

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

**Trustees Monthly Meeting  
6-11-19**

The Village of Cold Spring Board of Trustees held its monthly meeting at the Cold Spring Village Hall, 85 Main Street on Tuesday June 11, 2019 at 7:30 pm. Present were: Mayor David Merandy and Trustees Marie Early, Lynn Miller, Frances Murphy . Trustee Steve Voloto was absent.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

In a written report, Officer in Charge Larry Burke reported for the month of May 2019 that:

- There were 76 calls for service
- There were 76 tickets issued
- There was one arrest for driving with a suspended license

**MONTLY REPORTS**

Recreation Commission - none

Planning Board – none

Zoning Board of Appeals

In a written report for May 2019 the ZBA noted that:

- The public hearing for 21 Parsonage remains open. The application requests variances for lot size, parking, side and front yard setbacks.
- Variances were granted for lot coverage and rear setback for a shed at 5 Railroad St.

Town of Philipstown

Judy Farrell noted that during the month of May:

- Narcan training is available for Town residents
- Town Board passed a resolution against the Danskammer project
- A public hearing will be held on 6-20-19 at 7:30pm at the old VFW regarding the Hudson Highlands Preserve. The developer plans 25 lots near Horton Road
- Advertising has been placed for an additional building inspector
- Bids are out for renovation of the Town Hall

Historic District Review Board - none

Cold Spring Fire Company - none

Tree Advisory Board (TAB) - none

### Code Update Committee

In a written report for the month of May the CUC noted that:

- No additional written comments were received by the May 3 deadline for the 4<sup>th</sup> public meeting and that meeting is now considered closed
- CUC reviewed all code chapters for consistency and clarity, which are two topics for Phase 5. Recommended changes have been noted and submitted to the Board of Trustees for comment
- CUC will meet in July to review the full set of recommended to the Village code and VBOT comments. A schedule for the remaining activities will be developed.
- The recommended changes have been circulated to all the Village boards
- The May NYSERDA conference call was conducted and no issues were raised by NYSERDA. NYSERDA accepted the CUC submission for the 4<sup>th</sup> public meeting.

### **WATER DEPARTMENT**

Water & Wastewater Superintendent Gregory Phillips noted that for the month of May 2019:

- The reservoir is at 100% capacity
- Flow to system is 7.54MG/243/day
- 2018 flow to system was 7.87MG/254/day representing a 4.2% decrease
- Annual Drinking Water Quality Report has been delivered to Village residents
- The process analyzer for chlorine residual failed. It has been replaced by department staff which saved \$3,400 over the cost of the unit.
- There is nothing new to report regarding the Catskill DEP project

### **WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT**

Water & Wastewater Superintendent Gregory Phillips noted that for the month of May 2019:

- Plant inflow was 8.46 million gallons
- Average daily flow was 273K gallons
- Biochemical Oxygen Demand: 95% removal
- Total Suspended Solids: 97% removal
- Summary reports and video discs from the April cleaning and inspection project have been received and will be forwarded to Pittingaro & Doetsch for review
- Three pilot studies for dewatering the sludge at the Waste Water Treatment Plant have been conducted. Pittingaro & Doetsch were present for those tests and will prepare a summary and conceptual design for Board consideration. The “cake” produced by these machines averages 18% solids, compared with the <1% solids currently hauled from the facility.

### **BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

In a written report the department noted that for the month of May 2019:

- 8 new building permit application were received
- 6 building permits were issued

- 1 operating permit was issued
- 0 dumpster permits were issued
- 4 Certificates of Occupancy were issued
- 3 record searches were completed
- 2 complaints were received
- 1 referral to the HDRB was made
- 0 referrals to the ZBA were made
- 0 referrals to the PB were made
- \$1050 in application and permit fees were collected
- \$225 in record search fees were collected
- \$0 in other fees were collected

### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

In a written report Crew Chief Robert Downey noted that during the month of May 2019:

- 54.72 tons of garbage were picked up
- 17.49 tons of recyclables were picked up
- On Orchard, Church and Pine Streets sidewalks were pulled, stumps ground down and new sidewalks poured.
- A new replacement downspout was installed on the West subway building
- Garbage cans on Main Street and the Dock were washed
- A new bed liner was installed and painted for the 2019 Ford F-350
- The 2003 International truck was brought to Hatfield Brothers to repair a thrown fan clutch and hub assembly

