

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on February 4, 2020 at 8:00 pm.

The meeting opened with a Pledge to the Flag led by Boy Scout Troop 482. Present were Mayor Dominick A. Longobardi, Trustees Kevin M. Fitzgerald, Lynn Pombonyo and Archie T. Cheng, Frank J. Chiara and Village Administrator Gerard M. Bambrick, Village Clerk Susan E. Walsh, Deputy Village Clerk Rosaleen Shea, Superintendent of Public Works Kevin Ginnane, Superintendent of Buildings Renee Marcus, 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:

January 21, 2020 - Work Session Minutes
 January 21, 2020 - Public Hearing Minutes – 8 Verbena Avenue
 January 21, 2020 - Regular Board Meeting

Trustee Pombonyo offered Resolution No. 2020-21 approving the Schedule of Accounts Payable consisting of the following:

General Fund	\$ 999,786.81
Swimming Pool	\$ 711.39
Community Development	\$ 0.00
Capital Fund	\$ <u>75,988.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 1,076,486.20

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. 2020-22 approving the retirement payout for Joseph Wagner, Neighborhood Aide of Police Department, effective January 25, 2020 as follows:

WAGNER, JOSEPH	16 YEARS OF SERVICE	DAILY RATE	TOTAL PAYMENT
Date of Retirement: 1/25/20			
Daily Rate as of 5/31/16: (entitled to retro)		173.54	
Vacation Days	20	173.54	\$3,470.77
Sick Days	123.75		
60% of =	74.25	173.54	12885.35
Personal Days	0	173.54	
Floating Holiday	0	173.54	
COMP TIME covering period 01/01/2019 to 01/25/2020	11.73	173.54	2,035.41
		TOTAL RET PAY:	\$18,391.53

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. 2020-23 to approve the 2020 Pool Membership and Payment Option schedule as per attachment.

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 Boy Scout Troop 482 to use Carlton Parking field for car wash fundraiser events on Saturday, May 2nd (Rain Date, Sunday, May 3rd) and Saturday, June 6th (Rain Date Sunday, June 7th), subject to receipt of certificate of insurance.

Trustee Pombonyo offered Resolution No. 2020-24 determining that Special Use Permit application by Shane Moynagh, 8 Verbena Avenue, Floral Park, NY to convert 8 Verbena Avenue to a party room is a Type II action as that term is defined in SEQRA.

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. 2020-25 granting the application of Shane Moynagh, 8 Verbena Avenue, Floral Park, NY, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Decision and Resolution.

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. 2020-26 that the individuals listed below be appointed Inspectors of Election for the Village Election being held on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, compensation to be \$110.00 per diem on Election Day:

Bruce Behnke, Tina Cunnane, Sylvia Hubschman, Warren P. Hubschman,
Anne Marie McGeever, Jeannette Newman, Victoria Ost, Karen Tall

Danielle Auguste, Christine Bennett, Florence DeVito, Grace Ferrara,
Rosemary Marggraf, Adrienne Smith, Gary Wargo, Francine Brethel

3 Alternate Inspectors: Warren Hubschman, Sr., Alessandro Cappelli,
Vernon Ramroop;

and to appoint a Spanish translator, Tula Baffi, who will be available to assist Spanish speaking voters on Election Day at the rate of \$110.00 per diem.

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 Fitzgerald offered Resoluion No. 2020-27 to accept the filing of the 2020/21 Tentative Assessment Roll to the Village Clerk on Monday, February 03, 2020 in accordance with the provisions of Section 305 of the Real Property Tax Law.

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 requests of sports organizations to use the fields at the Recreation Center subject to receipt of certificates of insurances.

On motion by Trustee Chiara, seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the Cub Scouts to use the Recreation Center on November 7, 2020 from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm to sponsor a picnic-style event called Wildcat Mania for approximately 100 attendees and to grant permission to use the pavilion and propane gas stove/grill subject to receipt of certificate of insurance.

Trustee Fitzgerald offered Resolution No. 2020-28 authorizing the purchase of the Mayday Communications' digital voice recording solution upgrade for the emergency radio operations and dispatching services of the police department in the amount of \$9,860.00.

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. 2020-29 authorizing Police Officer Hayes to attend the Swat Tactics Training Conference on Monday, April 20 through Friday, April 24, 2020 in Verona, New York at a cost of \$700 for lodging and \$300.00 for registration fees.

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. 2020-30 approving the purchase of public works equipment in the total amount of \$52,400 from the Inc. Village of Bellerose as follows: 2014 Ford Dump Truck (\$34,100), 2005 GMC Schwarze Sweeper (\$9,700) and Giant Vac Leaf Vac (\$8,600) and authorize Village Administrator Gerard Bambrick to acknowledge receipt of the Bill of Sale from Bellerose Village.

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 Chiara, seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of Floral Park Fire Department to use Carlton Terrace parking field on Sunday, April 26th from 10 am to 5 pm for their annual 'Recruitment Day'.

Trustee Fitzgerald offered Resolution No. 2020-31 approving the request of Kurt Meyfohrt to hire (rehire) Donald Haug as an all-year-round park attendant at the hourly rate of \$20.00 to assist the parks department with maintaining the gardens and landscaping at the Recreation Center and Pool grounds.

