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**Village of Wesley Hills
Board of Trustees
Board Meeting, ZOOM
Tuesday, January 5, 2021**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marshall Katz, Mayor
Ed McPherson, Deputy Mayor
Howard Richman, Trustee
Marion Ben-Jacob, Trustee
Ruth Ivey, Trustee

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

OTHERS PRESENT:

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 #01-21

Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting: December 8, 2020

Howard Richman made a motion to approve the minutes of December 8, 2020, seconded by Marion Ben-Jacob. Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Item #2

Resolution #02-21

Resolution approving the Intermunicipal Agreement with the Town of Ramapo for Sidewalk Snowplowing Services

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

WHEREAS, the Village of Wesley Hills has heretofore entered into an Intermunicipal Agreement with the Town of Ramapo for the 2021 year, a copy of which is made a part of the minutes of this Board, by which the Town agreed to plow the following sidewalks in the Village at a fee of \$1,830.00 each time the sidewalks are plowed:

1. Route 306 & Grandview Ave to Lime Kiln Road.
2. Forshay Road from Grandview Ave to Willow Tree Road.
3. North side of East Willow Tree Road

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the said Intermunicipal Agreement for 2021 be and the same is hereby accepted and approved, and the Mayor is authorized to indicate such approval by signing same on behalf of the Village of Wesley Hills.

Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Item #3

Resolution #03-21

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Appointment of one member to the Planning Board for the balance of a five-year term ending April 2024.

Mayor Katz appoints Lon Lieberman to the Planning Board for balance of a five-year term.

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

RESOLVED, that the Mayor's appointment of Lon Lieberman to the Planning Board of the Village of Wesley Hills for the balance of a five-year term ending April 2024, is hereby approved.

Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Item #4

Resolution #04-21

Appointment of first alternate member to the Planning Board- balance of a one-year term

Mayor Katz appoints Albert Tew as the first alternate member to the Planning Board of the Village of Wesley Hills for balance of a one-year term.

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

RESOLVED, that the Mayor's appointment of Albert Tew as the first alternate member to the Planning Board of the Village of Wesley Hills for the balance of a one-year term ending April 2021, is hereby approved.

Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Item #5

Resolution #05-21

Appointment of second alternate member of the Planning Board- balance of a one-year term

Mayor Katz appoints Vanessa Newman-Caren as the second alternate member to the Planning Board of the Village of Wesley Hills for balance of a one-year term.

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

RESOLVED, that the Mayor's appointment of Vanessa Newman-Caren as the second alternate member to the Planning Board of the Village of Wesley Hills for the balance of a one-year term ending April 2021, is hereby approved.

Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Item #6

Resolution #06-21

Resolution approving abstracts of audited claims



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

RESOLVED, that the general fund claims #18,071 through #18,116 in the aggregate amount of \$61,045.56 as set forth in Abstract #1/21 dated January 5, 2021, 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 #6A

Resolution #07-21

Resolution approving transfer of funds

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

RESOLVED, that the transfers in the aggregate amount of \$20,000.00 as set forth in Abstract #1/21 dated January 5, 2021, 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 #7

Mayor's Report

2021 Road Paving

Mayor Katz stated that he emailed the Board the 2021 paving estimates. Mayor Katz stated that he recommends trying to reduce the budget number to our traditional amount of \$150,000.00 which for various reasons the Village has significantly exceeded the past few years. Mayor Katz is recommending that the Village pave Ashlawn, Ridgeway, and the small portion of Pilgrim Lane that is within the Village. Also, as part of Orange & Rockland's cost sharing agreement, we will also pave Kentor and Earl. Mayor Katz stated that in 2022 he recommends paving Skylark Drive. Board Members were in favor of the Mayor's recommendations.

Ruth Ivey questioned if there is any reserved account for emergencies?

Mayor Katz answered yes, the Village has a contingency account.

Treasurer's Report

Donalee Berard presented to the Board the monthly financial report and stated that the Village is on track for the year. Ms. Berard stated that the Village received the \$75,000 reimbursement from the State for the paving of Astor Place. Ms. Berard stated that she has prepared the 1st draft of the budget for the Mayor's review.

Village Clerk's Report

- The Village received 23 complaints this month.
- The online building permit application program is up and running. The Mayor will make the website changes this week.

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- The Mayor has a conference call scheduled with the Village's insurance representative to discuss policy and premium changes for 2021.
- The Village is currently out for RFP's for the Village Hall and Village Park lawn maintenance and the Village Hall snowplowing.
- The Village Park playground replacement parts will be installed this week.
- On 1/15/2021 the Village's Aflac representative will be present to assist members and available for non-members for questions.
- Mayor Katz has an interview scheduled for tomorrow, 1/6/2021 with Bruce Minsky to handle the VTL prosecutions for the Village.

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Camille Guido-Downey