

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on February 6, 2018 at 8:00 pm.

Prior to the start of the meeting, the Village Board met with RDA Landscape Architects to review the potential plans for the renovation of Tiny Town.

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, Superintendent of Recreation Kurt Meyfohrt and Village Attorney John E. Ryan

The meeting opened with the Mayor inviting Boy Scout Troop #134 from St. Anne's Church to lead the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

January 16, 2018	-	Regular Board Meeting
January 30, 2018	-	Work Session

Trustee Pombonyo offered Resolution No. 2018-05 approving the Schedule of Accounts Payable consisting of the following:

General Fund	\$1,136,753.57
Swimming Pool	\$ 0.00
Community Development	\$ 0.00
Capital Fund	<u>\$ 669.35</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$1,137,422.92

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

Trustee Chiara offered Resolution No. 2018-06:

RESOLVED, that the individuals listed below be appointed Inspectors of Election for the Village Election being held on March 20, 2018, compensation to be \$110.00 per diem for election day:

Raul F. Calvo, Concetta (Tina) Cunnane, Fanny Fernandez, Sylvia Hubschman, Ulrich P. Jaenichen, Ann Marie McGeever, Jeannette Newman, Edith Fantauzzo,

Elizabeth Cerruti, Clifton Demeco, Florence DeVito, Angelo Ferrara, Grace Ferrara, Dorothy M. Pellegrini, Adrienne Smith, Gary S. Wargo.

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. 2018-07 to accept the filing of the 2018/19 Tentative Assessment Roll with the Village Clerk on January 30, 2018 in accordance with the provisions of Section 305 of the Real Property Tax Law as follows:

2018/2019 Tentative Assessment Roll

Tax Roll 2017 Total Assessment	206,256,238		Changes
2017 Special Franchise	8.08	-2084186	Sp. Franchises
2018 Special Franchise	7.84	2084186	Small Claims
2017 Changes in Assessment		<u>395007</u>	Certiorari
			Assessment
2018 Total Assessment Value		206,651,245	395,007

LESS EXEMPTIONS

CODE	Exemption	#	Exemption Total	Prior Year	Change
13100	County Owned Property	7	1,120,600		
13650	Village Owned Property	39	3,853,310		
13800	School Owned Property	6	5,571,850		
11410	US Post Office	1	415,800		
18130	Industrial Development Co/PILOT	3	375,000		
21600	Parsonages	3	127,200		
25110	Church Owned Property	19	2,878,975	2845675	33,300
25307	Non-Profit Public Corps	5	220,600		
26100	Veterans Organization	1	33,350		
27200	Railroad Property	4	1,455,700		
41103	Veterans Eligible Funds	136	427,025	464,175	-37,150
41123	Veterans Basic Non Combat	236	311,506	319556	-8,050
41133	Veterans Combat	138	306,300	313,025	-6,725
41143	Veterans Disabled	39	184,117	167,190	16,927
41163	Veterans Cold War	27	26,190	27,284	-1,094
41173	Veterans Cold War Disability	3	9,414	7,238	2,176
41400	Clergy Owned Homes	7	10,500	10,500	0
41687	Volunteer Fire Dept	70	18,060	17,544	516
41807	Senior Citizens	108	1,640,875	1,685,111	-44,236
41907	Handicapped Improvement	4	14,110	14,110	0
47760	Tel Street Equip/Utility Property	1	942,300	942,300	0
					0
				Total Changes	-44,336
Total Exemptions			19,942,782		
					0
Taxable Value 2018			186,708,463		
Taxable Value 2017			186,269,120		
			439343		

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 Fitzgerald offered Resolution No. 2018-08 approving the payment of earned accrued time to retired employee, D. Day, Deputy Assessor, effective January 31, 2018 as follows:

Daily rate \$259.42	x 93.3 sick days	= \$24,203.89
	x 20 vacation days	= <u>\$ 5,188.40</u>
	Total	= \$29,392.29

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 Pombonyo offered Resolution No. 2018-09 authorizing the Mayor to sign the Consulting Agreement with retired employee, Deputy Assessor D. Day to assist in the transition of duties in the Assessment Department at the rate of \$40.00 per hour for a period of one year.