### **JUSTICE COURT**

In a written report Village Justice Costello noted that for the month of May 2019:

- \$4,250 in fines, forfeited bails and civil penalties were collected
- \$1,585 in parking fines were collected
- \$105 in civil fees were collected
- \$2,463 mandatory state surcharges were collected
- There were 0 PL charges
- There were 46 VTL charges
- There was 1 CIV charge
- There was 1 V/O charge

### **REPORT OF MAYOR AND TRUSTEES - none**

### **DISCUSSION ON RECYCLING**

Trustee Murphy and Highway Department Chief Robert Downey briefed the Board, noting that:

- Costs for recycling over the past year have risen from \$36.66/ton to \$84.93/ton

- Cost for mixed paper (newspaper and cardboard) would be \$20-25/ton
- Cost for comingled, glass and plastic, would be \$70/ton
- Village averages 20 tons/month, which could yield a \$9,000 annual savings
- Grants monies are available for education and covered containers
- The two different recyclable streams could be collected on alternate weeks, but no action is expected before early 2020
- All recyclables must be clean in order to be accepted
- Different vendors will be investigated
- Eventually the Village would like to separate paper and cardboard
- The Main Street containers are difficult, if not impossible, to recycle.
- Very few municipalities do their own recycling
- Keeping cardboard dry is difficult and wet cardboard costs more
- Many may resist every other week recycling and will just throw things out
- Alternate week recyclable pick up will not increase the number of truck trips

#### **CCA UPDATE**

- Mayor Merandy has spoken with Joule regarding community outreach. A session will be held on 6-17-19 at the Cold Spring Fire Company.
- Letters have gone out to village residents
- Central Hudson is only the conduit for electricity, not the supplier

#### **APPROVE HIRING OF NEW WATER/WASTEWATER SUPERINTENDENT**

Mayor Merandy made a motion to hire Matt Kroog as Water and Waste Water Superintendent to replace Greg Phillips (whose last day will be 7-26-19). Trustee Early seconded and the motion passed 4-0-0-1.

Kroog's overall compensation will be \$90,000. The breakdown of the compensation (salary/stipend) discussed at a future meeting.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Village received a letter from Michael Manning from the NYSDOT in response to Mayor Merandy's correspondence regarding installation of a traffic light to facilitate pedestrian crossing on Rte 9D between Chestnut Ridge and the Butterfield complex. The letter acknowledges receipt of the Mayor's letter but cautions that "it may take a while before we review this matter."

The Village received a letter from the law offices of Lorenzo Angelino requesting Village approval of the liquor license for The Cro'Nest at 15 Main St. The board tabled consideration of the request.

#### **RESOLUTION 14-2019 OPPOSING THE DANSKAMMER BUILD OUT PROPOSAL**

This matter was tabled.

**APPROVE \$410.14 CREDIT FOR SEWER USAGE CHARGES FOR 12 BENEDICT ROAD**

Mayor Merandy made a motion to grant the credit. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed 4-0-0-1.

**REQUEST TO PURCHASE VILLAGE-OWNED PROPERTY AT 15 MAIN ST.**

Mayor Merandy made a motion to approve the sale of approximately 59SF of Village property to allow construction of an entry stair. Trustee Early seconded and the motion passed 4-0-0-1.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Trustee Miller made a motion to approve Batch #5144 in the amount of \$25,927.16 (FY2018-19). Mayor Merandy seconded and the motion passed 4-0-0-1.

Trustee Miller made a motion to approve Batch #5143 in the amount of \$15,797.46 (FY2019-20). Mayor Merandy seconded and the motion passed 4-0-0-1.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Review of the 5-28-19 minutes was tabled

Mayor Merandy made a motion to adopt the minutes of the 6-4-19 Board meeting. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed 4-0-0-1.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

John Sherer asked whether a geese deterrent system (using yellow caution tape) could be installed at Mayor's Park in advance of the Craft Beer Festival. The Board directed him to coordinate with Bruce Campbell. He also asked whether the entire length of Fair St. could be made one-way for the duration of the event. Upon the advice of OIC Burke, the Board denied this request. He also asked whether signs could be attached to the fence. The Board gave permission, noting the signs will have to have wind-cuts.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Merandy made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion was passed 4-0-0-1 at 8:48pm

Submitted by: M. Mell

---

Mayor David Merandy

Date