

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE VILLAGE OF THOMASTON  
September 11, 2023**

The Board of Trustees met on Monday, September 11, 2023 at the Village Hall, 100 East Shore Road, Great Neck, New York at 7:30 p.m.

**Present:** Mayor Steven Weinberg, Deputy Mayor Burton S. Weston, Trustee Jay W. Chagrin, and Trustee Aaron Halpern.

**Absent:** Trustee Nancy Sherman

The Mayor opened the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

In memory of all those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001 and those who have died in the days, weeks, months, and years since then as a result of this heinous act of terrorism, including: the pilots, flight attendants, passengers, workers in the Twin Towers, police, fire, and emergency first responders, residents and workers in the vicinity who passed away, or continue to give their lives due to 9/11 illnesses, Mayor Weinberg asked everyone in attendance to observe a moment of silence.

**Approval of Minutes:**

**RESOLUTION 23-74**

Upon motion of Trustee Halpern, seconded by Deputy Mayor Weston, and unanimously approved, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting held on August 14, 2023 are hereby approved and accepted as presented.

The vote on this resolution was:	Mayor Weinberg:	Aye	Deputy Mayor Weston:	Aye
	Trustee Chagrin:	Aye	Trustee Halpern:	Aye
	Trustee Sherman:	Absent		

**Public Hearing on Landmarks Preservation Commission determination for 46 S. Middle Neck Road**

Mayor Weinberg noted the following: (i) the purpose of the public hearing is to affirm or modify the report and recommendation of the Landmarks Preservation Commission (Commission) after hearing public comment (ii) the Commission's report and recommendation is dated July 24, 2023 (iii) the members of the Board of Trustees have reviewed the Commission's minutes, report and recommendation (iv) the report stated that the building at 46 S. Middle Neck Road fits the definition of a landmark pursuant to Chapter 120 of the Village Code (v) Village residents present at the Commission's public hearing were in favor of preserving this building (vi) the existing use of the building as a church is conforming use and the land is zoned in a district for residential homes and apartment buildings (vii) the Commission, in its report, weighed the following factors: architectural and aesthetic significance, and community support for landmarking. (viii) the Commission also weighed factors on the impact of landmarking on: the community, hardship to the owner, repurposing of building, zoning, the village tax base, and religious use. (ix) any future proposal may be subject to: the Commission's input; community input; and other Village boards with respect to zoning or use variances.

Mayor Weinberg opened the public hearing to consider the Landmarks Preservation Commission determination for 46 S. Middle Neck Road at 7:38 p.m.

The public hearing was transcribed stenographically, and the transcript is on file in the Village office.

The following members of the public spoke in favor of affirmation of Landmark Preservation Commission's determination:

Leila Mattson and Miriam Chatinover (Members of the Landmarks Preservation Commission)

No members of the public spoke in opposition of affirmation.

The Board discussed the Commission’s Determination and noted that the Commission was unanimous in its adoption of the Determination and the owner of the property did not raise any objections or hardships during the public proceedings held by the Commission.

After all interested parties were heard, the public hearing was closed at 7:45 p.m.

**RESOLUTION 23-75**

Upon motion of Deputy Mayor Weston, seconded by Trustee Halpern, and unanimously approved, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, the public hearing to consider the Landmarks Preservation Commission determination for 46 S. Middle Neck Road is hereby closed.

The vote on this resolution was:	Mayor Weinberg:	Aye	Deputy Mayor Weston:	Aye
	Trustee Chagrin:	Aye	Trustee Halpern:	Aye
	Trustee Sherman:	Absent		

**RESOLUTION 23-76**

WHEREAS, the Village of Thomaston Landmarks Preservation Commission (“Commission”) heretofore has considered a request to designate premises 46 South Middle Neck Road, Thomaston, New York (“the Premises”), as a landmark property pursuant to Village Code Chapter 120; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has issued its determination (“Determination”) dated July 24, 2023 recommending designation of the Premises as a landmark; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Village Code Chapter 120 the Board of Trustees (“Board”) of the Village of Thomaston is vested with the authority, after a public hearing, to approve or modify the Determination; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed and is familiar with the record of the public proceedings held by the Commission preceding the adoption of the Determination; and

WHEREAS, on September 11, 202, the Board duly held and concluded the public hearing required by Village Code Chapter 120; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Board have given due consideration to the proceedings held before the Commission and the Board; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations set forth in 6 NYCRR Part 617 (collectively “SEQRA”), the Board is required to give consideration to potential environmental impacts of such landmarking action, to the extent applicable pursuant to SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)((38) ”designation of local landmarks or their inclusion within historic districts” is classified as a Type II Action, and

WHEREAS, matters which are classified as Type II Actions are not required to undergo any separate environmental impact review,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby finds and concludes that its consideration of the Determination which designated the Premises as a landmark property pursuant to Village Code Chapter 120 is a Type II Action pursuant to SEQRA; and it is further

RESOLVED, that no further separate review of environmental impacts is required with respect to the proposed action, and SEQRA review of the proposed action hereby is concluded; and it is further

RESOLVED, that upon review of the information received and proceedings held before the Commission, and the information adduced at the public hearing before the Board, the Board finds and concludes that the Determination by the Commission was reasonable and proper based upon the proceedings held by and before the Commission; and it is further

RESOLVED, based upon the foregoing proceedings before the Commission and the Board, and for the reasons stated by the Commission in the Determination, the Board further concludes that the Determination of the Commission should be, and hereby is, approved.

