

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THE INC. VILLAGE OF VALLEY STREAM

DATE: AUGUST 19, 2024

BEFORE: EDWIN A. FARE Mayor
JOHN L. TUFARELLI, Deputy Mayor
DERMOND E. THOMAS, Trustee
SEAN WRIGHT, Trustee
KEVIN WASZAK, Trustee

PRESENT: JAMES J. HUNTER, Village Clerk/Administrator
MICHAEL J. FOX, Village Treasurer
DAVID SABATINO, Deputy Village Treasurer
MICHAEL T. HOPKINS & ASSOC, PLLC, General Counsel
ALISON WALSH, Personnel Officer

The public may join the Regular Meeting in person or on ZOOM using the link provided.
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7148140969>

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Fare and the Board of Trustees presented long time Valley Stream resident and member of the Valley Stream Civilian Patrol, Ralph Polverino with an official village citation recognizing his 91st birthday.

Mayor Fare called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. and the Village Clerk was asked to call the roll:

Trustee Tufarelli	Yes
Trustee Thomas	Yes
Trustee Wright	Yes
Trustee Waszak	Yes
Mayor Fare	Yes

The following resolutions were then voted upon:

RES.112/24 **AMEND RESOLUTION 104/24**
ACCEPT DONATIONS

RESOLVED that Resolution 104/24 be amended by adding an additional \$1,000.00 to the sponsorship of the summer concert series on the Village Green for a total of \$12,133.00 and an additional \$1,000.00 to the sponsorship of the 2024 Fireworks Display at Firemen's Memorial Field for a total of \$3,250.00.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Thomas SECOND BY TRUSTEE Tufarelli

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli	Yes	Trustee Wright	Yes
Trustee Thomas	Yes	Trustee Waszak	Yes

RES.113/24 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the following meetings be approved:

- A. Regular Meeting as amended – July 15, 2024
- B. Work Session – August 5, 2024 (RES.110 & 111/24)

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Tufarelli SECOND BY TRUSTEE Thomas

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli	Yes	Trustee Wright	Yes
Trustee Thomas	Yes	Trustee Waszak	Yes

RES.114/24

TAX CERTIORARI SETTLEMENTS

WHEREAS, there are writs of certiorari pending in the Supreme Court of Nassau County against the Village of Valley Stream (the "Village") with respect to certain real property located within the Village; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Ryan, Brennan & Donnelly LLP, counsel to the Village for tax certiorari matters, has negotiated settlements of such cases; and

WHEREAS, the Village believes it is in the best interests of the Village to settle the outstanding writs upon such terms and conditions as have been negotiated by counsel to the Village;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Ryan, Brennan & Donnelly LLP, counsel to the Village for tax certiorari matters, is authorized to execute stipulations of settlement in respect to the following cases; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board of Assessors is authorized to honor such assessment reduction upon the tax rolls of the Village for the years 2024/25.

Owner/Rep	Sec.	Block	Lot(s)	Years	Original Assessed Value	New Assessed Value	Negotiated Refund
Rowena Corona/ Maidenbaum	35	238	46	2017/18 - 2018/19	9780	9780	\$3,000
71 sca llc/ Schroeder	37	338 344	556 132-133	2016/17 - 2024/25	56,914 2,200	40,052 1,548	\$65,000
Walgreens/ Forchelli	37	346	396;397; 914;915; 916	2018/19 - 2024/25	99,614 combined	60,000 combined	\$190,000. in 2 installments of \$95,000
Cobra Enterprise/ Maidenbaum	37	644	18	2017/18 - 2024/25	11,450	8,000 for 2025	24,000
Rockaway Ave Realty/ Maidenbaum	39	13	219;221	2017/18 - 2024/25	14,000	10,000 for 2025	\$20,000.00

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Wright SECOND BY TRUSTEE Waszak

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli Yes Trustee Wright Yes
 Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Waszak Yes

RES.115/24

PROCEDURAL EMERGENCY

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby declares that an emergency exists in the Village of Valley Stream the nature of which is to consider and take immediate action upon Resolution 116/24 now before the Board.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Waszak SECOND BY TRUSTEE Wright

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli Yes Trustee Wright Yes
 Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Waszak Yes

RES.116/24

COMMERCIAL CLEARWATER CO.

