

March 10, 2014

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

PRESENT:

TRUSTEE Giordano

TRUSTEE Quigley

TRUSTEE Luisi

TRUSTEE Hayes

MAYOR Ecklund

The meeting opened with the salute to the flag and Pledge of Allegiance.

APPOINTMENTS

Trustee Luisi made a motion to appoint Daniel Lang as member of the Assessment Review Board the term to expire 9/30/2019; motion was seconded by Trustee Giordano and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

PRESENTATIONS

Presentation by Steve Huvane and John Collins from the Irish-American Social Club about the March 16, 2014 St. Patrick's Parade.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Trustee Giordano made a motion to approve minutes of the regular meeting of February 10, 2014; motion was seconded by Trustee Quigley and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote 5-0.

RESOLUTION #1 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A HOME RULE REQUEST TO THE STATE LEGISLATURE

At a regular meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Tuckahoe, New York (the "Village Board") held at Village Hall, 65 Main Street, Tuckahoe, New York on March 10, 2014.

WHEREAS, when Village of Tuckahoe Police Officer Christopher J. Santiago (hereinafter "PO Santiago") was first hired by the Village of Tuckahoe on August 4, 2008 he was inadvertently enrolled in the wrong New York State Pension Plan; and

WHEREAS, PO Santiago was incorrectly enrolled in the New York State Pension Plan 375(i) when he should have been enrolled in the correct New York State Pension Plan, which is Pension Plan 384(d); and

WHEREAS, the error on enrolling PO Santiago has a profound impact on his ability to retire after twenty (20) years of service and also diminishes the pension benefits PO Santiago is entitled to receive; and

WHEREAS, New York State Senator George Latimer and Assembly Person Amy Paulin have sponsored and introduced State legislation (Senate Bill 5994 and Assembly Bill 8662) to correct the error, as stated above, in the enrollment of PO Santiago in the incorrect New York State Pension Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe has determined to make the following Home Rule Request to the State Legislature in support of the above-mentioned State legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

1. That the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe approve and issue this Home Rule Request, set forth herein, to the State Legislature in support of the above-mentioned Senate Bill 5994 and Assembly Bill 8662 (hereinafter the "State Legislation").
2. That the Village Board of Trustees approve and request the enactment and adoption of the State Legislation.
3. That the Village Board of Trustees seek the adoption and enactment of the State Legislation for the following:

Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the village of Tuckahoe, in the county of Westchester, a participating employer in the New York state and local police and fire retirement system, which previously elected to offer the optional retirement plan established pursuant to section 384-d of the retirement and social security law to firefighters and police officers employed by such village, is hereby authorized to make participation in such plan available to police officer Christopher J. Santiago, who was employed by the village of Tuckahoe on August 4, 2008 and who, on the effective date of this act is covered under the provisions of section 375-i of the retirement and social security law, and who, for reasons not ascribable to his own negligence failed to make a timely application to participate in such optional retirement plan. The village of Tuckahoe may so elect by filing with the state comptroller, on or before November 30, 2014 a resolution of its legislative body together with certification that police officer Christopher J. Santiago did not bar himself from participation in such retirement plan as a result of his own negligence.

Christopher J. Santiago will then be covered by the provisions of section 384-d of the retirement and social security law provided he files a request to that effect with the state comptroller on or before December 31, 2014.

§ 2. All cost associated with implementing the provisions of this act shall be borne by the village of Tuckahoe.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

4. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

HOME RULE REQUEST

To the Legislature:

Pursuant to the New York State Constitution, Article IX,

The Village of Tuckahoe requests the enactment by the Senate and Assembly of Senate Bill 5994 and Assembly Bill 8662 for the enrollment and participation of Village of Tuckahoe Police Officer Christopher J. Santiago in the correct New York State Pension Plan, namely Pension Plan 384(d).