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 Chiara, seconded by Trustee Cheng, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the Floral Park Chamber of Commerce to use the Recreation/Pool Building on Thursday, March 1, 2018 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm for a meeting, pending 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 Knights of Columbus to hold their annual 5K Rhatigan's Run on Saturday, October 27, 2018 at 9:00 am subject to the race route being approved by the Police Department and the receipt of a certificate of insurance.

On motion by Trustee Pombonyo, seconded by Trustee Cheng, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the Floral Park-Bellerose Rotary Club to host a 'Dog Parade and Expo' fundraising event at the upper and lower sections of Centennial Gardens on Saturday, September 8, 2018 (rain date 9/15) from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm subject to the receipt of a certificate of insurance.

On motion by Trustee Cheng, seconded by Trustee Chiara, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request from The Liz's Day Committee to use the Recreation Center on Saturday, September 29, 2018 (rain date Sunday, September 30) to hold the 20th annual Liz's Day in memory of Elizabeth McFarland, subject to the event being coordinated with Superintendent of Recreation Kurt Meyfohrt, Superintendent of Public Works Stephen Siwinski and Police Commissioner Stephen McAllister and receipt of all required certificates of insurance.

Trustee Chiara offered Resolution No. 2018-10 accepting the resignation letter of Thomas Langone, Laborer in the Department of Public Works, effective January 18, 2018.

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

On motion by Trustee Cheng, seconded by Trustee Chiara, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of Police Officer John Groshans to attend the New England Middle School's 37th Annual Conference as a guest lecturer on Wednesday, April 4 through Friday, April 6, 2018 at the Rhode Island Convention Center, Providence, RI, at no cost to the Village.

Trustee Pombonyo offered Resolution No. 2018-11 authorizing the final settlement payment of \$5,000 for a trip/fall accident in front of 130 Jericho Turnpike on June 27, 2016 to claimant, R. Elefantis.

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

Trustee Fitzgerald offered Resolution No. 2018-12 authorizing the Mayor to sign the Town of Hempstead Agreement for the use of their Show Mobile on Saturday, August 4, 2018 for the 125th Anniversary celebration of the Floral Park Volunteer Fire Department.

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

On motion by Trustee Chiara, seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the following organizations to use the Recreation Center, provided all organizations submit the required certificates of insurance:

- Little League Challenger Program on Saturday, June 16, 2018 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm for games;
- Little League District 29 games from June 25-July 28, 2018;
- Little League team pictures from May 5-May 12, 2018;
- Little League Players Choice Awards on September 14, 2018 from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm;
- Little League Summer Ball from June 23-August 31, 2018;
- Little League Spring Season from April 9-June 23, 2018;
- Little League Parade and Festival on April 21, 2018 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm;
- Titans for clinics on April 9, 2018;
- Floral Park P.B.A. Pickleball on March 3, 2018 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm;
- Floral Park Knights (over 60) Softball games on April 9, 2018 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm;
- Floral Park Jr. and Sr. Softball games from April 8 to August 26, 2018 from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm;
- Floral Park Sports Association Hockey Season from October 2018 to February 2019.

On motion by Trustee Chiara, seconded by Trustee Pombonyo, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of Superintendent of Recreation Kurt Meyfohrt and Pool Director Thomas Dillon to host a Certified Pool Operators Course by American Pool Consultants at the Recreation Center Daisy Room on Thursday, February 22 and Friday, February 23, 2018 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, pending the receipt of a certificate of insurance.

Trustee Fitzgerald offered Resolution No. 2018-13 authorizing Village Administrator Gerard Bambrick to sign the renewal of the HVAC Service Contract with A.A.C. Corp for the Recreation/Pool Building for a period of one year in the amount of \$3,250.00.

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

Trustee Cheng offered Resolution No. 2018-14 ratifying permission to VOXLUX Productions to film a movie clip on Friday, February 2, 2018 with the Village incurring no out-of-pocket expenses, including payment of police overtime, a film permit fee of \$7,500.00 and receipt of a certificate of insurance.