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes payment to Commercial Clearwater Co. of Plandome, New York in the total amount of \$13,116.52 for the replacement of Filter Laterals, which is a custom installation of the replacement of laterals, sand and gravel in the filter system of the Olympic Pool at the A.J. Hendrickson Park Pool Complex. (A.7142.457)

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Thomas SECOND BY TRUSTEE Tufarelli

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli Yes Trustee Wright Yes
 Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Waszak Yes

RES.117/24 APPROVE PURCHASE

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby approves the purchase of a 2023 Chevrolet Suburban with light bars and accessories from CMJ Emergency Lighting of Lindenhurst, NY for the Valley Stream Fire Department in the total amount of \$90,852.70. (A.3410.230)

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Tufarelli SECOND BY TRUSTEE Wright

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli Yes Trustee Wright Yes
Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Waszak Yes

RES.118/24 APPROVE REPLACEMENT OF FIRE SYSTEM CORONA AVENUE FIREHOUSE

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute an agreement with Slomin’s for the replacement of the Fire System at the Corona Avenue Firehouse in the total amount of \$35,910.00 with monthly monitoring and an annual service plan effective upon installation to May 31, 2029. (A.3410.260)

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Tufarelli SECOND BY TRUSTEE Waszak

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli Yes Trustee Wright Yes
Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Waszak Yes

RES.119/24 H. WALDINGER MEMORIAL LIBRARY GRANT APPLICATION AND PROPOSAL

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Library Director to apply for the 2023-2027 Library Construction Aid Grant for the supply and installation of a stand-alone air conditioning system and a stand-alone heating system for the Library in the building utility room from All Hours Energy of East Rockaway, NY (RES.093/24) at a total amount of \$516,180.00. The approximate amount of the Grant will be \$100,000.00 towards the cost of the project. (Capital Project #890-550)

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Thomas SECOND BY TRUSTEE Tufarelli

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli Yes Trustee Wright Yes
Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Waszak Yes

RES.120/24 REWILD LONG ISLAND MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with ReWild Long Island for the purpose of establishing the ReWild Garden at Valley Stream to educate the local community by demonstrating sustainable landscaping practices through activities such as planting native perennials, growing organic produce and composting. The intent of this document is to outline the relationship, roles and responsibilities between all parties with regards to the ReWild Garden as outlined in the Memorandum Of Understanding on file in the Office of the Village Clerk.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Waszak SECOND BY TRUSTEE Wright

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli Yes Trustee Wright Yes
Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Waszak Yes

RES.121/24 ADOPT THE PRO-HOUSING COMMUNITIES PLEDGE

Mayor Fare moved and the Board of Trustees seconded that

WHEREAS, the Village of Valley Stream (hereinafter “local government”) believes that the lack of housing for New York residents of all ages and income levels negatively impacts the future of New York State’s economic growth and community well-being;

WHEREAS, the housing crisis has negative effects at regional and local levels, we believe that every community must do their part to contribute to housing growth and benefit from the positive impacts a healthy housing market brings to communities;

WHEREAS, we believe that supporting housing production of all kinds in our community will bring multiple benefits, including increasing housing access and choices for current and future resident, providing integrated accessible housing options that meet the needs of people with sensory and mobility disabilities, bringing economic opportunities and vitality to our communities, and allowing workers at all levels to improve their quality of life through living closer to their employment opportunities;

WHEREAS, we believe that evidence showing that infill development that reduces sprawl and supports walkable communities has significant environmental and public health benefits; and

