

January 12, 2015

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Called to Order at 8:00PM

The meeting opened with the salute to the flag and Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for the victims of the Paris terrorist attack.

ROLL CALL

TRUSTEE	Giordano
TRUSTEE	Quigley
TRUSTEE	Luisi
TRUSTEE	Alfasi
MAYOR	Ecklund

PRESENTATIONS – Phil White gave an annual report of the Tuckahoe History Committee.

Trustee Quigley made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 8, 2014; motion was seconded by Trustee Alfasi and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote 4-0; Trustee Giordano abstained.

Jerome Griffiths a resident of Marble Place expressed concern and voiced opposition to the hotel project slated for Marbledale Road. He felt it would have an impact on traffic, pollution and property value. The Mayor responded that those concerns need to be addressed at Planning Board meetings. Several to be scheduled and suggested he attend those meetings.

Rachel from Ki Martial Arts, tenant in Denning's building, expressed safety issues saying there are no sidewalks in front of 109 Marbledale Road forcing individuals to utilize the street. She is also very concerned over hazardous environmental issues near her place of business. The Mayor suggested she attend the Planning meetings.

RESOLUTIONS

1. A RESOLUTION SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2015 AUTHORIZING A PROPERTY TAX LEVY IN EXCESS OF THE LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW SECTION 3-C

At a regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe, New York (the "Board") held at Village Hall, 65 Main Street, Tuckahoe, New York on January 12, 2015.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe requested that the Village Attorney draft a local law authorizing the Board to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2015 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law Section 3-C; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees wishes to conduct a public hearing relating to a local law authorizing the Board to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2015 that

requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law Section 3-C; and

WHEREAS, having received proposed Local Law of 2015, the Board is prepared to hold a public hearing on such proposed local law,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

Section 1. That in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law, a public hearing shall be held on the 9th day of February 2015 at 8:00 o'clock p.m., at Village Hall, 65 Main Street, Tuckahoe, New York, at which hearing parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard and at which time and place it shall be determined by the said Board of Trustees whether a local law authorizing the Board to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2015 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law Section 3-C shall be enacted.

Section 2. That the notice of the time and place of such public hearing shall be published by the Village Clerk in the manner provided by applicable law and the Board directs that all requisite notices be published in accordance with applicable law.

Section 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

PROPOSED LOCAL #1 LAW OF 2015

A LOCAL LAW AUTHORIZING A PROPERTY TAX LEVY IN EXCESS OF THE LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW SECTION 3-C

At a regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe, New York (the "Board") held at Village Hall, 65 Main Street, Tuckahoe, New York on February 9, 2015.

WHEREAS, legislation has been requested authorizing the Board to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2015 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law Section 3-c,

Be it enacted by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent

It is the intent of this Local Law to allow the Village of Tuckahoe to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2015 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law Section 3-c.

Section 2. Authority

This Local Law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law Section 3-c, which expressly authorizes a local government's governing body to override the property tax cap for the coming fiscal year by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) of said governing body.

Section 3. Tax Levy Limit Override

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe, County of Westchester, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing 2015 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law Section 3-c.

Section 4. Severability

If a court determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court's order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this Local Law, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5. Effective Date

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Trustee Quigley made a motion to adopt resolution #1; motion was seconded by Trustee Giordano and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION # 2 authorizing door-to-door solicitation by Kevin Jones of Synetgy Management, as authorized door-to-door agent for Verizon, offering Verizon FIOS services for a period of three months beginning January 19, 2015 and ending April 19, 2015. Trustee Giordano made a motion to adopt resolution #2; motion was seconded by Trustee Alfasi and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 4-1; Trustee Luisi opposed.

