

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

**Workshop Meeting
9-4-18**

The Village of Cold Spring Board of Trustees held a workshop meeting at the Cold Spring Village Hall, 85 Main Street on Tuesday September 4, 2018 at 7:30 pm. Present were: Mayor Merandy and Trustees Marie Early, Frances Murphy, Steve Voloto and Trustee Miller.

RESOLUTION #23-2018 AMENDING EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PACKAGE

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Cold Spring desires to make certain revisions to the Employee Benefit Package; and

WHEREAS, the Employee Benefit Package shall apply to all employees who are not otherwise party to a collective bargaining agreement; and

WHEREAS, the new Employee Benefit Package intends to make revisions to the existing Employee Benefit Package, including, but not limited to, the addition of a section addressing Probation Periods ; and

WHEREAS, after analysis and discussion, the Trustees of the Village of Cold Spring have determined that it would be in the best interest of the Village to amend the Employee Benefit Package that was effective June 1, 2017 and most recently amended on August 14, 2018

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby:

RESOLVED, that the addition of this section to the Employee Benefit Package, attached hereto as Exhibit A, shall be effective as of September 4, 2018 for all eligible employees.

Mayor Merandy moved the foregoing resolution which was seconded by Trustee Miller.

On roll call vote:

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

Resolution officially adopted by a vote of 5-0-0-0

UPDATE ON BIKE DAY

Mayor Merandy noted that:

- Jason and the committee have complied with all Village requests

- A crossing guard will be required at Academy and Main Streets from 9am to noon

Mayor Merandy made a motion to approve the Bike Day route. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

REQUEST TO SET UP A TABLE ON MAIN STREET BY GREEN MOUNTAIN ENERGY

David Baumann of Green Mountain Energy (GME) has written to request permission to set up a table on Main Street (in front of Kismet) one day of each weekend until Thanksgiving of this year. The stated purpose of the table is informational and the letter states that “no money is exchanged.” Mr. Baumann appeared before the Board.

During the discussion it was noted that:

- The table would be small with only one person
- Proposed hours, subject to Board approval, would be 10am to 5pm
- The purpose of the table is to make residents aware of wind and solar energy sources available through GME.
- Trustee Voloto noted the Village already participates in a CCA, which allows residents to elect their energy sources
- GME does not participate in this or any CCA
- GME currently has a presence at the Cold Spring Farmers Market where, they state, numerous people sign up for their service
- Board members expressed concern about sidewalk overcrowding, especially on weekends
- Board members expressed concern that potential consumers may be misled by the fact that although GME is a “green” enterprise, it is owned by a coal and oil company
- Board members expressed concern that residents may be confused and assume GME is part of the CCA (that the Village participates in)
- Mayor Merandy expressed concern that, if GME’s request is granted, it would set a precedent about for-profit agencies soliciting on Main Street

On a voice vote of 1-4 the Board declined GME’s request

REQUEST FOR PHOTO SHOOT

Rachel Cohen of 519 Productions has filed a film permit application for a photography shoot in the village on 9-7-18 (rain date 9-8-18). During the discussion it was noted that:

- The rain date is a Saturday, which is typically a busy day in the village, and is not acceptable
- Location of the trailer may cause traffic congestion
- Though the application does not request a police present, board members believe police should be present
- There is concern about loss of parking spaces (caused by the trailer and other vehicles)
- Applicant will be required to pay:
 - \$1,000 permit fee

- \$50 application fee
- \$300 expedited application fee
- Costs for police

Mayor Merandy made a motion to grant the application subject to submission of an alternate rain day and completion of the application. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

BOARD BUSINESS

Mayor Merandy gave a “shout out” to the volunteers who recently replaced the fence at Tot’s Park and the volunteers who removed the fallen tree from the lawn at St. Mary’s.

Trustee Murphy noted there will be a brush pick up by the highway department on 9-5-18.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Merandy made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Early seconded and the motion passed unanimously at 8:03pm.

Submitted by: M. Mell

Mayor David Merandy

Date