

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

October 4, 2021

7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Trustee Lang

Trustee Howell

Trustee Taylor

Trustee Kronen

Mayor Andino

APPOINTMENTS

- 1) Authorizing the appointment of Christopher Santiago to Police Detective Sergeant effective October 4, 2021
Trustee Howell made a motion to approve appointment; motion was seconded by Trustee Taylor and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.
- 2) Authorizing the appointment of Christopher Harris to Police Sergeant effective October 4, 2021
Trustee Taylor made a motion to approve appointment; motion was seconded by Trustee Kronen and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.

PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1) Public hearing to consider a proposed local law to repeal Article XI Workforce Housing of the Village of Tuckahoe Zoning Code
Trustee Howell made a motion to close public hearing; motion was seconded by Trustee Kronen and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.
- 2) Public hearing to consider establishing a model landmark preservation local law
Remain open
- 3) Public hearing to consider a proposed local law opting out of licensing and establishing retail cannabis dispensaries and/or on-site cannabis consumption establishments within the Village of Tuckahoe
Remain open

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- 1) Approval of Minutes of the September 13, 2021

Trustee Taylor made a motion to approve; 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 a proposed local law to repeal Article XI Workforce Housing of the Village of Tuckahoe Zoning Code
Trustee Howell made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Taylor and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.
- 2) Authorizing the use of the Main Street Tennis Courts by ECAP between 3:30 and 5:30pm on 9/21, 9/28, 10/5, 10/12 and between 9 and 10:30am Saturdays from October 2nd through November 6th
Trustee Kronen made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Taylor and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.
- 3) Authorizing the closure of Warren Ave. for a Halloween Parade/ Party on Thursday, October 31st, beginning at 3:30pm with parade route commencing on Marbledale Road/ Lincoln Ave. to Stewart Ave. to Warren Ave.
Trustee Taylor made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Howell and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.
- 4) Authorizing the Mayor to execute an IMA with the Town of Eastchester and the Village of Bronxville relating to shared motor vehicles, equipment and tools
Trustee Taylor made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Kronen and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.
- 5) Authorizing the Mayor to execute an IMA with the County of Westchester for the use of the Westchester County Department of Public Safety's Firing Range Facility
Trustee Howell made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Taylor and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.
- 6) Authorizing the Village on an emergency basis to have certain roads in the Village resurfaced prior to the beginning of winter
Trustee Howell made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Taylor and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.
- 7) Authorizing the escalation of parking tickets to double after 14-days of issuance and triple after 28-days and quadruple after 45-days
Trustee Taylor made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Howell and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.
- 8) Authorizing the Village Court to apply for a Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP) grant in the 2021-2022 grant cycle up to \$30,000

Trustee Howell made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Kronen and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.

- 9) Authorizing polling location for all election districts (10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 32 & 33) to be held at the Tuckahoe Community Center, 71 Columbus Avenue on March 15, 2022 from 6am to 9pm
Trustee Kronen made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Taylor and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.
- 10) Authorizing waiving of Building Department fees for work to be completed by the MTA at Village Hall related to the antenna replacement project
Trustee Howell made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Taylor and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.
- 11) Authorizing the approval of vouchers in the amount of \$430,248.10
Trustee Taylor made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Kronen and upon roll motion was carried by a vote 5-0.

DISCUSSION

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS TO THE BOARD

POLICE- Chief Costanzo spoke referencing resolution #10, regarding the partnership with the MTA allowing the police to use digital and outreach programs.

LIBRARY- Swadesh spoke regarding the retirement of Charlotte Stupple and deepest sympathy for the loss of Maybell Callender. She gave updates on library programs.

ADMINISTRATOR- David Burke said DPW will wear pink shirts the month of October for Breast Cancer Awareness. Village Hall will be lit pink. October 3rd is DPW Day. Paving will commence the next couple of weeks.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mayor Andino announced

Get Acquainted with Your DPW Day – Saturday, October 23rd 10am-2pm
15 Marbledale Road

Next Village Board Meeting – November 8th at 7pm

Winterfest – Saturday, December 4th 12-8pm
Depot Square

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER REPORTS

► TRUSTEE Lang gave a report on the History Committee. They documented the smokestack demolition. Beautification has used stones from the smokestack to make a monument. The Village is decorated with cabbage plants thanks to Beautification. Senior Bingo is back. The PBA had a dart tournament at Tuck'd Away. The Police BBQ was great. Eastchester's 5K was last weekend. It was a wonderful event. Today was the Eastchester Italian American/Irish Golf Outing.

