

On March 7, 2017 at 7:00 pm, a Work Session was held in the Mayor's Office.

Present were Mayor Thomas J. Tweedy, Trustees Kevin M. Fitzgerald, Dominick A. Longobardi, Lynn Pombonyo and Archie T. Cheng, Village Administrator Gerard Bambrick, Village Clerk Susan Walsh, Superintendent of Public Works Stephen Siwinski and Candidate for Trustee Frank Chiara. A presentation was heard by a developer regarding Centennial Hall. At the conclusion of the presentation, a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at 8:00 pm.

The regular Board Meeting opened with a Pledge to the Flag.

Present were Mayor Thomas J. Tweedy, Trustees Kevin M. Fitzgerald, Dominick A. Longobardi, Lynn Pombonyo and Archie T. Cheng, Village Administrator Gerard M. Bambrick, Village Clerk Susan E. Walsh, Superintendent of Public Works and Building Department Stephen Siwinski, Police Commissioner Stephen McAllister, Frank Chiara and Village Attorney John E. Ryan

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

February 21, 2017	-	Grievance Night
February 28, 2017	-	Work Session
March 1, 2017	-	Work Session

Trustee Longobardi offered Resolution No. 2017-62 approving the Schedule of Accounts Payable consisting of the following:

General Fund	\$1,110,445.05
Swimming Pool	\$ 0.00
Community Development	\$ 0.00
Capital Fund	<u>\$ 34,268.90</u>
 GRAND TOTAL	 \$1,144,713.95

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

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

On motion by Trustee Pombonyo, seconded by Trustee Cheng, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the Wednesday Mothers' Club to use Centennial Gardens on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am for their annual Spring Field Trip, pending receipt of a certificate of insurance.

On motion by Trustee Cheng, seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the Floral Park Little League to hold their annual Opening Day Parade on Saturday, April 22, 2017 using the following route: Starting on Floral Boulevard in front of Village Hall, left on Verbena Avenue, right on Tulip Avenue, left on Plainfield Avenue, right on Stewart Street, left on Pool and Garage Road to Recreation Center.

On motion by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Longobardi, and carried unanimously, the Board approved a block party applications on Verbena Avenue between Clarence Street and Zinnia Avenue on Saturday, July 8, 2017, (rain date Sunday, July 9) in accordance with Section 32-12d.

On motion by Trustee Longobardi, seconded by Trustee Pombonyo, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of Our Lady of Victory School Mock Trial Club to use the Courtroom at Village Hall on Monday, May 8 and Monday, May 15, 2017 from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm, pending the receipt of a certificate of insurance.

On motion by Trustee Pombonyo, seconded by Trustee Cheng, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the Floral Park Lion's Club to use the Recreation/Pool Building on the second Wednesday of every month from April through December from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm for monthly meetings of their District Board for the Lend an Ear Program, pending the receipt of a certificate of liability insurance.

Fire Department

Trustee Fitzgerald reported that on Sunday, March 5, 2017, he and Trustee Longobardi had the pleasure of attending Alert Engine Company's celebration to commemorate significant milestones reached by three of their members. The Company celebrated Bill Bedell's 50 years of service, Gary Gronert's 45 years of service and John Perry's 40 years of service. These firefighters have served and continue to serve to this day our residents with pride and distinction. In addition to thanking them for their years of service, Trustee Fitzgerald said he would be remiss if he did not thank their families for the sacrifices they have made over the many decades in allowing them to serve. Once again, on behalf of all the former residents, current residents, folks just passing through Floral Park that may have needed assistance and future residents, thank you for your time and dedication. These firefighters are yet another example of what makes Floral Park truly the community it is.

Trustee Fitzgerald said we approved our first block of 2017 which is a sure sign that summer is just around the corner. Trustee Fitzgerald reminded block party residents that a fire lane must be maintained the length of the block in the event the Fire Department needs to access the street for an emergency. In an emergency, seconds matter. Trustee Fitzgerald asked residents to please adhere to all the rules and regulations that the Village has set forth for block parties.