It is hereby declared that a necessity exists for the enactment of such legislation, and that the facts establishing such necessity are as follows:

[x] The local government does not have the power to enact such legislation by local law; and such other facts, as set forth in the following "Explanation" establish such necessity.

EXPLANATION

When Village of Tuckahoe Police Officer Christopher J. Santiago (hereinafter "PO Santiago") was first hired by the Village of Tuckahoe on August 4, 2008 he was inadvertently enrolled in the wrong New York State Pension Plan. PO Santiago was incorrectly enrolled in the New York State Pension Plan 375(i) when he should have been enrolled in the correct New York State Pension Plan, which is Pension Plan 384(d). The error in enrollment in the in correct New York State Pension Plan is not attributable to the negligence of PO Santiago. The error in enrolling PO Santiago has a profound impact on his ability to retire after twenty (20) years of service and also diminishes the pension benefits PO Santiago is entitled to receive.

New York State Senator George Latimer and Assembly Person Amy Paulin have sponsored and introduced State legislation (Senate Bill 5994 and Assembly Bill 8662) to correct the error, as state above, in the enrollment of PO Santiago in the incorrect New York State

Pension Plan. The Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe has determined to make this Home Rule Request to the State Legislature in support of the above-mentioned State legislation to correct the error of the enrollment of PO Santiago in the incorrect New York State Pension Plan.

In connection with the proposed enactment of Senate Bill 5994 and Assembly Bill 8662, the following justification was offered:

JUSTIFICATION:

General Counsel to the Tuckahoe Police Benevolent Association recently learned that one of its members, Police Officer Christopher J. Santiago, was unintentionally placed in the wrong New York State Pension Plan when he was first hired by the Village on August 4, 2008. Instead of being enrolled in Plan 384(d), he was placed in Plan 375(i). This error has a profound impact on Officer Santiago's ability to retire after twenty (20) years, as expected. Additionally, the error will serve to diminish the pension benefits he is entitled to receive. The village is therefore asking for this change.

Such request is made by:

[x] The local legislative body of such local government, at least two--thirds of the total membership thereof having voted in favor of such request. (See paragraph B below)

READ BEFORE SIGNING

A. If the request is made by the chief executive officer and concurred in by a majority of the total membership of the local legislative body, both the chief executive officer and the clerk of the local legislative body must sign below. In such case use the word "majority" below even though the vote may have been greater.

B. If the request is made by the local legislative body, at least two-thirds of the total membership thereof having voted in favor of such request, only the clerk of the local legislative body must sign below. In such case use the words "two--thirds" below.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S SIGNATURE

(Signed) _____
(chief executive officer)

[Print or type name below signature]

Date: _____, 2014

[Title of chief executive officer]

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

I, Susan Ciamarra, do hereby certify that I am Clerk of the Village of Tuckahoe of the County of Westchester and that on the _____ day of _____, 2014, such legislative body, at least a two-thirds of the total membership having voted in favor thereof, approved the foregoing request.

[SEAL OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT]

[Signed] _____
Susan Ciamarra, Village Clerk

Date: _____, 2014

INSTRUCTIONS

Copies required:

Two signed copies of this form, specifying the final bill number and title must be filed with each House of the Legislature.

Examples:

- (a) If the bill has been introduced in only one House of the Legislature, four copies of the request form must be filed, i.e., two with the Senate and two with the Assembly.
- (b) If the identical bill has been introduced in both Houses, eight copies of the request form must be filed, i.e., two with the Senate and two with the Assembly for the Senate bill and the same for the Assembly bill.

Date of request:

The signing of a home rule request or the adoption of a resolution by the local legislative body approving such request cannot precede the date on which the bill is actually introduced in the Legislature. In the case of prefiled bills, the actual date of introduction is the first day of the legislative session. The request may be signed or the resolution adopted the same day as the date of introduction.

Amended bills:

Each time the bill is amended a new request must be filed (with the appropriate number of copies) and the new request must correctly identify the bill number as last amended. The signing of the request, and the date of the supporting resolution, cannot precede the date of the amendment.

