# Village of Wesley Hills Board of Trustees Board Meeting, Village Hall Tuesday, August 7, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marshall Katz, Mayor

Ed McPherson, Deputy Mayor Howard Richman, Trustee Marion Ben-Jacob, Trustee

Ruth Ivey, Trustee

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Ben Selig, Village Attorney

Camille Guido-Downey, Village Clerk

Donalee Berard, Treasurer

Mayor Katz called the meeting to order at 7 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item #1 Resolution #76-18

Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting: July 10, 2018

Howard Richman made a motion to approve the minutes of July 10, 2018, seconded by Ruth Ivey. Upon vote, this motion carried (Richman Abstained).

Item #2 Resolution #77-18

Resolution releasing escrow funds: One Plumbush Road, Suffern, New York

Howard Richman made a motion to move the following resolution, seconded by Marion Ben-Jacob:

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to verbal escrow agreement entered into between the Village of Wesley Hills and Jacob Weiner and Elizabeth Weiner, the sum of \$13,800.00 has been deposited in escrow with the Village of Wesley Hills and a Certificate of Occupancy for the premises of Jacob Weiner and Elizabeth Weiner located at 1 Plumbush Road, Suffern, New York 10901, has been issued, and

**WHEREAS**, as of July 18, 2018, the Building Inspector of the Village of Wesley Hills has verified that the conditions with respect to the posting of the aforesaid escrow including the provision of an as-built drawing of the subject premises, have been submitted and approved, and that the aforementioned escrow in the sum of \$13,800.00 should be refunded.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Clerk of the Village of Wesley Hills is directed to refund the aforesaid escrow fund of \$13,800.00 to Mazal 18 Builders, Inc. after retaining out of said fund the sum of \$250.00 as and for an administrative fee, and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED**, that the Village Clerk of the Village of Wesley Hills shall forthwith refund to said Mazal 18 Builders, Inc, the net sum of \$13,550.00 forthwith.

Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Item #3 Resolution #78-18 Resolution approving and accepting the report of the Village Treasurer for Justice Court Operations/Operating Results for fiscal year June 1, 2017-May 31, 2018 as a complete accounting

Marion Ben-Jacob made a motion to move the following resolution, seconded by Ruth Ivey:

**RESOLVED**, that the report of the Village Treasurer of the Village of Wesley Hills entitled, "Justice Court Operations, Operating Results for the Fiscal Year June 1, 2017-May 31, 2018", be and the same is hereby approved and accepted as a complete accounting.

Donalee Berard presented the report to the Board and addressed any questions.

Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Item #4 Resolution #79-18
Resolution approving and accepting collateralized agreement of the Village of Wesley Hills and Sterling National Bank as a depository and Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company as Custodian

Howard Richman made a motion to move the following resolution, seconded by Ruth Ivey:

**RESOLVED**, that the following collateralized agreement of the Village of Wesley Hills and Sterling National Bank as a depository and Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company as Custodian be and the same are hereby adopted and the Mayor/Treasurer is authorized to sign said documents confirmed the adoption of same.

Donalee Berard stated that the Village needed to update the agreement with M&T.

Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Item #5 Resolution #80-18
Resolution approving the Cost Sharing Agreement between the Village of Wesley Hills and Orange & Rockland Utilities to cover paving of Beth Place, Glenbrook Road, Amsterdam Ave, Van Winkle Road, Holland Lane, Windmill Place and Jodi Court

Howard Richman made a motion to move the following resolution, seconded by Marion Ben-Jacob:

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Wesley Hills and Orange & Rockland Utilities, Inc. have reached a cost sharing agreement to cover paving of Beth Place, Glenbrook Road, Amsterdam

Ave, Van Winkle Road, Holland Lane, Windmill Place and Jodi Court, to which cost sharing agreement Orange & Rockland will contribute to the Village of Hills the sum of \$251,488.27, and it is further

**ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED**, that the Village hereby agrees to said cost sharing agreement with Orange and Rockland Utilities and the Mayor is authorized to sign said agreement after the same is drafted and approved by the Village Attorney, and it is further,

**ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED,** that the Mayor is authorized to utilize funds in the Village's undesignated fund balance for such expenditure up to \$251,488.27.

Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Item #6 Resolution #81-18
Resolution approving and adopting the Climate Smart Community Pledge on behalf of the Village of Wesley Hills

Howard Richman made a motion to move the following resolution, seconded by Ruth Ivey:

**RESOLVED**, that the Climate Smart Community Pledge, a copy of which is made a part of the minutes of this Board, is hereby approved and the Mayor is authorized to indicate approved of such Climate Smart Community Pledge on said document on behalf of the Village of Wesley Hills

Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Item #7 Resolution #82-18 Resolution approving the installation of traffic control signs and measures at the intersection of Moccasin Place and Glenbrook Road

Marion Ben-Jacob made a motion to move the following resolution, seconded by Howard Richman:

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees hereby requests that the Town of Ramapo Highway Department install a stop sign and paint a stop bar at the intersection of Moccasin Place and Glenbrook Road and the specific placement of said sign shall conform to the requirements of the Town of Ramapo Highway Department and the Village Engineer of the Village of Wesley Hills.

Mayor Katz and the Board Members discussed the options presented by the Village Engineer and decided upon a stop sign and stop bar at the intersection of Moccasin Place and Glenbrook Road.

Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Item #8 Resolution #83-18

# Resolution authorizing the release of the escrow deposit of Wesley Estates for the Road Opening Permit for Marisa Drive

Howard Richman made a motion to move the following resolution, seconded by Ruth Ivey:

**WHEREAS**, on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017, Wesley Estates, LLC posted a \$5,000.00 deposit with the Village of Wesley Hills in connection with a road opening permit and installation of a storm drain at the premises located at 8 Marisa Drive, Wesley Hills, New York, and

**WHEREAS**, the Building Inspector of the Village of Wesley Hills has approved the installation of the said storm drain,

**NOW, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Clerk of the Village of Wesley Hills is directed to refund Wesley Estates, LLC, the aforementioned escrow deposit in the amount of \$5,000.00, forthwith

Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Item #9a Resolution #84-18

## **Resolution approving abstracts of audited claims**

Marion Ben-Jacob made a motion to move the following resolution, seconded by Ed McPherson:

**RESOLVED**, that the general fund claims #15378 through #15465 in the aggregate amount of \$144,320.39 as set forth in Abstract #8/18 dated August 7, 2018, a copy of which abstract of audited claims is made a part of the Minutes of this Board, are hereby approved.

Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Item #9b Resolution #85-18

#### **Resolution approving abstracts of audited claims**

Marion Ben-Jacob made a motion to move the following resolution, seconded by Ed McPherson:

**RESOLVED**, that the Parks & Recreation fund claims #15402 in the aggregate amount of \$1,900.00 as set forth in Abstract #8/18 dated August 7, 2018, a copy of which abstract of audited claims is made a part of the Minutes of this Board, are hereby approved.

Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Item #9c Resolution #86-18

### Resolution approving abstracts of audited claims

Marion Ben-Jacob made a motion to move the following resolution, seconded by Ed McPherson:

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**RESOLVED**, that the transfers in the aggregate amount of \$133,900.00 as set forth in Abstract #8/18 dated August 7, 2018, a copy of which abstract of audited claims is made a part of the Minutes of this Board, are hereby approved.

Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

#### Item #10

# Treasurer's Report

Donalee Berard presented to the Board the monthly financial reports for review and answered any questions that the Board may have had.

## Village Clerk's Report

Village Clerk stated that 97% of taxes have been collected, 47 code complaints were received, Code Enforcement is working 12 hours weeks instead of 8 hrs per week, letters were sent out to 109 properties that are owned by LLC, etc to register with the Village, Village Hall drainage is complete and the Village will move forward with parking lot striping and signage, and bathroom renovation to start in two weeks.

#### **Executive Session**

Howard Richman made a motion to enter executive session to discuss a certain employee history, seconded by Marion Ben-Jacob. Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

No action was taken in executive session.

Howard Richman made a motion to exit executive session, seconded by Marion Ben-Jacob. Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Howard Richman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ruth Ivey. Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted, Camille Guido-Downey