at 9:30 pm for the purpose of rendering a decision on the applications presented to the Board on February 16, 2016.

Present: Mayor Thomas J. Tweedy, Kevin M. Fitzgerald, Dominick A. Longobardi, Lynn Pombonyo, Archie T. Cheng and Trustee-Elect Frank J. Chiara, Village Administrator Gerard M. Bambrick and Village Clerk Susan E. Walsh.

Trustee Longobardi offered Resolution No. 2017-76:

WHEREAS, the Board reviewed all grievances presented on Grievance Day, February 21, 2017 and all the information submitted by grieving petitions on the attached list support their claims; and

WHEREAS, by letters dated February 22, 2017 the Board requested additional material information from these petitioners to evaluate their claims; and

WHEREAS, petitioners failed to comply with the Board's request for additional material information;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the grievances of all of the petitioners presented to the Board of Review on February 21, 2017 be denied and/or dismissed.

AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following exempt properties and 2017/2018 Final Assessment Roll presented below are hereby approved:

2017/2018 FINAL ASSESSMENT ROLL

Tax Roll 2016 Total Assessment	205,717,513	Changes
2016 Special Franchise	8.6 -2137235	Sp. Franchises -53049
2017 Special Franchise	8.08 2084186	Small Claims -18,926
2016 Changes in Assessment	<u>591774</u>	Certiorari -82,800
		Assessment 693500
2017 Total Assessment Value	206,256,238	591,774

LESS EXEMPTIONS

Exemption	#	Exemption Total	Prior Year	Change
County Owned Property	7	1,120,600		
Village Owned Property	39	3,853,310		
School Owned Property	6	5,571,850		

US Post Office	1	415,800		
Industrial Development Co/PILOT	3	375,000		
Parsonages	3	127,200		
Church Owned Property	18	2,845,675	2843125	2550
Non-Profit Public Corps	5	220,600		
Veterans Organization	1	33,350		
Railroad Property	4	1,455,700		
Veterans Eligible Funds	159	464,175	498,125	-33,950
Veterans Basic Non Combat	251	319,556	329956	-10,400
Veterans Combat	151	313,025	340,782	-27,757
Veterans Disabled	34	167,190	163,638	3,552
Veterans Cold War	28	27,284	29,321	-2,037
Veterans Cold War Disability	3	7,238	7,238	0
Clergy Owned Homes	7	10,500	10,500	0
Volunteer Fire Dept	68	17,544	18,576	-1,032
Senior Citizens	112	1,685,111	1,712,618	-27,507
Handicapped Improvement	4	14,110	14,110	0
Tel Street Equip/Utility Property	1	942,300	942,300	0
				0
			Total Changes	-96,581
Total Exemptions		19,987,118		
				0
Taxable Value 2017		186,269,120		
Taxable Value 2016		185,633,814		
		635306		

The Resolution was seconded by Trustee Cheng and adopted on roll call as follows:

Trustee Fitzgerald	- Aye
Trustee Longobardi	- Aye
Trustee Pombonyo	- Aye
Trustee Cheng	- Aye
Mayor Tweedy	- Aye

The Board of Review recessed at 9:45 pm.

Trustee Cheng offered Resolution No. 2017-77 approving the proposal from Environmental Compliance Associates Corp. for the fuel management system at a cost of \$19,000.00 with anticipated add alternates totaling \$8,000.00 resulting in a total cost of \$27,000.00.

The Resolution was seconded by Trustee Longobardi and adopted on roll call as follows:

Trustee Fitzgerald	- Aye
Trustee Longobardi	- Aye
Trustee Pombonyo	- Aye
Trustee Cheng	- Aye
Mayor Tweedy	- Aye

Trustee Longobardi offered Resolution No. 2017-78 approving the request to transfer Donald Burpee from the position of Recycling Worker to Motor Equipment Operation in the Sanitation Department, remaining at the same salary and subject to clearance of drug and alcohol screening and approval of the Nassau County Civil Service Commission.

The Resolution was seconded by Trustee Cheng and adopted on roll call as follows:

Trustee Fitzgerald	- Aye
Trustee Longobardi	- Aye
Trustee Pombonyo	- Aye

Trustee Cheng	- Aye
Mayor Tweedy	- Aye

Trustee Longobardi offered Resolution No. 2017-79 awarding the pest extermination contract to Yankee Pest Exterminating at a monthly cost of \$665.00 for a term of one year.

The Resolution was seconded by Trustee Pombonyo and adopted on roll call as follows:

Trustee Fitzgerald	- Aye
Trustee Longobardi	- Aye
Trustee Pombonyo	- Aye
Trustee Cheng	- Aye
Mayor Tweedy	- Aye

Trustee Cheng offered Resolution No. 2017-80 approving Dvirki & Bartilucci Engineers 2017 Storm Water Management Program Services Agreement and the preparation of GPO-17-002 (Notice of Intent to Continue Coverage for Submittal to DEC) for a total amount of \$4,700.00.

The Resolution was seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald and adopted on roll call as follows:

Trustee Fitzgerald	- Aye
Trustee Longobardi	- Aye
Trustee Pombonyo	- Aye
Trustee Cheng	- Aye
Mayor Tweedy	- Aye

There being no further business, Mayor Tweedy closed the meeting at 10:50 pm.

Susan E. Walsh
Village Clerk