

A Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, NY was held on Monday, September 9, 2013 at the Municipal Building, Van Wyck Street, Croton-on-Hudson, NY 10520.

The following officials were present:

Mayor Wiegman	Trustee Raskob – arrived at 8:12
Village Manager Zambrano	Trustee Murtaugh
Village Attorney Whitehead	Trustee Davis
	Trustee Gallelli

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Wiegman called the meeting to order at 8:00pm. Everyone joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:

Trustee Davis made a motion to approve the following Fiscal Year 2012-2013 vouchers. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gallelli and approved unanimously with a 4-0 vote. Trustee Raskob was not present at the time of this approval.

General Fund	\$4,037.08
Water Fund	\$1,928.60
Total	\$5,965.77

Trustee Gallelli made a motion to approve the following Fiscal Year 2013-2014 vouchers. The motion was seconded by Trustee Murtaugh and approved unanimously with a vote of 4-0. Trustee Raskob was not present at the time of this approval.

General Fund	\$332,859.31
Water Fund	\$ 39,593.30
Sewer Fund	\$ 3,400.25
Capital Fund	\$ 60,637.52
Trust Fund	\$ 6,260.17
Total	\$442,750.55

3. PRESENTATION:

Village Historian Dorothy Pezanowski stated that she is here tonight to introduce Erin Livingston, a young lady who she has been mentoring this past year.

Ms. Pezanowski explained that Ms. Livingston has been working on a book called "Remembering our Veterans" for her Girl Scout Gold Award. Ms. Pezanowski stated that it has been an honor to have worked with Erin over the past year; it was a wonderful learning experience for both of them to have researched and studied the history of these men.

Erin Livingston stated that she is honored to be here tonight to present her book to the Village Board. Ms. Livingston advised that there are twenty-six streets in Croton named after Veterans and each street sign is distinguished by a star. Ms. Livingston said that once the idea was presented to her she contacted Village Historian Pezanowski who agreed to work on this project with her. Ms. Livingston said that over the past year she spent every Monday evening with Ms. Pezanowski doing research and is grateful for her assistance. Ms. Livingston said that in addition to Ms. Pezanowski's review of her stories, family members also had an opportunity to review them as well. Ms. Livingston said that anyone interested in purchasing the book can contact the Historical Society.

The Board thanked Erin for all her hard work on a job well done and that they understand and appreciate the hard work it takes to receive a Gold Award.

Andrew Courtney gave a slide presentation of the "Two Row Wampum" festivities in honor of the Four Hundred Year "Two Row Wampum Treaty". Mr. Courtney explained that a flotilla of Haudenosaunee People (Six-Nation Iroquois) paddled via canoes and kayaks 283 miles from the Mohawk River to Onondaga Lake to the Hudson River stopping at various communities along the way until they reached Pier 96 in New York City where they then marched to the United Nations. Mr. Courtney advised that one of their stops was Croton Point Park where approximately six-hundred people camped out and participated in various festivities. Mr. Courtney thanked the Board for their support. Mr. Courtney also thanked the many Croton residents who contributed to the thousand dollar Westchester County Park Use Fee and for also helping to make this a wonderful event.

John Philip, a Naturalist at the Croton Point Nature Center, commended Andrew Courtney; he did an enormous amount of work for this event over the course of an entire year.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Letter from Gregory Schmidt, President of the Croton Rotary Club, dated August 20, 2013 requesting use of a portion of the Croton-on-Hudson train station parking lot for their Rotary Club's annual car show.

Motion made by Trustee Murtaugh approving the request from the Croton Rotary Club to use the Croton on Hudson train station parking lot for their annual Fall Car Show to be held on Sunday, September 29, 2013. Motion seconded by Trustee Gallelli with a vote of 5-0.

- b. Letter from Tom Urtz of ShopRite Supermarkets dated August 30th advising that on September 18th Shop Rite of Croton on Hudson will be hosting a "Help Bag Hunger" event to help raise money and awareness of the issue of hunger in our Westchester Communities.
- c. Letter from Robert Hoch, Cablevision, dated August 30th advising of Channel Repositioning.
- d. Letter from the Dax Law Firm dated August 9th advising that West Point Partners, LLC submitted an application to the New York State Public Service Commission for authority to build and operate a high-voltage, direct current electric transmission facility that will connect the existing National Grid Substation in the Town of Athens to the Con Edison plant in Buchanan.

5. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION-AGENDA ITEMS

Kevin McClone, 2 Stephenson Place, Croton on Hudson, said that he did not understand some of the Budget Transfers being made this evening and questioned the following:

- A8090 Equipment Repairs; why wasn't money budgeted into this account
- A8560 Shade Trees; why did the Village take \$23,000 out of that line when the Village was looking at trimming trees
- A5183 Public Works, Personnel Services, why is this being increased by \$22,256.
- A8760 Emergency Disaster, asked for a breakdown and why was this line increased to \$149,57 and supplies increased to \$76,333

Village Manager Zambrano responded to Mr. McClone's questions as follows; 1) the Board did not anticipate or budget for any equipment repairs; 2) all Public Works labor gets charged to one account and it varies from year to year; 3) the monies that we received from FEMA for Hurricane Sandy were put into the Emergency Disaster line; the Village does not budget for

disasters so when the FEMA money was received the Village had to increase that expenditure line. Mr. Zambrano explained that during the year, upon Board Approval, the Village Treasurer transfers money from various accounts. Mr. Zambrano explained that the Village follows standard GASB (Government Accounting Standards Board) Rules and Regulations and would be happy to spend time with Mr. McClone to explain this process.

Mayor Wiegman advised that during the Budget process some of our Department Heads recommend not putting money into certain line items and at that time the Board did not anticipate servicing any equipment. Mayor Wiegman said that over the course of the year and if circumstances change, particularly in this case we had to service a piece of equipment, we then transfer funds to that account to cover those expenses.

Trustee Gallelli explained that during the course of the year you will see money transferred from various accounts to cover expenses that may not have been budgeted for. Trustee Gallelli stated it is impossible, on some line items, for the Department of Public Works to know or foresee what they will actually need throughout the year. Trustee Gallelli advised that Village staff worked very hard to get the reimbursement from FEMA and everything had to be documented. Trustee Gallelli advised that the detailed documentation is available for review at Village Hall.

Trustee Raskob stated that budgets are not an absolute; we cannot always anticipate all expenses.

Trustee Murtaugh said he remembers Mr. McClone coming to a meeting after Hurricane Sandy advising that he was riding around in a Fire Truck helping people; line 8760 is the money that FEMA has reimbursed the Village for the chain saws and the gas that was used to cut down trees and drive around the Village that evening. Trustee Murtaugh explained that this is merely a housekeeping exercise; money in/money out and shifting from one line to another and there is no impact on the Budget whatsoever.

RESOLUTIONS:

- a. On motion of TRUSTEE GALLELLI, seconded by TRUSTEE MURTAUGH, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York; with a 5-0 vote.

WHEREAS, Desiree Drapala, owner of Happy Hearts, has applied for a special permit for the renewal and amendment to operate child care center located at 10 Old Post Road South; and

WHEREAS, this matter has been referred to the Planning Board for its recommendation and review; and

WHEREAS, in its August 14, 2013 memo to the Village Board of Trustees, the Planning Board has recommended the renewal and amendments of the special permit subject to certain considerations,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Village Board of Trustees hereby schedules a Public Hearing in the meeting room of the Stanley H. Kellerhouse Municipal Building at 8 pm on September 23, 2013 to consider the special permit for the renewal and amendment to operate a child care center at 10 Old Post Road South.

b. On motion of TRUSTEE RASKOB, seconded by TRUSTEE DAVIS, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York; with a 5-0 vote.

