

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF THOMASTON
December 12, 2022**

The Board of Trustees met on Monday, December 12, 2022 at the Village Hall, 100 East Shore Road, Great Neck, New York at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Steven Weinberg, Deputy Mayor Burton Weston, Trustee Jay W. Chagrin, and Trustee Karen Lynne Siegel

Absent: Trustee Aaron S. Halpern

The Mayor opened the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

RESOLUTION 22-139

Upon motion of Trustee Siegel, seconded by Trustee Chagrin, and unanimously approved, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting held on November 15, 2022 are hereby approved and accepted as presented.

The vote on this resolution was:	Mayor Weinberg:	Aye	Deputy Mayor Weston:	Aye
	Trustee Chagrin:	Aye	Trustee Siegel:	Aye

Application of 235 Schenck Avenue

The Board reviewed the draft resolution prepared by the Village Attorney pursuant to the Board's December 6, 2022 resolution directing counsel to draft a decision for disapproval of the design for the application of 235 Schenck Avenue for a new two-story, single-family dwelling.

Attorney Tara D. McDevitt, Harris, Bloom & Archer LLP, appeared on behalf of the applicant for the 235 Schenck Avenue, Mr. Don Mott. Ms. McDevitt requested that the Board reconsider their disapproval of the 235 Schenck Avenue application and allow the applicant an opportunity to submit an alternate design or, in the alternative, to file an Article 78 petition.

RESOLUTION 22-140

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

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees shall enter into executive session to discuss potential litigation.

The vote on this resolution was:	Mayor Weinberg:	Aye	Deputy Mayor Weston:	Aye
	Trustee Chagrin:	Aye	Trustee Siegel:	Aye

At 7:49 p.m. the Board entered into executive session to discuss potential litigation.

RESOLUTION 22-141

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

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees shall return to public session.

The vote on this resolution was:	Mayor Weinberg:	Aye	Deputy Mayor Weston:	Aye
	Trustee Chagrin:	Aye	Trustee Siegel:	Aye

At 8:01 p.m. the Board returned to public session.

The general consensus of the Board was to allow Mr. Mott an opportunity to submit an alternate design for the proposed two story, single- family dwelling at 235 Schenck Avenue. Ms. McDevitt made a request that the Board provide some guidance as to what design changes might be acceptable. The Mayor indicated that he would get back to Ms. McDevitt on her request.

Public Hearing on Appropriation from Repair Reserve Fund

RESOLUTION 22-142

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

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees ratifies the actions of the Mayor in directing the Village Administrator to publish and post a legal notice advertising a public hearing to be held on December 12, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall concerning the appropriation of \$500,000 from the Repair Reserve Fund for the purpose of paving various Village roads, replacing concrete sidewalks, curbs and valley gutters.

The vote on this resolution was:	Mayor Weinberg:	Aye	Deputy Mayor Weston:	Aye
	Trustee Chagrin:	Aye	Trustee Siegel:	Aye

The Mayor opened the public hearing on the appropriation of \$500,000 from the Repair Reserve Fund for the purpose of paving various Village roads, replacing concrete sidewalks, curbs and valley gutters.

Two (2) members of the public were present for the public hearing. The Mayor invited comments and questions from the Board. There being no comments or questions from the Board and the public, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 22-143

Upon motion of Trustee Chagrin, seconded by Trustee Siegel, and unanimously approved, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that the public hearing on the appropriation of \$500,000 from the Repair Reserve Fund for the purpose of paving various Village roads, replacing concrete sidewalks, curbs and valley gutters is hereby closed.

The vote on this resolution was:	Mayor Weinberg:	Aye	Deputy Mayor Weston:	Aye
	Trustee Chagrin:	Aye	Trustee Siegel:	Aye

Appropriation of Repair Reserve Funds

RESOLUTION 22-144

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

RESOLVED, that \$500,000 from the Repair Reserve Fund be appropriated for payment of expenses incurred by the Village for paving various Village roads, replacing concrete sidewalks, curbs and valley gutters, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Village Administrator is authorized transfer the funds from the Repair Reserve bank account to the general fund Disbursement bank account, to be used only for the foregoing purpose and otherwise refunded to the Repair Reserve Fund.

