

A Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, NY was held on Tuesday, January 18, 2011 at the Municipal Building, Van Wyck Street, Croton-on-Hudson, NY 10520.

The following officials were present:

Mayor Wiegman	Trustee Gallelli
Village Manager Zambrano	Trustee Murtaugh
Village Attorney Staudt	Trustee Schmidt
Treasurer Bullock	Trustee Olver - absent

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Wiegman called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. Everyone joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Trustee Gallelli made a motion to approve the vouchers as follows, subject to review by the Audit Committee. The motion was seconded by Trustee Murtaugh and approved with a vote of 4-0 with one absent.

General Fund	\$ 29,976.99
Water Fund	3,554.84
Sewer Fund	365.69
Capital Account	36,408.02
Trust & Agency	4,300.99
Total	\$ 74,606.53

3. PRESENTATION: Mayor Wiegman read the following memo from Treasurer Bullock:

To: Mayor Wiegman
Village Board of Trustees
Village of Croton-on-Hudson Residents
From: Treasurer Bullock
Date: January 13, 2011

In conclusion to my midyear review of the 2010/11 fiscal budget, I am happy to report that the Village of Croton-on-Hudson seems to be right on target for midyear. There are few expense and revenue accounts where year end actual amounts may come in over adopted budget as follows:

Expenditure accounts:
Legal and unemployment taxes

Revenue accounts:
Marina & dock fees and

Based on prior year actual comparison, it looks as though the Village should exceed the budget amount for Westchester County Sales Tax

As long as village management continues to be conservative with their spending for the remainder of this fiscal year and the net result of the expense/revenue accounts noted above, any minor short falls on any revenue accounts will not impact the fiscal year budget results.

Discussion: Mayor Wiegman stated that this year we do not need to take a mid-year course correction as was done last year.

4. PUBLIC HEARING:

Trustee Murtaugh made a motion to open the Public Hearing to consider a special permit for a mixed use occupancy building at 383 South Riverside Ave. Trustee Schmidt seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0 with one absent.

Public comment: none

Trustee Murtaugh made a motion to close the Public Hearing, second by Trustee Gallelli. Vote: 4-0 with one absent.

Discussion: Trustee Murtaugh stated that this is a step forward for South Riverside; he is looking forward to the improvement and development of that building and development of Mr. Tsagarakis' ideas; as a member of the WAC, he has been privy to some of the concepts and knows that it will be an improvement.

On motion of TRUSTEE Schmidt, seconded by TRUSTEE Gallelli the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York with a vote of 4-0 with one absent:

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees has received a special permit application for a mixed use occupancy building at 383 South Riverside Avenue; and

WHEREAS, this matter has been referred to the Planning Board for its recommendation and review; and

WHEREAS, this matter has been referred to the Waterfront Advisory Committee for a recommendation of consistency; and

WHEREAS, in its November 30, 2010 memo to the Village Board of Trustees, the Planning Board has recommended the issuance of the special permit; and

WHEREAS, the Waterfront Advisory Committee issued a preliminary review of consistency in its memo dated October 19, 2010 and a final review of consistency in its memo dated December 23, 2010; and

WHEREAS, at the October 4, 2010 Regular Village Board Meeting, the Village Board declared itself Lead Agency;

WHEREAS, at the December 6, 2010 Regular Village Board Meeting, the Village Board, as Lead Agency, issued a negative declaration with respect to this application; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held and closed on January 18, 2011;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Village Board of Trustees hereby approves the Special Permit for a mixed use occupancy building at 383 South Riverside Avenue with the following condition:

1. That the property, structures and facilities be maintained and operated to comply with all applicable provisions of the Property Maintenance Code of New York State.

Discussion: Trustee Gallelli stated that the Planning Board was very receptive to this and it will be a nice and needed improvement. Trustee Schmidt stated that he is not sure of the condition imposed at the end of the resolution and suggested that everyone is supposed to do this; he doesn't know why it was put in there. Village Manager Zambrano replied that the Planning Board requested it be included. Trustee Schmidt stated that this is part of the NYS property maintenance code. Trustee Gallelli added that it doesn't hurt to state the obvious.

Mr. Tsarakis stated that he is excited to be a part of this and it should add a lot; a large amount of young Croton-ites have shown interest in renting. Trustee Murtaugh stated that there are 3 units in a nearby building that have strong rental rates; he should have no problem renting and wished Mr. Tsarakis good luck.