WHEREAS, the Treasurer has analyzed the 2012/13 year to date budget and recommends the following budget transfers as detailed in the attached schedules;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Village Treasurer is authorized to make the following budget transfer to the 2012/13 General Fund, Water Fund and Sewer Fund budgets as follows:

GENERAL FUND

INCREASE

Dept	Item	Description	Amount
A1110	1000	Justice Court- Pers.	11,814
A1325	1000	Treasurer - Pers.	3,280
A1420	1100	Law – Pers.	94
A1420	4000	Law – contr.	57,785

A1640	4800	Garage – fuel gas & diesel	34,259
A1680	1000	Data Processing – pers.	2,404
A1680	1100	Data Processing – pers. p/t.	5,136
A1910	4000	Insurance	52,950
A1980	4000	MCTM Payroll Tax	523
A5182	1000	Light – pers.	156
A5182	4200	Light – supplies	300
A5183	1000	Public Wrks – pers.	22,256
A7140	4000	Playgrounds & Rec – contr.	18,595
A7140	4140	Playgrounds & Rec – equip	6,560
A7550	1200	Celebrations – pers.	1,984
A7550	4000	Celebrations – contr.	358
A8090	1000	Recycling – pers	18,230
A8090	1200	Recycling – pers o/t	987
A8140	1000	Storm Swrs – per	545
A8140	1200	Storm Swrs. – pers. o/t	16
A8140	4200	Storm Swrs. – supplies	1,144
A8170	1000	Street Cleaning – pers.	231
A8760	2020	Emerg. Disaster – computers	694
A8760	4000	Emerg. Disaster – contr.	149,571
A8760	4200	Emerg. Disaster – supplies	76,333
Total Increases			\$ 466,205
DECREASE			
A1010	4000	Bd. Of Trust – contr.	3,400
A1110	4000	Justice Court – contr.	2,879

A1210	4000	Mayor – contr.	835
A1230	1100	Manager – p/t	2,955
A1230	4000	Manger – contr.	856
A1420	4200	Law – supplies	545
A1440	4000	Engineer – contr.	770
A1460	4000	Records Mgmt – contr	11,245
A1620	4300	Building – propane	800
A1620	4310	Building – heating oil	1,665
A1620	4600	Building – bldgs. & grounds	1,356
A1620	4710	Building – vehicle repairs	841
A1640	4000	Central garage – contr.	1,113
A1680	2000	Data Processing – equipmt	3,127
A1950	4000	Taxes & Assessmt	19,081
A1990	4000	Contingency	6,509.70
A3120	4200	Police – supplies	5,568
A3189	1100	Aux. Police – pers. p/t	14,655
A3410	8000	Fire Serv. Award Prog	18,565
A3510	4000	Animal Control – contr.	2,909
A4020	1000	Registra of Vital – pers.	2,000
A4540	4070	Ambulance – training	6,000
A4540	8040	Ambulance – physicals/innoc	5,000
A5140	4000	Brush & Weeds – contr.	4,500
A5140	4200	Brush & Weeds – supplies	900
A5142	4000	Snow – contr.	6,500
A5142	4200	Snow – supplies	33,000

A5142	4210	Snow – vehicle maint suppl	1,560
A5142	4710	Snow – vehicle repairs	1,640
A5650	1100	Off Street Prkg. – p/t.	2,440
A5650	4000	Off Street Prkg. – contr.	5,860
A7020	4200	Recreation – supplies	3,200
A7140	1100	Plygrds. & Recr – p/t.	9,230
A7180	1100	Spec. Rec. Facilities- p/t/	4,300
A7180	1200	Spec. Rec. Facilities – o/t	2,500
A7180	4000	Spec. Rec. Facilities – contr.	2,400
A7310	1100	Youth Prog. – p/t.	45,000
A7310	4000	Youth Prog. – contr.	2,700
A7310	4200	Youth Prog. – supplies	5,000
A7510	4000	Historian – contr.	5,100
A7610	1100	Prog. For the Aging – p/t.	2,600
A8020	1100	Planning Board – p/t.	2,200
A8020	4000	Planning Board – contr.	8,700
A8090	4150	Recycling – disposal fees	3,200
A8090	4200	Recycling – supplies	2,800
A8090	4210	Recycling- vehicle maint.	2,200
A8090	4700	Recycling – equipmt. Repair	4,700
A8160	4150	Refuse Collection & Disp fees	31,390
A8160	4200	Refuse Collection & Disp – supplies	4,500
A8160	4700	Refuse Collectn & Disp – repairs	5,600
A8510	4200	Beautification – supplies	7,700

