

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on December 17, 2019 at 8:00 pm.

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 Kevin Ginnane, Superintendent of Buildings Renee Marcus, Police Commissioner Stephen McAllister, Fire Chief Sal Arrigo and Village Attorney John E. Ryan

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

December 3, 2019 - Regular Board Meeting

Trustee Pombonyo offered Resolution No. 2019-248 approving the Schedule of Accounts Payable consisting of the following:

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| General Fund | \$3,453,683.43 |
| Swimming Pool | \$ 612.32 |
| Community Development | \$ 0.00 |
| Capital Fund | <u>\$ 307,631.20</u> |
| GRAND TOTAL | \$3,761,926.95 |

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

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

Trustee Cheng offered Resolution No. 2019-249 approving the request of General Supervisor Kevin Pearsall to carry over five vacation days to be used in the first quarter of the 2020 calendar year.

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

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

Trustee Chiara offered Resolution No. 2019-250 authorizing the retention of Skinnon & Faber's professional services for the preparation and filing of the 1095C and 1094C forms to the IRS.

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

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

Trustee Fitzgerald offered Resolution No. 2019-251 wherein if the property owner of 133 Iris Avenue is in violation of Chapter 65 'Maintenance of Premises' of the Code of the Incorporated Village of Floral Park, the Board of Trustees authorizes the work to be done and cost charged to the property owner.

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

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

Trustee Cheng offered Resolution No. 2019-252 authorizing the purchase of four new portable Motorola radios for the Police Department in the total amount of \$17,247.00 under New York State Contract 21562.

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

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

Trustee Pombonyo offered Resolution No. 2019-253 accepting the letter of retirement from Joseph Wagner after 16 years of service as Neighborhood Aide in the Police Department effective January 25, 2020.

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

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

Trustee Cheng offered Resolution No. 2019-254 accepting the letter of retirement from Roberta Friedman after 23 years of service as Clerk in the Administrative Office effective January 31, 2020.

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

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

Trustee Chiara offered Resolution No. 2019-255 approving Domenick Cangemi for permanent status as a Laborer in the Highway Department as he successfully completed his six-month probation period.

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

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

Trustee Fitzgerald offered Resolution No. 2019-256 adopting a resolution to re-number Local Law No. 05-2019 to Local Law No. 04-2019 and authorize the refiling of such local law in accordance with the request of the New York Department of State.

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

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

On motion by Trustee Pombonyo, seconded by Trustee Cheng, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the Police Department to use Firefighters' Hall on Monday, February 10 and Tuesday, February 11, 2020 to hold a police training for the New York State DCJS Use of Force refresher course.

Trustee Cheng offered Resolution No. 2019-257 approving Mark Jacobs as a new member of the Floral Park Fire Department having received arson clearance from the Nassau County Sherriff's Office, a background check from the Floral Park Police Department and a medical clearance from Dr. Cogan.

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

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

Trustee Chiara offered Resolution No. 2019-258:

Whereas, the Board of Trustees, by Resolution No 2018-122, dated June 28, 2018, authorized Mayor Dominick A. Longobardi to execute a Contract for the sale of village-owned property located at 26 Tulip Avenue, Flora Park, New York, known as Centennial Hall (the "Centennial Hall Property") having determined that the Centennial Hall Property was no longer needed for a municipal purpose and that the proposed purchase price of \$1.2 Million dollars from the Friedman Group LLC (the "Friedman Group") was fair and adequate consideration for the Centennial Hall Property; and

Whereas, on or about July 11, 2018, Mayor Dominick A. Longobardi executed a Contract of Sale with the Friedman Group, to purchase the Centennial Hall property for the amount of One Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,200,000.00) (the "Purchase Price"); and

Whereas, the Contract of Sale (the "Contract of Sale") contained such provisions as the Village Board deemed advisable, including a thirty (30) year deed restriction limiting the future development of the property to residential apartment use: and

Whereas, on June 19, 2018 the Village Board of Trustees, previously determined that the sale of the Centennial Hall property is deemed to be a Type II action as that term is defined in SEQRA; and

Whereas, the Village and the assignee of the Friedman Group, which is Centennial Holdings LLC ("Centennial Holdings"), are ready to close on the Contract of Sale.

