

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 11, 2024

7:00 p.m.

Board of Trustee Meeting will take place live at Village Hall  
Limited space is available and members of the public are encouraged to join via Zoom  
The public will be able to participate in the live meeting and provide comment through Zoom  
<https://zoom.us/join>  
Meeting ID and Password to be posted on Village Website prior to meeting  
Meeting video and audio will be broadcast live on public access

### CALL TO ORDER

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### ROLL CALL

Trustee Daniel Lang  
Trustee Josh Gaccione  
Trustee Nicole Engelbert  
Deputy Mayor Cara Kronen  
Mayor Omayra Andino

Chief Satriale from Bronxville thanked the Village especially TPD for their assistance regarding the tragic incident in December

### APPOINTMENTS

- 1) Authorizing the appointment of Christopher Bosley to the position of Police Officer per Employment Agreement

Swearing in of Christopher Bosely.  
Mayor Andino made a motion to approve, motion was seconded by Trustee Gaccione;  
Motion was carried by a vote 5-0

- 2) Authorizing the appointment of Neco Vinciguerra to the position of Sanitation laborer per Employment Agreement  
Trustee Gaccione made a motion to approve, motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Kronen; Motion was carried by a vote 5-0

- 3) Authorizing the appointment of Joseph Marzella to the position of Road Maintenance Foreman per Employment Agreement  
Deputy Mayor Kronen made a motion to approve, motion was seconded by Trustee Gaccione; Motion was carried by a vote 5-0

### PRESENTATIONS

- 1) Recognition to Meghan Moore on winning World Championship for Ninza League
- 2) Troop 2462 – Women's History Month Presentation
- 3) Tuckahoe History Committee – Nick Zanzano Tuckahoe Newspapers

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1) Public hearing to consider proposed modifications to the Village Code as it relates to short term rentals
- 2) Deputy Mayor Kronen made a motion to keep open, motion was seconded by Trustee Lang; Motion was carried by a vote 5-0

## ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- 1) Approval of Minutes of the February 5, 2024 meeting  
Trustee Engelbert made a motion to approve, motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Kronen; Motion was carried by a vote 5-0

## FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS

Samantha Christian spoke about resolution #1.

## RESOLUTIONS

- 1) Authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the County of Westchester to fund library sewing and early literacy programs  
Trustee Engelbert made a motion to approve, motion was seconded by Trustee Gaccione; Motion was carried by a vote 5-0
- 2) Authorizing the Village Administrator to execute a lease agreement with Connection Business Systems, LLC for two copier machines  
Trustee Gaccione made a motion to approve, motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Kronen; Motion was carried by a vote 5-0
- 3) Authorizing the adoption of the Village of Tuckahoe Breach Notification Policy  
Trustee Engelbert made a motion to approve, motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Kronen; Motion was carried by a vote 5-0
- 4) Authorizing a Display Contract with Special FX Wizard Inc. for the annual Tuckahoe Fireworks on July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
Trustee Gaccione made a motion to approve, motion was seconded by Trustee Engelbert; Motion was carried by a vote 5-0
- 5) Authorizing the closing of the following capital projects:
  - Project 2023-0138 Police Vehicles
  - Project 2023-0157 Court UpgradesTrustee Engelbert made a motion to approve, motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Kronen; Motion was carried by a vote 5-0
- 6) Authorizing setting a public hearing to consider the tentative budget for the fiscal year June 1, 2024, through May 31, 2025, for April 8<sup>th</sup> 2024  
Trustee Gaccione made a motion to approve, motion was seconded by Trustee Engelbert; Motion was carried by a vote 5-0

- 7) Authorizing setting a public hearing to consider a cable franchise agreement with Verizon Communications Inc. for April 8<sup>th</sup> 2024  
Trustee Engelbert made a motion to approve, motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Kronen; Motion was carried by a vote 5-0
- 8) Authorizing various change orders related to the Tuckahoe Library Renovation project in the amount of \$45,653.92  
Deputy Mayor Kronen made a motion to approve, motion was seconded by Trustee Lang; Motion was carried by a vote 5-0
- 9) Authorizing the approval of vouchers in the amount of \$562,828.76  
Trustee Engelbert made a motion to approve, motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Kronen; Motion was carried by a vote 5-0
- 10) Authorizing the approval of increased AIM funding  
Trustee Engelbert made a motion to approve, motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Kronen; Motion was carried by a vote 5-0 (see attached)

## DISCUSSION

### DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS TO THE BOARD

POLICE- Chief Rotta spoke about regarding DARE graduation on March 21 at 9:00AM, open gym at the TCC pedestrian safety-cross walks are a priority, commercial vehicles and speeding.  
Crime Tip- Tax season The IRS NEVER calls.  
Next month we will be flipping signs.  
LIBRARY- Swadesh gave an update on adult, teen children programs.  
VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR- David Burke reminded all the library is at the TCC. The tentative budget is due March 20.

