

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Westhampton Beach held a Regular Meeting on Thursday January 7, 2021 at 5 p.m. via Zoom video conferencing.

PRESENT: Mayor Maria Z. Moore
Deputy Mayor Ralph Urban
Trustee Stephen Frano
Trustee Rob Rubio
Trustee Brian Tymann

Clerk-Treasurer Elizabeth Lindtvit
Village Attorney – Stephen Angel

RESOLUTIONS

Accept minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting

Motion made by Trustee Tymann:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting of December 3, 2020 are hereby accepted.

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Urban and unanimously approved 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

Accept Departmental reports

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Urban:

RESOLVED, that the Treasurer's Report for November 2020 and the Police Department's, Building Inspector's and Justice Court reports for December 2020 are hereby accepted.

Seconded by Trustee Frano and unanimously approved 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

Schedule 2021 General Village Election

Motion made by Trustee Frano:

RESOLVED, that the General Election of the Village of Westhampton Beach, New York shall be held on Friday, June 18, 2021 at the Village Hall, 165 Mill Road, Westhampton Beach, New York between the hours of 12 p.m. noon to 9 p.m. prevailing time, and the offices to be filled are:

Trustees Two (2) for a term of two (2) years

Seconded by Trustee Tymann and unanimously approved 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

Approve 2021 Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement

Motion made by Trustee Tymann:

RESOLVED, that the proposal submitted by Johnson Electrical Construction Corporation for the 2021 traffic signal maintenance at a cost of \$725.00 per month is hereby accepted.

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Urban and Unanimously approved 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

Approve 2021–2022 Real Property Tax Exemptions

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Urban:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby approve the taxpayers below to receive aged exemptions, disabilities with limited income exemptions, clergy exemptions, Veterans exemptions and volunteer ambulance/firefighter exemptions as indicated for the 2021/22 tax year.

Seconded by Trustee Frano and unanimously approved 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

Approve Warrant for January 2021

Motion made by Trustee Frano:

RESOLVED, that the warrant for January 2021 in the amount of \$358,549.04 for the General Fund and \$40,849.17 for the Capital Fund is hereby approved.

Seconded by Trustee Tymann and unanimously approved 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

Schedule Village Tax Lien Sale – March 16, 2021

Motion made by Trustee Tymann:

WHEREAS, from the accounts of unpaid taxes heretofore returned by the Treasurer of the Village of Westhampton Beach, New York, to this Board for the tax year 2020-2021, the taxes still remain due and unpaid after due notice and demand on each of the property owners for the payment of said taxes,

WHEREAS, no action has been commenced to recover said unpaid taxes and no sale, on account of said taxes, has heretofore been held pursuant to law, and therefore let it be

RESOLVED, that such unpaid taxes shall be collected by the sale for taxes as provided in Title 3 of Article 14 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, as it was in effect on December 31, 1994 pursuant to Article IV of Chapter 161 (Taxation) of the Code of the Village of Westhampton Beach, Chapter 602 of the Laws of 1993, Chapter 154 of the Laws of 2012 and Chapter 512 of the Laws of 2015, and

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution, duly certified by the Clerk, shall be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of this Village with the account, affidavit and certificate of such unpaid taxes, and that the Village Treasurer, upon receiving such an account of unpaid taxes and a certified copy of this resolution is authorized and directed to cause to be published in the official newspaper of the Village once each week for three successive weeks a list of statement of the real estate upon which such taxes are unpaid, as shown in the tax list, with the amount of the tax, a twenty-five dollar (\$25) advertising fee, interest and charges thereon and also a notice that the tax lien for such unpaid taxes will, on a day subsequent to the expiration of said three weeks, to be determined by said Village Treasurer and specified in said notice, be sold at public auction at a place in said Village to be designated by said Village Treasurer, to discharge, the tax, twenty-five dollar (\$25) advertising fee, interest and charges aforesaid, which may be due thereon at the time of such sale, and that said Village Treasurer, at the time and place specified in said notice, proceed with the sale of the tax lien for such unpaid taxes, as above set forth, and continue at the same from day to day until the sale is completed.

