

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

**Workshop Meeting
7-24-18**

The Village of Cold Spring Board of Trustees held a workshop meeting at the Cold Spring Village Hall, 85 Main Street on Tuesday July 24, 2018 at 7 pm. Present were: Mayor David Merandy and Trustees Lynn Miller, Marie Early, Steve Voloto and Frances Murphy.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon opening the meeting, Mayor Merandy made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss proposed acquisition of real property. Trustee Early seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

At 7:31 Mayor Merandy made a motion to exit executive session. Trustee Early seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF SAL PIDALA & SONS EXCAVATING FOR MARKET STREET PAVING

Mayor Merandy made a motion to table consideration of approval in order to clarify elements of the proposal. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION OF COMBINING SENIOR PICNIC WITH EMPLOYEE/VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION EVENT

The board discussed:

- Scheduling the event in mid-September
- Having a BBQ
- That money for the event is in the budget
- How much food will be donated and how much will have to be purchased

DISCUSSION OF MORATORIUM RE: "VAPE" SHOPS

During the discussion it was noted that:

- Is the proposed moratorium meaningful, when these products are available elsewhere?
- Is the approval of such a moratorium a "slippery slope" where legal businesses that may be unsavory to some are declined permission to operate in the Village?
- Vaping is a legal business
- Board consensus disagrees with the proposed moratorium
- A response will be sent to Legislator Scuccimarra

UPDATE ON PHILIPSTOWN COMMUNITY CONGRESS BIKE DAY

Jason Angell was not in attendance so no discussion occurred.

UPDATE OF CLIMATE SMART PROGRAM

Roberto Mueller made a presentation about electric car charging stations noting that:

- Electric cars will reduce emissions
- The stations will raise awareness in the community and community input will be solicited
- One station per two parking spaces is suggested minimum
- Phone apps would notify users of the status of the vehicle's charging
- The stations could charge a fee or be free (subsidized by grants or other funding sources). Some communities have directly subsidized the stations for two years (as an incentive) and then charged a fee
- Estimated annual electricity cost per station anticipated to be \$350

During the Board's discussion it was noted that:

- Possible locations include in nearby Philipstown Town Hall
- Stations can be on private property (with owner's consent)
- There is concern about losing parking spaces on Main Street
- What would stop someone from disconnecting a charging vehicle to charge another?
- The board will consider possible locations

DISCUSSION OF TEEN CENTER

Sandy McKelvey and Joe Plummer presented a proposal to create a teen center in Philipstown.

During the presentation it was noted that:

- Creation of a teen center was one of the top 40 proposals resulting from the recent community forum
- The center would be student-run and organized (with adult supervision)
- Ideally the center will be located in walking distance from Haldane
- It would be a place for teens to "hang out" especially those not involved in other extra-curricular activities
- Hours would be weekdays after school (3-6pm?) and for longer hours on weekends
- Center would be set up as a lounge with couches, chairs and tables
- Organized activities would include video games, movies and other social events
- In a student survey, 90% of the respondents said that the center would "be a good idea"
- A number of venues have been explored (American Legion Hall, Methodist Church, St. Mary's Church) but for various reasons these were not available.
- A possible location is in the Butterfield Development, though this would be expensive.
- Haldane Principal Julia Sniffen is amenable to the idea and has offered a temporary space on campus (though a permanent space is the ultimate goal.)
- Potential methods of funding for a supervisor and operations include: grants and as part of the Philipstown Rec program

APPROVE ADVERTISING FOR SEASONAL LABORER POSITION

Mayor Merandy made a motion to approve advertising for the position; the ads have already been published. Trustee Voloto seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

JUNIOR FIRE ACADEMY GRADUATION CELEBRATION

The graduation will be held on 7-27-18 at 5pm at the fire house and on Church Street.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board received a request for a block party on Church St on Sunday September 2, 2018. Concern was expressed about holding this event on Labor Day weekend. Consideration of the request was tabled pending submission of an alternate date.

The Board received a request from Gretchen Dykstra requesting modification of permitted hours of operation for construction in the Village. Trustee Early made a motion not to change the Village Code. Mayor Merandy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board received a request from Marianne Sutton and David Watson requesting waiver of fees for late payment of taxes. Mayor Merandy made a motion to grant the waiver. Trustee Miller seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board received a request from Stephen McCorkle to remove a fallen tree branch in front of his house. Mayor Merandy noted that this has already been taken care of by the Highway Department.

The Board received a request from George and Jamie Schuler requesting a waiver of Water and Sewer late payment fees. Mayor Merandy made a motion to grant the waiver. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board received a letter from Boscobel requesting a letter to support a grant application. Mayor Merandy made a motion to write the requested letter. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Trustee Miller made a motion to approve Batch #4709 in the amount of \$250,080.08. Mayor Merandy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None**ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Early made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Merandy seconded and the motion passed unanimously at 8:45pm.

Submitted by: M. Mell

Mayor David Merandy

Date