



SPECIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

June 18, 2024, at 7:00 PM

432 Route 306, Wesley Hills, NY 10952

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marshall Katz, Mayor
Milton Schwartz, Deputy Mayor
Yisroel Cherns, Trustee
Joseph Mause, Trustee
Tova Krull, Trustee

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

OTHERS PRESENT:

Benjamin Selig, Village Attorney
Camille Guido - Downey, Village Clerk-Treasurer

Mayor Katz opened the meeting at 7:05 pm followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Katz stated that we will move the minutes to the July 2, 2024, meeting date.

ITEM #2

RESOLUTION #65-24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR ON WILLOW TREE ROAD

Trustee Cherns made a motion to approve the following resolutions, seconded by Trustee Schwartz:

WHEREAS, the Village of Wesley Hills was notified that there was a partial roadway collapse on Willow Tree Road, and

WHEREAS, as per the Village Engineer's inspection on June 13, 2024, this collapse is dangerous and requires emergency repair as soon as possible, and

WHEREAS, this work is above and beyond the normal repair work that the Town of Ramapo would perform for the Village, and

WHEREAS, the Village with the assistance of the Village Engineer obtained an emergency proposal from Environmental Construction, a copy of which is made a part of the minutes of this Board, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Wesley Hills declares this repair on Willow Tree Road an emergency and the Mayor is authorized to indicate the approval and acceptance

of such proposal by Environmental Construction by signing same on behalf of the Village of Wesley Hills nunc pro tunc.

Discussion:

Mayor Katz stated that on the south side of Willow Tree Road at the curve of the roadway there was a broken drainage pipe that undermined and washed away the side of the roadway. The railing was also collapsed. The Village Engineer has stated that this work is an emergency and needs to be repaired asap. This work was beyond the work of the Town Highway contract.

Upon vote, Yea: Mayor Katz, Trustee Schwartz, Trustee Cherns, Trustee Mause and Trustee Krull; this motion was carried unanimously.

ITEM #3

RESOLUTION #66-24

RESOLUTION APPROVING INDEMNIFICATION & HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT FOR 2 ARDLEY PLACE

Trustee Mause made a motion to approve the following resolution, seconded by Trustee Schwartz:

RESOLVED, that the Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement between the Village of Wesley Hills and Yitzchok Rosenfeld, a copy of which is made a part of the minutes of this Board, is hereby accepted, and the Mayor is authorized to indicate the approval and acceptance of such Agreement by signing same on behalf of the Village of Wesley Hills.

Upon vote, Yea: Mayor Katz, Trustee Schwartz, Trustee Cherns, Trustee Mause and Trustee Krull; this motion was carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION: LOIS LANE/AUBURN COURT STREET LIGHT

Mayor Katz stated that the Village has installed two streetlights on Lois Lane, one by #2 and #9. The residents that live on Auburn Court have requested a streetlight however none of the residents have agreed to have the streetlight placed on their front yard. Mayor Katz has stated that he has invited all the residents from Auburn Court (and the homes on Lois that have frontage on Auburn) to this meeting in hopes we will come to a decision in reference to the placement of the streetlight. Mayor Katz provided an area map for reference.

There was an open discussion between the Board Members and the following residents: 4 Auburn Court, 7 Lois Lane and 1 Auburn Court. After discussions it was decided that the new streetlight would be placed between #7 Lois Lane and #4 Auburn Court at the property line where the electric box is located.

Mayor Katz thanked the residents for attending the meeting and coming to an agreement.

ITEM #4

RESOLUTION #67-24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FIRM OF ZARIN & STEINMETZ, LLP, TO REPRESENT THE VILLAGE OF WESLEY HILLS ON THE MATTER OF THE CHANA GOLD, MENDY GOLD & MICHELE LEVINSON V. THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF WESLEY HILLS.

Trustee Schwartz made a motion to approve the following resolution, seconded by Trustee Mause:

WHEREAS, the Village Board is a respondent in a proceeding pursuant to NYCPLR Article 78 entitled, “Chana Gold, Mendy Gold & Michele Levinson” (Rockland County Clerk’s Index No. 2024-033053) (hereinafter, the “Proceeding”); and

WHEREAS, the Proceeding arose from determinations of the Village Board to grant the design of sidewalks on the north side of Willow Tree Road; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby authorizes the firm of Zarin & Steinmetz, LLP, to appear on behalf of the Village Board of the Village of Wesley Hills to defend the Village, and file any motions or other papers necessary in this case, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is authorized to sign any documentation on behalf of the Village.

Upon vote, Yea: Mayor Katz, Trustee Schwartz, Trustee Cherns, Trustee Mause and Trustee Krull; this motion was carried unanimously.

ITEM #5 **RESOLUTION #68-24**
AUTHORIZING THE CONTRACT WITH COLLIERS ENGINEERING FOR THE REVIEW
OF A TRAFFIC STUDY

Trustee Cherns made a motion to approve the following resolution, seconded by Trustee Krull:

WHEREAS, the Planning Board of the Village of Wesley Hills received a traffic report on behalf of an applicant, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board has requested that a separate traffic engineer review said report out of an abundance of caution, and

WHEREAS, the Applicant has agreed to cover the 100% of the cost of said review, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village approves the contract of Colliers Engineering to review a traffic report on behalf of the Village Planning Board, a copy of which is made a part of the minutes of this Board, is hereby accepted, and the Mayor is authorized to indicate the approval and acceptance of such Agreement by signing same on behalf of the Village of Wesley Hills nunc pro tunc.

Upon vote, Yea: Mayor Katz, Trustee Schwartz, Trustee Cherns, Trustee Mause and Trustee Krull; this motion was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Cherns made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Mause. Upon vote: Yea: Mayor Katz, Trustee Schwartz, Trustee Cherns, Trustee Mause and Trustee Krull. This motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Camille Guido-Downey