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

Trustees Meeting 3-27-18

The Village of Cold Spring Board of Trustees held a meeting at the Cold Spring Village Hall, 85 Main Street on Tuesday March 27, 2018 at 7:30 pm. Present were: Mayor David Merandy, Trustees Frances Murphy, Marie Early, Steve Voloto and Lynn Miller.

2018-19 BUDGET REVIEW

Village Accountant Michelle Ascolillo presented a summary of the upcoming budget revised per the last board review. During the discussion it was noted that:

- Based upon the previous nine months, the general fund is projected to have a \$95,000 revenue over expense balance.
- Based upon revisions to the budget, to date, there is a \$10,000 balance which has been placed into a contingency account.
- The board discussed use of a portion of the general fund balance toward purchase of new vehicles for the police and highway departments.
- Mayor Merandy made a motion to use monies from the general fund to purchase a new patrol car for the police department. Trustee Early seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- Trustee Early requested that the budget line for NYSERDA compliance be increased from \$5,000 to \$15.000.
- The water and sewer fund balance is projected to be zero
- The board discussed increasing the sewer flat rate to fund capital projects. J. Vidakovich noted the current quarterly sewer flat rate is \$78.30. Trustee Early suggested a \$10/quarter increase. The board tabled further discussion till the next meeting.
- Costs to bond \$817,000 for anticipated capital projects will be approximately \$32,000, depending upon the final project budget. Ascolillo noted that that a grant application for \$215,000 may reduce these costs.
- There are no water bond payments for the coming fiscal year.
- Recycling costs have increased to \$51 per ton.

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CONSIDER RESOLUTION 11-2018 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY AT 69-71 MAIN STREET

THE VILLAGE OF COLD SPRING VILLAGE BOARD

Roll Call Vote

Names	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Mayor				
David Merandy	Aye			
Trustee				
Marie Early	Aye			
Trustee				
Frances Murphy	Aye			
Trustee				
Lynn Miller	Aye			
Trustee				
Steve Voloto	Aye			
TOTAL	5	0	0	0

The following was presented

By: Trustee Murphy

Seconded by: Trustee Early

Date of Adoption: March 27, 2018

RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF COLD SPRING AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

WHEREAS, 69-71 Main Street, LLC is the owner of the property located at 71 Main Street, Cold Spring, New York (with a tax map identification number of Section 48.12, Block 1, Lot 26 (hereinafter known as the "69-71 Parcel") and they have offered to purchase land adjacent to their lot and currently owned by the Village; and

WHEREAS, the subject land consists of approximately 98 square feet and it is further described in the description attached as Exhibit "A" (hereinafter the "Village Parcel"); and

WHEREAS, the Village Parcel is primarily a stoop extending from the 69-71 Parcel, for which the Village Board has declared as surplus and it is not needed for any municipal use as this Village Parcel is not used for highway purposes, for sewer or water purposes, has no environmental or recreational or parkland component and is not used for the administration of fire or police purposes; and

WHEREAS, the sale of this Village Parcel will limit the Village's liability exposure and maintenance responsibilities and said sale will not interfere with the use of the Village sidewalk along Main Street because there is still more than adequate space for pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, 69-71 Main Street, LLC has offered to purchase the Village Parcel for fair and adequate consideration, which offer price is supported by a recent sale in the Village, which was based on an appraisal report from a New York State Licensed Appraiser; and

WHEREAS, the sale price would not be less than \$ 392.00 (THREE HUNDRED AND NINETY TWO DOLLARS AND NO CENTS); and

WHEREAS, the proposed sale of the Village Parcel is an action subject to the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") and the Village Board has determined the sale of this small parcel is an "Unlisted Action" for which the Village has reviewed and completed a Short Environmental Assessment Form pursuant to SEQRA.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY:

RESOLVED, that the Village Board declares itself the Lead Agency with respect to the SEQRA review of the sale of the Village Parcel since there are no other agencies that have authority to approve the sale; and let it be further

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees hereby issues a Negative Declaration (see attached) for this proposed action under SEQRA as it will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts and an environmental impact statement is NOT required; and let it be further

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees hereby determines that the sale of the Village Parcel is in the public interest of the residents of the Village; and

RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute any and all required agreements and documentation to effectuate the sale of the Village Parcel, subject to the review and approval of the contract of sale as to form and content by the Attorney for the Village.

BY ORDER OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE

VILLAGE OF COLD SPRING, NEW YORK

	David Merandy, Mayor	
DATED: March 27, 2018		

AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO SIGN MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH COLD SPRING FIRE COMPANY

The Board discussed how best to attain accurate costs in time for municipalities to prepare their respective budgets. During the discussion it was noted that:

- Trustee Early suggested using the most up-to-date available costs by October 15, rather than past year's actual) for workers comp and LOSAP.
- Accountant Ascolillo recommended retaining a one-year lag (in costs) to allow a more consistent approach. She noted that the Board had agreed to this approach at the previous meeting.
- Trustee Murphy made a motion to enter into the Memorandum of Agreement with the Cold Spring Fire Company as amended. Trustee Miller seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVE HIRING OF COREY THOMAS AND ZACHARY MARKEY TO POSITIONS OF LABORERS WITH **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AT A RATE OF \$15/HOUR**

Mayor Merandy made a motion to hire Corey Thomas and Zachary Markey each at a rate of \$15/hour. Trustee Early seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Highway Crew Chief Robert Downey wrote requesting they not be required to make garbage and recycling pickups on E. Belvedere and Hamilton Streets due to the poor road conditions that jeopardized personnel and equipment. During the Board discussion it was noted that:

- Potholes cause difficulties for general travel as well as snow removal.
- Residents might be required to place garbage on Rte 9D for pickup.
- Suspension of pickups would be temporary until road repairs are completed.
- Airinhos Serradas (a resident of E. Belvedere St.) suggested laying stone on the road as a "simple fix." He suggested that although E. Belvedere is a private road, the Village should maintain it (citing a Village code.) The Board disagreed, but will look further into the matter.
- Highway Department pickups will continue for and additional week while the Board researches the matter further

Cold Spring Film Society president Jennifer Zwarich wrote requesting permission to allow storage of their equipment trailer at the Village Highway Garage.

The Board and Highway Crew Chief Downey agreed this would be acceptable.

Edward Mancari, of the Nelsonville Fish and Fur Club sent an email requesting use of the reservoir on Fishkill Road on May 6, 2018 for the annual Kid's Fishing Day.

Mayor Merandy made a motion to grant use of the reservoir (as requested.) Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Mayor Merandy made a motion to approve Batch #4546 in the amount of \$40,598.70. Trustee Miller seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Early made a motion to adopt the 1-23-18 minutes. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously

Trustee Early made a motion to adopt the 1-30-18 minutes. Trustee Miller seconded and the motion passed unanimously

Mayor Merandy made a motion to table adoption of the 2-13-18 minutes. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Merandy made a motion to adopt the 2-27-18 minutes. Trustee Early seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Murphy made a motion to adopt the 3-6-18 minutes. Mayor Merandy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

BOARD BUSINESS

Mayor Merandy made a motion to increase the hourly pay rate for Tommy Hopper from \$15.30 to \$16. Trustee Early seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Highland Current's Liz Armstrong asked about the water and sewer department bonding for capital projects. Mayor Merandy responded that these projects are separate from work on the dam.

PCNR's Dough Cunningham asked "when the sewer rate question is coming back?" The mayor explained the Board's considerations to bond sewer capital projects.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Merandy made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously at 8:25 pm.

Submitted by M. Mell

David Merandy, Mayor	Date