

April 10, 2017

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

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE

Swearing in of Greg Luisi as Village Trustee for a 2 year term by Mayor Steven A. Ecklund

Trustee Luisi made the following statement:

Thank you Mr. Mayor. First and foremost, I would like to thank all the residents who took the time to vote in the last election. My heartfelt appreciation to all those who supported my colleagues and I. It is an honor and privilege to serve all the residents of Tuckahoe and it is a responsibility I have never taken lightly. The completion of two residential developments and the Marriot Hotel will do much to change the fabric of the Village. I will be ever mindful of the impact this will have on the Village and will continue to support initiatives that will address the concerns of residents. I look forward to continuing the excellent working relationships I have with our Village Administrator and Village Hall staff, as well as our esteemed department heads and their workforce. There are many projects and improvements in the planning stages that as they move forward will greatly enhance life here in the Village for everyone. I am fortunate to be seated here tonight with my fellow Board members, who are a talented and motivated team that continue to work in the best interests for all Tuckahoe residents.

Lastly, a huge thank you to my wife and family for their continued support.

**ROLL CALL**

DEPUTY MAYOR	Giordano
TRUSTEE	Luisi
TRUSTEE	Leo
TRUSTEE	Alfasi
MAYOR	Ecklund

**APPOINTMENTS** – none

**PRESENTATION –**

Superintendent of the Tuckahoe Schools, Carl Albano, gave an overview of the school budget. Danielle Nealis on the school board gave an explanation on the purchasing of the 110 Ridge St property.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Trustee Giordano made a motion to open Public Hearing to consider the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year June 1, 2017 through May 31, 2018, motion was seconded by Trustee Luisi; and upon roll call, and motion was carried by a vote 5-0

Albert Stern and Chris DiGiorgio asked for clarification on some of the lines of the budget. Mayor Ecklund and David Burke clarified and answered their concerns.

Trustee Giordano made a motion to close Public Hearing to consider the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year June 1, 2017 through May 31, 2018, motion was seconded by Trustee Luisi; and upon roll call, and motion was carried by a vote 5-0

### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Trustee Giordano made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting March 6, 2017, motion was seconded by Trustee Leo; and upon roll call, and motion was carried by a vote 5-0.

Trustee Leo made a motion to approve the minutes of the Reorganization meeting April 3, 2017, motion was seconded by Trustee Giordano; and upon roll call, and motion was carried by a vote 4-0; Trustee Luisi abstained.

**CORRESPONDENCE-** none

### **FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS**

### **RESOLUTIONS**

- 1) Authorizing a Tuckahoe Cheerleader Victory Parade on Saturday, May 20 honor the Tuckahoe Tigers World Cheerleaders Championship; Parade route from ICS to Depot Square  
Trustee Giordano made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Leo and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote 5-0
- 2) Setting a public hearing for April 24, 2017 to consider a proposed local law to repeal local law #5 of 2016, to repeal the override of the tax levy limit on the FYE 2018 village budget  
Trustee Leo made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Giordano and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote 5-0
- 3) Setting a public hearing for May 8, 2017 to consider a proposed local law amending Section 21: Traffic of the Village code regarding Commercial Vehicles  
Trustee Leo made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Giordano and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote 5-0

- 4) **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employee's Retirement Systems based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the Village Clerk:

Standard Work Day and Reporting

TITLE	STANDARD WORK HOURS
Mayor	7 hour day
Village Administrator	7 hour day
Village Attorney	7 hour day
Deputy Village Clerk	7 hour day
Deputy Treasurer	7 hour day
Associate Village Justice	7 hour day

Trustee Giordano made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Leo and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote 5-0

- 5) Authorizing the Mayor to execute a Municipal Textile Recovery Program Agreement with County Recycling LLC

Trustee Leo made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Luisi and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote 5-0

Frank DiMarco explained that this is a textile drop off at the Village yard.

