

VILLAGE OF OLD FIELD
PUBLIC HEARING AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2008 – 7:00 P.M.
NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE, 95 MAIN STREET, SETAUKET

Present

Mayor Michael Levine
Trustee Thomas Gulbransen
Trustee Donald Pius
Trustee Ted Rosenberg
Trustee Stephen Shybunko
Village Attorney Anthony Guardino
Village Clerk Dale Salzberg
Treasurer Anne Cadden

Present

Darlene Chardon
Bruce Feller
Marianne Feller
Gudjon Hermannsson
Lee Lambert
Debbie Mesina
Rich Mesina
Jeffrey Owen
Kalpana Patel
Mike Rabinowitz

Mayor Levine called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

RESIGNATION OF VILLAGE TREASURER

The Mayor reported Anne Cadden has submitted her resignation as Treasurer, effective December 15, 2008. The Mayor and Members of the Board of Trustees expressed their deep appreciation for her valuable contributions to the Village. On motion made by Trustee Pius and seconded by Trustee Gulbransen, the following resolution was unanimously approved 5-0 with Trustees Gulbransen, Pius, Rosenberg and Shybunko and Mayor Levine voting in favor of the motion.

RESOLVED, that the resignation of Anne Cadden as Village Treasurer of the Incorporated Village of Old Field be, and it hereby is, accepted effective December 15, 2008; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees records its appreciation and gratitude to Anne Cadden for all of her hard work for the betterment of the Village of Old Field; and

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FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above resolution be recorded in the official minutes of the Village in recognition and with thanks from the Village residents that she served so well.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held on the application of Chardon, to amend (or obtain relief from) a Covenant and Restriction on property located at 126 Old Field Road. A transcript of the Public Hearing is available at Village Hall.

A motion was made by Trustee Pius and seconded by Trustee Rosenberg to continue the Public Hearing at the next regularly scheduled Board of Trustees meeting on January 13, 2009. The motion was approved 5-0 with Trustees Gulbransen, Pius, Rosenberg and Shybunko and Mayor Levine voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Levine called the Board of Trustees regular meeting to order at 7:41 p.m.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Pius and seconded by Trustee Rosenberg to approve the Minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting of November 11, 2008. The motion was approved 4-0-1 with Trustees Rosenberg, Pius and Shybunko and Mayor Levine voting in favor of the motion. Trustee Gulbransen abstained.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Trustee Pius and seconded by Trustee Rosenberg to approve the Treasurer's Report and payment of warrants for November 2008. The motion was approved 5-0 with Trustees Gulbransen, Pius, Rosenberg and Shybunko and Mayor Levine voting in favor of the motion.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

As given by Mayor Levine.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Mayor reported that he had received a letter from Dr. Colin Clarke asking the Village to look into the feasibility of amending the Village Code to permit residents to install small wind systems on their property.

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ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTS

A motion was made by Trustee Pius and seconded by Trustee Gulbransen to approve the Zoning Permit application of **Owen 164 Old Field Road**, to remove trees on the resident's property and on the Village right-of-way subject to the following conditions:

1. Removed trees must be replaced on a 1-1 ratio; and
2. Square footage of woody shrubs must remain the same; and
3. Plantings must stay 5' off Old Field Road; and
4. A visible buffer must be maintained for two-thirds of the frontage. One-third of the frontage may be cleared.

The motion was approved 5-0 with Trustees Gulbransen, Pius, Rosenberg and Shybunko and Mayor Levine voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Trustee Shybunko and seconded by Trustee Gulbransen to deny the Building Permit application of **Eielson, 69 West Meadow Road** for an:

- 83 sq. ft. first floor addition;
- 426 sq. ft. second floor addition; and
- 211 sq. ft. screed porch

on the basis that the building lot is under two acres. The motion was approved 5-0 with Trustees Gulbransen, Pius, Rosenberg and Shybunko and Mayor Levine voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Trustee Pius and seconded by Trustee Rosenberg to approve the Building Permit application of **Patel, 166 Old Field Road** to install an in-ground pool. The motion was approved 5-0 with Trustees Gulbransen, Pius, Rosenberg and Shybunko and Mayor Levine voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Trustee Pius and seconded by Trustee Gulbransen to approve the application for a Demolition Permit for **Terrapin Crossing**, to remove the current residence at **59 Crane Neck Road** subject to the following conditions:

1. the concrete foundation must be removed from the property in its entirety; and
2. the soil must be stabilized to protect it from erosion.

The motion was approved 5-0 with Trustees Gulbransen, Pius, Rosenberg and Shybunko and Mayor Levine voting in favor of the motion.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS

PARKS AND BUILDINGS

Trustee Shybunko noted that LIPA had (98%) completed the tree trimming along Village Roads. He also noted that the Village was moving forward with its plan to replace the septic system at Old Field Point, and that the DEC Letter of Non-Jurisdiction had recently been received.

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SAFETY

Mayor Levine reminded residents that in an emergency they should call 911.

Jeff Owen addressed the Board.

STREET AND ROADSIDES

Trustee Rosenberg reported that the Town of Brookhaven Highway Department had completed its repair of potholes on the Village roads.

FIRE AND SPECIAL PROJECTS

No Report

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT)

No Report

NEW BUSINESS

The Mayor was pleased to announce the appointment of Charlene Seifert to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mrs. Seifert agreed to fill the seat on the ZBA left vacant by the appointment of Stephen Shybunko to the Board of Trustees.

HOLIDAY GIFT FUND

Mayor Levine reminded residents that the Village Code of Ethics prohibits any holiday gifts to Village staff and employees. Instead, he encouraged residents to contribute to the Village Hall Gift Fund, proceeds of which are distributed to the staff, by mailing a check to the Village of Old Field Holiday Gift Fund, HSBC, 300 Main Street, East Setauket, NY 11733.

UPCOMING VILLAGE EVENTS

The next work session of the Village of Old Field Board of Trustees is scheduled for January 8, 2009 at 5:00 P.M. at the Lighthouse.

The next regular meeting of the Village of Old Field Board of Trustees will take place on Tuesday, January 13, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Neighborhood House.

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A motion was made by Trustee Gulbransen and seconded by Trustee Pius to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:25 P.M. and to enter into Executive Session. The motion was approved 5-0 with Trustees Gulbransen, Pius, Shybunko and Rosenberg and Mayor Levine voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Trustee Rosenberg and seconded by Trustee Shybunko to adjourn the Executive Session at 9:00 P.M. The motion was approved 5-0 with Trustees Gulbransen, Pius, Shybunko and Rosenberg and Mayor Levine voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Trustee Rosenberg and seconded by Trustee Shybunko to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:01 P.M. The motion was approved 5-0 with Trustees Gulbransen, Pius, Shybunko and Rosenberg and Mayor Levine voting in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,
Dale Salzberg
Village Clerk