WHEREAS, we believe that affirmatively furthering fair housing and reducing segregation is not only required by law, but also is essential for keeping our community strong and vibrant;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Village of Valley Stream, in order to take positive steps to alleviate the housing crisis, adopts the Pro-Housing Communities pledge, which will have us endeavor to take the following important steps:

1. Streamlining permitting for multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.
2. Adopting policies that affirmatively further fair housing.
3. Incorporating regional housing needs into planning decisions.
4. Increasing development capacity for residential uses.
5. Enacting policies that encourage a broad range of housing development, including multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli	Yes	Trustee Wright	Yes
Trustee Thomas	Yes	Trustee Waszak	Yes
		Mayor Fare	Yes

RES.122/24 OPENGOV INC.

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign an agreement with OpenGov Inc. of San Francisco, CA for the Permitting and Licensing of software and service effective 8/24/24 – 8/23/27 in a total amount of \$83,821.27 (A.5010.240) with annual payments:

8/24/24 – 8/23/25	\$26,588.82
8/24/25 – 8/23/26	\$27,918.27
8/24/26 – 8/23/27	\$29,314.18

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Wright SECOND BY TRUSTEE Thomas

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli	Yes	Trustee Wright	Yes
Trustee Thomas	Yes	Trustee Waszak	Yes

**RES.123/24 DRUG & ALCOHOL TESTING
MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT**

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute an agreement with Empire Consulting, LLC of Georgetown, CT effective August 12, 2024 and automatically renewed until canceled for the administration of the Village of Valley Stream Substance Abuse & Alcohol Drug Testing Program in compliance with the Federal Employee Testing Act of 1991 and the Regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation and its Federal Highway Administration under sections 49CFR Parts 40,382,391, 392 and 395 at updated fees outlined in Appendix B (Collection & Service Fees) of the agreement on file in the Office of the Village Clerk.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Wright SECOND BY TRUSTEE Waszak

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli	Yes	Trustee Wright	Yes
Trustee Thomas	Yes	Trustee Waszak	Yes

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute contracts/lease agreements as follows:

SALERNO BROKERAGE CORP. as broker of record for the Village's Storage Tank Liability Insurance with ACE American Insurance Co. effective September 15, 2024 – September 15, 2025 at an annual cost of \$1,175.00. (A.1910.400)

NEW ERA TECHNOLOGY (DJJ TECHNOLOGIES) – Annual hardware support for the Avaya IP Office phone system control unit /international cards for 123 So. Central Avenue (Village Hall), at a cost of \$1,585.56, for 123 W. Merrick Road (Community Center-Hendrickson Park) at a cost of \$1,585.56 and for 250 Emerson Place (Parks Maintenance) at a cost of \$463.20 for a total amount of \$3,634.32 effective October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025. (A.1680.458)

ALL STORM DRAINS, INC. - Waste Water Management at the Department of Public Works Transfer Station effective June 1, 2024 to May 31, 2025 on a monthly basis as needed in an amount of up to \$4,200.00 for each service. (A.8160.458)

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Tufarelli SECOND BY TRUSTEE Wright

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli Yes Trustee Wright Yes
 Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Waszak Yes

RES.125/24 INSTALL SIGNAGE

RESOLVED that on the recommendation of the Traffic Advisory Committee the following signage be installed:

Install a "Stop" sign on Gibson Blvd. at the corner of Wilson Road

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Waszak SECOND BY TRUSTEE Thomas

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli Yes Trustee Wright Yes
 Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Waszak Yes

RES.126/24 CLAIM SETTLEMENTS

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes payment of the following claim settlements:

VEA 005/24 PD \$8,385.63
IVP005/24 PD \$2,972.15

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Thomas SECOND BY TRUSTEE Tufarelli

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli Yes Trustee Wright Yes
 Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Waszak Yes

RES.127/24 TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF PARKING LOT #22

RESOLVED that permission is given to Church of the Harvest to temporarily close Parking Lot #22 on the southwest corner of So. Central Avenue & West Jamaica Avenue on Saturday, September 7, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. for its Back to School event.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Tufarelli SECOND BY TRUSTEE Thomas