► TRUSTEE Howell Village Board Meeting October 4th 2021

Thank you to Trustee Kronen and DPW for sponsoring Tuckahoe Cares Day. I was working on Main Street and had a lot of encouragement. Thanks to Bronxville and Tuckahoe Police Departments for lovely community barbeque. Congratulations to Shiloh Baptist Church who named their first female Deacons to the church and first female pastor in 108 years! Congratulations to all! Zoning Board Meeting Oct 13th at 7:30 pm (working meeting prior) A few new residential variances.

Planning Board Meeting October 19th at 7:30 pm (working meeting Oct 5th) 62 Main Street Site Plan for a Nail Salon Still actively working on restaurant site on Marbledale.

Thanks to John Palladino. John has served on the Zoning Board for over a decade and for the many that have worked with him say they have enjoyed a member who understood the criteria to make assessment on zoning appeals and applied it consistently. We appreciate his dedication and expertise and wish him a happy retirement from the board.

On September 22 I attended the annual meeting of the Eastchester Historical society who put on a program focused on the Ward House and its importance in American Revolutionary history. This program was written by Dick Forliano and started Jennie Steinhagan who took part in the program. In addition the historical society unveiled a historical map of Eastchester set around the 1900s which I brought with me tonight. A lot of the sites are in Tuckahoe. I understand the committee will be here at our November meeting to present one to the board.

Free Flu Vaccinations Sponsored by NewYork-Presbyterian Lawrence Hospital and The Community Fund of Bronxville, Eastchester and Tuckahoe

Event Date: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 - 10:00am to 1:00pm

Tuckahoe Community Center - 71 Columbus Ave - Tuckahoe, NY 10707

Flu vaccinations are available to anyone 19 and older. No appointment necessary

Pfizer submitted data to FDA on vaccination of children 5 to 11 year old. Will likely not be completing review until December. We will work with the county to have local vaccination clinics as we have before.

Westchester County Project Alliance On Sept 30th County Executive George Latimer announced the creation of Project Alliance in response to the Westchester County Police Reform & Reimagining Task Force report to the Governor. Tuckahoe has worked with County Legislator Damon Maher who was a member of this task force to ensure our voices were considered as this new program was created. This program adds much needed funding to mental health response in Westchester County and includes the following

911 Dispatch Diversion Training

Westchester County will provide training to all law enforcement agencies on 911 Diversion. This training adds Behavioral Health to the existing police, fire and medical responses.

Enhanced Training for EMT on Responding to Behavioral Health Issues

Enhancement of Countywide Behavioral Health Crisis Response Line

The County will expand the existing Crisis Prevention and Response services to include support for 911-

Diversion Behavioral Health Crisis phone services and to support the newly created National 988 Suicide Prevention Line. Service would be 24/7 for residents experiencing behavioral health crisis, concerned family members, other providers and law enforcement / 911 dispatchers. Full implementation of the response line will occur by early 2022.

Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Trainings

Westchester County has provided CIT training to law enforcement agencies in Westchester and neighboring departments for many years. Under Project Alliance, this Police-based crisis intervention training will prepare more officers and other first responders to manage crises involving people with mental illness effectively. The training also improves their understanding and accessibility of the public mental health system.

Mobile Crisis Response Teams (MCRT)

An innovative partnership between the mental health system and law enforcement in responding to the needs of residents experiencing mental health crisis. MCRTs consists of staff who are specially trained and serve to support law enforcement in addressing mental health crisis by rapid engagement, assessment of needs, and providing short-term support and linkage to necessary services.

The goal is to establish eight teams throughout Westchester County. There will be three teams established in 2021 and five teams in 2022. Each team will serve a defined catchment area, providing 24/7 crisis response.

THA OCTOBER TRUSTEE REPORT

THE TUCKAHOE HOUSING AUTHORITY HAD THEIR BOARD MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 28TH. THEY LIKE SO MANY OF OUR VILLAGE RESIDENTS ARE STILL DEALING WITH THE AFTERMATH OF HURRICANE IDA. SOME RESIDENTS HAVE ASK THE QUESTION IS IT WORTH IT TO REACHOUT TO FEMA TO TRY TO GET HELP WITH THEIR LOSSES DUE TO THE HURRICANE. I WOULD ENCOURAGE EVERYONE WHO SUFFERED LOSSES TO CONTACT FEMA AND SEE WHAT THEY CAN DO TO HELP, THANK YOU.

