

**Village of Old Field  
Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, November 8, 2016**

**Mayor Michael Levine-Safety**  
**Deputy Mayor Stephen Shybunko-Fire and Special Projects**  
**Trustee Robert Whitcomb-Street and Road Repairs**  
**Trustee Timothy Hopkins-Environmental Council**  
**Trustee Jeffrey Owen-Parks, Building and Street Trees**

Village Attorney, Anthony Guardino  
Adrienne Kessel, Village Clerk  
Andrea Podolsky, Treasurer  
Joseph Arico, Building Insp

**Absent**

Trustee Shybunko was unable to attend the meeting.

**Call to Order**

The Mayor opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

**Pledge to the Flag**

The Pledge to the Flag was led by Mayor Levine.

**Introduction of Board Members**

**Public Comment**

Robert and Christine Matthews, 19 Blueberry Ridge Road, addressed the Board regarding speeding on Blueberry Ridge Road. The Board discussed several methods to slow traffic down. Mayor Levine advised them to call 911 every time they witness speeders. Trustee Hopkins suggested having the SCPD attend the next meeting to discuss the problem and solutions with the public. Mayor Levine will reach out to the SCPD.

- Approve Resolution for Inclusion into the Setauket Fire District

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN EXTEND THE BOUNDARIES OF THE SETAUKET FIRE DISTRICT TO INCLUDE THE TERRITORIAL BOUNDARIES OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF OLD FIELD FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FIRE PROTECTION AND OTHER EMERGENCY SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, on September 29, 2016, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo signed into law an act to authorize the Town of Brookhaven to extend the boundaries of the Setauket Fire District to include the Village of Old Field, which is codified at Chapter 357 of the Laws of 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, the legislation was passed in response to Home Rule Requests submitted to the New York State Legislature by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Old Field (“Village Board”) and the Town Board of the Town of Brookhaven (“Brookhaven Town Board”)

seeking special legislation affecting New York State Town Law 170(2), which explicitly does not authorize a Town Board to extend a fire district into the territorial boundaries of an incorporated village; and **WHEREAS**, due to the increasing costs associated with contracting with the Setauket Fire District for fire protection and other emergency services, the Village Board has determined that it is in the best interests of the Village and its residents to become part of the Setauket Fire District.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Village Board hereby requests that the Brookhaven Town Board act in accordance with Chapter 357 of the Laws of 2016 and Town Law § 170(2) and to expand the boundaries of the Setauket Fire District to include the territorial boundaries of the Incorporated Village of Old Field for the purpose of providing fire protection and other emergency services.

On motion by Trustee Hopkins, seconded by Mayor Levine, the foregoing resolution was adopted by vote as follows:

Michael Levine, Mayor	-Yea
Jeffrey Owen, Trustee	-Yea
Robert E. Whitcomb, Trustee	-Yea
Timothy Hopkins, Trustee	-Yea

Motion carried 4-0. Filed in the Office of the Village Clerk on the 8th day of November, 2016.

Anthony Guardino noted that the Town of Brookhaven must hold a Public Hearing on this matter, and the Fire Commissioners must agree to the inclusion of Old Field in the Setauket Fire District.

#### **Tree Permit**

- On a motion by Trustee Hopkins, and seconded by Trustee Owens, the Board approved the tree removal permit submitted by Mark and Carol Talimini, 87 Old Field Road, to remove thirteen trees as per submitted plan, reviewed and approved by Environmental Committee on Monday, Oct. 31, 4-0.

#### **Minutes**

- On a motion by Mayor Levine, seconded by Trustee Whitcomb, the Board approved the minutes of Oct. 11, 2016, as amended, 4-0.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

- On a motion by Trustee Hopkins, seconded by Mayor Levine, the Board approve the Treasurer's report for October 2016, 4-0. (Road Bond payment due on Nov. 15, 2016, in the amount of \$165,00.00, and interest of \$12,568.75 for a total of \$177,568.75)

- On a motion by Trustee Hopkins, seconded by Mayor Levine, the Board approved the warrants for October 2016 as submitted by the Treasurer, 4-0.

## **New Business**

- On a motion by Trustee Whitcomb, seconded by Mayor Levine, the Board approved Roger Corcella to write the scope of the repair and cost estimate to qualify for a grant submittal for the Lighthouse, at a cost of \$1000.00, 4-0.  
The first grant application to DASNY (Dormitory Authority of NYS) opens on November 15.
- On a motion by Trustee Whitcomb, seconded by Mayor Levine, the Board approved Owen Brothers one year renewal option, to 2017, for the Snow Removal Contract, 3-0. Trustee Owen abstained.
- On a motion by Trustee Whitcomb, seconded by Trustee Hopkins, the Board approved the 2017/2018 Town of Brookhaven Agreement for Salt, Sand and General Repairs, 4-0.
- On a motion by Trustee Whitcomb, seconded by Mayor Levine, the Board approved the Proposal from Williamson Law Book Company for Building and Code Enforcement software program for a record keeping system to track the permitting process to completion, and document compliance with Code regulations, 4-0. Cost \$3250, annual support cost \$895, References: Upper Brookville, Inc. Village of Saddle Rock (Nassau County) Quogue (Suffolk County)
- TABLED The Board tabled the mobile app, based on an additional review by the Building Inspector, for this portion of the software program. Cost of \$895, annual support cost at \$240.

## **Old Business**

- Village Attorney Anthony Guardino is reviewing the proposed contract from Elite Communications, the proposal is based upon the feasibility and location of a cell tower in Old Field. Mayor Levine said there will be a public presentation of the project.
- Request proposal from Brookhaven Locksmiths for one alarm system for both Lighthouse and Keeper's Cottage, with mobile app for cell phone accessibility

## **Commissioners Report**

Mayor Levine-Safety- The Mayor asked about the repair of the cobblestones in front of the Mason property.

Trustee Whitcomb-Street and Road Repairs

Trustee Whitcomb discussed the Roadside Erosion project and areas that were chosen for erosion control, noting it is more functional than esthetic. The cost of \$87,000.00 is reimbursed from CHIPS money distributed to municipalities (Consolidated Highway Improvement Programs through NYS), and not paid by taxes. The cracks in the pavement will also be addressed at this time.

Trustee Timothy Hopkins-Environmental Council

Trustee Owen-Parks, Building and Street Trees

## **Public Comments**

Dr. Mark Talamini, 18187 Old Field Road, discussed the need for cell phone coverage within our area.

## **Executive Session**

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM

**Calendar**

- CPR Class November 10, 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM
- Next Board of Trustees work session on Thursday, Dec. 8, 2016
- Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2016