

**MINUTES OF THE  
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
INC. VILLAGE OF RUSSELL GARDENS  
June 4, 2020**

**PRESENT** David Miller, Mayor, Larry Chaleff, Deputy Mayor, Martin Adickman, Jane Krakauer, Matt Ellis, Trustees, Christine Blumberg, Village Clerk

**ABSENT** NONE

The Mayor opened the meeting at 8:00PM.

Mayor Miller read the following statement regarding procedures for this meeting:

Due to public health and safety concerns related to COVID-19, and pursuant to Governor's Executive Orders, including, without limitation Order 202.1 and 202.10 this meeting of the Village of Russell Gardens Board of Trustees is not being held in person. The Board is meeting by teleconferencing. The meeting will be recorded and a transcript will be provided at a later date. The public has the opportunity to observe the meeting live online and to submit comments, pursuant to instructions given on the Village website and in the meeting notice. The meeting Agenda is posted on the Village website at [www.russellgardens.com](http://www.russellgardens.com).

The Village Clerk will now call the roll for attendance at this meeting by members of the Board and relevant village staff.

The Village Clerk called the roll.

**BUILDING  
INSPECTOR**

**PERMITS ISSUED**

327 Melbourne Rd.- Dead tree removal

**C/C ISSUED**

20 Linford Rd-replace front path, driveway apron

**MAINT.REPORT**

All Village streets are swept Wednesdays and Thursdays. The Wednesday and Thursday parking restrictions at the apartment houses on South Middle Neck road were reinstated by Mayor Miller as of the 20<sup>th</sup> of May. Parking tickets were given to those who remained parked at this location in violation of the times vehicles were to move for street sweeping purposes. A new wood pole and retrofitted Battery Park fixture was placed in between Melbourne Rd and Wensley Dr. due to wood decay. The fixture was rebuilt due to damage from fallen pole hitting the sidewalk. A 3000k L.E.D. bulb was fitted in place of the 175watt metal halide luminaire Six wooden light poles have been ordered. The crew installed a sign with a newer version of the existing Village wide parking regulations. The sign design eliminated the extra signs posted for No Soliciting and No Trucks and is mounted on one pole verses 2 posts. The tennis courts are open. New tennis rules have been posted. The village crew did the repairs on each court with the addition of new top dressing and compaction rolling. Rolling the courts will be as needed and will require 2 more applications. The court irrigation system is temporarily off due to soft court conditions and the additional rain storms. The courts are assessed daily each a.m. The

sidewalk repairs at the Merrivale entrance were completed. There are 2 concrete sidewalk flags on the west side of the bridge in the park that need replacement. They are “lifting” and causing a trip hazard. Plan for replacement is for first week of June.

On motion by Larry Chaleff and seconded by Jane Krakauer it was:

**RESOLVED** to approve disbursements from the checking account for the month of April, 2020 Check #21034-21079; including Paychex Payroll, Direct Deposit; Total Disbursements \$96,379.16.

**VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**AYE: MILLER, CHALEFF, ADICKMAN, KRAKAUER, ELLIS,**

**NAY: NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS**

On motion by Larry Chaleff and seconded by Martin Adickman it was:

**RESOLVED** that the July meeting of the Board of Trustees originally scheduled for July 2, 2020 will instead be held July 9,2020.

**VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**AYE: MILLER, CHALEFF, ADICKMAN, KRAKAUER, ELLIS,**

**NAY: NONE**

**RATIFY ACTION TAKEN:**

Mayor Miller made the following comments:

- The court clerk is out for an extended period of time
- The village has hired a temporary, experienced court clerk

On motion by Larry Chaleff and seconded by Jane Krakauer it was:

**RESOLVED** to appoint a temporary Court Clerk at cost a of \$50.00 per hour with a total cost not to exceed \$5000.00.

**VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**AYE: MILLER, CHALEFF, ADICKMAN, KRAKAUER, ELLIS,**

**NAY: NONE**

Mayor Miller made the following comments:

- Village pays for rear/side yard garbage pickup
- Garbage and recycles picked up in rear or side of property
- Cardboard must be crushed
- Bulk pickup is on Friday
- Bulk pickup is pre-arranged with Meadow Carting
- Village crew is maintaining the tennis courts
- Courts will be rolled weekly
- Singles play only until such time as Nassau County Board of Health lifts COVID 19 restrictions that are in place

- Sweeping was not done today on side streets; village crew had urgent matter to resolve
- Regular sweeping schedule to be resumed next week
- There is a new entrance regulation sign at Tain Dr.entrance
- This sign combines a number of smaller signs.
- The board should look at the sign and give an opinion.

There being no further business, the motion to adjourn was made by Larry Chaleff, seconded by Martin Adickman, and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Blumberg  
Russell Gardens Village Clerk