5. CORRESPONDENCE:

Village Manager Zambrano read the following correspondence (full text available at the Village Office):

- a) A letter from Richard Kingham, thanking the DPW for keeping the streets clean during another snow storm. Village Manager Zambrano stated that he has received similar calls and emails thanking the DPW staff for their good work. Trustee Murtaugh stated that on the Sunday after Christmas, Tom Brann was plowing the road by the train station; when Mr. Murtaugh left his house at 6:15 am the next morning, Tom Brann was still plowing on Benedict Blvd.; our roads were well plowed.
- b) A notice from Sandra Galef, Assemblywoman, regarding a forum on Financing Education through Income Taxes which will be held on Thursday, February 10th in Garrison, NY.
- c) A notice from Sandra Galef, Assemblywoman, regarding Town Meetings, one of which will be held in the Croton Free Library on Saturday, February 5th from 10-noon.
- d) A notice from Robert Hoch, Director, Government Affairs, Cablevision, regarding Unreturned Equipment Fee Adjustments

6. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (agenda items):
none

7. APPROVED RESOLUTIONS:

- a. On motion of TRUSTEE Gallelli, seconded by TRUSTEE Schmidt, the following resolution was adopted with a 4-0 vote with one absent by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York:

WHEREAS, on September 10, 2010 ELQ Industries was awarded the bid for the cold milling and paving work to be done on Batten Road, Grand Street, Wood Road and the Merwin Oak Parking lot; and

WHEREAS, the bid was for \$192,060; and

WHEREAS, Alexander Lane had been scheduled to be paved in 2012 but because of the favorable unit pricing in the bid it was decided to take advantage of the unit prices and pave Alexander Lane under this contract; and

WHEREAS, it was also determined that an additional 13 feet of paved swale on Grand Street was needed to be paved; and

WHEREAS, ELQ Industries has provided the Village with a change order in the amount of \$47,640.86 which is based upon the unit prices in the contract,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Village Manager is hereby authorized to sign the change order from ELQ Industries in the amount of \$47,640.86 for the paving of Alexander Lane and in increase in the paving amount at Grand Street.

8. PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS:

- a. On motion of TRUSTEE Schmidt, seconded by TRUSTEE Gallelli, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York with a vote of 4-0 with one absent:

WHEREAS; the Village is year two of a grant from the U.S. Department of Health Human Service and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration under the Drug Free Community Support Program; and

WHEREAS, Student Assistance Services Corporation will be providing services as part of the grant program; and

WHEREAS, Student Assistance Services Corporation has provided a contract for the services this agency will provide to the Village under the grant program; and

WHEREAS, the contract costs will not exceed \$16,000 of which the entire amount will be reimbursed under the grant program,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Village Manager is authorized to execute the contract with Student Assistance Services Corporation for an amount not to exceed \$16,000.

- b. On motion of TRUSTEE Gallelli, seconded by TRUSTEE Schmidt, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York with a vote of 4-0 with one absent:

WHEREAS, the contract with Community Markets to provide a weekly farmers market within the Village expired on December 31, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Community Markets has provided an updated contract whereby Community Markets will pay to the Village \$75 per week for the use of Village property; and

WHEREAS, the Farmers Market will be held on Wednesday afternoons at the Village Municipal Place property from June 1, 2011 until November 23, 2011,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Village Manager is hereby authorized to sign the farmer's market agreement with Community Markets for the period of January 18, 2011 through December 31, 2013.

Discussion: Trustee Murtaugh stated that \$75. per week may not sound like a lot of money, but this is for 20 weeks, several hours per week and it is a fair amount; we no longer use the police for parking and traffic control; there has been no traffic incidents as far as he knows; he is in support of the farmers market. Trustee Schmidt stated that he received information from Miriam Haas about who shops there and where they come from; he believes it is a benefit to the community; she is working on bringing other local businesses into the fold; the trickle down effect is huge; a farmers market in the community builds community; it is important in our economy to keep the money in the local community. Trustee Gallelli stated that she agrees with Trustee Schmidt; there was a survey that asked what people liked about the farmers market and one was the social aspect; attendance has increased 20% over the first year; they did contribute the first year when they recognized the Village had to pay some additional police costs. Mayor Wiegman suggested taking some of the highlights of the data and put together in an information packet for residents; it began as a pilot program and the agreement before us is for a 2 year period which gives a longer time frame for planning and collaboration. Trustee Murtaugh thanked Trustees Gallelli and Schmidt for their having gotten this started.