A8560	4000	Shade Tree – contr.	23,600
A8560	4200	Shade Tree – supplies	8,100
A9030	8000	Social Security	16,800
A9031	8000	Medicare	43,900
A9050	8000	Unemployment	4,200
A9060	8010	Medical Insurance	45,510.30

Total Decreases **\$ 466,205**

WATER FUND

INCREASE

Dept	Item	Description	Amount
F1950	4000	Taxes & Assessments	33
F1980	4000	MCTM Payroll Tax	116
F9010	8000	NYS ERS	2,995
F9030	8000	Social Security	1,855
Total Increases			\$ 4,999

DECREASE

F1990	4000	Contingency	4,999
Total Decreases			\$ 4,999

SEWER FUND

INCREASE

Dept	Item	Description	Amount
G1950	4000	Taxes & Assessment	105
G9010	8000	NYS ERS	4,582

Total Increases **\$ 4,687**

DECREASE

G1990	4000	Contingency	4,687
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Total Decreases **\$ 4,687**

c. On motion of TRUSTEE RASKOB, seconded by TRUSTEE GALELLI, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York; with a 5-0 vote.

WHEREAS, WSP Sells on behalf of the NYSDOT recently inspected the Half Moon Bay Bridge and determined that it was is in need of maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works has received a quote from WSP Sells for an additional inspection in the amount of \$15,300 which doesn't include any of the work of preparing plans and specifications; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works has determined that an additional inspection report is not necessary and that any additional proposal from WSP Sells for preparing plans and specifications would come to at least an additional \$25,000; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works has received a quote from Grossfield Macri PC of Hawthorne NY in the amount of \$24,5000 to prepare plans and specifications and perform a portion of the construction administrative work; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works recommends that the Village accept the proposal from Grossfield Macri PC of Hawthorne NY,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Village Manager is hereby authorized to accept the proposal from Grossfield Macri PC of Hawthorne NY in the amount of \$24,500 to prepare plans and specifications and perform a portion of the construction administrative work,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that this amount should be charged to capital account H5110-2106-11216.

DISCUSSIONS:

Trustee Gallelli explained that the Village acquired the bridge so that we could create the roadway to Croton Landing. Trustee Gallelli stated that the bridge is not about to fall down it just needs some regular preventative maintenance. Trustee Gallelli advised that this came to light after WSP Sells did the inspection for the New York State Department of Transportation and the Village was made aware of some of the issues.

Village Manager Zambrano advised that this project will require coordination from several agencies and utilities as well as Metro North. Mr. Zambrano advised that our water line runs under the bridge in addition to Verizon, Cablevision and Con-Edison cables as well.

d. On motion of TRUSTEE GALLELLI, seconded by TRUSTEE DAVIS, the following resolution was adopted unanimously by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York; with a 5-0 vote.

WHEREAS, the Village of Croton on Hudson has benefited in lowered cost and saved staff time from several Inter-Municipal Agreements in which it joins with the Village of Buchanan and the Town of Cortlandt over the years with respect to shared bidding on needed supplies and equipment by the Town Purchasing Director, shared use of equipment, including, but not limited to trucks, buses, and other vehicles and tools, and the shared removal of now-banned refrigerant, Freon and old appliances containing this refrigerant; and

WHEREAS, the Village would like to extend these Inter-Municipal Agreements for another year;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Village Manager is hereby authorized to sign the three Inter-Municipal Agreements for the year 2013 which deal with bidding by the Town Purchasing Director, shared used of equipment and removal of appliances containing Freon.

DISCUSSIONS

Trustee Raskob stated that this is one example of ways we try to save money.

e. On motion of TRUSTEE MURTAUGH, seconded by TRUSTEE RASKOB the following resolution was adopted unanimously by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York; with a 5-0 vote.