The vote on this resolution was:	Mayor Weinberg:	Aye	Deputy Mayor Weston:	Aye
	Trustee Chagrin:	Aye	Trustee Siegel:	Aye

Tentative Budget for the 2023/24 Fiscal Year

The tentative budget was presented to the Board by Mayor Weinberg (copies of the tentative budget and a memo discussing the tentative budget had been distributed to Board members prior to the meeting). The tentative budget was discussed by the Board of Trustees. The Mayor invited comments from the public. There were no comments from the public:

RESOLUTION 22-145

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

RESOLVED, that the tentative budget for the 2023/24 fiscal year is hereby approved in the form presented to the Board at this meeting, and it is further

RESOLVED, that a public hearing on the proposed budget for the 2023/24 fiscal year is hereby scheduled for Monday, January 9, 2023 at 7:30 pm at the Village Hall, and that the Village Administrator shall provide the notice of such public hearing as required by law.

A copy of the tentative budget is on file at the Village office.

The vote on this resolution was: Mayor Weinberg: Aye Deputy Mayor Weston: Aye
Trustee Chagrin: Aye Trustee Siegel: Aye

North Shore Agreement - Amendment #6

The Board tabled this matter to the January 9, 2023 meeting.

Declare 2016 Ford F-550 Dump Truck Surplus

RESOLUTION 22-146

Upon motion of Trustee Chagrin, seconded by Trustee Siegel, and unanimously approved, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that 2016 Ford F-550 dump truck and 9’ Western plow, VIN #1FDUF5HT7GEC62554, is hereby declared surplus, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Public Works is authorized to solicit proposals for the sale of such surplus vehicle and plow.

The vote on this resolution was: Mayor Weinberg: Aye Deputy Mayor Weston: Aye
Trustee Chagrin: Aye Trustee Siegel: Aye

Sam Grant for Drainage and Road Improvements (SEQRA)

The Mayor announced that New York State Senator Anna Kaplan has offered the Village a grant for a capital project in the amount of \$50,000

RESOLUTION 22-147

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

WHEREAS, the Village of Thomaston is proposing to engage in a public works project involving street and right of way openings, maintenance repair, rehabilitation and reconstruction, drainage improvements and the repaving of various existing streets in the Village, with no addition of new travel lanes; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is the lead agency for SEQRA review of this proposed project, and the funding thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has considered the nature and scope of the proposed project, and received legal advice from the Village Attorney regarding classification of this project pursuant to SEQRA,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Thomaston, as Lead Agency pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617, hereby finds and determines that the funding and implementation of the proposed project for involving street and right of way openings, maintenance repair, rehabilitation and reconstruction, drainage improvements and the repaving of various existing streets in the Village, with no addition of new travel lanes, is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(1), (5) and (6), and it is further

RESOLVED, that no further environmental review, and no determination of significance, is required with respect to such Type II Action.

The vote on this resolution was: Mayor Weinberg: Aye Deputy Mayor Weston: Aye
Trustee Chagrin: Aye Trustee Siegel: Aye

SAM Grant for Drainage and Road Improvements (Funding Commitment)

RESOLUTION 22-148

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

WHEREAS, in order to receive the State and Municipal Facilities grant from DASNY in the sum of \$50,000, to be used for the drainage and road improvement project which is referenced in Resolution 22-147, the Village is required to give assurances to DASNY that the Village will provide the funding required for such project in excess of the DASNY grant; and

WHEREAS, the Village intends to complete the said project, and is desirous of obtaining the DASNY funding which is essential to the project, the Village is willing to agree to provide the funding reasonably necessary, in excess of the DASNY grant, to undertake and complete the said project,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Thomaston hereby agrees that in the event the Village receives DASNY funding as described in the aforesaid Resolution 22-147, the Village will provide any required remaining funding, in excess of the \$50,000 grant from DASNY, necessary to complete the drainage and road repaving project as described in the Preliminary Application for State and Municipal Facilities ("SAM").

The vote on this resolution was: Mayor Weinberg: Aye Deputy Mayor Weston: Aye
Trustee Chagrin: Aye Trustee Siegel: Aye

Proposals for Landscaping Plan for Traffic Islands

- (A) The Board reviewed two (2) proposals for professional services to provide a landscape plan to beautify the Village at three (3) traffic islands at the following locations: Avalon Road; Windsor Road/ Lodge Road; and Brompton Road/Grosvenor Place.
- (B) The Board review two (2) proposals for professional services to provide a landscape plan to beautify the Village at the main Village entrance areas and four (4) traffic islands at the following locations: Weigt Court; St. George Road; Terrace Drive; and Valley View Road.

The proposals for were as follows:

Locations (A): Traffic islands at: Avalon Road; Windsor Road/Lodge Road; and Brompton Road/Grosvenor Place.

