

VILLAGE OF WEST HAMPTON DUNES  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

732 Smithtown Bypass Ste 100 Smithtown NY and Via Zoom January 23, 2023, 7:30pm

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Present: Mayor Gary Vegliante, Trustee John Eff. Trustee Harvey Gessin, Trustee Michael Craig, Trustee Gary Trimarchi Village Clerk-Angela Sadeli Village Attorney Joseph Prokop Village Treasurer Claire Vegliante

Meeting called to order 7:33 pm  
Pledge of Allegiance waved no flag

Mayor:

- 656A Dune Rd- All the diligent work of the employees and Trustees has come to fruition and the Constables are mostly in their new building. The plate reader has been installed which makes the community more protected than it had been in the past. There was one costly modification which was the siding. The village took on the cost as the hard board siding was more in kind with the village and believe it looks more like other homes.
- Tax grievance day is approaching Tuesday February 21, 2023. All grievances must be in by 2/21/23 by 4pm for consideration. You must prove that the amount you are asking for in relief warrants a change.
- NYCOM Winter Legislative meeting will be held in Albany February 5-8<sup>th</sup>. The Governor is trying to put forth an initiative to take over local zoning but the Mayor does not believe it will be passed.
- Building Inspector-John Mcalary has been taking all of the courses to become the Code Enforcement Officer for the village. He has been acting in the role in some capacity as Bob Kalfur has been out due to illness and surgery. John has been taking the courses and receiving high grades of almost 100 on every test. John will be taking over Bob's position and Bob will consult when needed.

Trustees:

- Trustee John Eff- Working with Molloy sustainability on getting another grant for the village. Needs a summary of new equipment in the new Constabulary.
- Trustee Michael Craig-VID-There is communication with Aram regarding the permitting for the next phase of the VID . Aram has spoken to all of the homeowners and the Army Corp and DOS have signed off. Aram and his team are doing everything they can to get the permits in place. DEC & Southampton Town have not worked with us.

Treasurer:

- NYCLASS-Deposit made on 1/10/23 and invested 900k of the general fund and 670k of the beach renourishment fund. Made \$1900 in interest in 10 days. This will be a great source of revenue for the village
- The audit is scheduled for 2/6/23
- The budgeting process will be begin in March. Departments will start to send their budgets in beginning march.

Constables:

- Mostly in the new building at 656A Dune Rd. The move should be complete by 4/1/23. Working with the village office to facilitate a cleaning of the new building as there is a lot of construction

dust. There will be a transition to the new building as the old building houses lots of village documents that need to be sorted through. The cameras were installed on the two polls outside the building and are up and running. PESH meeting on 2/15/23 with Sgt. Turner.

Attorney:

- Department of State is still asking questions regarding projects within the village regarding homes and the number of floors within the home. They seem to have dropped the issue with the propane tanks for the time being.
- The Governor is introducing in to her budget a bill for the MTRA for the lower portion of NY State. Our village will fall into the lower requirements because we are not close enough to the MTA.
- Town of Southampton since 2004 has claimed 100% Valuation and claims that they keep up with the assessment of all of the homes within the town. The last year or two they have said the equalization rate is less therefore decreasing the valuation. They may be doing a town wide reassessment in the next few years. The town hired a new company to perform the assessment and will increase when the reassessment takes place.
- Continuing to work with Bob as the Senior Building Inspector to the village but has been working with John Mcalary and he is very knowledgeable and a pleasure to work with.

Public Comment:

- Residents commented that during the storm debris in the village and substantial erosion. They are interested in the VID and were instructed to reach out to neighbors.
- Resident comment on when the Army Corp replenishment end. Mayor advised that there is one more renourishment and possibly another than FIMP will take over but then the village will need to contribute. Our renourishment should be next fall or the following Spring.
- Resident questioned what will happen to 914 Dune Rd-Police Constabulary building. The resident was advised that it still houses many village records and that it will take a long time to sort through. Also, we will be using it to host our board meetings, both Trustee and ZBA. Additionally, the Building Inspector will be using it to do work when needed to meet with contractors within the village to view site plans.
- Resident is inquiring about building within the village and also the subdivisions of properties on the bayside. Resident was advised the lawsuit was settled and that building can resume on the bayside properties that were included in it.

- Motion to approve the claim vouchers by the Board of Trustees

Motion by Harvey Gessin

Second by Michael Crain

All in favor: Yes

None opposed

- Motion to adopt a resolution waiving of the reading of the minutes of the November & December 2022 meeting

Motion by Harvey Gessin

Second by John Eff Jr.

All in favor: Yes

None opposed

- Motion to adopt a resolution to set Tax Grievance day for 2.21.23

Motion by John Eff Jr.

Second by Michael Craig

All in favor: Yes  
None opposed

- Motion to adopt a resolution for the Mayor to attend the NYCOM Legislative meeting in Albany from February 5-8<sup>th</sup> 2023

Motion by Michael Craig  
Second by Harvey Gessin  
All in favor: Yes  
None opposed.

- Motion to approve a resolution to appoint John Mcalary as the new part time Code Enforcement Officer for the Village of West Hampton Dunes

Motion by Harvey Gessin  
Second by John Eff Jr.  
All in favor: Yes  
None opposed

- Motion to set a Planning Board hearing for the next meeting date in February at 7:30 pm on an application for 772 Dune Rd West Hampton dunes

Motion by Harvey Gessin  
Second by Michael Craig.  
All in favor: Yes  
None opposed

- Motion to go in to Executive Session at 8:23pm

Motion by Harvey Gessin  
Second by Michael Craig.  
All in favor: Yes  
None opposed

- Motion to exit Executive Session at 8:39pm

Motion by Harvey Gessin  
Second by Michael Craig.  
All in favor: Yes  
None opposed

Motion to close a public meeting 8:241 pm

Motion by Harvey Gessin  
Second by Michael Craig  
All in favor: Yes  
None opposed