Transmittal:

The signed forms should be sent as follows:

To the Senate
Home Rule Counsel
Senate Post Office
The Capitol

To the Assembly:
Journal Clerk of the Assembly
Assembly Post Office
The Capitol

Definition of terms:

Chief executive officer.

In the case of a county, the elective or appointive chief executive officer, if there be one, or otherwise the chairman of the board of supervisors; in the case of a city or village, the mayor (not manager); and in the case of a town, the supervisor. (Municipal Home Rule Law § 40)

Local legislative body.

The board of supervisors, board of aldermen, common council, council, commission, town board, board of trustees or other elective governing board or body vested by state statute, charter or other law with jurisdiction to initiate and adopt local laws or ordinances. (Municipal Home Rule Law § 2)

Local government.

A county, city, town or village (NY Const, Art IX, § 3; Municipal Home Rule Law § 2)

Special law

A state statute which in terms and in effect applies to one or more, but not all, counties (other than those wholly included within a city) cities, towns or villages. (NY Const, Art IX, § 3; Municipal Home Rule Law § 2)

Total membership.

The total voting power of a legislative body. (Municipal Home Rule Law §§ 20, 40)

Trustee Hayes 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.

Mayor Ecklund explained that Chris Santiago had been placed in the wrong retirement plan. This Home rule will correct the situation.

RESOLUTION #2 ratifying Village Board action authorizing the Village Clerk to issue a Special Permit under the Cabaret Law to Tuck'd Away, Friday, February 28, 2014 from 9pm – 12 midnight. Trustee Quigley made a motion to adopt resolution #2; motion was seconded by Trustee Giordano and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #3 authorizing the use of Trolley for the 350th Anniversary of the Town of Eastchester for Sunday June 29, 2014 to be used for a town wide tour. Trustee Giordano made a motion to adopt resolution #3; motion was seconded by Trustee Hayes and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #4 authorizing the use of Trolley for the Irish Parade on Sunday, March 16th; Village to provide driver. Trustee Quigley made a motion to adopt resolution #4; motion was seconded by Trustee Giordano and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #5 approving Tuckahoe Union Free School District's request to use the Community Center as a polling place for the annual budget vote and trustee election on Tuesday, May 20th. Trustee Quigley made a motion to adopt resolution #5; motion was seconded by Trustee Luisi and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #6 approving County Board of Elections request for the use of the Community Center for the Federal Primary on June 24th; Primary Election on September 9th and General Election on November 4th from 5:30am to 9:30pm. Trustee Quigley made a motion to adopt resolution #6; motion was seconded by Trustee Giordano and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #7 approving certiorari settlement for GTF Realty Corp. 181 Main Street, Section 68, Block 4, Lot 50 for tax years 2006 through 2012 in the amount of \$28,783.13. Trustee Quigley made a motion to adopt resolution #7; motion was seconded by Trustee Hayes and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #8 – approving certiorari settlement for GPD Properties 8-20 Marbledale Road, Section 74, Block 1, Lot 1 for tax years 2011 through 2013 in the amount of \$18,510.88. Trustee Giordano made a motion to adopt resolution #8; motion was seconded by Trustee Hayes and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #9 approving auto damages settlement to a vehicle owned by Todd Giudice caused by a DPW truck in October 2013 in the amount of \$1500 which amount is within the Village automobile insurance deductible of \$2500. A signed general release by Todd Giudice has been received. Trustee Quigley made a motion to adopt resolution #9; motion was seconded by Trustee Luisi and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #10 -A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH A CONSORTIUM OF MUNICIPALITIES TO CHALLENGE A RATE INCREASE OF 22.9% SOUGHT TO BE IMPOSED BY UNITED WATER NEW ROCHELLE

At a regular meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Tuckahoe, New York (the "Village Board") held at Village Hall, 65 Main Street, Tuckahoe, New York on March 10, 2014.