RESOLVED, that in all cases where no bid shall be made on a Tax lien so offered for sale for amount sufficient to pay the said tax, fees, interest and charges, the said tax lien shall be deemed to have been sold to and purchased by the said Village of Westhampton Beach, New York.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all remaining unpaid taxes for the year 2020-2021 shall be collected by Public Sale to be held on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 10:30 a.m. in the Office of the Village Clerk-Treasurer and such unpaid taxes be advertised in the Southampton Press issues dated February 25, 2021, March 4, 2021 and March 11, 2021, in accordance with the statutory law.

Seconded by Trustee Rubio and unanimously approved 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

Adopt Suffolk County Multi-jurisdictional Multi-hazard Mitigation Plan

Motion made by Trustee Rubio:

WHEREAS, the Village of Westhampton Beach, with the assistance from Tetra Tech, has gathered information and prepared the Suffolk County Multi-jurisdictional Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Multi-jurisdictional Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Westhampton Beach is a local unit of government that has afforded the citizens an opportunity to comment and provide input in the Plan and the actions in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Westhampton Beach has reviewed the Plan and affirms that the Plan will be updated no less than every five years;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that the Village of Westhampton Beach adopts the Suffolk County Multi-jurisdictional Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan as this jurisdiction’s Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, and resolves to execute the actions in the Plan.

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Urban and unanimously approved 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

Appoint Members of the Community Law Enforcement Review Committee

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Urban:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby ratifies the appointments of Jack King, James LaDu, Suzanne Mensch, George Vickers, Danielle Waskiewicz, Juan Ruiz, Mayor Maria Moore, Trustee Stephen Frano and Police Chief Steven McManus to the Village of Westhampton Beach Community Law Enforcement Review Committee.

Seconded by Trustee Frano and unanimously approved 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

Adopt LL # 1 of 2021

Motion made by Trustee Frano:

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held before the Village Trustees at the Municipal Building, 165 Mill Road, Westhampton Beach, New York, on the 3rd day of December 2020 to amend Chapter 197, entitled “Zoning,” of the Code of the Village of Westhampton Beach; and

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Planning Commission, via correspondence dated January 4, 2021, determined the proposed amendment to be a matter of local determination; and

WHEREAS, the Building & Zoning Department has found the proposed amendment to be a Type II action under 6 NYCRR 617.5 (c)(33) (SEQR) without the need for further environmental review.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that after due deliberation the Board of Trustees of the Village of Westhampton Beach hereby adopts the Local Law as advertised; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Village Clerk is hereby directed to enter said Local Law in the records of the Village, and to give due notice of the adoption of said Local Law to the Secretary of State.

Seconded by Trustee Tymann and unanimously approved 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

Authorize Payment of 2019/20 Assessment Roll Correction

Motion made by Trustee Rubio:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees hereby authorize payment of 2020/21 tax year property tax reduction in the amount of \$4,075.34 to the property owner specified below as a settlement of Small Claims as ordered by the NYS Supreme Court.

Seconded by Trustee Tymann and unanimously approved 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

Mayor Moore explained that the Temporary Outdoor Dining expired in December of 2020, she stated she was receiving comments and questions about extending it further. She asked the Board about extending it, Trustee Tymann stated he had no objections; he agreed it was just an oversight during the holiday time. Mayor Moore explained about certain restrictions during snow and bad weather.

The Mayor posted a draft resolution for approval, Deputy Mayor said he had no objection, Mayor Moore stated that the annual permit needs to be renewed, this does not negate this.

Trustee Tymann made a motion:

RESOLVED, that any permit issued pursuant to the prior resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees on June 9, 2020, as extended, which would have expired on December 15, 2020 is hereby extended to April 15, 2021; and it is further

RESOLVED, that all tables and chairs on Village property will be removed from Village property prior to any impending snow storm, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the temporary permit issued pursuant to the resolution does not negate the Village's requirement that property owners are to file an annual application with the Village for seasonal outdoor seating and dining, and it is further

RESOLVED, that nothing herein shall be deemed to supersede any New York State, Village of Westhampton Beach or federal requirements, including those relating to the Covid-19 pandemic; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the Board of Trustees.

Seconded by Trustee Rubio and unanimously approved 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Moore asked if anyone viewing the meeting wanted to be heard, there being no response she asked for a motion to go into the Executive session, motion made by Deputy Mayor Urban, seconded by Trustee Frano and unanimously approved 4 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Meeting adjourned at 5:24 pm.

Dated: January 7, 2021

**Elizabeth Lindtvit
Village Clerk-Treasurer**