

**Village of Old Field
Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes
Thursday, Aug. 10, 2023, 12 noon**

Mayor Thomas Pirro-Code Enforcement, Lighthouse Project

Trustee Tom Gulbransen-Fire and Special Projects

Trustee Rebecca VanDerBogart-Parks, Building, Street Trees, Lighthouse Project (to 1:43 PM)

Trustee Morgan Morrison-Street and Roadside

Trustee William Schaefer-Special Projects

Attorney Philip Butler

Village Clerk Adrienne Kessel

Village Treasurer Andrea Podolsky

Building Inspector Joseph Arico (unable to attend)

Building Clerk Dawn McCoy (unable to attend)

Pledge to the Flag

The Mayor led the Pledge to the Flag and opened the meeting at 12 noon.

Building

Held Over from July 11: On a motion by Mayor Pirro, seconded by Trustee Schaefer, the Board allowed a conditional building permit approval, subject to the submittal and recommendation for approvals of a tree and site clearing plan, by an arborist and the Environmental Committee; Cherouvis, Michael, 2 East Gate, Permit #2023-0021, SBL 15-2-21.13, vacant land, site plan approved, 4-0.

Trustee Gulbransen and ECC Chair Bruce Feller will do a site visit after tonight's meeting.

- Cherouvis, Michael, 2 East Gate, Permit #2023-0021, SBL 15-2-21.13, new build.

After public interest, a review by the arborist and Village Engineer, on the proposed approval for building plans for 2 East Gate, the Board discussed the plans with the applicant, Michael Cherouvis, and architect Young Yil Yoon, Yoons Group, Knodier Architectural Division. At issue are the landscaping plans and driveway cuts, and the front of the house to be positioned on Mt. Grey Road.

Mayor Pirro asked if the submitted plan has been modified. Mr. Cherouvis said the front of the house would be landscaped.

Attorney Phil Butler advised if the Board is not satisfied with the tree removal and landscaping plan, hold the application and provide the applicant with the consultant arborist and Environmental Committee recommendations, and resubmit or modify his plan.

After discussions by all interested parties, the applicant has asked for an adjournment on this project until all consultant reports can be reviewed and considered, with possible changes being made to the plan. Mr. Cherouvis requested the Board meet as soon as the amended plans are submitted and approved.

Trustee Gulbransen will forward consultant reports to the Village Clerk to be sent to Mr. Cherouvis.

Village Clerk

- On a motion by Mayor Pirro, seconded by Trustee Gulbransen, the Board approved the minutes of July 11, 2023, 4-0. Trustee Schaefer recused, as he was not at the July meeting.

Village Treasurer

- Hold: Approve the warrants and Treasurer's report for July 2023

Action Items

- On a motion by Trustee Schaefer, seconded by Mayor Pirro, the Board approved the proposal for a new video for the Village web site, not to exceed \$1500, from Alex Cherney, River Spirit Studio, subject to Board approval for content, 5-0.

Commissioners Reports:

Mayor Thomas Pirro-Safety, Lighthouse project; a solid draft for the Lighthouse repair is expected in Sept.

Trustee Tom Gulbransen-Fire, Environmental

Trustee Rebecca VanDerBogart -Parks, Building, Street Trees, Lighthouse project; the National Historic Registry paperwork for the Lighthouse has been submitted

Trustee William Schaefer-Special Project-Since the Lighthouse Foundation has refused to raise funds for the renovation, concerns remain regarding its replacement for a non-profit entity that can accept tax-deductible donations

Trustee Morgan Morrison-Street & Road Repairs

Public Comments

Laura Hirsch, John Lerner, and Chris Richey, Sr, asked questions regarding the building application for 2 East Gate Lane. Roberta Gordon expressed concerns about the evolution of the neighborhood.

John Lerner questioned what the deed for 2 East Gate stated in regard to driveway cuts.

Bruce Feller, ECC Chair, discussed site plan requirements for a buffer zone, and concerns about the removal of large trees and vegetation within 10' of the property line at 2 East Gate.

Chris Richey Sr., who represents the Woodhull Cove Association, said he applauded the Board's efforts in keeping the character of the Village.

Haley Ogle discussed the Deer Fence code; plans for a non-profit entity for Lighthouse fundraising.

Jane Fasullo discussed water pooling on the road near 68 Old Field Road, that turning vehicles cut off the channel, and the revetment repairs. Trustee Gulbransen discussed water flow and sand flow on both sides of the bluff.

On a motion by Mayor Pirro, seconded by Trustee Schaefer, the Board adjourned at 2:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Adrienne Kessel
Village Clerk

Calander: BOT work session and Monthly Meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2023

Agenda BOT Special Meeting 08 09 23 12 noon