Now Therefore, the Board authorized Mayor Dominick A. Longobardi to execute all documents as are necessary, in consultation with legal and other counsel, to close on the sale of Centennial Hall to Centennial Holdings, including a Deed conveying title to the Centennial Hall Property to Centennial Holdings, which deed shall include a thirty (30) year deed restriction limiting future development to residential apartment use.

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

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

Trustee Chiara - Aye
Mayor Longobardi - Aye

Belmont – Trustee Kevin Fitzgerald

Trustee Fitzgerald reported that last week, Senate Bill S5481B was sent to the Governor to be signed. This bill will establish a permanent Belmont Advisory Board similar to the long-standing one at Saratoga and Aqueduct and will provide the local communities a needed voice in any changes that occur in the future. This bill has had many fits and starts over the years and has, for the first time, reached the Governor's desk to be signed.

As these Boards have allowed the local surrounding communities to have a direct and positive impact on changes at the aforementioned properties, Trustee Fitzgerald is strongly urging the Governor to sign the bill into law.

Trustee Fitzgerald thanked Senator Kaplan and Assemblywoman Solages, along with our past State Senators for working to get this bill to this point. This has been a request of Floral Park for many years and will provide the immediate surrounding communities a much needed voice for years to come.

Department of Public Works – Trustee Kevin Fitzgerald

Trustee Fitzgerald reported that the Fall planting has been completed with over 100 trees planted.

During the next two holiday weeks, there will be regular garbage and recycling pickup but no bulk pick up on Wednesdays.

Trustee Fitzgerald extended his best wishes to everyone for a Happy Holiday and a healthy and prosperous New Year.

Recreation Department – Trustee Lynn Pombonyo

Trustee Pombonyo invited all to this Friday's Recreation Christmas Tree Lighting at the park. Come to roller skate at the rink at 7:00 pm then, at 7:30 pm, join in the holiday festivities, music and refreshments as your family meets Santa. Come rain, snow or shine to celebrate with family and friends!

Covert Avenue Chamber of Commerce – Trustee Lynn Pombonyo

Trustee Pombonyo invited all to continue to SHOP LOCAL and DINE LOCAL on Covert Avenue, Tulip Avenue, and Jericho Turnpike in Floral Park and Stewart Manor throughout this joyous time of year!

Wishing all a wonderful holiday!

Third Track - Trustee Archie Cheng

Trustee Cheng reported that track work by the DPW yard and baseball field will be completed by the first quarter of next year.

Trustee Cheng wished Happy Holidays to everyone!

Library – Trustee Frank Chiara

Trustee Chiara asked residents to join the Library staff in celebrating "Noon Year's Eve" on Tuesday, December 31, 2019 from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm. Crafts, music, snacks and a countdown to 12:00 pm will take place in the Children's Room. All are welcome to attend.

Trustee Chiara wished everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a great New Year!

Mayor's Report – Mayor Dominick Longobardi

Mayor Longobardi said that with this being the last meeting of the year, he would like to extend his thanks to everyone for all they have done all year long, including our wonderful volunteers and the entire Village staff. It is what makes Floral Park such a great place to live.

Mayor Longobardi said, unfortunately, he was unable to attend the Christmas Winter Festival and Tree Lighting on December 13th at Memorial Park sponsored by the Floral Park Jr. Woman's Club, Our Lady of Victory and the Floral Park Chamber of Commerce and heard it was a wonderful night. Many thanks to all who contributed to its success!

On behalf of his family, the Village Board and the Village staff, Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanzaa and a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year to everyone!

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

On motion by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Pombonyo, and carried unanimously, Mayor Longobardi recessed the meeting at 8:10 pm.

On motion by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Pombonyo, and carried unanimously, Mayor Longobardi reconvened the meeting at 8:15 pm.

At 8:20 pm, on motion by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Pombonyo, the Board went into executive session to discuss personnel matters. On motion by Trustee Cheng, seconded by Trustee Chiara, the Board came out of executive session at 8:15 pm. No action was taken.

There being no further business, Mayor Longobardi closed the meeting at 8:34 pm.

Susan E. Walsh
Village Clerk