WHEREAS; the Village is in the fourth year of a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) under the Drug Free Community Support Program; and

WHEREAS, this year's budget includes \$6,000 for a public relations consultant; and

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2012, the Village Board authorized the Village Manager to execute a contract with Powers Public Relations to provide public relations services to the Coalition; and

WHEREAS, the Coalition's administrative team has been pleased with the services provided by Powers Public Relations and recommends that they continue to provide public relations services to the Coalition,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Village Manager is authorized to execute the contract with Powers Public Relations to provide public relations services to the Coalition at a cost not to exceed \$6,000

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the entire cost of this contract will be paid through the funds received from the SAMHSA grant.

DISCUSSIONS

Trustee Murtaugh advised that the Village has been designated as the Lead Agency and this money is passed through to the coalition.

Mayor Wiegman explained that this is Federal money that has to come through the municipality before it gets passed on to the coalition; we are beginning the fifth and final year of the grant.

CITIZEN PARTICPATION-NON AGENDA ITEMS

Don Daubney, 45 Bungalow Road, Croton on Hudson, stated that he is against the Village accepting the Gouevia Property; he has done some investigation and there are a number of fairly sizeable parcels of land privately owned that could possibly take advantage of the same thing. Mr. Daubney stated that he believes we currently have 610 acres of public parks and open space. Mr. Daubney also referred to the Blackrock Property Master Plan which contained a lot of wonderful ideas but none of those ideas were accomplished other than a Dog Park. Mr. Daubney also addressed littering on our public land with political signs and stated that they should only be allowed on private property.

Virginia Calcutti, 19 Hunter Place, Croton on Hudson, stated that during Hurricane Sandy the DPW Garage took a hit and asked if the Village has received any money from FEMA. Ms. Calcutti also inquired if the DPW Garage has flood insurance now and why wasn't it covered in the past. Ms. Calcutti said that she is concerned that Affordable Housing will affect our schools. Ms. Calcutti also stated that she requested under F.O.I.L. a copy of the revised fringe benefit policy for non-union employees and has not received the document.

Village Manager Zambrano advised that FEMA is reviewing the claim and we have not received any money at this time. Mr. Zambrano advised that when he took over as Manager he made sure that all eligible Village buildings were covered by flood insurance. Mr. Zambrano said that it is unfortunate that our Insurance Carrier had missed picking up the Garage last year but we now have all locations covered except for the Bathhouse at Senasqua Park and the Bathhouse at Croton Landing.

Bob Wintermeier, 43 Radnor Avenue, Croton on Hudson, said that after looking at the recent Water Report it appeared that there were some violations and asked what happens in the future; where do we go from here and when does the EPA get involved.

Village Manager Zambrano stated that the EPA does not get involved; the Westchester County Department of Health monitor's our reports and advises the Village of what steps we must take.

Mayor Wiegman advised that our Water Department tests our water very frequently and this is the basis of our Water Quality Report. Mayor Wiegman stated that on occasion we have water tests that come back that are more border line then we like but in each instance we have been able to trace it back to a water main break and once the water is retested the report comes back fine.

Dan Chesnard, 64 Farrington Road, Croton on Hudson asked if the Village applied for grant money for the repair of the Bulkhead.

Mayor Wiegman advised that the Village has submitted several grant applications but so far we have been unsuccessful.

Village Manager Zambrano advised that for four years in a row the Village applied for mitigation money through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Agency and we

were denied; last year we were told by FEMA that the Bulkhead did not qualify for mitigation money.

Mayor Wiegman added that we also applied for a "Boating Infrastructure Fund Grant" but we did not succeed in getting any money from them either. Mayor Wiegman stated that FEMA determined that the holes in the bulkhead were not caused by the storm; the holes in the bulkhead accelerated the gravel loss when Sandy's waves hit but those holes in the bulkhead were already there.

Trustee Murtaugh stated that the Yacht Club members were very instrumental in formulating the grant for each of those four years; it was a collaborative effort between the Village and the Yacht Club but for some reason our effort was unsuccessful. Trustee Murtaugh stated that the Village continues to keep their eyes open for any opportunity to apply for money.

