

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

**Trustees Workshop Meeting  
11-26-19**

The Village of Cold Spring Board of Trustees held a workshop meeting at the Village Hall, 85 Main Street on Tuesday, November 26, 2019 at 7pm. Present were: Mayor David Merandy and Trustees Marie Early, Lynn Miller, Frances Murphy and Steve Voloto.

**PRESENTATION OF FY 2018-19 AUDIT FINDINGS**

John Costilow, of EFPR Group presented a summary of the preliminary audit findings noting that:

- The audit is for the period ending 5-31-19
- Audit was conducted according to customary procedures
- Objective of the audit is to determine that there are no material issues of concern
- Based upon the preliminary findings, EFPR expects to issue a clean report
- There have been no changes to significant assumptions
- There have been no instances of non-compliance

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Village Accountant Michelle Ascolillo presented a financial report for the period ending October 31, 2019. Included in the report were:

- Statement of actual and estimated revenue
- Statement of expenditures, encumbrances and appropriations

M. Ascolillo noted that the December report will include a 6 month summary of the Village's current financial standing and projections for the coming year.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF HALDANE STUDENTS/FACULTY RE: PAINTING MURAL IN SUBWAY**

The design was completed by 10<sup>th</sup> graders two years ago and painted last month by a group of middle and high school students. The Board expressed their compliments and thanks to the students and faculty who recently painted the subway tunnel extending under the Metro-North railroad tracks. Board members noted many compliments that have been received and the benefits the painting has garnered. Cake (baked by Mayor Merandy) and soda was had by all; the students were presented with Village of Cold Spring t-shirts.

**APPROVE RECOMMENDATION: NEW MEMBER OF TREE ADVISORY BOARD TARO IETAKA**

Mayor Merandy made a motion to approve the appointment of Taro Ietaka, to replace Gordon Robertson on the Tree Advisory Board. Trustee Early seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

## OLD BUSINESS

- Discussion on Lime Energy proposal for lighting at Highway Garage
  - 6 out of 12 existing lighting fixtures in the bays do not work
  - The broken fixtures are difficult to reach
  - The proposal would replace all existing fixtures in the entire garage with new LED fixtures at a cost of approximately \$5,000
  - Highway Crew Chief Robert Downey stated they could re-lamp the fixtures and would solicit a quote from Pidala Electric
  - After discussion, the board determined that it makes more sense to have Lime replace all fixtures and add LED lights than to pay Pidala to bring in a lift to change any bulbs that are out and determine which fixtures, if any, would also need to be replaced.
  - Work should be completed by the end of December

## RESOLUTION # 28-2019 Authorizing Village to Sign Energy Efficient Proposal with Lime Energy

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

WHEREAS, Lime Energy Services has tendered an Energy Efficiency Proposal to the Village to replace existing lighting fixtures at the Highway Garage with new LED fixtures; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board finds that it is in the best interests of the Village to enter the said contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Village Board does approve the Energy Efficiency Proposal, a copy of which is attached hereto; and
2. The Mayor is authorized to execute said agreement and any documents necessary for its implementation.

On roll call vote:

Trustee Marie Early voted: Aye  
 Trustee Lynn Miller voted: Aye  
 Trustee Frances Murphy voted: Aye  
 Trustee Steve Voloto voted: Aye  
 Mayor Dave Merandy voted: Aye

Resolution officially adopted on 11-26-19 by a vote of 5-0-0-0.

## APPROVAL OF BILLS

Trustee Miller made a motion to approve Batch #5374 in the amount of \$45,596.70. Mayor Merandy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Merandy made a motion to approve the 11-12-19 minutes. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**BOARD BUSINESS**

Regarding recent complaints about water quality in the Village, Mayor Merandy noted that:

- According to Matt Kroog, Water and Sewer Superintendent, “The Yellow Water some residents have experienced within the last few weeks is in largely part due to coagulant dosage changes coming out of the heavy rain event from the Week of Oct. 16 in which the rain run-off had picked up additional sediment and affected the raw water quality”.
- Village has done a low system flush to resolve the problem
- Water Superintendent Kroog has responded to all complaints and performed water tests at those locations
- Putnam County has also tested the water
- The Village will continue to monitor the situation and try to stay ahead of it

Regarding parking permits for the Fair Street municipal lot, Mayor Merandy noted that:

- A lottery for 19 spaces will be held with a drawing on 11-27-19
- Permittees will be allowed to park 24/7 until April 15, 2020
- The \$40 fee covers the cost of the advertising, permit stickers and lost revenue
- As is customary, parking in the lot is free for all residents between 9pm and 10am until April 15, 2020

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Mayor Merandy made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously at 8:04pm.

Submitted by: M. Mell

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Mayor Merandy

Date