RESOLUTION #3 a- approving certiorari settlement for 94-100 Main Street LLC, 94 and 100 Main Street, Section 28, Block 5, Lots 5 and 7 for tax year 2009 in the amount of \$2122.45. Trustee Quigley made a motion to adopt resolution #3a; motion was seconded by Trustee Giordano and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #3b- approving certiorari settlement for Coastal Electrical Contracting Corporation, 93-95 Lake Avenue, Section 32, Block 4, Lot 7 for tax years 2012 and 2013 in the amount of \$3308.73. Trustee Giordano made a motion to adopt resolution #3b; motion was seconded by Trustee Quigley and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #3c- approving certiorari settlement for GVK Realty Corp., 90 Lake, Avenue, Section 32, Block 7, Lot 20 for tax years 2006 through 2013 in the amount of \$9555.03. Trustee

Quigley made a motion to adopt resolution #3c; motion was seconded by Trustee Giordano and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #4a- designating Wednesday, March 18, 2015 as Election Day in the Village of Tuckahoe. Polls will open at 7am and close at 9pm.

(Note: Village elections are usually held on the third Tuesday in March; however, when the third Tuesday of March falls on March 17th (St. Patrick's Day) the election will be held on March 18th.) Trustee Giordano made a motion to adopt resolution #4a; motion was seconded by Trustee Luisi and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #4b- designating locations of polling places as follows: 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 32nd and 33rd – Tuckahoe Community Center. Trustee Quigley made a motion to adopt resolution #4b; motion was seconded by Trustee Giordano and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #4c- appointing Matthew Perillo as custodian/technician of voting machines for the March 18th Village Elections. Trustee Alfasi made a motion to adopt resolution #4c; motion was seconded by Trustee Quigley and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #4d- appointing inspectors to serve on Election Day, March 18th in the seven polling places. Names of inspectors will be provided by the Democratic and Republican chairpersons. Trustee Quigley made a motion to adopt resolution #4d; motion was seconded by Trustee Alfasi and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #5- approving an employee to roll-over vacation from the 2014 calendar year to the 2015 calendar year. Trustee Giordano made a motion to adopt resolution #5; motion was seconded by Trustee Quigley and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #6 approving payment of vouchers in the amount of \$1,999,784.55, consisting of Abstract #30 for \$3,987.57, Abstract #31 for \$322,528.04, Abstract #32 for \$1,726.28, Abstract #33 for \$1,640,290.67 and Abstract #34 for \$31,251.99. The three largest invoices paid were: (1) \$1,023,932.00 for the Village's yearly contribution to the New York State Retirement System, (2) \$328,519.85 for a progress payment on the Fisher Avenue Parking lot project and (3) \$131,046.37 for the employee health premiums for January 2015. Trustee Giordano made a motion to adopt resolution #6; motion was seconded by Trustee Quigley and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

POLICE- Snow zone rules are being enforced.

ADMINISTRATOR: Budget preparations are underway. Working on Village safety program and shopping for better insurance rates.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mayor Ecklund announced the next Village Board meeting, February 9, 2015 and Village offices and DPW will be closed Monday, January 19, 2015 in observance of the Martin Luther King Holiday.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER REPORTS