- 6) Proclaiming APRIL 28, 2017 as "ARBOR DAY" in the Village of Tuckahoe

WHEREAS: TREES reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heat and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS: TREES are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products; and

WHEREAS: TREES in our Village increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

WHEREAS: TREES, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and

WHEREAS: the Village of Tuckahoe has been recognized as a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to continue its tree-planting practices.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steven A. Ecklund, Mayor of the Village of Tuckahoe, on behalf of the Board of Trustees and all of the residents of Tuckahoe, do hereby proclaim APRIL

28, 2017 as “ARBOR DAY” in the Village of Tuckahoe, and urge all Citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodland; and

FURTHER, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

Trustee Leo made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Giordano and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote 5-0

- 7) Authorizing the Mayor to execute an Inter-Municipal Agreement between the County of Westchester Department of Correction and the Village of Tuckahoe for a term commencing January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018 as it relates to Prisoner Transportation Reimbursement

Trustee Leo made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Luisi and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote 5-0

- 8) Authorizing the Mayor to execute a License Agreement with the Westchester-Putnam Council, Boy Scouts of America, Troop 353 Eastchester for use of the Tuckahoe Community Center

Trustee Leo made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Alfasi and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote 5-0

- 9) Authorizing the Mayor to execute an addendum to the lease between the Village of Tuckahoe and the Eastchester/ Tuckahoe Chamber of Commerce

Trustee Leo made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Luisi and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote 5-0

- 10) Authorizing the appointment of a laborer

Trustee Luisi made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Giordano and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote 5-0

- 11) Authorizing a declaration of a sewer repair on an emergency basis exempt from bidding procedures by M. Zonzini Pipeline Services, Inc. in the amount of \$70,994

Trustee Luisi made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Leo and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote 5-0

- 12) Authorizing the approval of Vouchers in the amount of \$793,554.02

Abstract #33 for \$277,667.31

Abstract #34 for \$356,054.58

Abstract #35 for \$4,948.42

Abstract #36 for \$147,881.17

T&A for March for \$7,002.54.

The three largest invoices paid were:

(1) \$155,535.19 for health insurance for the month of March

- (2) \$143,610.07 for health insurance for the month of April
- (3) \$70,994.00 for M. Zonzini Pipeline Services for sewer collapse
- (4) \$52,329 tax cert payment; Midora
- (5) \$51,785 General Liability payment; Travelers (Quarterly)

Trustee Leo made a motion to approve resolution; motion was seconded by Trustee Alfasi and upon roll call, motion was carried by a vote 5-0

## **DISCUSSION**

### **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS TO THE BOARD**

**POLICE-** Chief Costanzo said that the Tuckahoe Police are participating in Autism Awareness Month.

**RECREATION-** John Galluzzi reminded all that Saturday, April 15, is the Easter Egg Hunt in Parkway Oval.

### **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

The Mayor announced the following:

- 1) Next Village Board – Budget Adoption meeting April 24, 2017
- 2) Tuckahoe Community Meeting – Triangle Park May 3, 2017- parking on regulations will be discussed
- 3) Next Village Board meeting- May 8, 2017

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBERS REPORTS**

**DEPUTY MAYOR** Giordano- announced that the board is in the process of soliciting thoughts for the Master Plan and zoning.

**TRUSTEE** Luisi thanked the Cottle School who hosted a luncheon for the Tuckahoe Seniors.

**TRUSTEE** Leo gave library events for the month.

**TRUSTEE** Alfasi had no school report since the Superintendent presented it.

**MAYOR** Ecklund wished Mike Grogan well on his retirement and thanked him for his years of service. Mayor Ecklund read The Chapel School for the “Survival Kit”

### **SECOND OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

John Rabijs, Kristen Swensen, John Mariani, Joe Marinello, Mike Dardano, and Perry Guilanti voiced their concerns on the proper procedures for the clean-up at the Brownfield Site on Marbledale Road as well as the Oil storage tank removal that occurred at the property on Marbledale Road.

Mayor Ecklund and the Board noted their concerns, corrected any misinformation and had Village Environmental Consultant Mike Musso give clarification on the matter and address the concerns that were raised.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 12:00AM

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Camille DiSalvo, Village Clerk