Ms. Haas stated that she made a note in the report that many villages want to start new businesses and the Croton Farmers Market was successful in that vein; Baked by Susan started a business after showing her baked goods at the Farmers Market. Ms. Haas stated also that she thinks everything was fine without having the police showing people where to enter and exit, but the police presence did show there was activity; it was a good year even though it was hot, they may consider putting up a tent for everyone.

c. On motion of TRUSTEE Gallelli, seconded by TRUSTEE Schmidt, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York with a vote of 4-0 with one absent:

WHEREAS, Webcasting.com, the company that has been providing webcasting services to the Village, was purchased by the Granicus, Inc. in August of 2010; and

WHEREAS, Granicus has been providing webcasting services to the Village since that time;
and

WHEREAS, Granicus is now able to offer additional functionality with its webstreaming
services; and

WHEREAS, Granicus has provided a new contract with the Village outlining the additional
functionality in Appendix A of the contract and keeping the price the same as under the
Webcasting contract,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Village Manager is hereby authorized to
sign the contract with Granicus Inc. for webstreaming services at a cost of \$275 per meeting
subject to approval by the Village Attorney.

Discussion: Village Manager Zambrano stated that in addition, they will be able to
automatically post meetings the next morning and they will be posting the agenda which will
tie in with the new agenda software; Granicus has a more advanced system.

d. On motion of Trustee Schmidt, seconded by Trustee Murtaugh, the following resolution
was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York with a
vote of 4-0 with one absent:

WHEREAS, the Treasurer has analyzed the 2010/11 year to date budget and recommends the
following budget transfers as detailed below,

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Village Treasurer is authorized to make the
following amendments to the 2010/11 budget to reflect these changes:

GENERAL FUND

INCREASE

Dept	Item	Amount
A1230	4500	1,900.00
A1355	4000	15.00
A1420	4000	20,300.00
A1420	4010	3,100.00
A1450	1200	150.00
A1640	1200	1,200.00
A1920	4000	850.00
A3120	4000	1,100.00
A3120	4500	6,500.00
A3120	4730	150.00
A3310	1000	3,500.00
A3310	1200	165.00
A3410	1000	500.00
A3410	1200	1,700.00
A3410	8000	19,800.00

A4540	1200	305.00
A4540	4000	1,700.00
A5010	1100	2,100.00
A5010	4500	285.00
A5110	4710	3,300.00
A5140	1000	18,900.00
A5140	1100	800.00
A5140	1200	10.00
A5142	1000	600.00
A5182	1000	7,600.00
A5183	1000	159,000.00
A5650	4500	1,000.00
A5650	4600	180.00
A7550	1200	12,000.00
A7610	1200	50.00
A8090	1000	110,000.00
A8090	4700	1,500.00
A8140	1000	50,400.00
A8140	1200	700.00
A8140	4700	85.00
A8160	1000	83,000.00
A8170	1000	27,000.00
A8560	1000	39,000.00
A8560	4210	100.00
A9050	8000	22,000.00
Total Increases		\$ 602,545.00

DECREASE

A1650	4500	1,900.00
A1355	4200	15.00
A1450	4000	150.00
A1990	4000	45,400.00
A3120	4200	7,750.00
A3410	2000	2,200.00
A3410	8030	19,800.00
A4540	4110	2,005.00
A5110	1000	522,095.00
A5650	4200	1,180.00
A7610	4000	50.00
Total Decreases		\$ 602,545.00

WATER FUND

INCREASE

Dept	Item	Amount
F1650	4000	1,700.00
F1910	4000	2,300.00

F1920	4000	300.00
F1950	4000	4,700.00
F8310	1000	23,000.00
F8310	1200	700.00
F8320	1000	18,000.00
F8340	1100	2,200.00
F8340	4210	50.00
F9060	8040	150.00
Total Increases		\$ 53,100.00

DECREASE

F1990	4000	9,200.00
F8340	1000	43,900.00
Total Decreases		\$ 53,100.00

SEWER FUND

INCREASE

Dept	Item	Amount
G1950	4000	3,300.00
G9040	8000	15.00
Total Increases		\$ 3,315.00

DECREASE

G1990	4000	3,315.00
Total Decreases		\$ 3,315.00

e. On motion of TRUSTEE Murtaugh, seconded by TRUSTEE Gallelli, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York with a vote of 4-0 with one absent:

WHEREAS, the Village Board would like to amend Section 197-15 of Chapter 197 of the Village Code in order to clarify the provision of the requirements of snow removal; and

WHEREAS, Local Law Introductory No. 1 of 2011 has been drafted to reflect this change;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Village Board of Trustees hereby calls for a Public Hearing to consider Local Law Introductory No. 1 of 2011 on February 7, 2011 at 8pm in the meeting room of the Stanley H. Kellerhouse Municipal Building.