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

On motion by Trustee Pombonyo, seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald, and carried unanimously, the Board ratified the request of Boy Scout Troop #482 for use of Firefighters' Hall on Sunday, February 4, 2018 to hold a Boy Scout Blue & Gold ceremony and providing a certificate of insurance is submitted prior to the event.

Trustee Fitzgerald offered Resolution No. 2018-15 authorizing an hourly increase of \$1.00 to part-time Park Attendant, B. Hammond, since he is assuming additional responsibilities.

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 Kevin Fitzgerald

Trustee Fitzgerald asked residents to assist the Village by not putting out their garbage for collection before sunset for pick up the next day. Some residents in some sections of the Village have been putting their garbage out in the early afternoon which looks unsightly. We all need to work together to make the Village look beautiful. With Daylight Savings Time quickly approaching, it is even more important so that garbage is not out during the day even longer. On a few blocks, this problem seems to be growing and letters have been sent out to those residents. Thank you for your cooperation.

Fire Department – Trustee Lynn Pombonyo

Trustee Pombonyo reported that the Fire Department's 2018 training programs are fully under way. On the evening of January 24th, Firefighters' Hall was filled with Department members taking the annual HAZMAT refresher course. The curriculum covered all types of hazardous materials, safety precautions, first responder procedures, and the levels of expertise necessary to effectively and safely manage and resolve a HAZMAT crisis. The expertise that our own Floral Park Fire Department members brought to this training program was significant, and the Department was fully engaged throughout the evening. Additional training taking place includes the CPR and EMT recertification programs, both required every three years. A Department drill and four evenings of Fire School at the Nassau County Fire Services Academy in Old Bethpage are also on schedule in the coming months, details to follow.

Robotics Teams News – Trustee Lynn Pombonyo

Trustee Pombonyo congratulated four local robotics teams for their recent victories at qualifying tournaments that will send them to the Long Island finals in their respective divisions. The HydroBots elementary school team received the Champions Award at a tournament in Mineola. In addition to excelling in the robot competition and displaying effective teamwork, the HydroBots had met earlier at the Floral Park Department of Public Works and Village Hall to perfect their innovative project, the DIY Pollutant Catcher, to contain car wash runoff waste and prevent the pollution of Earth's waterways. Our local PartyBots team received the Robot Design award, and the Ninejagos team (with two Floral Park team members and a Floral Park coach) received the Project Presentation award. All qualified for the Long Island championships to be held at Longwood High School in Suffolk County on Sunday, March 4th.

At the high school level, the Sewanhaka District team, the Robopandas, with several Floral Park-Bellerose members, won their qualifying tournament at Sewanhaka High School and are heading to their Long Island championships at Smithtown High School West, this Sunday, February 11th.

We have a long history of highly successful robotics teams here and wish all a great day at their Long Island championship tournaments.

Library – Trustee Archie Cheng

Trustee Cheng reported that there are many programs offered at the Library for children and teens but the Library does not forget the adults. On February 8th at 7:00 pm, the Library will be offering ‘Smarter Social Security’ by Daniel Mazzola, CPA, who offers a broad overview of Social Security, especially for retirees and their beneficiaries. On February 20th, at 6:45 pm, Channel 12/FIOS Weatherman Joe Cioffi will be at the Library to answer all your weather questions! As a second reminder, AARP Tax-Aide is offering tax help to residents every Tuesday from February 6th through April 10th from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm by appointment only. Please contact the Library at 326-6330 to make your appointment. Come prepared with all relevant tax filing documents.

Police Department – Trustee Archie Cheng

Trustee Cheng said the Police Department is busy doing their jobs with no other news to report.

Recreation Center – Trustee Frank Chiara

Trustee Chiara reported that the Recreation Center is currently preparing for the upcoming seasons. The Eagles Hockey season is coming to another successful conclusion. Due to the weather, the season has gone on a little longer but should be wrapping up shortly.

Meetings have been held with the various sports organizations to coordinate field assignments and usage of the Recreation Center.

This year, the Recreation Center is going to accommodate a newly formed Pickleball League. Trustee Chiara said he will keep residents informed of this new sport!

