

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF QUOGUE, HELD BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2014.

PRESENT: Mayor Peter Sartorius, Trustees Jeanette Obser, Kimberley Payne, Ted Necarsulmer, Randy Cardo, Village Attorney Richard DePetris and Village Clerk Aimee Buhl.

OTHERS PRESENT: Police Chief Robert Coughlan, Fire Chiefs Bruce Davidson and Christopher Osborne, Building Inspector William Nowak, Alexa Gorman of the Southampton Press, Terry Young, Dick Gardner, Glenn Just, Frances Ryan, Kit McQuiston, Tom Snodgrass, Heather Wright, Tom Lawson, Debbie Disston, Carole Bennett, John Cooney, Ken Tedaldi, Paul Insalaco, Bill Berrien and Lynn Joyce.

The Mayor invited everyone to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon motion made by Ted Necarsulmer, seconded by Kimberley Payne and unanimously carried, the Minutes of Regular Meeting held on July 16, 2014 are hereby approved.

Upon motion made by Jeanette Obser, seconded by Ted Necarsulmer and unanimously carried, the Abstract of Audited Vouchers Schedule 08-14, \$223,993.01 and Treasurer's Report for the Month ending July 31, 2014 are hereby approved.

\$ 1,433,165.23	Checking Account
\$ 723,008.21	Capital Reserves
<u>\$ 8,624,966.48</u>	<u>Investments</u>
\$10,781,169.92	Total General Fund 07/31/14

The Clerk gave the report for July 2014 False Fire and Burglar Alarms:

Burglar Billed: \$ 150; Burglar Collected: \$ 0
Fire Billed: \$ 250; Fire Collected: \$ 2,250

Chief Building Inspector Bill Nowak gave the July 2014 report for the Building Department. Fire Chief Bruce Davidson gave the July 2014 report for the Fire Department. Chief Robert Coughlan gave the July 2014 report for the Police Department.

Upon motion made by Ted Necarsulmer, seconded by Kimberley Payne and unanimously carried, it was Resolved, a budget transfer from A1990400 Special Items/Contingent Account to A3410443 Fire Department Buildings Maintenance in the amount of \$10,000 is hereby approved.

Upon motion made by Jeanette Obser, seconded by Randy Cardo and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED, the authorization and direction of the East End Financial Group to invest funds held in the Quogue Fire Department Service Award Program in accordance with a 40% equities and 60% fixed income target allocation as described in the East End Financial Group Investment Policy Statement dated August 15, 2014 for the Quogue Fire Department Service Award Program is hereby approved.

Upon motion made by Randy Cardo, seconded by Jeanette Obser and unanimously carried the following resolution adopting the Suffolk County, NY Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan was approved.

ADOPTING RESOLUTION

Suffolk County, NY Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

Name of Jurisdiction: Incorporated Village of Quogue

Governing Body: Board of Trustees

Address: 7 Village Lane, PO Box 926, Quogue, NY 11959

WHEREAS, the Village of Quogue, with the consulting assistance provided by Tetra Tech, has gathered information concerning the Village of Quogue and furnished it for inclusion in the updated Suffolk County, NY Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, Village of Quogue is a local unit of government of Suffolk County that has afforded citizens an opportunity to comment and provide input in the Plan and the actions in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Village has reviewed the Plan and affirms that the Plan will be updated no less than every five years;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that the Village of Quogue adopts the Plan as the Village of Quogue's Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan and shall execute the actions in the Plan.

There was discussion of the proposed purchase of a 5-ton surplus army truck. Mayor Sartorius with Fire Chief Bruce Davidson reported on the history of the truck (2009; refurbished in 2011) and the steps taken to confirm that is a good value. Tom Snodgrass said the existing 1952 brush truck is extremely difficult to drive and suffers from multiple break downs. Bruce Davidson and the committee comprised of drivers and mechanics of the Fire Department determined that this refurbished army surplus truck is in good condition.