Recreation Center

Trustee Longobardi said that Saturday, April 22, 2017 is the opening day and parade for Little League, a day the children anxiously look forward to every year. Recreation Center employees have begun preparing the fields for Spring activities. Trustee Longobardi asked residents to read *The Gateway* and go on the Village's website in order to stay updated on everything happening at the Recreation Center. The Recreation Summer Activities Booklet will be mailed to residents in April.

Trustee Longobardi congratulated and thanked Bill Bedell, Gary Gronert and John Perry for their dedicated service to the Floral Park Fire Department.

Building Department

Trustee Pombonyo reported on updates regarding the Koenig's property development. In the Koenig's building, second floor construction on five apartments is under way. The Building Department is waiting for plans for the first floor restaurant. The proposed apartment building, on the opposite side of South Tyson Avenue, is still in the planning stages for a first floor garage and seven apartments on each of the proposed three floors above.

On April 4th, at 8:00 pm, a public hearing for proposed Local Law #2, *Zombie Homes*, is scheduled. At that time, the Board of Trustees will be considering new local legislation and requesting public comment on provisions that will extend New York State's new zombie home regulations to ensure, amongst other requirements, that the Village will have efficient compensation procedures in place for any property maintenance expenses that the Village may incur. The public is invited to attend.

Department of Public Works

Trustee Cheng reported that the Department of Public Works is currently in the midst of working on many projects and/or overseeing projects throughout the Village, including:

- Upgrading the meeting rooms at the Recreation Center's Shelter House;
- Repaving Charles Street, which, in two days, much work has been accomplished;

- Completing the work in the Quiet Room at the Floral Park Public Library;
- Overseeing PSE&G's trimming of trees in the West End which created quite a mess. Much of the mess has been picked up and the remainder will be cleared soon;
- Trimming trees, of which there are currently 287 requests pending, which is down from over 450 requests;
- Renovations at the Police Department is almost complete.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Tweedy reported that these past few days the Village has been engaged in a media examination of our position on the Third Track. This has come about due to a report regarding the Villages of Floral Park, New Hyde Park and Garden City, along with support from the Town of Hempstead in retaining experts to provide technical response to the 2,500 page MTA/LIRR Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). Beveridge & Diamond, a renowned environmental law firm and Vertex Engineering provided these reports in response to the DEIS.

While we have clearly delineated our position and have distributed the experts' reports; response, confusion and lack of clarity remain. Our position is simple: The DEIS under SEQRA should identify impacts, and once identified, the mitigation to these impacts can be concretely addressed. Once that is done, then the public vetting process should occur during the commenting period. This has not been done.

This is what the Village of Floral Park seeks. First, the MTA should be required to demonstrate that the \$2 billion project is necessary and that the benefits outweigh the problems it will cause. The MTA/LIRR clearly has not done that either. Nevertheless, if the project is to proceed, the specific impacts and necessary mitigation steps must be identified and incorporated into a legally enforceable contract document for the protection and benefit of our residents. The MTA/LIRR's failing, first with the Scoping Documents, and now with respect to the DEIS, unjustly prevent such protections from being identified and vetted transparently with the public. Therefore, these omissions from the process render the entire process to date lacking compliance with the requirements of SEQRA. Therefore, we see no other alternative and we request that the DEIS be rejected and the process begun again.

On motion by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Longobardi, and carried unanimously, Mayor Tweedy recessed the meeting at 8:15 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 Longobardi, and carried unanimously, Mayor Tweedy reconvened the meeting at 8:20 pm.

Trustee Fitzgerald offered Resolution No. 2017-63 acknowledging the audit by Skinnon & Faber of the Justice Court's books and records and found them to be in compliance as outlined in the Handbook for Village Justices and Court Clerks.

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

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

Trustee Fitzgerald offered Resolution No. 2017-64 awarding the Fire Department uniform bid to the only bidder, Elite Uniforms, for a total amount of \$4,795.00.