Mayor Wiegman stated that he credits the Yacht Club for being very aggressive and very comprehensive in looking for funding opportunities and in assisting the Village in applying for them as well. Mayor Wiegman said that the good news is that the price to repair the bulkhead came in several hundred thousand dollars under what we had initially been told by the engineering firm.

Dan Chesnard, 64 Farrington Road, Croton on Hudson asked if the Village has been approached by Verizon or any of these other companies that utilize our cell towers offering to purchase them.

Mayor Wiegman said that there was a recent article in the newspaper about Stony Point selling off some of their properties but that dollar amount included a number of sites. Mayor Wiegman said that the lease agreement terms are currently more valuable to the Village because they allow us to make arrangements with additional carriers and over time the tower becomes more valuable. Mayor Wiegman stated that it also has a lot to do with where cell towers are located; we are not going to consider selling a corner of our Village Hall building or the small piece of land at the train station that is completely surrounded by public land.

Kevin McClone, 2 Stephenson Place, Croton on Hudson, stated that the Yacht Club is a 501c7 private club which is for members only; technically if you are not a member you cannot go into the club. Mr. McClone said that he feels that they are also violating the lease by offering liquor to the public. Mr. McClone said that the IRS Rules also indicates that you cannot rent the Yacht Club because it is a private club and you can only gain access to a private club through membership.

Trustee Gallelli commented that it states in the lease that they have to acquire the proper licenses to serve liquor.

Mayor Wiegman advised that there were hundreds of people at the Yacht Club during the Riverfest festivities this past Saturday and everyone, including non-members, had access to the Club. Mayor Wiegman stated that fifty-seven years ago it was set up as a 501c7 because it was driven on a membership basis. Mayor Wiegman advised that their Charter says that their particular functions are marine education, marine access and marine recreation; any resident of Croton can become a member.

Trustee Murtaugh stated that they have a level called an Associate Member where an out of Village resident is permitted to dock a boat there.

Mr. McClone said that IRS Rules allow you to have a member, guest and/or Associate Member but as a non-member he could not walk onto that property even if you are a resident.

Trustee Murtaugh said that anyone can walk on the perimeter of the building you just cannot enter the building without their permission. Trustee Murtaugh stated that the Yacht Club improved the building and they retain control of the physical building but as far as walking on the perimeter or in the yard itself right down to the water any Village resident is permitted to do so.

Mayor Wiegman stated that the Village is currently in the process of making the terms of the lease with the Yacht Club available to the public; we are taking all the comments back to our attorney who will be shifting through them and matching it up with what they know are the standard terms of the lease. Mayor Wiegman said that when that comes back to the Village Board we will sit down with the Yacht Club and go through what we hope are final terms.

Dan Chesnard, 64 Farrington Road, Croton on Hudson, stated that if you are a Village resident you can walk around the Yacht Club but they are not friendly and have on occasion been questioned why he was there. Mr. Chesnard asked why the sign in the parking lot says for members only.

Trustee Murtaugh stated that the Yacht Club has over the years become more welcoming; he has taken guests there to sit and watch the sunset and he has never had an uncomfortable moment. Trustee Murtaugh stated that in the last couple of years there has been a transformation and the newer members realize that cooperation with the Village is way more beneficial and more helpful to everyone.

Mayor Wiegman said that he believes the Yacht Club does not want the general public parking everywhere in their lot; it is a gravel parking lot and every once in a while at high tide the water comes right up the ramp and half-way across the parking lot. Mayor Wiegman added that they are also constantly moving boats and need a lot of swing room and if someone has parked their car in the middle of the lot it holds up the whole operation. Mayor Wiegman said that there is ample parking underneath the bridge and just north of the Yacht Club.

John O'Connell, 115 Old Post Road North, Croton-on-Hudson, stated that he does not believe that the Yacht Club brings any value to most of the people in the Village and they are only recently welcoming and he just recently learned that it was open to the public to walk around the property. Mr. O'Connell questioned the landscaping labor rates of fifty dollars an hour and the annual lease increase.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Davis made a motion to approve the minutes as amended of the Regular Meeting held on June 24, 2013. Trustee Raskob seconded the motion. The Board approved with a vote of 5-0.

