

VILLAGE OF BELLEROSE
PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR BOARD MEETING
50 Superior Road, Bellerose Village, NY 11001
April 18, 2016
7:30PM

In Attendance:

Mayor Henry J. Schreiber
Deputy Mayor Joseph Juliano
Trustee John Tweedy
Trustee Kenneth Moore
Village Clerk Treasurer Suzanne Tangredi
Village Attorney Richard Handler
Audience: 11

Absent & Excused

Trustee Margaret Hagan

The Mayor opened the regular Board of Trustees Meeting at 7:34PM. He led all in the Pledge of Allegiance. He then asked for a moment of silence for all the Armed Forces and First Responders.

Mayor Schreiber then opened the Public Hearing to enable the Board of Trustees to hear public comment regarding the proposed budget for 2016-2017. An overview of the budget was presented by Mayor Schreiber.

- He stated that he and Trustee Tweedy began working on the budget in February.
- There was a posted review of significant expenses outlined in the budget for everyone to review.
- The original proposed budget called for an increase in the salary of elected officials, but that has been taken out of the revised proposed budget.
- Police coverage in the Village is \$445,000 this year. There is an increase in that line of approximately \$30,000. This cost is passed on to the Village by Nassau County and the Village has no control over it.
- Garbage and refuse collection costs the Village approximately \$213,000 annually.
- The Fire House Bond will cost the Village approximately \$28,000 this year.
- The Hydrant rentals cost the Village approximately \$45,000 annually.
- There is a Tax Certiorari reserve of approximately \$85,000.
- A request for funding of \$100,000 to \$125,000 for capital projects has been made to State through Assemblywoman Solages.
- This budget will have over \$300,000.00 in fund balance. (Approximately 18.4%)
- The Village has incurred some major expenses over the past year. We put a new roof on Village Hall; there was an extensive repair to the pumper on the Fire Truck, and the installation of the Speed Table on Hudson Road. Each of those projects cost approximately \$21,000.
- This budget will represent a 0% tax increase to the Village residents.

Deputy Mayor Juliano opened up the public hearing to public comment. Three village residents thanked the Mayor and Board of Trustees for their hard work, and for holding the line on taxes. On motion by Mayor Schreiber, seconded by Trustee Moore the public hearing was closed at 7: 50PM. Mayor Schreiber thanked the public for the confidence that they have placed in the Board.

On motion by Mayor Schreiber, seconded by Trustee Tweedy the Proposed budget was passed unanimously with the following roll call:

Trustee Moore-**AYE**
Trustee Tweedy-**AYE**
Mayor Schreiber-**AYE**

Deputy Mayor Juliano-**AYE**
Trustee Hagan-**Absent & Excused**

Highway/Public Works Commissioner Report

George Braun was not present, but the Mayor spoke about the recent flooding on the east end of Hudson Road. The Village had a contractor come in and clean out the storm drain. The drainage on block appears to be working properly now.

Police Commissioner Report

Police Commissioner Tamparo read the following police report:

March 2016

- 4 Parking violations issued
- 5 Moving violations issued
- 2 Accidents
- 2 Aided

Mayor Schreiber stated the following:

Parking tickets issued by Code Enforcement Officers

- **March2016**- 166 Tickets

Fire Department Report

Commissioner Christ spoke about the following:

- Since the last Board meeting, the BFD has responded to two (2) calls. On March 21st at 7:28PM, there was an automatic alarm call at 250-50 Jericho Tpke. - 7/11. 13 members responded. On April 4th at 4:09PM there was a call for an auto accident at 250-80 Jericho Tpke.-Dollar Tree. 8 members responded.

On Tuesday, April 5, 2016, the department held their elections. The following individuals were elected:

- Adrian deArmas - Chief
 - Brian McQuaid - Deputy Chief
 - Emil Pape, Jr. - Captain
 - Raul Sanchez - 1st Lieutenant
 - Steve Cesped - 2nd Lieutenant
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- The Department will be having a drive for members.

Recreation Commissioner Report

Recreation Commissioner Morfessis was not present. The Mayor heard he had surgery and asked how he was doing. Fire Commissioner Christ said the surgery went well and that he was recovering.

Trustee Moore

Trustee Moore is waiting on bids for the LED Lighting and once received, the Board will be given copies for review.

Trustee Tweedy

Trustee Tweedy spoke about the Arbor Day celebration planned for April 29, 2016. The Village will be planting a tree in front of 19 Ontario Road at 10:30AM. Refreshments will be served at Village Hall at 11:00AM. Following that, Mike Maxwell, a Tree Board Member will be giving a walking tour of the trees in the Village. Mr. Maxwell has a background in Forestry.

Mayor Schreiber announced the following:

- JWCB Meeting, Thursday, April 21, 2016 at 7:30PM
- Arbor Day Celebration, Friday April 29, 2016 at 10:30AM
- JBDDC Mtg. Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 6:30PM
- Women's Club Meeting –May 10, 2016 at 1:00PM
- A.R.C Meeting Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at 7:00 PM
- Next Regular Board Meeting, Monday, May 16, 2016 at 7:30PM
- Tree Board Meeting, Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at 7:30PM
- COURT Session, Wednesday, April 20, 2016 and May 18, 2016 at 6:00PM

The business meeting was adjourned at 8:17PM, on motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Deputy Mayor Juliano and unanimously approved.

The meeting opened for public comment at 8:17PM.

Alice Cody stated that the park is not being closed on time. The Mayor will speak with the person in charge of closing and ask them to be more diligent in getting it done by dusk.

Deanne Loos asked what kind of fence is going to be installed at Village Hall, and where will it be. Also in regard to the windows at Village Hall, when they are changed, does the Village have to go before the ARC? The Mayor stated the fence will be in the back, and the windows will be same for same, but welcomed the ARC to look at them once we choose a vendor. She also asked if the CEO's take breaks, and are they checking to see if residents with dumpsters have permits for them. The Mayor stated that the CEO's are checking for permits. He will also speak with them regarding patrol patterns.

Kathy Iverson questioned the repair on the sweeper. She asked when it comes back to the Village if it will be working properly, and able to pick up debris.

Dawn Sullivan asked if a machine can be hired to keep the storm drain clean, and not have it blocked up with dirt and sand. The Mayor stated that the drain was just cleaned, and it should be good for a while.

Janet Shebendach asked if a homeowner is having work done, and the driveway is occupied, how can cars be left on the street and not ticketed. The Mayor stated to call Village Hall and we would work with her regarding any vehicles on the street.

After all those who wished to be heard, having been heard and there being no further discussion, Deputy Mayor Juliano motioned to close the public meeting. Trustee Moore seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The meeting closed at 8:42PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Tangredi
Village Clerk-Treasurer