Architectural drawings for the Tiny Town reconstruction are being made ready for presentation to our residents. Residents will have an opportunity to view the plans before the project moves forward. We are hoping that it will be done by the summer season.

Construction at the Shelter House is moving along and it, too, should be available for use for the upcoming seasons.

Trustee Chiara reminded all residents to renew their leisure passes.

Historical Society – Trustee Frank Chiara

Trustee Chiara said that last Sunday, he had the opportunity to attend the Historical Society meeting. Former Mayor Ann Corbett and President of the Historical Society gave a fantastic presentation on John Lewis Childs, his family and the history of our Village. It was very informative and enjoyable presentation.

The Historical Society preserves, documents and recreates items connected to the history of our Village, many of which are on display at the museum and archives. Please check the Historical Society’s website, www.floralparkhistorical.org for hours of operation. Tours may also be arranged. Trustee Chiara thanked the Historical Society for the great job they do with recording and preserving our Village history. It is always nice to reflect back on our history and connect it to present times.

Mayor’s Report – Dominick Longobardi

Mayor Longobardi welcomed Boy Scout Troop #134 from St. Anne’s who are working on their Citizenship Badge. The Boy Scouts attending the Board Meeting were Connor Ronan, Ryan Conlon, Christen Grossarth, Nicholas Maggio, Jack Gatta, Daniel Dwyer, Jack Lutz,

Alex Dominguez and Matthew Dominguez, accompanied by leaders Michael Ronan and Matthew Dwyer. Mayor Longobardi asked the Boy Scouts what they were working on. Ryan Conlon came up to the podium and explained that they were working on their Citizenship Badge and were required to go to a board meeting to understand how it works and how the community works. Mayor Longobardi asked Ryan what he had learned tonight and Ryan replied, 'You guys talk a lot. You discuss a lot of issues in the town.' Mayor Longobardi explained that we provide many services to the people who live in Floral Park such as a Police Department, Fire Department, garbage pick up, snow removal and road repairs, to name a few. We maintain the parks so that people have nice places to go. The Mayor said he and the Board enjoy what they do and he hopes everyone enjoys Floral Park. Mayor Longobardi asked Ryan if there was anything he wanted them to do better and Ryan replied 'No'. The Mayor said he rarely gets that answer! Mayor Longobardi asked the Boy Scouts to stay involved in scouting and become Eagle Scouts. Boy Scouts teaches you a lot. He said he hopes the troop sticks together for many years and that he was very happy they came to the Board Meeting this evening.

On motion by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Pombonyo, and carried unanimously, Mayor Longobardi recessed the meeting at 8:20 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 reconvened the meeting 8:30 pm.

Trustee Chiara offered Resolution No. 2018-16 authorizing the payment of \$1,800.00 to GoWest Electric for the repair of electric service to residence on 61 Crocus Avenue which was damaged by public work employee while removing a tree limb.

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 Cheng offered Resolution No. 2018-17 authorizing the filming of a 'web-series' at Pita Park and granted permission to use three parking spaces for the crew in the municipal parking field on Thursday, February 8th in the amount of \$600.00 and receipt of certificate of insurance.

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

On motion by Trustee Cheng, seconded by Trustee Chiara, the Board went into executive session at 9:50 pm to discuss contractual matters. On motion by Trustee Chiara and seconded by Trustee Cheng, the Board came out of executive session at 10:29 pm. No action was taken.

Trustee Pombonyo offered Resolution No. 2018-18 authorizing the request of Nanci Kotkin to place a temporary storage container in the parking lot located at One Cisney Avenue for a period of no more than three months with the option of submitting a request for an extension of time, if necessary.

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

Trustee Fitzgerald offered Resolution No. 2018-19 authorizing the reinstatement of the Special Use Permit for 175 Tulip Avenue that was granted on April 19, 2017 for a food- use modification.

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. 2018-20 granting permission to hire Martha Cerini, as full-time neighborhood aide in the police department, at the contractual rate \$35,174.00 subject to clearance of medical & drug/alcohol screenings and Nassau County Civil Service Commission;

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

There being no further business Mayor Longobardi ended the meeting at 11:10 pm.

Susan E. Walsh
Village Clerk