

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF THOMASTON
December 1, 2021**

The Board of Trustees met on Wednesday, December 1, 2021 via videoconference at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Steven Weinberg, Deputy Mayor James Sharkey, Trustee Jill Monoson, Trustee To-on Pang, and Trustee Burton Weston

Absent: None

The Mayor opened the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Mayor Weinberg read the following statement regarding the procedures for this meeting:

“Due to public health and safety concerns related to COVID-19, and pursuant to New York State law, this meeting of the Board of Trustees is not being held in person.

The Board is meeting by videoconferencing. The meeting will be recorded and a transcription will be provided at a later date. The public has the opportunity to observe this meeting live online and to submit comments, pursuant to instructions given on the Village website and in the meeting notice.

The Village Administrator will now call the roll for attendance at this meeting by members of the Commission and relevant Village staff.”

The Village Administrator called the roll.

A quorum of the Board is in attendance and the Board began the business of the meeting.

Mayor Weinberg made a statement regarding a request for his recusal with regard to all Landmarks Preservation Commission matters. Mayor Weinberg stated that he consulted the Village Attorney. As there is no mandatory requirement for recusal from these matters, Mayor Weinberg expressed his intention to proceed to with his duties as a member of the Board of Trustee with regard to all Landmarks Preservations matters, and to do so in an impartial manner.

For full text of Mayor Weinberg’s statement, please refer to the recording and transcription of the meeting.

Consultant for the Landmarks Preservation Commission

RESOLUTION 21-119

Upon motion of Mayor Weinberg, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sharkey, and unanimously approved, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Landmarks Preservation Commission held a public meeting on November 30, 2021 to consider retention of a consultant to advise the Commission in connection with their duties to determine whether or not 124 S Middle Neck Road, Great Neck, NY 11021 and also known as Section 2 Block 250 Lots 5 and 25, be designated a landmark in the Village of Thomaston, and

WHEREAS, the Commission has the power to retain consultants, including but not limited to technical experts, engineers, architects and historians, to render assistance and advice in connection with any project to fulfill the duties of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, and

WHEREAS, retention of a consultant which involves the expenditure of village funds subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, and

WHEREAS, the Commission reviewed three (3) proposals from Archaeology & Historic Resources Services, LLC (AHRs), Cashin Spinelli & Ferretti, LLC, and Simeon Bankoff, and

WHEREAS, the Commission determined to accept the proposal of, and retain the services of, Archaeology & Historic Resources Services, LLC

NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby approves the expenditure of Village funds in the amount not to exceed \$6,000, for the retention of Archaeology & Historic Resources Services, LLC by the Landmarks Preservation Commission. and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Village Administrator shall advise the Landmarks Preservation Commission of the Board's approval of funding.

The vote on this resolution was:	Mayor Weinberg:	Aye	Deputy Mayor Sharkey:	Aye
	Trustee Monoson:	Aye	Trustee Pang:	Aye
	Trustee Weston:	Aye		

Adjournment

At 7:56 p.m., there being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Weston, seconded by Trustee Monoson, and unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise M. Knowland
Village Administrator