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli Yes Trustee Wright Yes
 Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Waszak Yes

RES.128/24

TEMPORARY STREET CLOSURE

RESOLVED that permission is given to Bethlehem Assembly of God to temporarily close East Fairview Avenue between Rockaway Avenue and So. Grove Street on Sunday, September 15, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for its Back to Church event.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Wright SECOND BY TRUSTEE Waszak

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli Yes Trustee Wright Yes
Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Waszak Yes

RES.129/24

USE OF VILLAGE FACILITIES

RESOLVED that upon compliance with such terms and conditions as may be required by the Village of Valley Stream permission to use Village facilities is granted as follows:

A.J. Hendrickson Park Pool Complex – Friends of Valley Stream Dogs – Annual Doggie Pool Party – Tuesday, September 3, 2024 from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

A.J. Hendrickson Park – “Walk for Cause” – Breast Cancer Awareness Walk and Nassau County Medical Center Mammography Van – Saturday, October 5, 2024 from 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (includes set-up and breakdown) – sponsored by District Office of Assemblywoman Michaelle Solages.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Waszak SECOND BY TRUSTEE Wright

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli Yes Trustee Wright Yes
Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Waszak Yes

RES.130/24

UNIT I APPOINTMENT

RESOLVED that the following appointment be approved at the salary provided for in the Unit I Collective Bargaining Agreement and shall be effective upon the approval of the Nassau County Civil Service Commission:

Grace M. Mendez, Librarian Trainee, Unit 1, Grade 22, Starting Salary

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Tufarelli SECOND BY TRUSTEE Thomas

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli Yes Trustee Wright Yes
Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Waszak Yes

RES.131/24

UNIT III CONTRACT AMENDMENT

RESOLVED that the Personnel Salary Schedule of the Unit III Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Village and Local 342, L.I.P.S.E. covering the period June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2026, be amended by:

- 1. Insert the title Building Inspector in Unit III, Grade 1.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Thomas SECOND BY TRUSTEE Tufarelli

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli Yes Trustee Wright Yes
Trustee Thomas Yes Trustee Waszak Yes

RESOLVED that the following appointment be approved at the salary provided for in the Unit III Collective Bargaining Agreement and shall be effective upon the approval of the Nassau County Civil Service Commission:

Antonio Nuzzi To: Building Inspector, Unit III, Grade 1, 3rd Year.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Tufarelli SECOND BY TRUSTEE Thomas

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli	Yes	Trustee Wright	Yes
Trustee Thomas	Yes	Trustee Waszak	Yes

RES.133/24

PAYMENT OF AUDITED VOUCHERS

Trustee Waszak: I hereby move that the abstract of audited vouchers be paid as soon as same is approved by the majority.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE Waszak SECOND BY TRUSTEE Wright

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tufarelli	Yes	Trustee Wright	Yes
Trustee Thomas	Yes	Trustee Waszak	Yes

Schedule of Meetings

- Monday - Sept.09, 2024 - Work Session - 6:30 p.m.
- Monday - Sept. 23, 2024 - Regular Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- Monday - Oct. 07, 2024 – Work Session - 6:30 p.m.
- Monday - Oct. 21, 2024 – Regular Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday** - Nov. 12, 2024 – Work Session – 6:30 p.m.
- Monday - Nov. 25, 2023 - Regular Meeting -7:00 p.m.
- Monday - Dec. 02, 2024 – Work Session - 6:30 p.m.
- Monday - Dec. 16, 2024 – Regular Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Fare asked for a motion to close the Regular Meeting and go into Executive Session for litigation matters.

On a motion by Trustee Wright, seconded by Trustee Tufarelli and carried unanimously, the Board of Trustees voted to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


 JAMES J. HUNTER
 Village Clerk/Administrator

The Executive Session concluded at 7:50 p.m. No resolutions were passed.