

VILLAGE OF WESLEY HILLS
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
September 11, 2007

PRESENT: Mayor R. Frankl
Deputy Mayor E. Mc Pherson
Trustee D. Goldsmith
Trustee H. Richman
Trustee M. Ben-Jacob
Village Attorney, F. Brown
Village Clerk J. Pagliaroli

Mayor Frankl called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Trustee Goldsmith made the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 93-07

RESOLVED, that the Minutes of the respective meetings of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Wesley Hills on August 14, 2007 and August 22, 2007, as submitted by the Village Clerk, be approved, and that the reading of such Minutes be waived.

The resolution was seconded by Deputy Mayor Mc Pherson and so carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays with one abstention of Trustee Richman on the August 14th minutes and 5 ayes and 0 nays on the August 22nd meeting. Trustee Richman abstained from the vote on the August 14th meeting because he did not attend the meeting held on August 14th.

Mayor Frankl opened the meeting to the floor. Mrs. Ivey was before the Board. She asked how the Board arrived at the decision on the replacement for Trustee Gantshar. She was informed that the Board looked at the list of recommendations from David Gantshar and decided on the appointment of Mrs. Ben-Jacob. Mrs. Ivey asked what was the ethnic background of the suggested people. She wanted to know if any Hispanic or black people were interviewed to fill the vacant seat. Mayor Frankl said no.

Trustee Goldsmith made the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 94-07

RESOLVED, that the 2007 Stormwater II Education Program Agreement with Cornell Cooperative Extension for the provision of public education and outreach services to Village residents and municipal employees, a copy of which is made a part of the Minutes of this Board, is hereby accepted for a total price of \$1,000.00.

The resolution was seconded by Trustee Richman and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Trustee Goldsmith made the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 95-07

RESOLVED, that Environmental Construction, Inc. is hereby retained to construct the Timber Trail underdrain improvement; and that the proposal of Environmental Construction, Inc. to perform such construction work as set forth in its Proposal dated September 5, 2007, a copy of which is made a part of the Minutes of this Board, is hereby accepted for a total price of \$15,378.00, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute said proposal on behalf of the Village of Wesley Hills,

The resolution was seconded by Trustee Richman and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Trustee Richman made the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 96-07

RESOLVED, that the Village of Wesley Hills Employee Manual dated June 1, 1994, as adopted by Resolution #69-94, is hereby revised, effective immediately, in the following respects:

(a) The list of Official Holiday shall be increased to include therein the first day of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, but only if such holidays do not fall on a Saturday or Sunday.

(b) The first paragraph of the section thereof entitled "MEDICAL" shall be revised to read as follows: "The Village will pay the medical coverage of each full-time employee except any such employee who is entitled to opt out of such coverage pursuant to the following sentence and full-time employee is permitted, in his or her discretion, to opt out of such coverage only if he or she already is receiving comparable Medical coverage from another source. Before the employee may opt out of such coverage by the Village, he or she must submit proof of such alternate coverage to the satisfaction of the Mayor. If a full-time employee does opt out of Medical coverage by the Village, he or she shall receive an

incentive payment, to be paid at the end of every three months, in an amount equal to twenty-five percent (25%) of the insurance premium that the Village would have paid for that employee if that employee had not opted out of the Village's Medical coverage."

(c) The last paragraph thereof shall be revised to read as follows: "A full-time employee will become eligible for the Medical coverage benefits described herein only upon the completion of thirty (30) days of continuous service. A full-time employee will become eligible for all other benefits described herein only upon the completion of twelve (12) months of continuous service, except that sick leave benefits shall be accrued in accordance with Village Board Resolution #100-97 as set forth herein below."

The resolution was seconded by Trustee Goldsmith and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Trustee Goldsmith made the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 97-07

RESOLVED, that the name of the street presently known as "Pomona Road" between Route 306 and Cains Road is hereby changed to "Old Pomona Road.

The resolution was seconded by Trustee Richman and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Deputy Mayor Mc Pherson made the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 98-07

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Wesley Hills deems it to be in the interests of the Village to consider the enactment of a local law amending the Zoning Law of the Village of Wesley Hills in order to revise the regulations pertaining to the storage of unregistered and/or uninspected vehicles, and

WHEREAS, the Village Attorney, at the request of this Board, has prepared such a proposed local law, a copy of which proposed local law is made a part of the Minutes of this Board,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined that the enactment of such proposed local law will not have a significant effect on the environment as defined in the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act for the reason that such proposed local law merely enhances the appearance of single-family neighborhoods in the interest of aesthetics by limiting the storage of vehicles that are not immediately intended by the owners or occupants of houses for use for transportation, and therefore such proposed local law does not involve any matter having any adverse impact on the environment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provisions of Section 13.5 of the Zoning Law of the Village of Wesley Hills, such proposed local law, entitled "A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 14 of 1984, as Amended, to Revise the Zoning Law of the Village of Wesley Hills with Respect to Storage of Unregistered or Uninspected Vehicles", is hereby referred for review and report to the Planning Board, Village Attorney, Village Engineer, Building Inspector, and Code Inspector of the Village of Wesley Hills; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk is hereby directed to forward copies of such proposed local law to such boards and officials forthwith.

The resolution was seconded by Trustee Goldsmith and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Trustee Goldsmith made the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 99-07

RESOLVED, that general fund claims #91 through 116 in the aggregate amount of \$91,181.01, as set forth in Abstract #9-07 dated September 11, 2007, a copy of which abstract of audited claims is made a part of the Minutes of this Board, are hereby approved.

The resolution was seconded by Deputy Mayor Mc Pherson and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Trustee Goldsmith made the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 100-07

RESOLVED, that parks and recreation fund claim #185 in the amount of \$19,500.00, as set forth in Abstract #PR 5-07 dated September 11, 2007, a copy of which abstract of audited claim is made a part of the Minutes of this Board, is hereby approved.

The resolution was seconded by Trustee Richman and so carried with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Mayor Frankl informed the Board that he had received a call from Carol Vasquez, the Village Clerk from New Hempstead. She said she was getting complaints from residents from Ashlawn Drive in New Hempstead that they are having flooding problems. She asserted that it was because of the work done on the stream that runs from Wesley Hills into New Hempstead, running under Grandview Avenue. The Mayor related that perhaps the Village of New Hempstead should look at the work done on the School on Grandview and the filling of the wetlands being done on the property on the corner of Grandview and Route 306, which is located in the Village of New Hempstead and just west of the properties with flooding.

Mr. Brown informed the Board that there was no news on the temporary restraining order for the Grandview project. He said the order is on the Judge's desk but has not been signed. He said it will either be signed or not by tomorrow. Mr. Brown said that we are also waiting for the preliminary injunction.

Trustee Goldsmith asked the Village Clerk to call Mr. Kurzman and ask what type of business is being conducted at his client's house at 5 Village Green.

Trustee Goldsmith said that he would investigate the letter regarding municipal incentives to combine services with other Villages regarding snow removal.

Mayor Frankl informed the Board that there was going to be a meeting on September 19 regarding the Ramapo law suits.

Trustee Ben-Jacob informed the Board that she had been in contact with former Trustee David Gantshar and that he refused to give the Village his list of email addresses. She suggested that emails be gathered at Wesley Hills Day.

Deputy Mayor Mc Pherson suggested that the code enforcement officer should look into the Flowers property on Union Road for unregistered vehicles.

Trustee Goldsmith made a motion to adjourn, was seconded by Trustee Richman and so carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Pagliaroli
Village Clerk