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. 2020-32 approving the refund request of M. Johnston in the amount of \$30.00 since she was unable to participate in the Silver Sneakers program.

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. 2020-33 to surplus the following public works equipment and/or vehicles:

- (a) # 25B Pontiac Grand Am -Vin # 1G2WR12192F220110
- (b) Surplus #24 Ford Expedition Vin # 1FMPU16L33LC36327
- (c) Snow pusher Serial #1TOSP10CJD0000008

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. 2020-34 to amend Village Code Chapter 96 Article XIII. Schedules §96.75 to install School Speed Zone signs as follows:

<u>Name of Street</u>	<u>Intersection</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Speed Limit</u>
Plainfield Ave.	Vandewater Ave.	North	20 mph
Plainfield Ave.	Miller Ave.	North	20 mph
Miller Ave.	100' east of Plainfield East		20 mph
Locust Street	200' south of Miller Ave	South	20 mph
Vandewater Ave.	Locust Street	West	20 mph
Elizabeth Street	100' east of S. Tyson	East	20 mph
		(both sides of street)	20 mph
S. Tyson Ave.	Spooner Street	South	20 mph
		(both sides of street)	
S. Tyson Ave.	Mayflower Ave.	North	20 mph
		(both sides of street)	

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. 2020-35 authorizing the transfer of \$3,000 from Contingency Account to Health-Drug Abuse Prevention Budget.

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 Pombonyo, seconded by Trustee Cheng, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of Triple AAA Taxi for a taxi cab license for Dennis Maier with background clearance from the Floral Park Police Department.

Trustee Cheng offered Resolution No. 2020-36 to approve the list of 100 members of the Floral Park Fire Department 2019 Service Award Program who achieved 50 points or more at a cost of \$70,000.00 and authorize the Mayor and Board of Trustees to sign the Sponsor Approval Form upon the thirty-day posting and send to Penflex.

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. 2020-37 authorizing Village Clerk Susan Walsh to sign the Polling Place Agreement with Nassau County to use Reliance Firehouse for the following dates: Presidential Primary Election on Tuesday, April 28, 2020; Primary Elections on Tuesday, June 23, 2020 and General Elections on Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

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 the Knights of Columbus to host their annual 5k Rhatigan's Run on Saturday, October 31, 2020 at 9 am with the same race route as in prior years subject to receipt of certificate of insurance.

Belmont Redevelopment Project – Trustee Kevin Fitzgerald

Deputy Mayor Fitzgerald reported that the closure on Plainfield Avenue by the Empire State Development Corporation's (ESD) Belmont Redevelopment Project adjacent to the eastern entrance of the Belmont site on February 1st was cancelled. In connection with ESD, PSEGLI is installing new electric utility poles during the month of February on Plainfield Avenue between Miller and Vandewater Avenues in Floral Park. ESD's original plan was to close traffic completely on Plainfield Avenue between Vandewater and Miller for the three consecutive Saturdays, February 1st, 8th and 15th. PSEGLI informed the Village of the planned Saturday closure and detours through Village residential streets for the first time on Thursday, January

30th. An emergency meeting was planned for Friday, January 31st with the Village Police and Public Works departments and PSEGLI representatives to discuss an alternative work plan so a proper traffic mitigation plan could be developed. Despite that meeting, ESD announced it was proceeding with the work, Plainfield Avenue road closure and detour through residential streets over the Village's objections. ESD's announcement triggered emergency actions by the Village staff on Friday to address these last minute plans by ESD. Thankfully, Senator Kaplan was able to intervene on behalf of the officials and residents of Floral Park for the work scheduled last Saturday (February 1st) to cancel the work to allow time to provide for an opportunity for the Village, ESD and PSEGLI to develop a traffic mitigation plan for all of the work planned on consecutive Saturdays in the month of February. Trustee Fitzgerald thanked Gerry Bambrick, Village Administrator and the Village staff for their efforts and the residents for their patience.

Mayor Dominick Longobardi requested to piggyback on the Deputy Mayor's report to provide more details. A meeting was held this afternoon (February 4th) with PSEGLI to devise a properly vetted Traffic Mitigation Plan for the work that will take place this weekend (February 8th) and throughout February.

The new Traffic Mitigation Plan is as follows:

- Pole replacement will take place on Plainfield Avenue between Vandewater and Miller on Saturdays, February 8th and 15th
- Plainfield Avenue will remain open to through non-commercial traffic during the pole installation with a lane closure option; one lane open with slow down stop sign alternating north/south non-commercial traffic
- Commercial trucks north/south traffic between Hempstead Turnpike and Jericho Turnpike will be suspended during the pole work installation
- Local non-commercial traffic will be re-routed during the project time period to allow for driving access to Floral Park Memorial High School and the local community. Residents are asked to park in their driveways on the surrounding streets such as Locust, Vandewater and Miller to allow for the traffic detour to flow better; notices will be delivered to affected residents
- PSEGLI will pay for the extra cost for signage and some PSEGLI preparation work will be performed on Fridays with no traffic interruption
- Residents should call Village Hall at 516-326-6300 if they have any questions

