

MINUTES OF THE 1163rd MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF KINGS POINT
October 13, 2022
Adopted on November 27th, 2022

The 1163rd meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Kings Point was called to order by Mayor Kouros Torkan at 6:00 p.m. on October 13, 2022, at the Village Hall of the Village of Kings Point, 32 Steppingstone Lane, Kings Point, New York 11024.

PRESENT: Kouros Torkan, Mayor
Hooshang Nematzadeh, Deputy Mayor
Ebi Victory, Trustee
Tedi Kashinejad, Trustee
Ira S. Nesenoff, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Gomie Persaud, Village Clerk-Treasurer
Stephen G. Limmer, Esq., McLaughlin & Stern, LLP,
General Counsel
Michael Moorehead, Superintendent of Highway
Ralph Byers, Public Works Highway Supervisor
Chris Aiossa, Superintendent of the Building Department

ABSENT: None

Mayor Kouros Torkan opened the public hearing on **Bill 24C of 2022**, a local law amending the definition of “Floor Plan” in §161-3, Definitions, of Chapter 161, Zoning, of the Code of the Village of Kings Point. No one asked to be heard and the Mayor closed the public hearing. Upon motion by Trustee Ebi Victory, seconded by Trustee Ira S. Nesenoff, by resolution # **2022-156**, the Board unanimously approved Bill 24C as Local Law **24 of 2022**. A copy of the Local Law is attached to these minutes and on file with the Village Clerk.

Mayor Kouros Torkan opened the public hearing on **Bill 25 of 2022**, a local law amending the provision establishing the Community Benefit Fund in Chapter 137, Subdivision of Land, of the Code of the Village of Kings Point. No one asked to be heard and the Mayor closed the public hearing. Upon motion by Trustee Tedi Kashinejad, seconded by Trustee Ebi Victory, by resolution # **2022-157**, the Board unanimously approved Bill 24 as Local Law **25 of 2022**. A copy of the Local Law is on file with the Village Clerk.

Upon motion by Trustee Tedi Kashinejad, seconded by Trustee Hooshang Nematzadeh, by resolution # **2022-158**, the Board unanimously approved the minutes as presented of the Board of Trustees meetings for September 20, 2022.

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Upon motion by Trustee Ebi Victory, seconded by Trustee Hooshang Nematzadeh, by resolution # **2022-159**, the Board unanimously approved the payment of **audited claims** as follows:

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| a. General Fund: | \$ 402,832.68 |
| b. Trust Fund: | \$ 28,822.11 |
| c. Capital Fund: | \$ 555,664.69 |

Copies of the abstract of claims are on file with the Village Clerk.

Upon motion by Trustee Tedi Kashinejad, seconded by Trustee Hooshang Nematzadeh, by resolution # **2022-160**, the Board unanimously accepted the **Building Department report** for the period of September 2022, showing the total fees deposited of **\$46,062.00** into the General Fund and **\$57,000.00** into the Trust Fund. A copy of the report is on file with the Village Clerk.

Upon motion by Trustee Ira S. Nesenoff, seconded by Trustee Ebi Victory, by resolution # **2022-161**, the Board unanimously accepted the **Village Justice Court report** for the period of September 2022, showing the total fees and surcharges deposited of **\$60,942.00** into the General Fund. A copy of the report is on file with the Village Clerk.

Upon motion by Trustee Hooshang Nematzadeh, seconded by Trustee Tedi Kashinejad, by resolution # **2022-162**, the Board unanimously approved the proposed **Heating and Air Conditioning Preventive Maintenance Service Contract**, for the Village Hall/Police Department from All Seasons, for one year, beginning November 1, 2022, and ending October 31, 2023, for the sum of **\$4,878.50**. A copy of the contract is on file with the Village Clerk.

Upon motion by Trustee Ira S. Nesenoff, seconded by Trustee Ebi Victory, by resolution # **2022-163**, the Board approved Michael Moorehead's request to pay him for his accrued sick and vacation time, total of 35 days (10 sick days and 25 vacation days) so that he can retire in November 2022 instead of December 2022.