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

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

Trustee Cheng offered Resolution No. 2017-65 authorizing Village Clerk Susan Walsh to submit the grant application to Nassau County Office of Housing and Community Development for the 43rd Program year for the road reconstruction of Charles Street.

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

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

Trustee Longobardi offered Resolution No. 2017-66 approving the Summer 2017 Program Fees as follows:

POOL	2016	2017	Difference
Luau Splash Party	\$10.00	\$15.00	+\$5.00
All Day Program Resident Pool Member:	\$220.00	\$230.00	+\$10.00
All Day Program Resident Non-Pool member:	\$240.00	\$250.00	+ \$10.00
All Day Program Non-Res Pool Member:	\$250.00	\$260.00	+\$10.00
Gardening:	\$55.00	\$55.00	No Change
Cartooning:	\$45.00	\$45.00	No Change
Jedi Bootcamp	\$45.00	\$45.00	No Change
Indoor Slimnastics:	\$50.00	\$60.00	+\$10.00
Boot Camp:	\$50.00	\$60.00	+\$10.00
Indoor Yoga:	\$50.00	\$55.00	+\$5.00
Indoor Zumba:	\$50.00	\$55.00	+\$5.00

Guest Fees:

Resident member - Guest 10 and over:	\$15.00	\$15.00	No Change
- Guest 9 and under:	\$10.00	\$10.00	No Change
Non-resident member – Guest 10 and over:	\$15.00	\$15.00	No Change
- Guest 9 and under:	\$20.00	\$20.00	No Change

RECREATION	2016	2017	Difference
Adult Volleyball:	\$185.00	\$190.00	+\$5.00
Adult Basketball:	\$550.00	\$555.00	+\$5.00
Adult Aerobics:	\$50.00	\$60.00	+\$10.00
Jazz/Hip Hop Dance:	\$45.00	\$45.00	No Change
Youth Tennis:	\$50.00	\$50.00	No Change
Teen Tennis:	\$50.00	\$50.00	No Change
Adult Tennis:	\$60.00	\$60.00	No Change
JK Tennis Classic:	\$25.00	\$30.00	+\$5.00
JK Tennis Classic Additional Category:	\$5.00	\$5.00	No Change

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

Trustee Fitzgerald	- Aye
Trustee Longobardi	- Aye

Trustee Pombonyo	- Aye
Trustee Cheng	- Aye
Mayor Tweedy	- Aye

Trustee Longobardi offered Resolution No. 2017-67 approving the service contract from AACCS Corporation to furnish maintenance service on the HVAC equipment at the Recreation/Pool Building for one year starting on January 7, 2017 in the amount of \$13,000.00, and authorized the Mayor to sign the contract.

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

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

Trustee Longobardi offered Resolution No. 2017-68 approving the construction of a retaining wall at 120 Crocus Avenue on the condition that the wall be maintained 16 inches east of the property line and a "Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions" be filed with the Nassau County Clerk, the expense of preparation and recording to be borne by the property owners and binding the property owner of 120 Crocus Avenue to maintain the wall and the property west and east of the wall. A copy of the recorded document to be delivered to the Village within 90 days of the resolution.

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

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

Police Commissioner Stephen McAllister presented the Police Department's 2017/2018 budget proposal.

On motion by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Cheng, the Board, Village Administrator Gerard M. Bambrick, Village Clerk Susan E. Walsh and Trustee-candidate Frank J. Chiara went into executive session at 10:30 pm to discuss Library personnel matters. On motion by Trustee Fitzgerald, seconded by Trustee Longobardi, the Board came out of executive session at 10:40 pm. No action was taken.

Village Clerk Susan Walsh presented the Administration's 2017/2018 budget proposal.

Village Administrator Gerard Bambrick gave an overview of the 2017/2018 draft of the budget.

There being no further business, Mayor Tweedy closed the meeting at 11:30 pm.

Susan E. Walsh
Village Clerk

