

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on April 2, 2019.

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 Stephen Siwinski, Deputy Superintendent of Public Works Kevin Ginnane, Police Commissioner Stephen McAllister and Village Attorney John E. Ryan

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

March 20, 2019	-	Public Hearing-139 Jericho Turnpike
March 20, 2019	-	Regular Board Meeting
March 25, 2019	-	Work Session

Trustee Pombonyo offered Resolution No. 2019-82 approving the Schedule of Accounts Payable consisting of the following:

General Fund	\$712,217.63
Swimming Pool	\$ 1,750.00
Community Development	\$ 0.00
Capital Fund	<u>\$115,835.95</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$829,803.58

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. 2019-83 determining the Special Use Permit application of 225 Jericho Turnpike is deemed to be an unlisted action as that term is defined in SEQRA.

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 Chiara offered Resolution No. 2019-84 denying the application of Sureshbhai S. Patel, Lessee, 47 Covert Avenue, Floral Park, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Decision and Resolution.

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 Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Pombonyo, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of Floral Park American Legion Post 334 to have their annual Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 27, 2019 at 10:00 am and to hold the memorial service in Memorial Park immediately after the parade.

On motion by Trustee Pombonyo, seconded by Trustee Cheng, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the Floral Park-Bellerose School to hold their 44<sup>th</sup> annual Olympic Day Parade on Wednesday, June 5, 2019 (rain date Thursday, June 6) with the same route as in the past and with assistance of the Police Department; and to authorize the use of

Village barricades for the parade and on Junior Olympic Day on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 (rain date Thursday, May 23) 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 of Floral Park Memorial High School to hold its Homecoming Parade on Saturday, September 14, 2019 (rain date October 26) at 11:00 am subject to the receipt of a certificate of insurance.

Trustee Chiara offered Resolution No. 2019-85 to adopt a resolution to amend Village Code Chapter 96 Article XIII Section 96-75 Schedule III to install a school speed limit signs as follows:

<u>Name of Street</u>	<u>Direction of travel</u>	<u>Location</u>
Vandewater Avenue	Both directions	Between Plainfield & Locust St.
Locust Street	Both directions	Between Vandewater & Miller Ave.
Miller Avenue	Both directions	Between Plainfield & Locust St.

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. 2019-86 to adopt a resolution to amend Village Code Chapter 96 Article XII Section 96-81 Schedule III to install a stop sign as follows:

<u>Stop sign on</u>	<u>Direction of Travel</u>	<u>At intersection of</u>
Willow Street	Both directions	Willow Street & Birch Street

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 Pombonyo offered Resolution No. 2019-87 to extend the streetlight contract with Go West with no change in rates and terms 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

Trustee Cheng offered Resolution No. 2019-88 authorizing Village Administrator Gerard Bambrick to sign the agreement with Signal 5 Fire Apparatus regarding the sale of Fire Truck 1992 Spartan/Saulsbury 1500/500 Pumper (Old 127).

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 Chiara offered Resolution No. 2019-89:

A Resolution to set a date for a tax sale to be held on May 8, 2019 at 10:00 am in the Court Room to recover the 2018 unpaid taxes on parcels of property:

Total taxes not paid	\$104,258.43
Total penalty due on the above	\$ 14,596.18
Cost of publishing legal notice	<u>\$ 460.00</u>
Total Taxes with Penalty added	\$ 119,314.61

Total 2018 tax collection \$24,865,480.28

% of tax collected 99.6%

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. 2019-90 approving the permanent status of Kalin Konnerth, Laborer in the Highway Department, as he has successfully completed his six-month probationary period.

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

### **Belmont Park – Trustee Kevin Fitzgerald**

Approximately two weeks ago, the Village received a response to a FOIL request that we made to the Franchise Oversight Board back in October 2018 in which we asked for any and all correspondence that the Franchise Oversight Board had with NYRA. The documents that we received, which were after the deadline for comments to the DEIS, contained a 60+ page document from 2016 entitled Belmont Park Master Plan.

Upon reviewing the documents last week, Beveridge & Diamond, at the direction of the Village, sent a letter to the ESD stating:

1. Our disappointment by the revelation that there has been a **previously developed Master Plan** for redevelopment of Belmont Park, **without any input from the surrounding communities**, and that this Master Plan was **in existence, yet undisclosed**, prior to the commencement of this RFP process. Additionally, the aforementioned Master Plan is substantially the plan that was submitted and approved after the narrowly focused RFP process was completed
2. As it is clear that NYRA had plans that were interwoven with the Master Plan and they have stated that they will be making major renovations to Belmont Park, these two projects cannot be segmented or separated. Therefore, we stated in the letter that the DEIS process must start over to ensure the cumulative impacts of both New York Arena Partners and NYRA's planned improvements are studied in one complete DEIS.

Additionally what is probably most unfortunate is that to date there is still no statutory community advisory board for Belmont Park as there is a bylaw for both Aqueduct and Saratoga. There has been bipartisan support for such a Board but depending on the year either the State Senate or conversely the Assembly would not take such action as to pass what would amount to a few sentences into law. The Village has been asking for over a decade for such a Board and firmly believes that a Community Advisory Board will allow for smart and measured development at Belmont Park that would benefit the surrounding communities as well as

preserving Belmont Park as a premier destination for horse racing as it has been for over a century.

Mayor Longobardi thanked Felix Procaccia for filming this evening's meeting.

The Village Board Meeting will continue in the Mayor's 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 8:20 pm.

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On motion by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Pombonyo, and carried unanimously, Mayor Longobardi reconvened the meeting at 9:10 pm.

No actions were taken.

There being no further business, Mayor Longobardi closed the meeting at 11:45 pm.

Susan E. Walsh  
Village Clerk