Upon motion made by Kimberley Payne, seconded by Randy Cardo and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED, purchase of a used 5 ton truck, at a price of \$9,998.00, for eventual fitting out as a replacement brush truck, using funds from the Fire Department Capital Reserve, subject to a permissive referendum is hereby approved.

Upon motion made by Ted Necarsulmer, seconded by Jeanette Obser and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED, the renewal of the Maintenance Service Agreement with Arenz Heating & Air Conditioning for the heating and air conditioning equipment in Village Hall (2 gas boilers, 6 condensing units) at a cost of \$1,291.50 for the term of 09-01-14 through 02-28-15 is hereby approved.

Upon motion made by Kimberley Payne, seconded by Ted Necarsulmer and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED, acceptance of disclosure of contract with the Village of Quogue by Kevin Klokkel, part-time police officer, pursuant to Chapter 31 of the Village Code is hereby approved.

Upon motion made by Jeanette Obser, seconded by Ted Necarsulmer and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED, the appointment of William Alexander Gladding to the position of Part-Time Police Officer at a rate of \$20.00 per hour, effective September 1, 2014 is hereby approved.

Upon motion made by Ted Necarsulmer, seconded by Randy Cardo and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED, the renewal of the Village municipal and Fire Department insurance policies with annual premiums in an amount of approximately \$170,000 through Salerno Brokerage Corp., effective 08/20/14– 08/20/15 is hereby approved. A bid solicited from previous insurance carrier was \$15,000 over Salerno's proposal, which was approximately \$6,800 lower than last year.

Upon motion made by Jeanette Obser, seconded by Ted Necarsulmer and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED the following refunds of the Village's 2014/15 taxes as a result of court decisions reducing Town of Southampton 2013/14 assessments as follows is hereby approved.

TAX MAP #	OWNER	ORIG ASSMT	REDUCED TO	REFUND DUE
12-2-9.6	Ciampa	4817200	4817300	0
6-2-26.1	Brennan	4942100	4942100	0
7-1-18	Leness	922600	800000	259.51
11-1-7	Ho	3863100	3600000	556.90
4-3-14.19	Dubin	998100	922900	159.18
16-1-5.3	Ades	3204225	4100000	364.71
13-3-9	Macrae	2543400	2300000	515.21
4-1-75	Lurie	1286700	1100000	395.19
3-2-38.9	Cutler	811900	750000	131.02
4-3-18	Kessler	405311	303983	214.46
Total:				\$ 2,596.18

Upon motion made by Peter Sartorius, seconded by Jeanette Obser and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED, the introduction of “Local Law No. ____ of 2014 amending Chapter 130 (Property Maintenance) if the Village Code” and scheduling of a public hearing to be held on Friday, September 19, 2014 at 4:00 PM is hereby approved.

Local Law No. ____ of 2014

A Local Law Amending Chapter 130
(Property Maintenance) of the Village Code

Section 1. The Board of Trustees hereby finds and determines that there should be additional standards for the maintenance and clearing of property in order to better secure and promote the public health, comfort, safety, welfare and prosperity of the Village of Quogue and its inhabitants.

Section 2. Section 130-1 (Violating Acts) is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

Section 130-1 Duties of Certain Landowners

- A. It shall be the duty of all owners of land in the Village of Quogue on which a dwelling or other building is located to maintain their properties (other than any natural, uncleared areas) in such a manner as to properly control the growth of trees, bushes, brush, grass, hedges and weeds. All landscaping shall be kept trimmed and prevented from becoming overgrown or unsightly. Tree stumps shall be removed or cut off at grade.
- B. Without limiting the provisions of subsection A, landscaping shall be trimmed around and above driveways and private roads, and all other objects shall be placed, so as to avoid impeding emergency vehicle clearances and access, including access by fire trucks of a size used by the Quogue Fire Department when access via such driveway or private road reasonably would be necessary or desirable in order to fight a fire at a property.
- C. All hedges, bushes, shrubs, grasses, weeds, fences and other obstructions to the clear view of converging vehicular traffic upon that portion of any corner lands lying within a distance of 35 feet from the point of intersection of the two nearest street lines, or lines in prolongation thereof, if the corner is formed by an arc of a curve, of the two intersecting public streets, except at street corners at which traffic control circles or islands are situated, shall be trimmed to a height not in excess of four feet in height above the lowest center line of the adjacent public streets.
- D. Failure of an owner of land to comply with any of the provisions of paragraphs A, B or C of the Section shall constitute a violation of this Chapter.