The Mayor thanked Senator Anna Kaplan for all of her hard work and efforts on Friday on behalf of Floral Park regarding this issue. Because of the opportunity to develop a properly vetted traffic plan, the Mayor stated that he believes the impact on residents will be mitigated. As earlier reported by Mayor Longobardi, "Senator Kaplan's efforts in coordinating with the ESD, PSEGLI and the Village Staff better positioned the Village to plan and protect our residents and business owners from infrastructure and traffic issues that may arise during construction. I would be remiss if I did not also thank Rebecca Sheehan from Senator Kaplan's office, Village Administrator Gerry Bambrick, Deputy Mayor Kevin Fitzgerald, Darlene Lanza, Police Commissioner Steve McAllister, LT. Will Dougherty, Public Works Superintendent Kevin Ginnane, Michael Murphy, Esq. and Chris Chaffee from PSEGLI, all of whom spent most of last Friday working towards this resolution. Please be advised that we will keep you posted of developments as they progress."

Conservation Society – Trustee Lynn Pombonyo

Trustee Pombonyo announced that the national celebration of the 23rd Annual Great Backyard Bird Count 2020 will take place on February 14th – 16th. In Floral Park, Recreation Department staff member, ornithology expert and bird enthusiast, our very own Don Haug, will be present at the Centennial Gardens Floral Parkway gate on Friday, February 14th, 12 pm – 4 pm; Saturday, February 15th, 12 pm – 1 pm; and Sunday, February 16th, 1pm – 2 pm. Don will point out the many unique and beautiful birds that inhabit Floral Park and share their interesting stories. Bird watchers may count and record the birds they see and submit that at the Rec Center before 1 pm on February 17th to join the Conservation Society and other nature lovers in gathering data about our local birds. Visit www.fpvillage.org or the Great Backyard Bird Count website at

gbbc.birdcount.org for more fascinating details. And don't forget to bring your cell phone camera, binoculars and bird seed to Centennial Gardens!

Recreation Department and Pool – Trustee Lynn Pombonyo

Trustee Pombonyo also announced that the Winter/Spring Session II recreation programs for children, adults and seniors are under way. Floral Park's Screaming Eagles hockey team had a successful season. Congratulations to our champions!

It's never too early to begin planning for our spring and summer activities at the park and pool, so the staff is beginning work on the ball fields adding clay, planting grass and doing the edging. Planning for our summer 2020 recreation and pool programs is also under way. You are reminded that a 2020-21 leisure pass or 2019 pool pass is required for the use of the park facilities and program registration throughout the spring.

All are invited to think ahead to the spring and summer months, and plan to enjoy your days and evenings at our rec center and pool!

Fire Department – Trustee Archie Cheng

Trustee Cheng reported that the Fire Department played their annual "Superblow" Football Game this past Superbowl Sunday. This game is played on the anniversary of the Tulip Hill Bowling Lanes Explosion that occurred on Super Bowl Sunday 33 years ago. This year Active and Reliance Companies won the game against the Headquarter Companies.

All members are currently taking their required annual OSHA physicals and mask fit testing.

This was an extremely busy month for the Fire Department. Calls for the month - Rescue 84; All other Firematic calls - 41, for a grand total of 125.

LIRR Third Track – Trustee Archie Cheng

Trustee Cheng reported that he attended the monthly meeting with 3TC, other Villages, Towns of Hempstead and North Hempstead, Nassau County and the MTA. Plainfield Bridge work continues. Originally, the plan was to have Plainfield Avenue closed for two weekends. 3TC is now proposing only partial closures of Plainfield Avenue to install the bridge. At the present time, the Village does not know when and nor has it received any traffic plans. As soon as we finish our negotiations with the parties, we will report the pertinent information on the Village's website.

Work continues on retaining and sound walls as well as the elevators at the Floral Park rail road station.

Library – Trustee Frank Chiara

Trustee Chiara reported that the recent Library Book Sale sponsored by The Friends of the Library was a big success. Nearly \$1,400 was received from the book sale and an additional \$140 from the donated Valentine's Day gift basket raffle. Great job and much thanks to The Friends of the Library and our wonderful library staff.

Trustee Chiara also reported the Floral Park Library is currently hosting the extremely popular Tax Assistance Seminar Program every Tuesday from 10:15 am to 1:15 pm. Village residents can receive assistance with their taxes. Appointments are necessary, so stop by the reference desk to schedule an appointment. Time slots are filling up quickly so come by soon to secure a time slot.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Dominick Longobardi

Mayor Longobardi thanked the wonderful staff that serve the Village of Floral Park. He announced that Lauren Killigrew, Deputy Clerk is retiring this month and that the February 4th meeting is her official last meeting. Mayor Longobardi congratulated Lauren on her retirement

and thanked her for her many years of dedication and service to the Board of Trustees and the Village residents.

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 8:24 pm.

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

There were no actions taken.

There being no further business, Mayor Longobardi closed the meeting at 11:20 pm.

Susan E. Walsh
Village Clerk