

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on September 19, 2017 at 8:55 pm. Three public hearings were heard by the Board prior to the start of the regular meeting.

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

Village Attorney John E. Ryan was excused from attending the meeting.

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

September 5, 2017 - Regular Board Meeting

Trustee Pombonyo offered Resolution No. 2017-219 approving the Schedule of Accounts Payable consisting of the following:

General Fund	\$ 946,783.29
Swimming Pool	\$ 57,850.65
Community Development	\$ 0.00
Capital Fund	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$1,004,633.94

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

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

On motion by Trustee Cheng, seconded by Trustee Chiara, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the block party applications listed below in accordance with Section 32-12d:

Hickory Street between Floral Parkway and Cherry Street on Saturday, October 7, 2017 (rain date Sunday, October 8)

On motion by Trustee Chiara, seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the Hance Family Foundation to use Centennial Gardens for their annual 'Grow With Me' project on Thursday, October 19, 2017 (rain date Friday, October 20) from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm, provided that Floral Park-Bellerose School, John Lewis Childs School and Our Lady of Victory School each provide certificates of insurance naming the Inc. Village of Floral Park as additional insured.

On motion by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Pombonyo, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the Floral Park Chamber of Commerce with Our Lady of Victory Church and the Floral Park Jr. Woman's Club to use Memorial Park on Friday, December 1, 2017 from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm for their annual Christmas Tree Lighting and Festival, with permission granted to serve mulled wine, pending the receipt of all required insurance certificates.

On motion by Trustee Pombonyo, seconded by Trustee Cheng, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the John Lewis Childs School to hold their annual Halloween Parade on Tuesday, October 31, 2017 at 1:40 pm following the usual route, with assistance from the Floral Park Police.

On motion by Trustee Cheng, seconded by Trustee Chiara, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the Floral Park Police Department to use the Recreation/Pool Building to

host a 'Response to Violent Intruder Course' on November 8 and 9, 2017 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

On motion by Trustee Chiara, seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of The Liz's Day Committee to hold a 'push pedal pull' trike parade to kick off Liz's Day on Saturday, September 30, 2017 (rain date Sunday, October 1), with route to be determined with Police Commissioner Stephen McAllister and the receipt of a certificate of insurance.

On motion by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Pombonyo, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the Floral Park Titans to hold a Pep Rally on the Recreation Center field on Saturday, September 23, 2017 from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm, pending the receipt of a certificate of insurance.

On motion by Trustee Pombonyo, seconded by Trustee Cheng, and carried unanimously, the Board approved AAA Taxi Service cab permits for Donald Johnson, Richard Smith, Giovanni Squatrito, Kenneth Robinson and Richard Malloy; and a taxi cab permit for Billy Caceres from Glen Belle, each applicant having completed a background check with the Floral Park Police Department.

On motion by Trustee Chiara, seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of St. Elisabeth's Episcopal Church to lift parking regulations on the south side of Magnolia Avenue and the west side of Harvard Street on Saturday, September 30, 2017 from 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm for their dinner dance fundraiser.

Trustee Fitzgerald offered Resolution No. 2017-220 approving the request of J. Sato to refund her \$45.00 for a yoga class she was unable to attend.

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

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

Department of Public Works

Trustee Fitzgerald reported that the sidewalk program continues to move along at a good pace and it is expected to be completed within the next two weeks. Our arborist reviewed all the trees where sidewalks are being repaired and, unfortunately, three trees will need to be taken down due to decay.

In addition to our Police Department keeping surveillance and reporting streetlight outages, Trustee Fitzgerald reminded residents that if they see a streetlight out, they should call DPW to report it so that it can be corrected.

As a reminder as we move towards fall, please do not sweep leaves into the street as doing so will cause our storm drains to not flow properly causing backups, especially during heavy downpours.

Fire Department

Trustee Pombonyo reported our Floral Park Fire Department has continued to respond to ongoing fire/smoke-related and medical emergency calls while participating in important training activities and community events.

