

**Village of Cold Spring
Village Board of Trustees
85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY 10516**

**Workshop Meeting and Code Update Review
Tuesday, October 27, 2020**

The Village of Cold Spring Board of Trustees held an online workshop meeting via video conference pursuant to Executive Order 202.1 on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 6:30 pm. Present were: Mayor Merandy and Trustees Marie Early, Lynn Miller, Frances Murphy, and Steve Voloto.

BOARD BUSINESS

Appointment to the Recreation Committee

The Board approved the appointment of Trevor Knight to the Recreation Commission as per the recommendation of Commission Chair Ruthanne Cullinan Barr. Mayor Merandy made the motion and Trustee Miller seconded it. Approved by a vote of 5-0-0-0

RESOLUTION # 18-2020 SUSPENSION OF ON STREET PARKING ON MARION AVE.

The following resolution was offered by Mayor Dave Merandy for adoption and seconded by Trustee Marie Early, to wit:

WHEREAS, the Village of Cold Spring has on-street parking regulations which limit or prohibit on-street parking at certain times and locations; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Cold Spring conducts snow clearing on its streets during winter months; and

WHEREAS, snow clearing activity in the vicinity of Marion Avenue and Benedict Road could be better conducted and coordinated with local residents if the Village's on-street parking regulations are suspended on the dead-end portion of Marion Avenue south of Benedict Road to allow parked vehicles to remain thereon; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Village Board of the Village of Cold Spring hereby suspends on-street parking regulations for the dead-end portion of Marion Avenue south of Benedict Road from November 15, 2020 until April 15, 2021; and
2. A copy of this resolution shall be posted at Village Hall and provided to the Village Police Department forthwith.

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

Marie Early, Trustee, voting Yes

Lynn Miller, Trustee, voting	Yes
Frances Murphy, Trustee, voting	Yes
Steve Voloto, Trustee, voting	Yes
Dave Merandy, Mayor, voting	Yes

Resolution officially adopted on October 27, 2020 by a vote of 5-0-0-0.

Accept resignation of Donald MacDonald from Zoning Board of Appeals

Mayor Merandy made a motion to accept the resignation of Donald MacDonald, member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. The motion was seconded by Trustee Murphy and passed by a vote of 5-0-0-0.

Mayor Merandy thanked Mr. MacDonald for all his efforts and service to the Village over the years. Trustee Early noted that Mr. MacDonald's knowledge and interpretation of Zoning Codes was always appreciated and exceeded expectations. Mayor Merandy and Trustee Early also acknowledged his efforts as acting ZBA Chair during the application of 21 Parsonage Street.

Continued Discussion on Parking

The Board continued its' discussion on parking related issues brought about by the increase in weekend visitors to the Village and surrounding areas. Mayor Merandy summarized a 1-day trial of allowing visitors to park at Mayors Park at a rate of \$20/car on Saturday, October 24th. The Mayor acknowledged Kathleen Foley and John Martin for volunteering their time to assist with traffic control, collecting fees and counting cars. Bob Downey and Nico Della Valle also worked the day for the Village. To summarize:

- No cars were allowed on the basketball courts, pavilion area or infield area of the field
- Cars had to be removed by 6:00 pm
- 38 Spots were designated in front of the field along Fair Street
- 137 additional spots were designated on the ballfield
- \$3,901 was collected in total
 - Cost of labor was approximately \$646
 - Cost of materials (signage) = \$244
- Biggest issue faced was traffic control at the end of the day
- K. Foley noted that she also tried to keep track of foot traffic as it passed by Fair Street heading towards the hiking trails and that the number exceeded 900 by 3:00pm
- M. Turton asked if the Village checked to see if people utilized the Metro-North parking lot that day. Mayor Merandy responded that he had not. Mayor also noted that he has reached out to the MTA via N. Zuckerman regarding:
 - Signage indicating free parking available at MTA lot
 - Assistance with maintaining public restrooms

- Mayor Merandy will provide a report and observations to the Board and Parking Committee

Evan Hudson of High Street commented that the volume of cars parking and visitors was detrimental to the area surrounding his residence (High Street, Northern Ave, Haldane St) and requested immediate action by the Village to alleviate the situation by limiting parking on these streets.

Other Board Business

Mayor Merandy, responding to concerns raised by a number of residents, noted that the trees that were designated for removal were done so only after being carefully examined by a certified arborist and deemed a public hazard.

Mayor Merandy attended, via teleconference, a meeting of the Putnam County Legislature on Monday October 26th to make a case for additional funding for the Village to offset costs brought about by the influx of tourists to the Village.

CODE UPDATE REVIEW

The Board continued its' review of Chapter 134 - Zoning.

AJOURNMENT

Mayor Merandy made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously at 8:33 pm.

Submitted by: J. Vidakovich

Mayor Merandy

Date