Discussion: Trustee Gallelli stated that this has a lot to do with clarification for property owners who have sidewalks on more than one side of their property. Trustee Murtaugh added that it is also a clarification of what is Village responsibility and what is homeowners responsibility and also it re-establishes what the rights of the Village are for homeowners

who choose to not clean their sidewalks; having them come to court in May for a snow violation makes no sense, having the sidewalk cleaned and send a bill makes more sense. Trustee Schmidt stated that the Village has spent a lot of money over the years on the sidewalk replacement program to get safe sidewalks for our children to get to school; there are a couple of areas which will be looked at to see if they can change the direction of the snow plowing. He added that residents can use ashes on their sidewalks; it works great on the public sidewalk area and is good for your lawn.

9. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (non-agenda items):
none

10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Trustee Gallelli made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on January 4, 2011 as corrected. Trustee Schmidt seconded the motion. The Board voted approval 3-0 with one absent and Trustee Murtaugh abstaining.

Trustee Murtaugh made a motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Session held on November 22, 2010. Trustee Gallelli seconded the motion. The Board voted approval 4-0 with one absent.

Trustee Murtaugh made a motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Session held on December 6, 2011. Trustee Schmidt seconded the motion. The Board voted approval 4-0 with one absent.

Trustee Gallelli made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on January 10, 2011. Trustee Schmidt seconded the motion. The Board voted approval 4-0 with one absent.

11. REPORTS:

Village Manager Zambrano reported that if residents have any problems with Con Ed, please call them directly. He asked that in the winter, please shovel your driveway and sidewalks; he has had several residents complain about sidewalks not shoveled and the Village may have to do more enforcement

Trustee Schmidt stated that since the parking lots are used by a lot of people to get their cars off the street, please park in one row so the plow can efficiently plow the lot; perhaps a letter should be sent to those parked unevenly. Trustee Schmidt reported that the Business Council is having a meeting on January 26th - 6 pm to 9 pm and the meeting is open to any business in Croton. He asked that residents please shop locally, snow events do not help businesses and local businesses have to make that money up; perhaps call a local deli for party provisions; new businesses have opened in the Village and it is helping; he can see the process turning around. Trustee Schmidt reported that the CAC has scheduled Earth Day for April 30th and they will have food vendors. Trustee Schmidt stated that EagleFest will be held on February 5th; eagles migrate from Canada and we are actually colder than Canada right now, that's why the migration is late this year.

Trustee Gallelli reported that Eagle Fest is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 5th from 9am to 4 pm; the snow day is Feb.6th ; there will be all kinds of activities and they have had up to 4,000 people attend; there will be five bird shows, exhibits, several eagle viewing locations, all sponsored by different organizations; there is a lot of collective effort on this; they will have several bus tours to the eagle sites; educators will be on the bus; the event is free, but they would like a donation of \$3.00; the bus tours are \$20 and need an advance reservation; the bird shows are \$5.00; www.teatown.org has more information. Trustee Gallelli reported that the Village is saying goodbye this week to Sylvia Mills, who has been the Planning Board Secretary and works in the Engineers Office; this is her last week; she is retiring. Trustee Gallelli reported that Village Historian Joyce Finnerty passed away a year ago and a plaque has been created for the Joyce O. Finnerty History Museum; dedication will be held on Monday at 3 pm and all are welcome to attend.

Trustee Murtaugh reported that the consultants' report on the rehab of the Duck Pond is in; Village Engineer O'Connor has reviewed it and recommendations have been sent to the Duck Pond committee and the CAC; they hope to look forward to good health of and maintaining the Duck Pond

Village Attorney Staudt asked for a brief Executive Session after this meeting for discussion of a real estate matter.

Mayor Wiegman reported that on Jan 29th, Bedford is hosting an event called Energy Action Day, sponsored by over 20 organizations; there will be a full day of workshops with significant emphasis on residential homes; more information can be found at www.bedord220.org ; there is an admission cost. Mayor Wiegman reported that on Monday, Jan. 31st, there will be a 'Board of Boards' summit meeting starting at 7:30 pm in this room; all advisory committees will meet to become aware of each others goals; a reminder will be sent to chairs of the committees. Mayor Wiegman noted that Feb 5th EagleFest is scheduled and for more information, see www.teatown.org . Mayor Wiegman reported that the 9/11 Remembrance Memorial Committee is working to develop a site plan and design for the memorial; Feb 10th we will be taking possession of the piece of steel from the World Trade Center; the site will be somewhere on the Croton Landing waterfront.

Trustee Gallelli made a motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss a matter of real property. Trustee Schmidt seconded the motion; approved with a vote of 4-0 with one absent.

Trustee Murtaugh made a motion to adjourn this meeting; second by Trustee Gallelli, approved with a vote of 4-0 with one absent. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Phyllis A. Bradbury
Phyllis A. Bradbury, Secretary

Village Clerk