This week's training activities include instruction and hands-on practice with extinguishing actual car fires, and coordinating the use and direction of hose lines from multiple trucks. Floral Park's Rescue Company will join with Stewart Manor to share medical emergency strategies and coordinate the work of both departments who participate in a very active mutual aid partnership. This week's First Battalion drill at the Nassau Fire Services Academy in Bethpage will focus on

multiple department operations, to be followed by next week's full Floral Park Fire Department drill for firefighters and EMT members to close out the month of September.

On the community service side, our Floral Park Fire Department participated in the planning for the new Code Blue AED pole recently installed at the Recreation Center. This potentially life-saving apparatus was funded by community, business and private donations; was celebrated at a ribbon-cutting ceremony last week; and may be utilized by our sports teams and residents with the support of the Floral Park Fire and Police Departments.

The Fire Department also joined with Stewart Manor in the planning and safety preparations for this Saturday's Covert Avenue Chamber of Commerce Street Fair. All are invited to attend this fun-filled annual event from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Finally, for interesting information about our Fire Department and its recruitment campaign, check our FPFV Village Focus on 4 Village Studio TV and the website at 4vs.org.

Floral Park Public Library

Trustee Cheng reported that on Sunday, September 24th, the Library will host a Fall Family Festival at which there will be puppets, bubbles, balloons and pumpkins. All are invited to attend.

On September 28th, the Library is hosting a bus trip to Greenport, Long Island for a little shopping, lunch, wine tasting and a visit to a farm stand. The trip will depart from the Recreation Center outer parking lot at 8:00 am and will return at approximately 6:30 pm.

Friends of the Floral Park Public Library are seeking new members who have a special interest in the Library and are willing to assist in Library activities. If interested, please contact the Library at 326-6330.

Friends of the Floral Park Public Library are accepting book donations that are in like-new condition every afternoon between 3:00 pm and 6:00 pm.

Police Department

Trustee Cheng thanked Senator Elaine Phillips and Mayor Longobardi for helping to acquire a grant for \$10,000 to improve communications within the department including monitors and cameras.

There have been 22 car break-ins in Bellerose and 3 in Floral Park. All of the cars that were broken into were unlocked. The Nassau County Police Department has recently arrested five people for car break-ins throughout Nassau County and they are currently investigating if there is any connection to the car break-ins in our area. Trustee Cheng advised everyone to lock your cars!

Third Track Expansion Project

Trustee Cheng reported that he attended a 'secret' meeting regarding the Third Track Expansion Project and its impact on Floral Park. Trustee Cheng, along with an engineering company hired by the Village who both had to sign a non-disclosure agreement, met with the MTA in which three proposed bids were discussed. The meeting took approximately eight hours and at the end of the meeting, all notes had to be turned over to the MTA but will be returned once a bid has been approved and a contract has been awarded.

Mayor Longobardi said Trustee Cheng has not divulged any of the information to him or members of the Board. The Mayor explained that this meeting was done on behalf of our Village in order to protect our Village. This is the way the MTA operates and Floral Park abided by the rules in order to participate in the meeting. The theory behind the secretiveness of the meeting is that the MTA will now go back to the bidders and they do not want the process to be skewed by leaked information.

Recreation Center

Trustee Chiara reported that the Fall recreation programs are starting soon. Monthly meetings for organizations and clubs have also started. Fall volleyball, Titans Football, Indians Soccer and Fall Little League are all underway. The pool has been drained and it is currently being winterized.

On Wednesday, September 27th, there will be a Pool Committee meeting at 7:00 pm and a Recreation Committee meeting at 8:00 pm at the Recreation/Pool Building.