6. REPORTS

Village Manager Zambrano thanked Erin Livingston and Dorothy Pezanowski for the work they did on the book.

Village Manager Zambrano announced that on September 3rd he received notice from the New York State Department of Transportation advising that they will be starting the paving project on Route 9 within the next two to three weeks; the project will take approximately four weeks to complete.

Village Manager Zambrano advised that summer camp went very well this year, there were a few instances where our lifeguards had to rescue some of the visitors at Silver Lake and we were fortunate to have a very responsible group of lifeguards this season.

Village Manager Zambrano advised that in the past the Village has removed political signs from the Village's right-of-way but our Legal Counsel has advised us not to remove those signs from any public right-of-way. Mr. Zambrano said that

we depend on our local politicians to remove their signs once the election is over, but we do not want to violate anyone's freedom of speech.

Trustee Davis advised that the new bike posts have been installed in the Upper Village; they are fantastic and it is a great way to encourage bicycle riding; if it continues to be successful we should look into putting it in the Harmon Business District as well.

Trustee Davis advised that the Board met with the Harmon business owners last week regarding the updated Harmon Zoning Law; it was a very constructive meeting and hopes that good things will come out of that meeting.

Trustee Raskob – no report

Trustee Gallelli stated that the meeting with the Harmon property owners might have been better attended; those that did attend showed a lot of interest in what the revised Zoning will allow them to do and what the potential affects it will have on their property.

Trustee Gallelli advised that last Saturday the Yacht Club had a wonderful "Fourth Annual River Day event"; it was extremely well attended with lots of exhibits for children; great food and great company and it was a good example of how the Yacht Club membership has become much more involved in relating to the community and how the community seems to becoming more involved with them.

Trustee Gallelli advised that our Historic Society mounted a new exhibit at Village Hall called "Post Cards of Croton"; it is a fascinating exhibit and urged everyone to stop by to see the exhibit.

Trustee Gallelli advised that the Recreation Department's Fall Brochure is now out and available on line and can be reached through the Village's web-site.

Trustee Gallelli reminded everyone that tomorrow is Primary Day and urged those who have a primary to get out and vote.

Trustee Murtaugh referred to Mr. O'Connell's statement about paying fifty dollars an hour to cut grass at the Yacht Club. Trustee Murtaugh stated that there is no grass at the Yacht Club; that amount is for skilled labor to operate heavy machinery; it is not unskilled labor; this is work that we would have had to do but they do it themselves.

Village Manager Zambrano stated that if the Village was to do this work we would have had to pay not only prevailing wages but benefits as well.

Mayor Wiegman addressed the traffic jam issues caused by the Toughman Triathlon Race this past weekend. Mayor Wiegman advised that this is a race sponsored by a non-profit organization based in Westchester County that raises thousands of dollars for local charities. Mayor Wiegman advised that the site for the race; Croton Point Park, is controlled by the County and the County has extended a five-year agreement to Toughman through 2019. Mayor Wiegman added that the Village of Croton does not have any control over whom the County leases their park to and the County determines which roads get closed outside of the Village's immediate jurisdiction. Mayor Wiegman advised that the Village is in the reactive position having to work with the results of what the County and the State decide. Mayor Wiegman said that he was out from 6:30am till 4:00pm going back and forth to the race site trying to determine how the race actually unfolds at the County Park; we will be meeting with the County, State and the race organizers for a debriefing of what recently occurred and to discuss future races with a view towards improving traffic and ways to mitigate the traffic issues.

Mayor Wiegman advised that a presentation was made to the property owners in the Harmon District explaining the new Zoning law and once we finalize the presentation we will put it on our website.

Pursuant to Public Officers Law 106.1, a motion for the Village Board to enter into a quasi-judicial proceeding and convene as the FOIL Appeals Board was made by Trustee Raskob and seconded by Trustee Davis. Motion was unanimously approved with a 5-0 vote.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Murtaugh made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Davis seconded the motion; approved 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 10:23pm

Respectfully submitted

Judy Weintraub, Board Secretary

Paula DiSanto, Village Clerk