Section 3. Section 130-3 is hereby renumbered to be Section 130-4, and the following Section 130-3 is hereby added:

Section 130-3 Clearing of Unimproved Land

It shall be unlawful to clear all or any substantial portion of a parcel of land on which there is no lawfully existing dwelling, building or other substantial improvement unless (1) a building permit has been issued for construction of a dwelling or other building on such parcel of land, (2) a complete building department application has been filed for construction of a dwelling or other building on such parcel of land and the Building Inspector has approved the clearing in writing, or (3) other good reason exists for such clearing and it has been approved by the Building Inspector in writing or by the Board of Trustees. The term "clear" shall mean the cutting or removal of all or substantially all of the trees and/or other vegetative growth on land but does not include cutting or removal of weeds, vines, dead plant material and other excess vegetative growth to improve the appearance of a property when significant trees and other plantings will remain.

Section 4. This local law shall become effective upon the filing thereof with the Secretary of State of the State of New York.

Heather A. Wright, representing 27 Meadow Lane, TM # 902-11-1-5.1, informed the Board that the Army Corp of Engineers has issued a permit for a new dock. Mayor Peter Sartorius agreed that the permit was within the rights of the property owner and that the dock would not endanger the health, safety or welfare of the people of Quogue.

Upon motion made by Kimberley Payne, seconded by Ted Necarsulmer and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED that the application for a dock at 27 Meadow Lane, TM # 902-11-1-5.1 is hereby approved.

Rocco Lettieri spoke to the Board regarding the application for a special exception allowing reconstruction at 48 Quogue Street.

Upon motion made by Peter Sartorius, seconded by Ted Necarsulmer and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED, a public hearing scheduled for the September 19, 2014 Meeting of the Board of Trustees on the application of WEM SC LLC for reconstruction of property at 48 Quogue Street is hereby approved.

Upon motion made by Jeanette Obser, seconded by Ted Necarsulmer and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED, a permit for the AME Zion Church to hold a bake sale on the Village Green on Saturday, August 30, 2014 from 9 AM until 3 PM is hereby approved.

Ken Tedaldi informed the Board that he is in contract to purchase 125 Montauk Highway (VFW). He was told that the use is very specific in the Village Code. It is residential property, beyond the VFW use, and a subdivision application would need to be filed. Mayor Sartorius said that he understands that three lots are possible under the zoning code. Mr. Tedaldi said that his surveyor had indicated four lots.

Tom Lawson inquired about the possible beach nourishment. The Board assured Mr. Lawson that if they wish to take action on the proposal, there would be informal meetings and as required by law public hearings and plenty of opportunities for the public to voice its opinion.

John Cooney approached the Board regarding the organic material and foul odor on the beach. Mayor Sartorius said that naturally occurring sea organisms were involved. Terry Young, of the

Surf Club, informed the Board that samples have been given to the Suffolk County Board of Health. He will let the Board know of the Department's findings.

Beach scraping is to start on Monday, August 18, 2014 west of the Village Beach, Mayor Sartorius said.

Lynn Joyce voiced her concerns of bicycle traffic safety, specifically on the Post Lane Bridge and Dune Road. Chief Coughlan said he would increase enforcement in that area, possible with a MPH sign and an officer during the early afternoon hours.

With no other business to discuss and upon motion made by Ted Necarsulmer, seconded by Kimberley Payne and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM.

Aimee Buhl, Village Clerk