► TRUSTEE Taylor read the following

ECAP OCTOBER TRUSTEE REPORT

THE EASTCHESTER COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP HAS A FREE TENNIS CLINIC AT THE MAIN ST. PARK, SPONSORED BY BTENNIS OF BRONXVILLE NY. FOR THE STUDENTS THAT ATTEND THE ECAP AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM. THE CLINIC STARTED ON THIS PAST SATURDAY OCT. SECOND AND WILL CONTINUE FOR THE NEXT FIVE WEEKS. SATURDAY MORNINGS 9:00-10:30AM. THEY CURRENTLY HAVE SEVEN STUDENTS ENROLLED. THE ECAP AND THE VILLAGE WOULD LIKE TO THANK BTENNIS FOR THEIR GENEROSITY IN SPONSORING THIS TENNIS CLINIC.

ECAP WHICH CURRENTLY HAS THEIR FOOD PANTRY ONCE A MONTH, IS WORKING WITH THE FOOD PANTRY'S AND THEIR OTHER DONORS IN HOPES OF ADDING A SECOND PANTRY DAY TO HELP PREPARE THEM FOR THANKSGIVING. IN LIGHT OF THE RISING UNEMPLOYMENT DUE TO COVID, THE ECAP FOOD PANTRY IS PRESENTLY SERVING MORE CLIENTS THEN THEY EVER HAVE BEFORE. FOR MORE INFO ON DONATING TO THE FOOD PANTRY PLEASE CALL THE ECAP DIRECTOR DENNIS CHEN AT 914 337-7768.

HOMETOWN HEROS BANNER PROGRAM

THE HOMETOWN HEROS BANNER PROGRAM FOSTERS CIVIC AWARENESS AND HONORS MEANINGFUL CONTRIBUTIONS MADE WITHIN COMMUNITIES. THROUGH THE PROGRAM, THE NAMES IMAGES AND DATES OF SERVICE OF PARTICIPANTS WILL APPEAR ON BANNERS DISPLAYED IN THE VILLAGE OF TUCKAHOE.

BANNERS ARE SPONSORED AND PAID FOR BY INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS, TO ILLUMINATE PAST AND PRESENT VETERANS, MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES, FIRST RESPONDERS, AND/OR ESSENTIAL WORKERS OF TUCKAHOE, NY.

AN INDIVIDUAL IS ELIGIBLE TO BE HONORED IF THEY; ARE SERVING OR HAVE SERVED IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING BRANCHES OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES; AIR FORCE, ARMY, COASTGUARD, MARINES AND NAVY. THE COST IS \$100.0

HONOREES AND FIRST RESPONDERS, I.E. POLICE, FIREFIGHTERS, EMS ALSO HAVE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS THEY MUST MEET.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW TO HONOR SOMEONE WITH A BANNER, PLEASE CALL 914 249-9779 OR YOU CAN EMAIL, COTTLETROOP2642@GMAIL.COM. THE DEADLINE TO HAVE YOUR APPLICATION IN IS OCT. TENTH. YOU CAN ALSO SEE ME AFTER THE MEETING FOR THE FLYER AND APPLICATION FORM. THANK YOU.

THE TUCKAHOE COMMUNITY CENTER

OPEN GYM TIME IS TUESDAYS-THURSDAYS 1:30PM-4:00PM
FOOSBALL, SOCCER, & SPORTS TV AVAILABLE DURING
OPEN GYM HOURS.

SCHEDULE YOUR NEXT BIRTHDAY PARTY OR EVENT AT
THE COMMUNITY CENTER . PARTIES CAN BE SCHEDULED
FROM 4:00-6:00PM MONDAY TO FRIDAY AND SATURDAY'S
11:00AM-1:00PM. CALL JOHN GALUZZI AT 914 231-0229.

He thanked Vito Pinto for having the Veterans recognized.

► TRUSTEE Kronen was happy to have 45 volunteers for Tuckahoe Cares Day. The food scrapping is a success. The Girl Scouts are collecting caps to build benches. Please collect your bottle caps for them.

► MAYOR Andino thanked the police and EVAC for helping Steve Celestino who needed lifesaving help. Westchester County are having police reform on October 28th and the Mayor and Chief will attend. Bundles of Joy will be present on DPW Day. We have met with the developer regarding Ward House. He came in good faith. Mayor Andino spoke about a flood study to mitigate flooding to safeguard residents and property.

SECOND OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Sal Provenzano spoke regarding Friends of the Ward House. Lovely Billups said businesses should not be political.

Anthony Fiore spoke regarding the Carnival.

Chris DiGiorgio asked the board to Opt Out of the sale of cannabis.

There being no further business, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:40PM

Camille DiSalvo, Village Clerk