The vote on this resolution was:	Mayor Weinberg:	Aye	Deputy Mayor Weston:	Aye
	Trustee Chagrin:	Aye	Trustee Halpern:	Aye
	Trustee Sherman:	Absent		

**Tree Trimming and Removal Bid**

The Board reviewed a draft bid package for a tree trimming and removal contract trees in the right-of-way within the Village.

RESOLUTION 23-77

Upon motion of Trustee Chagrin, seconded Deputy Mayor Weston, and unanimously approved, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the proposed contract, instructions to bidders, specifications, bid form and legal notice , and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby ratifies the action of the Mayor in directing the Village Administrator is directed to publish and post a legal notice, to be published on September 6, 2023, soliciting sealed bids for Tree Trimming and Removal for the 12-month period with options for year two (2) and three (3), in the Village’s official newspaper (Great Neck Record), to be opened on September 29, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. prevailing time.

The vote on this resolution was:	Mayor Weinberg:	Aye	Deputy Mayor Weston:	Aye
	Trustee Chagrin:	Aye	Trustee Halpern:	Aye
	Trustee Sherman:	Absent		

**New Business**

The Mayor updated the Board on the recent activities of the Department of Public Works and informed the Board that the Village’s consultant from Nelson and Pope will making a site visit on Wednesday, September 13, 2023.

**Vouchers**

RESOLUTION 23-78

Upon motion of Deputy Mayor Weston, seconded by Trustee Halpern, and unanimously approved, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that the vouchers, in the aggregate amount of \$71,272.72 (as itemized on the Abstract of Vouchers dated Monday, September 11, 2023), are hereby approved for payment, all allocated to the General Fund.

A copy of the approved voucher list is attached to these minutes.

The vote on this resolution was:	Mayor Weinberg:	Aye	Deputy Mayor Weston:	Aye
	Trustee Chagrin:	Aye	Trustee Halpern:	Aye
	Trustee Sherman:	Absent		

**Adjournment**

At 8:05 p.m., there being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Deputy Mayor Weston, seconded by Trustee Chagrin, and unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise M. Knowland  
Village Administrator

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**VILLAGE OF THOMASTON**

**AUDITED VOUCHERS**

**August 15 through September 11, 2023**

Type	Date	Num	Name	Amount
Check	08/16/2023	4433	NATIONAL GRID	-63.49
Check	08/16/2023	4434	NATIONAL GRID	-52.84
Check	08/16/2023	4435	NATIONAL GRID	-38.13
Check	08/16/2023	4436	NATIONAL GRID	-41.42
Check	08/18/2023	ACH	MICHAEL F. MCNERNEY ARCHITECT PLLC	-1,000.00
Check	08/22/2023	4438	PSEGLI	-56.33
Check	08/22/2023	4439	PSEGLI	-59.43
Check	08/22/2023	4440	PSEGLI	-747.51
Check	09/01/2023	4442	OPTIMUM	-13.00
Check	09/01/2023	4443	VERIZON WIRELESS	-62.44
Check	09/01/2023	4444	VERIZON	-122.35
Check	09/06/2023	4445	PSEGLI	-11.78
Check	09/06/2023	4446	PSEGLI	-271.83
Check	09/06/2023	4447	MANHASSET-LAKEVILLE WATER DISTRICT	-35.60
Check	09/06/2023	4448	MICHAEL F. MCNERNEY ARCHITECT PLLC	-1,156.25
Check	09/11/2023	4449	B & R PLUMBING & HEATING OF L.I. INC.	-457.97
Check	09/11/2023	4450	AUTO BARN	-219.18
Check	09/11/2023	4451	WINTERS BROS. HAULING OF LI, LLC	-300.00
Check	09/11/2023	4452	FELDMAN LUMBER	-53.74
Check	09/11/2023	4453	W.B. MASON CO., INC.	-7.90
Check	09/11/2023	4454	CHIEF FIRE & SAFETY EQUIP DISTRIBUTORS	-165.00
Check	09/11/2023	4455	COSTELLO'S HARDWARE	-39.57
Check	09/11/2023	4456	STAPLES CONTRACT & COMMERCIAL	-84.26
Check	09/11/2023	4457	ANTON MEDIA GROUP	-71.50
Check	09/11/2023	4458	KOEPPEL MARTONE & LEISTMAN, LLC	-5,500.00
Check	09/11/2023	4459	GLENCO SUPPLY INC	-495.00
Check	09/11/2023	4460	BIENER FORD	-336.00
Check	09/11/2023	4461	BUSINESS CARD	-107.47
Check	09/11/2023	4462	BUSINESS CARD	-995.86
Check	09/11/2023	4463	WEX BANK	-585.00
Check	09/11/2023	4464	JORDAN ASSOCIATES	-430.50
Check	09/11/2023	4465	GENERAL WELDING SUPPLY CORP	-8.00
Check	09/11/2023	4466	TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD-SWMA	-852.79
Check	09/11/2023	4467	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES	-153.00
Check	09/11/2023	4468	PARAMOUNT PEST MANAGEMENT	-225.00
Check	09/11/2023	4469	NYS EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INSURANCE	-8,802.69
Check	09/11/2023	4470	NYSPSP	-4.19
Check	09/11/2023	4471	LOOKS GREAT SERVICES INC	-9,025.00
Check	09/11/2023	4472	FINE DETAILING	-200.00

Check	09/11/2023	4473	ANTON MEDIA GROUP	-76.70
Check	09/11/2023	4474	MEYER, SUOZZI, ENGLISH & KLEIN, P.C.	-2,604.00
Check	09/11/2023	4475	MEADOW CARTING CORP	-35,740.00
				-71,272.72
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>-71,272.72</b>

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