At the recommendation of Highway Supervisor Ralph Byers, the Board discussed extending the scope for digital pipeline inspection/heavy cleaning of more of the Village's drainage system based on the price quote it received from Earth Repair. Upon motion by Trustee Ebi Victory, seconded by Trustee Ira S. Nesenoff, by resolution # **2022-164**, the Board unanimously authorized accepting the proposal from Earth Repair at a cost of not to exceed **\$11,400.00**. A copy of the proposal is on file with the Village Clerk.

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Superintendent of Public Works Michael Moorehead informed the Board that Henry Dam, who was previously given a \$7,000.00 increase in his salary that included a \$5,000.00 increase for the Highway Supervisor Title and \$2,000.00 to work on the Police Cars, is requesting to be promoted to Labor Supervisor with a \$3,000.00 increase in salary for the new position, while he continues to work on the Village Police Cars. Superintendent Moorehead recommended granting that request. Upon motion by Trustee Tedi Kashinejad, seconded by Trustee Ebi Victory, by resolution # **2022-165**, the Board unanimously appointed Henry Dam to the position of Labor Supervisor with an increase in compensation at the rate of **\$3,000.00** per year, effective immediately, and the understanding that he will continue to work on the Police Cars.

Upon motion of Trustee Tedi Kashinejad, seconded by Trustee Hooshang Nematzadeh, by resolution #**2022-166**, the Board unanimously accepted the proposal from the village engineers Newport Engineering P.C. to evaluate and design a steel guardrail for the east side of Kings Point Road based on its proposal submitted to Highway Supervisor, Ralph Byers dated September 6, 2022, at a cost of not exceeding **\$4,000.00**. A copy of the proposal is on file with the Village Clerk.

Superintendent of Buildings Chris Aiossa clarified with the Board that if a resident requests a waiver from the Board of Zoning Appeals or the Planning Board, the resident will not be required to submit a deposit with the application. However, if the application is denied and a new case needs to be filed, the resident will be required to submit a deposit with the new application. Accordingly, for clarity, upon motion of Trustee Tedi Kashinejad, seconded by Trustee Hooshang Nematzadeh, by resolution #**2022-167**, the Board unanimously agreed to amend the schedule of fees in the appendix to the Village Code by adding new paragraphs g and h, to subdivision 2, of subsection A, of section A162-1, to read, respectively, as follows:

“(g) On applications for waivers from the Planning Board pursuant to subsection C of section 100-11, no deposit shall be required.”

“(h) On applications for waivers from the Architectural and Preliminary Site Review Board pursuant to section 161-60, no deposit shall be required.”

The Board discussed the banking information submitted by the Village Clerk/Treasurer Gomie Persaud from Wells Fargo Bank, Chase Bank and Metropolitan Bank. Based on the long-standing relationship the Village has with Chase Bank, the Board decided to stay with Chase Bank and authorized the Village Clerk/Treasurer to work with Chase on investing some short-term Certificates of Deposits and upon motion of Trustee Ira S. Nesenoff, seconded by Trustee Ebi Victory by resolution #**2022-168**, the Board unanimously authorized Village Clerk Gomie Persaud to obtain a credit card, with a limit not exceeding \$10,000.00 for Village purchases.

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The Board reviewed the proposal from IT Assessment Review as presented by Payam Kermanian, the chairman of the Enhancement Committee, to provide service to the administrative section of the Village Hall. Upon motion of Trustee Ira S. Nesenoff, seconded by Trustee Ebi Victory by resolution #**2022-169**, the Board unanimously agreed to retain IT Assessment Review to provide IT Service to the Administrative section of the Village Hall at a price of \$3,713.90 per month for 12 months and a one time set up charge of \$3,713.90, subject to receiving a contract approved by the Mayor and Village Counsel.

The Board discussed plans to move forward with the design of a new Department of Public Works facility and authorized Highway Supervisor Ralph Byers to work with the Village Attorney, Stephen Limmer, to prepare a Request for Proposal for Architectural and related professional services and, once approved by the Mayor, distributed by Supervisor Byers to firms he and the Mayor agree upon.

Mayor Kouros Torkan stated that the next meeting of the Board of Trustees would be **November 17, 2022**, commencing at **6:00 p.m.**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:17p.m.

Gomie Persaud
Village Clerk/Treasurer