### VILLAGE BUSINESS

Mayor announced:

- 1) March 23<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00am - Village Board Budget Work Session
- 2) April 8<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm - Village Board Meeting
- 3) April 17<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm - Village Board Budget Work Session
- 4) April 29<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm - Special Budget Adoption Meeting

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER REPORTS

► TRUSTEE Lang expressed condolences to the Celestino family. Congratulations to all the appointments. Thank you to all who Marched and attended the St. Patrick's Parade. The banners have been returned to the DPW. Beautification is looking for new fundraising ideas. The Easter Egg Hunt is March 30 at Parkway Oval.

► TRUSTEE Gaccione said the History Committee work continues. March 16 is Samuel Crawford Day at 11:00AM at ICS. The Historical Preservation rejected the 230 White Plains Road request. Their next meeting is April 1. Memorial Day celebration is May 19 and the tribute is May 16 at Eastchester High School. The new Veterans Banners are rolling the cutoff date is April 1.

► TRUSTEE Engelbert

Eastchester Union Free School District

A board of education meeting on March 19 at 730pm in the EHS library

- Rock Against Cancer fundraiser, Friday, March 15 at 7pm - tickets are \$5 and benefit Memorial Sloan Kettering
- As the days get warmer and longer - I'd encourage everyone to keep a closer look out for students walking to and from school. We have a 25 MPH speed limit in the Village for many reasons, and many of those reasons are walking and crossing streets in the morning and the afternoon.

Tuckahoe Public Library

When are we going to get a ukulele concert at a monthly board meeting!

- Wow! Medici.tv classical music programming - pretty awesome stuff
- I wanted to give a shout out to art instructor Mike Teator - there is an in person class on Wednesday at 445 for students aged 6-10. I remember his online classes during the pandemic fondly and as a total sanity saver during those remote learning days
- Renovations continue on pace - such an exciting time - but also one full of change - so big hugs to the library team for rolling it with it Tuckahoe style

Tuckahoe Environmental and Sustainability Committee

- No update this month

► DEPUTY MAYOR Kronen spoke about the Comprehensive Plan committee. They have interviewed companies. Zoning agenda includes 20 Marbledale Road, 25 Main Street, and 126 Bella Vista. The Seniors will celebrate St. Patrick's at Fogarty's. The Deputy Mayor attended the Irish Social dinner Condolences to the Celestino family.

► MAYOR Andino Condolences to the Celestino family. Mayor spoke about Women's History month. We have an amazing community; our teams and coaches are doing an amazing job. Our science team came in 9<sup>th</sup>. Good News- the bus stop has been moved out of Depot Square to in front of Angelina's.

Criteria is being established for the Marble Award.

Each member of the board confirm that you have not spread rumors regarding migrants at the hotel.

Each member of the board responded that they have not spread any rumors regarding migrants. Mayor Andino has assigned Trustee Gaccione to the banners program. We are receiving a grant for Depot Square.

## SECOND OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Mr. Dervishaj voiced many concerns regarding bus stop, bank, and grocery store.

Sal Provenzano spoke about Samuel Crawford Day and thanked all for condolences regarding his loss.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:25PM

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Village Clerk

## **Resolution Calling for an Increase in AIM Funding**

**Whereas**, the Aid and Incentives for Municipalities (AIM) program plays a critical role in funding essential municipal services for cities and villages across New York State; and

**Whereas**, Tuckahoe officials share the same priorities as our state leaders to make New York safer and more affordable; and

**Whereas**, New York's local governments, who are on the frontlines of controlling property tax affordability and ensuring public safety, are integral to achieving those goals; and

**Whereas**, the State has not increased AIM funding in 15 years and according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, inflation has increased by nearly 45% during that same period; and

**Whereas**, lack of funding from the State has led to rising municipal tax burdens and harmful disinvestment in essential municipal services and staff; and

**Whereas**, the property tax cap further limits the ability of local governments to properly fund the services their residents need; and

**Whereas**, the challenges of rising inflation, the increasing costs of labor and supplies, and the end of extraordinary federal aid, only accentuate the need for an increase in AIM funding; and

**Whereas**, the Governor's 2024-25 Executive Budget proposes to keep AIM funding flat; and

**Whereas**, an increase in AIM funding would reduce the local tax burden and help revitalize communities across New York;

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the Village of Tuckahoe Board of Trustees urges Governor Hochul to work with the leaders of the Senate and Assembly to increase AIM funding in the 2024-25 adopted State Budget.

*\*A copy of this resolution shall be sent to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Senator Shelley Mayer, Assembly member Amy Paulin and the New York State Conference of Mayors (NYCOM).*