WHEREAS, United Water New Rochelle (UWNR) provides water service, among other things, to the residents of the Village of Tuckahoe; and

WHEREAS, UWNR has proposed a significant rate increase of 22.9% for water usage within the municipal borders of the Village; and

WHEREAS, a consortium of municipalities, including the Village, have agreed to challenge the aforesaid rate increase through the retaining of counsel to assert said challenge; and

WHEREAS, as part of the consortium each municipality has agreed to set aside a sum certain to cover the costs of counsel in connection with such challenge to the aforesaid rate increase; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

Section 1. The Village Board hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute an agreement with a consortium of municipalities (including the City of New Rochelle, the Town of Eastchester and the Villages of Dobbs Ferry, Hastings, Bronxville, Pelham and Pelham Manor)

for the retaining of counsel (Law Offices of Daniel Dutchie of Bellvale, New York) to challenge the aforesaid rate increase sought to be imposed by United Water New Rochelle.

Section 2. In connection with the authorization granted in Section 1 hereof, the Village shall set aside a sum not to exceed \$4,116.00 for the retaining of counsel in connection with challenging the aforesaid rate increase, which is the capped dollar figure the Village would have to expend in this joint effort.

Section 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Trustee Luisi made a motion to adopt resolution #10; motion was seconded by Trustee Hayes and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #11 approving payment of vouchers in the amount of \$264,743.57, consisting of Abstract #36 for \$261,568.92 and Abstract #37 for \$3,174.65. The three largest invoices paid were: (1) \$64,695.00 for work on the Crestwood Streetscape Project (2) \$57,362.50 for 2 2014 Ford Police Interceptors and (3) \$12,636.55 for yard waste disposal for the period July 01 through December 31, 2013. Trustee Giordano made a motion to adopt resolution #11; motion was seconded by Trustee Hayes and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION #12 -A RESOLUTION SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE REPEAL OF SECTION 2-12 OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF TUCKAHOE, ENTITLED "RESIDENCY OF OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES" AND THE ENACTMENT OF LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2014 WHICH SHALL REPEAL SECTION 2-12 OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF TUCKAHOE AND RESTATE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO CERTAIN POSITIONS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF TUCKAHOE

At a regular meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Tuckahoe, New York (the "Village Board") held at Village Hall, 65 Main Street, Tuckahoe, New York on March 10, 2014.

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees finds it in the best interests of the Village of Tuckahoe to repeal Section 2-12 of the Village Code of the Village of Tuckahoe, entitled "Residency of Officers, Employees" and enact Local Law No. 2 of 2014 which shall repeal Section 2-12 of the Village Code of the Village of Tuckahoe and shall restate residency requirements applicable to certain positions within the Village of Tuckahoe.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

Section 1. That in accordance with the provisions of the Village Law and/or the Municipal Home Rule Law, a public hearing shall be held on or about the 7th day of April 2014 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 Village Board whether Section 2-12 of the Village Code of the Village of Tuckahoe, entitled "Residency of Officers, Employees", inclusive of sub-sections (a) through (f), shall be repealed in its entirety and further whether Local Law No. 2 of 2014 which shall repeal Section 2-12 of the Village Code of the Village of Tuckahoe and restate residency requirements applicable to certain positions with the Village of Tuckahoe 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 accordance with the Municipal Home Rule Law and/or other applicable law.

Section 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2014

A LOCAL LAW REPEALING SECTION 2-12 OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF TUCKAHOE, ENTITLED "RESIDENCY OF OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES" AND RESTATING AND RE-ENACTING RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO CERTAIN POSITIONS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF TUCKAHOE

At a regular meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Tuckahoe, New York (the "Village Board") held at Village Hall, 65 Main Street, Tuckahoe, New York on April 7, 2014.

