

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Port Washington North was held on Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order 103 the meeting was held via video conference. The public was able to hear and participate in the meeting by computer link, telephone dial-in and, additionally, the public was able to ask any questions through email.

Present:	Mayor	-	Robert S. Weitzner
	Trustees	-	Steven Cohen
		-	Matthew Kepke
		-	Michael Malatino
		-	Sherman Scheff
	Clerk	-	Palma Torrisi
	Attorney	-	Stuart Besen
	Court Reporter	-	Jennifer Devlin

1. Clerk

A. Minutes

On motion of Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Malatino, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the reading of the minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting of November 18, 2020 be waived and that they be and hereby are approved as prepared by Clerk Torrisi.

B. Tentative Assessment Roll

Clerk Torrisi reported that she, as the Assessor of the Village of Port Washington North, has completed the Assessment Roll of the Village of Port Washington North for the year 2021, and that a copy thereof has been filed with the Village Clerk on January 27, 2021. On motion of Trustee Malatino, seconded by Trustee Kepke, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees acting as the Board of Assessors have completed and accepted the Assessment Roll of the Village of Port Washington North for the year 2021, that a copy thereof has been filed with the Village Clerk on January 27, 2021, and that a legal notice shall be published stating that the Assessment Roll may be seen and examined by any person during business hours at the Village Hall, 3 Pleasant Avenue, Port Washington, New York 11050, until the 16th day of February 2021.

C. Clerk's Tax Return

Clerk Torrisi submitted to the board a written report of taxes for the year June 1, 2020 to May 31, 2021 assessed against various properties in the Village which are unpaid and past due. On motion of Trustee Scheff, seconded by Trustee Malatino, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS the Village Clerk on the 27th day of January 2021 did return and file an account of unpaid taxes to this Board for the year 2020, to wit:

**VILLAGE OF PORT WASHINGTON NORTH
CLERK'S TAX RETURN
2020 TAXES
JANUARY 27, 2021**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Assessed To</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>\$ Amount</u>
2020	Angelo & Filomena Gaudio	4	J	38		1,657.02 + Penalties
2020	Franklin Stainless Corp.	4	J	636		114.48 + Penalties
2020	Morgan Construction & Development	4	J	776		881.23 + Penalties
2020	Filomena Gaudio	4	Q	234		631.17 + Penalties
2020	Cesar & Teresa Collier	4	126	5		1,275.90 + Penalties
2020	Hans Weiss	4	135	39		1,119.24 + Penalties
2020	Ange Zurich	5	2	1		28.62 + Penalties

County of Nassau)
State of New York) ss:

I, Palma Torrisi, Clerk of the Village of Port Washington North, Nassau County, New York, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the Tax Return of the Village of Port Washington North for the 2020 tax year as of January 27, 2021. Witness my hand and official seal of the said Village this 27th day of January 2021.

Palma Torrisi, Village Clerk

Seal

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees, at a meeting at the Village Hall in the Village of Port Washington North on the 27th day of January 2021 did examine such account and did compare it with the original tax rolls and did therefore certify to the effect that they found it to be correct, a copy of which certification is affixed hereto; and

WHEREAS from the account of unpaid taxes returned by the Clerk of the Village of Port Washington North, New York, to this Board for the year 2020, the following taxes still remain due and unpaid after diligent efforts have been made to collect the same, to wit:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Assessed To</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>\$ Amount</u>
2020	Angelo & Filomena Gaudio	4	J	38		1,657.02 + Penalties
2020	Franklin Stainless Corp.	4	J	636		114.48 + Penalties
2020	Morgan Construction & Development	4	J	776		881.23 + Penalties
2020	Filomena Gaudio	4	Q	234		631.17 + Penalties
2020	Cesar & Teresa Collier	4	126	5		1,275.90 + Penalties
2020	Hans Weiss	4	135	39		1,119.24 + Penalties
2020	Ange Zurich	5	2	1		28.62 + Penalties

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board, pursuant to Article 14 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, determines to collect the amount of such unpaid taxes levied or assessed for the year 2020 by a tax sale in the manner and after the form and requirements as provided and prescribed by said Article, and completed subsequent to the 20th day of March 2021, but not later than June 30, 2021, in accordance with Section 1452, subdivision 4, of the Real Property Tax Law; that a copy of this resolution, certified by the Clerk shall be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Village with the account, affidavit and certificate of such unpaid taxes, and that the Village Treasurer, upon receiving such account of unpaid taxes and a certified copy of this resolution, be and hereby is authorized and directed to cause to be published in the official newspaper of the Village, once each week for three consecutive weeks, a list as shown in the tax roll with the amount of the tax, interest, fees and charges thereon, excepting therefrom such parcels of property on which the Village holds and owns one or more unredeemed certificates of tax sale; and also a notice that said real estate will, on a day to be determined by said Village Treasurer and specified in said notice, be sold at public auction at a place in said Village to be designated by said Village Treasurer, to discharge the tax, interest, fees and charges aforesaid, which may be due thereon at the time of such sale, and that the said Village Treasurer, at the time and place specified in said notice proceed with the sale of said real estate upon which such taxes are unpaid, as set forth above, and continue the same from day to day until the sale is completed; that such real estate shall be sold subject to any unpaid assessments thereon levied by the Village of Port Washington North and also subject to any unpaid tax liens purchased and held by the Village; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in all cases where no bid shall be made on a lot or parcel of land so offered for sale for any amount sufficient to pay the said tax, interest, fees and charges, the said premises shall be deemed to have been sold to and purchased by the said Village of Port Washington North.