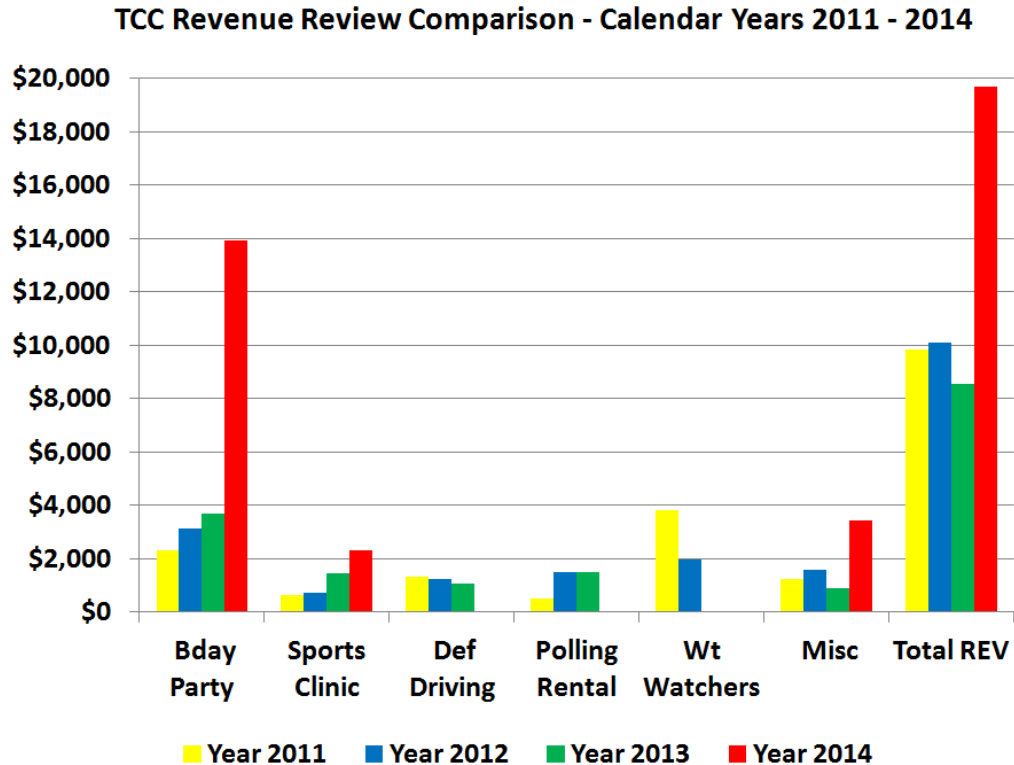
► TRUSTEE Giordano reported on the upcoming Zoning and Planning meetings; the mods for the Crestwood are being stacked and MTA is addressing the ongoing blaring of horns.

► TRUSTEE Quigley reported on the Chamber and library updates.

► TRUSTEE Luisi read the following statement:

At many of our meetings, Mayor Ecklund or my fellow trustee's will take the opportunity to publicly acknowledge an exemplary job performance by an employee or a department head who institutes a new procedure which improves life in Tuckahoe. Tonight, I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and congratulate someone. I am referring to a employee who just completed one year of service in the Village with admirable achievements that I'd like to share with the residents of Tuckahoe. The Village Board hired John Galuzzi to be the recreation attendant at the Community Center beginning January 1, 2014. John began by clearing areas and rooms in the center in order to expand programming and increase usable space. He helped to facilitate the transition of the Eastchester Senior Nutrition program from Lake Isle to the Community Center while their facility is being renovated. He recognized and corrected safety issues such as protruding electrical boxes on the basketball court which had the potential to cause serious injury during sport activities. Most impressive is the increase in Community Center revenue to the Village. Based on figures given to me by the Village Treasury Department, birthday party revenue for the calendar year 2014 increased to \$13,945 compared to prior years that ranged from \$2,330 - \$3,675 for birthday parties. To be fair, on Mr. Galuzzi's recommendation in June of 2014 the Board increased the long standing birthday party fees from \$80 to \$100 to be more in line with comparable venues. If we factor out the increase from \$80 to \$100 for the approx. 25 -30 parties that were affected by the rate increase, the total revenue is still an impressive \$12,365 for the year. Total revenue increased across the board, for example: Sports clinic and miscellaneous revenue for the calendar year 2014 totaled \$5,765 compared to a previous high of \$2,345. The Village for the first time realized a revenue stream of \$2,553 from

one vending machine.



As the Village's recreation attendant, John also managed, coordinated and systematized all our village events such as the Easter Egg Hunt, The 4th Of July Fireworks Extravaganza, the Tuckahoe Road Race and most recently Winter Fest.

As we enter the new year, John has many new and innovative ideas that he will be bringing to the Community Center programs as well as to our various happenings here in the Village. On behalf of the residents of Tuckahoe, I congratulate and thank you for a job well done.

► TRUSTEE Alfasi congratulated John Galluzzi.

► MAYOR Ecklund noted that the Martin Luther King breakfast will be held at the Reformed Church in Bronxville.

Anthony Fiore made mention of the areas in the village where street lights are out and where there are large potholes.

Jerome Griffiths of Marble Place addressed the letter he had sent regarding excessive noise coming from the DPW yard and hopes for a remedy. The Mayor said the improvements, at the yard, are being done in steps.

There being no further business, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:30P.M.

Susan Ciamarra, Village Clerk