WHEREAS, a resolution was duly adopted by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Tuckahoe, New York for a public hearing to held by the Village Board on the 7th day of April 2014 at 8:00 p.m. at Village Hall, 65 Main Street, Tuckahoe, New York, to hear all interested parties concerning the repeal of Section 2-12 of the Village Code of the Village of Tuckahoe, entitled "Residency of Officers, Employees" and the enactment of Local Law No. 2 of 2014 which shall repeal Section 2-12 of the Village Code of the Village of Tuckahoe and restate residency requirements applicable to certain positions with the Village of Tuckahoe; and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly advertised in the Journal News, the official newspaper of said Village, on the _____ day of March 2014; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was duly held on the 7th day of April 2014 at 8:00 p.m. at Village Hall, 65 Main Street, Tuckahoe, New York, and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to the repeal of Section 2-12 of the Village Code of the Village of Tuckahoe, entitled "Residency of Officers, Employees" and the enactment of Local Law No. 2 of 2014 which shall repeal Section 2-12 of the Village Code of the Village of Tuckahoe and further restate residency requirements applicable to certain positions within the Village of Tuckahoe; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board, after due deliberation, finds it in the best interest of said Village to adopt said Local Law.

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

Section 1. Section 2-12 of the Village Code of the Village of Tuckahoe, entitled "Residency of Officers, Employees", inclusive of sub-sections (a) through (f), is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 2. Section 2-12 of the Village Code of the Village of Tuckahoe, as amended, shall be entitled "Residency Requirements."

Section 3. Section 2-12 of the Village Code of the Village of Tuckahoe, as amended, entitled "Residency Requirements" shall be restated and re-enacted as follows:

Section 2-12 Residency Requirements.

Purpose; Legislative Authority.

The Village Board of Trustees finds that, due to the relatively small population of the Village of Tuckahoe, it is not always possible to fill certain appointive offices and nonjudicial positions in Village government requiring municipal, administrative or financial expertise with Village of Tuckahoe or Town of Eastchester residents who are duly qualified to hold such positions. The Village Board of Trustees further finds that it is authorized to appoint qualified residents of Westchester County outside of the Village of Tuckahoe and Town of Eastchester to said offices pursuant to § 3-300 of the New York State Village Law. The Village Board of Trustees further finds that it is authorized under § 3-300 of the New York State Village Law and § 10 of the New York State Municipal Home Rule Law to expand such residency requirements to allow residents of Westchester County to be eligible for appointment to said offices.

Definition.

"Residence" is defined in this Local Law and section to mean the abode or place where one actually lives and maintains a fixed, permanent and principal home.

Residency within the County of Westchester required.

Notwithstanding any other general or special law, no person shall be eligible to be appointed to or hold office of the Village Clerk, Deputy Village Clerk, Village Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, Village Attorney, Deputy Village Attorney, Village Assessor, Deputy Assessor, Building Inspector/Facilities Manager, Code Enforcement Officer, Village Court Clerk or Assistant Court Clerk who is not a citizen of the United States, is not at least 18 years of age and is not a resident of Westchester County, New York. No person shall be eligible to be appointed as an election inspector in the Village of Tuckahoe unless such person is a resident of Westchester County. This section shall change and supersede § 3-300, Subdivision 2, of the New York State Village Law, as last amended, § 3 of the New York State Public Officers Law, as last amended, and § 23 of the New York State Town Law, as last amended, to the extent that the provisions thereof conflict with or are contrary to the provisions of this Local Law. The provisions of the Local Law shall govern and control in the event of conflict.

Insofar as the provisions of this Local Law are inconsistent with the provisions of any other Village of Tuckahoe local law or resolution and/or the terms or provisions set forth in the Village Code of the Village of Tuckahoe, the provisions of this Local Law shall be controlling and shall govern.

If any section of this Local Law shall be held unconstitutional, invalid, or ineffective, in whole or in part, such determination shall not be deemed to affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this Local Law.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State of the State of New York and shall apply to all persons currently holding the positions of Village Clerk, Deputy Village Clerk, Village Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, Village Attorney, Deputy Village Attorney, Village Assessor, Deputy Assessor, Building Inspector/Facilities Manager, Code Enforcement Officer, Village Court Clerk and/or Assistant Court Clerk as well as any persons hereafter appointed to fill such offices.