Vendor	Price	Additional Information
Roma Horticulture Inc.	\$800	
Santelli & Sons, Inc.	\$500	Any one time change to the design will cost \$100
Terra Verde Architecture & Design, P.C.	\$3,500	\$150/hr for additional revisions, drawings and meetings requested by the Village
Michael's Landscaping Corp.	\$1,194.88	

Locations (B): Main Village entrance areas and four (4) traffic islands at the following locations: Weigt Court; St. George Road; Terrace Road; and Valley View Road.

Vendor	Price	Additional Information
Roma Horticulture Inc.	\$1,150	
Santelli & Sons, Inc.	\$1,000	Any one time change to the design will cost \$100

RESOLUTION 22-149

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

RESOLVED, that Board of Trustees hereby accepts the proposal of Santelli & Sons, Inc. for locations (A) in the amount of \$500, with any one time change to the design \$100, and it is further

RESOLVED, that Board of Trustees hereby accepts the proposal of Roma Horticulture Inc. for location B in the amount of \$1,150.

The vote on this resolution was: Mayor Weinberg: Aye Deputy Mayor Weston: Aye
Trustee Chagrin: Aye Trustee Siegel: Aye

Vouchers

RESOLUTION 22-150

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

RESOLVED, that vouchers, in the aggregate amount of \$241,921.38 (as itemized on the Abstract of Vouchers dated Monday, December 12, 2022), 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 Siegel: Aye

Adjournment

At 8:33 p.m., there being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Deputy Mayor Weston, seconded by Trustee Siegel, and unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise M. Knowland
Village Administrator

**VILLAGE OF THOMASTON
AUDITED VOUCHERS**

November 16 through December 12, 2022

Type	Date	Num	Name	Amount
Check	11/17/2022	3988	PSEGLI	-515.94
Check	11/17/2022	3989	PSEGLI	-61.77
Check	11/17/2022	3990	PSEGLI	-64.72
Check	12/01/2022	3992	VERIZON	-122.14
Check	12/01/2022	3993	VERIZON WIRELESS	-51.86
Check	12/01/2022	3994	NYS & LOCAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM	-52,360.00
Check	12/01/2022	3995	MICHAEL F. MCNERNEY ARCHITECT PLLC	-1,343.75
Check	12/05/2022	3996	OPTIMUM	-11.00
Check	12/05/2022	3997	PSEGLI	-448.52
Check	12/05/2022	3998	PSEGLI	-11.79
Check	12/09/2022	4000	MICHAEL F. MCNERNEY ARCHITECT PLLC	-1,656.25
Check	12/12/2022	4001	MALVESE EQUIPMENT CO., INC.	-214.11
Check	12/12/2022	4002	GLENCO SUPPLY INC	-1,051.80
Check	12/12/2022	4003	ANTON MEDIA GROUP	-175.50
Check	12/12/2022	4004	WINTERS BROS. HAULING OF LI, LLC	-1,500.00
Check	12/12/2022	4005	W.B. MASON CO., INC.	-7.90
Check	12/12/2022	4006	OLD VILLAGE TREE SERVICE	-800.00
Check	12/12/2022	4007	AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION	-222.00
Check	12/12/2022	4008	NYCOM	-50.00
Check	12/12/2022	4009	AUTO BARN	-160.00
Check	12/12/2022	4010	GARY MUHLSTOCK	-500.00
Check	12/12/2022	4011	NYS EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INSURANCE	-9,049.75
Check	12/12/2022	4012	STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	-16.49
Check	12/12/2022	4013	TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD-SWMA	-3,302.94
Check	12/12/2022	4014	BUSINESS CARD	-66.65
Check	12/12/2022	4015	BUSINESS CARD	-254.74
Check	12/12/2022	4016	JORDAN ASSOCIATES	-792.00
Check	12/12/2022	4017	SALERNO BROKERAGE CORP.	-55,162.50
Check	12/12/2022	4018	MEADOW CARTING CORP	-33,590.00
Check	12/12/2022	4019	HEMPSTEAD FORD	-74,404.85
Check	12/12/2022	4020	BIENER FORD LLC	-238.24
Check	12/12/2022	4021	FINE DETAILING	-200.00
Check	12/12/2022	4022	WEX BANK	-1,719.89
Check	12/12/2022	4023	GENERAL WELDING SUPPLY CORP	-7.50
Check	12/12/2022	4024	CANON SOLUTIONS AMERICA, INC.	-176.78
Check	12/12/2022	4025	FRIENDS IRRIGATION, INC.	-110.00
Check	12/12/2022	4026	WINTERS BROS. HAULING OF LI, LLC	-1,500.00
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TOTAL				241,921.38