State of New York)
County of Nassau) ss:

We the undersigned, constituting the Board of Trustees of the Village of Port Washington North, hereby certify that we have compared the foregoing return and account of taxes for the year 2020, as submitted by the Village Clerk, with the original tax roll for the Village for the year 2020, from which such account was transcribed and find it to be correct.

Robert Weitzner, Mayor

Steven Cohen, Trustee

Matthew Kepke, Trustee

Michael Malatino, Trustee

Sherman Scheff, Trustee

Sworn to before me this 27th day of January 2021

Palma Torrasi, Notary Public

State of New York)
County of Nassau) ss:

I, Palma Torrasi, Clerk of the Village of Port Washington North, Nassau County, New York, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Port Washington North at a regular meeting of said Board held on January 27, 2021 at which a quorum was present. Witness my hand and official seal of the said Village this 27th day of January 2021.

SEAL

Palma Torrasi, Village Clerk

D. Village Election

On motion of Trustee Malatino, seconded by Trustee Cohen, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Village Clerk, as election officer of the Village of Port Washington North, has attempted to obtain the names of six residents of the Village of Port Washington North who would qualify to hold the office of Inspector of Election in accordance with the Election Law of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Village Clerk has not been able to find six persons who reside within the Village of Port Washington North and who meet the requirements to be appointed as Inspectors of Election as specified in the Election Law and who are willing to serve as such;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the requirement that Inspectors of Election of the Village of Port Washington North reside within the Village of Port Washington North is hereby amended pursuant to Village Law Section 3-300 to provide that this Board of Trustees is hereby authorized to appoint any resident of the County of Nassau, who is otherwise duly qualified to act as an Inspector of Election, to act as an Inspector of Election for the Village of Port Washington North for the Village of Port Washington North's 2021 General Election.

Vote was recorded as follows: Trustee Cohen-aye, Trustee Kepke-aye, Trustee Malatino-aye, Trustee Scheff-aye, Mayor Weitzner-aye. Motion carried.

On motion of Trustee Kepke, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was RESOLVED that Maria D'Urso, Theodore Knopp, Cindy Perdikakis and Sandra Wright be and hereby are appointed Inspectors of Election for the 2021 General Village Election; that Carolina Cuy Cedeno, Concepcion Idavoy, Caroline Mastropieri, Paula Quinn and Peter Vanzer be and hereby are appointed Alternate Inspectors of Election; and that said Cindy Perdikakis be and hereby is appointed Chairperson of said Inspectors; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, for each day worked, said Inspectors and Alternate Inspectors, except for the Chairperson, shall be compensated at the rate of \$175.00 per day and that said Chairperson shall be compensated at the rate of \$200.00 per day.

Vote was recorded as follows: Trustee Cohen-aye, Trustee Kepke-aye, Trustee Malatino-aye, Trustee Scheff-aye, Mayor Weitzner-aye. Motion carried.

E. Grievance Day

On motion of Trustee Malatino, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was unanimously RESOLVED that on the 16th day of February 2021, at the Village Hall, 3 Pleasant Avenue, Port Washington, New York 11050, the Board of Trustees and the Assessor will meet for the purpose of hearing complaints in relation to assessments from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on said day. Each complainant shall file with the Village Clerk on or before February 16, 2021 a statement under oath, specifying the respect in which the assessment complained of is incorrect, which statement must be made by the person whose property is assessed or by some person authorized to make such statement who has the knowledge of the facts stated therein.

2. Treasurer

A. On motion of Trustee Kepke, seconded by Trustee Cohen, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the reading of the General Fund Abstract of Vouchers #229, totalling \$185,047.37, and Trust & Agency Abstract #168, totalling \$814.30, be waived and that they be and hereby are approved as prepared by Treasurer Bella.

B. Budget Report

On motion of Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Malatino, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Budget Report as of December 31, 2020, showing the General Fund Balance to be \$2,670,076.25 and the Trust & Agency Fund Balance to be \$18,698.40, and the modifications contained therein, be and hereby are accepted as prepared by Treasurer Bella.

C. Trustee Scheff stated that he has reviewed the bank statement reconciliations for December 2020.

3. Reports

A. Public Works

On motion of Trustee Cohen, seconded by Trustee Malatino, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Public Works Department report for the month of January 2021 be and hereby is accepted as submitted by Superintendent Novinski.

B. Building Department

On motion of Trustee Kepke, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Building Department report for December 2020/January 2021 be and hereby is accepted as submitted by Superintendent Barbach.

C. Emergency Management & Traffic Safety

On motion of Trustee Scheff, seconded by Trustee Kepke, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Emergency Management and Traffic Safety reports for the month of January 2021 be and hereby are accepted as presented by Commissioner Kaplan.

D. Beautification Commission

On motion of Trustee Malatino, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Beautification Commission report for the month of January 2021 be and hereby is accepted as presented by Commissioner Roth.

E. Justice Court

The Board accepted the Justice Court report for November 2020.

4. Business: Geographic Information Support Services – H2M

On motion of Trustee Kepke, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Village engage the services of H2M Architects + Engineers to provide On-Call Geographic Information System Support Services, at a fee not to exceed \$7,500.00, and as more particularly set forth in its proposal LP201535 dated December 21, 2020.

6. Executive Session

On motion of Trustee Malatino, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the regular meeting be adjourned and the Board enter into an executive session to discuss potential litigation with counsel.

On motion of Trustee Kepke, seconded by Trustee Malatino, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the executive session be closed and the regular meeting reconvened.

Mayor Weitzner stated that no action was taken in executive session.

On motion of Trustee Malatino, seconded by Trustee Scheff, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the meeting be and hereby is adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

Palma Torrisi, Village Clerk