Section 4. The Village Clerk be and she hereby is directed to enter this Local Law in the minutes of this meeting and give due notice of the adoption of said Local Law to the Secretary of the State of New York.

New matter underlined.

Trustee Luisi made a motion to adopt resolution #12; motion was seconded by Trustee Hayes and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

POLICE- Chief Costanzo explained the threat assessment team for Eastchester and Tuckahoe schools. The Tuckahoe Police annual report is available. He thanked Janette Hayes.

DPW- Frank DiMarco said that the storm predicted for Wednesday is hopefully our last. The crew is working on pot holes and catch basins. They will begin tree pruning shortly. Con Edison is working on main gas replacements on Verdi/Hollywood. The Fire Department will work with them. Con Edison was told to repave from curb to curb. He thanked Janette Hayes for all her work.

BUILDINGS- We are moving forward with LED lighting in the court room. He thanked Janette Hayes for all her work.

ATTORNEY- John Cavallaro said it was a pleasure working with Janette Hayes.

DEPUTY CLERK- On behalf of the Clerk's Office, Camille DiSalvo thanked Janette Hayes for her hard work and jokingly said they will miss all the phone calls.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mayor Ecklund announced the upcoming Village Board Reorganization Meeting, Monday, April 7, 2014 and Village Board Meeting/Budget Hearing, Monday, April 14, 2014

Trustee Giordano announced that there are no Planning or Zoning meetings in March. He reminded all that March 18th is Election Day. He congratulated and thanked Janette Hayes.

Trustee Quigley gave library highlights and Chamber upcoming events. Tuck'd Away has joined the Chamber. He congratulated and thanked Janette Hayes.

Trustee Luisi gave senior updates and remarked that Janette would say, "Greg, take a deep breath and relax." He congratulated and thanked Janette Hayes.

Mayor Ecklund congratulated Janette Hayes and presented her with a plaque.

Trustee Hayes read the following:

Tonight is a bit emotional for me. It has been an absolute honor to serve as one of your Village Trustees for the past three years and thank you for putting your confidence in me. I believe I have given 100% of my efforts toward our Village and like to think that we are a little better off today than three years ago. Thank you Mayor Ecklund, my fellow Trustees, Steve, Tom and Greg, and everyone here tonight, including Chief John Costanzo, Frank DiMarco, Bill Williams, Camille DiSalvo, John Cavallaro and our entire Village staff. It has been a pleasure working with each and every one of you. I will continue to help when called upon, however, there is no doubt in my mind that you will all continue to do an outstanding job in serving our Village. I am proud of so many initiatives we have worked on during my years in office. One of which has been increasing communication with our residents through the revitalization of our quarterly Village newsletter, which should have just arrived in everyone's mailbox and working with our website developer to make our website more user friendly. Second is continued oversight of our Village budget. Every day my focus was to work hard to keep our taxes at a manageable level, while at the same time ensure our residents received the top level of service they deserve. Finally, although I won't be your Village trustee a few weeks from now, I will continue to be a Village resident, and hope that as a resident, you will continue to feel comfortable reaching out to me as your neighbor. Thank you.

Former Mayor Mike Martino, County Legislator Sheila Marcotte, Town Councilman Luigi Marcoccia, and Steve Alfasi congratulated Janette Hayes on her work as trustee. County Legislator Sheila Marcotte presented Janette Hayes with a proclamation and congratulated the Village on joining the consortium. Chris DiGiorgio wished Janette Hayes the best. He inquired about reducing the speed limit on some village streets. Chief Costanzo explained that changing the speed limit is done by the state. Police do ticket if they feel a motorist is speeding.

There being no further business, the unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:00PM.

Susan Ciamarra, Village Clerk