On Friday, September 15th, there was a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Code Blue Tower at the Recreation Center. This tower houses an AED device which can be used to save lives. It is a great comfort knowing that this device is there, but, hopefully, it will never have to be used. Trustee Chiara thanked the FUNdraising organization for raising the funds and donating this life-saving device. Trustee Chiara also thanked the Department of Public Works for helping with the installation and for the cooperation of our Fire Department and Police Department in getting it operational.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Longobardi echoed the sentiments of Trustee Chiara in thanking the FUNdraising organization for all the work they did and for the donation of the potentially life-saving AED device to our Village.

Mayor Longobardi thanked the Fire Department, Police Department and Department of Public Works for their work and for participating in the 9/11 ceremony held in front of Village Hall. The Mayor made a special thank you to Village Clerk Susan Walsh for making the ceremony so memorable.

Mayor Longobardi reminded residents that two fun events are coming up: the annual Covert Avenue Chamber of Commerce Street Fair on Saturday, September 23rd and Liz's Day at the Recreation Center on Saturday, September 30th, rain date Sunday, October 1st. Both annual events will sure to please all our residents, both young and old!

Mayor Longobardi thanked John Brennan, Esq. for filling in at this evening's Board Meeting in the absence of our Village Attorney, John Ryan. Mayor Longobardi also thanked Felix Procaccia for filming the Board of Trustees meeting this evening.

Mayor Longobardi wished Noah Manskar, a reporter for the New Hyde Park Dispatch who covered our Board Meetings, farewell. Noah, a very talented writer, is leaving the Dispatch and will be reporting for the Patch in New York City. Congratulations to Noah and best wishes!

On motion by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Pombonyo, and carried unanimously, Mayor Longobardi recessed the meeting at 9:15 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 Pombonyo, and carried unanimously, Mayor Longobardi recessed the meeting at 9:25 pm.

Trustee Cheng offered Resolution No. 2017-221 authorizing Police Commissioner Stephen McAllister to increase the internet speed with Optimum for Police Department equipment in the amount of \$35.00 per month.

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

Trustee Fitzgerald	- Aye
Trustee Pombonyo	- Aye
Trustee Cheng	- Aye

Trustee Chiara - Aye
Mayor Longobardi - Aye

Trustee Cheng offered Resolution No. 2017-222 awarding the bid to purchase a 2018 Chevrolet Tahoe from Eagle Auto Mall Sales, Inc. for the Police Department in the amount of \$34,958.00.

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

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

Trustee Pombonyo offered Resolution No. 2017-223 approving the request of L. Salvia of One West Hitchcock Avenue to maintain three meters at the same location wherein this permit must be renewed every two years effective this date with a 24-hour notice of inspection of premises.

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

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

Trustee Fitzgerald offered Resolution No. 2017-224 amending Resolution No. 2017-213 wherein the handicapped parking spaces requested by Floral Park-Bellerose School District have been changed to one handicapped parking space on South Tyson Avenue and one handicapped parking space on Flower Avenue in lieu of the two spaces originally permitted on Flower Avenue.

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

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

Trustee Cheng offered Resolution No. 2017-225 authorizing defense counsel, Perry Criscitelli, to settle the Alvarado/McCann no-fault file with Allstate Insurance Company in the amount of \$5,300.00.

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

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

Trustee Cheng offered Resolution No. 2017-226 rejecting the only Police Uniform Bid submitted to the Village by Atlantic Tactical Uniforms which was an \$11,401.88 increase from last year's pricing.

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

Trustee Fitzgerald - Aye
Trustee Pombonyo - Aye
Trustee Cheng - Aye

Trustee Chiara	- Aye
Mayor Longobardi	- Aye

Trustee Fitzgerald offered Resolution No. 2017-227 authorizing Superintendent of Public Works Stephen Siwinski to accept the proposal from D&B Engineers and Architects, P.C. to repair and rehabilitate the sound wall located within the Mayflower Yard in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00.

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

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

There being no further business, Mayor Longobardi closed the meeting at 12:15 am.

Susan E. Walsh
Village Clerk