

Village Board of Trustees
April 13, 2020
7:00 p.m.

Due to public health and safety concerns from COVID-19 this meeting will be closed to members of the public

The public can still watch the live meeting online through the Zoom app or website

<https://zoom.us/join>

Meeting ID and Password to be posted on Village Website prior to meeting

If any interested members of the public would like to provide comments prior to the meeting, comments can be emailed to dburke@tuckahoe-ny.com and will be distributed to the entire Board

The Tentative Budget for FY2020-2021 can be accessed at

https://www.tuckahoe.com/sites/tuckahoeny/files/uploads/vot_tentative_budget_fy20_21.pdf

CALL TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Trustee Andino

Trustee Lang

Trustee Howell

Trustee Lee

Mayor Luisi

Senator Shelly Mayer gave an overview of budget, bail reform and Covid19 issues.

Senator Mayer may be contacted at smayer@nysenate.gov or 914-934-5250.

County Executive George Latimer gave an update on Covid19. Mr. Latimer said that county parks will remain open except golf courses. Use social distancing.

Chief Costanzo thanked Dept. of Public Safety Commissioner Tom Gleason and his staff.

County Legislator Damien Maher gave an update on all county issues.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1) Considering a proposed local law prohibiting the sale of electronic nicotine delivery products in the Village of Tuckahoe

Mayor Luisi made a motion to postpone public hearing; motion was seconded by Trustee Lee and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.

- 2) Public hearing to consider the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year June 1, 2020 through May 31, 2021 (public hearing will continue at a special meeting on April 20, 2020)
Trustee Andino made a motion to keep open public hearing; motion was seconded by Trustee Howell and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.

David Burke said the tentative budget was filed by law on March 20th. It calls for a 2.55% property tax increase. A home assessed value of 7500 would realize a \$78.00 increase per year at 1.8%. The budget was filed in March and a lot has changed but it is a budget that we can work with.
Mike Dardano inquired about the budget regarding sales tax.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- 1) Approval of Minutes of the March 9, 2020 meeting
Trustee Andino made a motion to approve minutes; motion was seconded by Trustee Howell and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.

FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS

RESOLUTIONS

- 1) Authorizing setting a public hearing for April 27, 2020 to consider a proposed local law repealing local law #3 of 2019 which authorized a FYE 2021 budget to exceed the NYS tax cap
Trustee Lee made a motion to approve motion; motion was seconded by Trustee Lang and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.
- 2) Authorizing the Tuckahoe Beautification Association to perform work at the Tuckahoe Community Center and Library, improvements include new sidewalk pavers and brick facing, with contractor and work to be approved by the Village Administrator
Trustee Howell made a motion to approve motion; motion was seconded by Trustee Lee and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.
- 3) Proclaiming April 24, 2020 as "ARBOR DAY" in the Village of Tuckahoe
Trustee Howell made a motion to approve motion; motion was seconded by Trustee Lee and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.
- 4) Authorizing the approval of vouchers in the amount of \$423,977.62
Consisting of Abstract #33 for \$94,368.39
Abstract #34 for \$3,564.16
Abstract #35 for \$326,045.07
The three largest invoices paid were:
\$144,157.57 for health insurance for April
\$32,936.65 for Receiver of Taxes for County Taxes
\$15,187.00 for M. Zonzini Pipeline Services for emergency sewer repairs
Trustee Andino made a motion to approve motion; motion was seconded by Trustee Lang and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.

DISCUSSION

- Modifications to sanitation collection including rear-year, bulk, metal and leaf collection
Frank DiMarco gave a summary of tentative modifications to sanitation schedules.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS TO THE BOARD

POLICE- Chief John Costanzo informed the public that crime is down. His members are working on social distancing issues. The bicycle path is county property and has had social distancing issues. There is a big uptick in medical aid cases. He gave a hats off to ECAP. 1 member of his staff was affected by Covid19. He thanked Marc Salvati and Elliot Maldonado for working 7 days a week keeping everything sanitized. He thanked local businesses for providing equipment and services to our citizens.

DPW- Frank DiMarco thanked all for their support. He thanked his staff and the police. Winterhill is paved. He gave updates on Main Street and the library and lower Lake Lot.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR- David Burke reminded all the Village Hall is still closed until this Friday. Please complete the Census. It means dollars to our village, \$2500-\$3000 per person in funding.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mayor Luisi announced the following:

Budget Hearing continuation – Monday, April 20th at 7:00pm

Budget work session – Saturday, April 25th at 8:30am

Next Village Board Meeting – April 27th at 7:00pm (Budget Adoption)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER REPORTS

► TRUSTEE Andino sends her condolences to those who have lost loved ones. She read a letter from the library board chair and turned her report to Elaine Provenzano. She gave an update on library virtual.

Trustee Andino said ECAP hours have been adjusted. Mental health issues are on the rise due to the coronavirus pandemic and Trustee Andino encouraged residents to seek help if needed. The governor offered a hotline people can call if they need counseling and residents should not be ashamed to seek help. Please call 844-863-9314 for free help.

► TRUSTEE Lang thanked all first responders. He sent his condolences to all who have loses.

► TRUSTEE Howell thanked the police, DPW and staff. She shared her condolences as well. Zoning and Planning are looking for members. We will on Facebook what each board does.

► TRUSTEE Lee sent her condolences and told those ill to keep on fighting. Thankfully, no seniors from the center have the virus. If you can check on a senior Jennifer Vetromile has initiated a Friendly Call Program... Thank you to Jennifer Vetromile. She thanked police, DPW and staff

► MAYOR Luisi has lowered the flag half-mast. Think of lives lost when you pass the flag. Mayor Luisi will continue virtual meeting on Wednesdays. He thanked the police, DPW, everyone at Village Hall and food establishments. He cannot say enough. We are facing the invisible enemy unfortunately.

Thank you for keeping this village running and safe. I would like a moment of silence for those we have lost.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

SECOND OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:45PM

Camille DiSalvo, Village Clerk