

MINUTES OF JANUARY 4, 2024
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING
FOR THE
INC. VILLAGE OF RUSSELL GARDENS

PRESENT Larry Chaleff, Deputy Mayor; Martin Adickman, Trustee; Jane Krakauer, Trustee;
Matt Ellie, Trustee; Lorraine Hunt

ABSENT David M. Miller, Mayor; Danielle Pennise, Village Clerk-Treasurer

PUBLIC HEARING

Deputy Mayor Chaleff called the Public Hearing to order on the adoption of the proposed Village Budget for the Fiscal Year 3/1/2024-2/28/2025. He noted that there would be no tax increase in this budget. The budget contains provision for the purchase of a new sweeper to replace the old sweeper and for a proposed village road project which they hope to possibly start this summer. There was a question from a resident in regards to the budget for the legal counsel for the upcoming year. Deputy Mayor Chaleff explained that there were anticipated costs for legal work to update sections of the Village Code as needed and other matters that may arise during the course of the year.

On a motion by Martin Adickman and seconded by Jane Krakauer it was:

RESOLVED to adopt the proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

AYE: CHALEFF, ADICKMAN, KRAKAUER, ELLIS

NAY: NONE

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 7, 2023 PUBLIC HEARING

A motion was made by Martin Adickman and seconded by Jane Krakauer to accept the Minutes of the December 7, 2023 Public Hearing.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

AYE: CHALEFF, ADICKMAN, KRAKAUER, ELLIS

NAY: NONE

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 30, 2023

A motion was made by Martin Adickman and seconded by Jane Krakauer to accept the Treasurer's Report for November 30, 2023.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

AYE: CHALEFF, ADICKMAN, KRAKAUER, ELLIS

NAY: NONE

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2023

A motion was made by Martin Adickman and seconded by Jane Krakauer to accept the Building Inspector's Report for December 2023.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

AYE: CHALEFF, ADICKMAN, KRAKAUER, ELLIS

NAY: NONE

MAINTENANCE REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2023

A motion was made by Martin Adickman and seconded by Jane Krakauer to accept the Maintenance Report for December 2023.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

AYE: CHALEFF, ADICKMAN, KRAKAUER, ELLIS

NAY: NONE

VILLAGE TAX ROLL

A motion was made by Martin Adickman and seconded by Jane Krakauer to adopt the Village Tax Roll and Warrant for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

AYE: CHALEFF, ADICKMAN, KRAKAUER, ELLIS

NAY: NONE

ASSESSMENT ROLL

A motion was made by Martin Adickman and seconded by Jane Krakauer to adopt the Final Assessment Roll for the Fiscal Year March 1, 2024 to February 28, 2025.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

AYE: CHALEFF, ADICKMAN, KRAKAUER, ELLIS

NAY: NONE

VOUCHERS – GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

A motion was made by Martin Adickman and seconded by Jane Krakauer to approve disbursements from First National Bank of Long Island General Fund Checking Account in the amount of \$ 136,782.24 for invoices paid in Dec. 2023, Check #'s 2104 to 2130 including Electronic Transfers and Payroll direct deposits.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

AYE: CHALEFF, ADICKMAN, KRAKAUER, ELLIS

NAY: NONE

INVOICES

A motion was made by Martin Adickman and seconded by Jane Krakauer to authorize payment of one property for a total amount of \$566.58 for refund resulting from a small claims assessment hearing for the Year 2023-2024 for reduced assessment.

Sec. 2, Block 284, Lot 315 – 19 Tain Drive

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

AYE: CHALEFF, ADICKMAN, KRAKAUER, ELLIS

NAY: NONE

APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC OFFICERS

A motion was made by Martin Adickman and seconded by Kane Krakauer to adopt the resolution that current terms for the Village Clerk Treasurer and Deputy Clerk Treasurer will end July 10, 2024 and may be reappointed for a one-year term at the Annual Meeting and going forward on a yearly basis.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

AYE: CHALEFF, ADICKMAN, KRAKAUER, ELLIS

NAY: NAY

ANNOUNCEMENTS - Deputy Mayor's Comments

A resident made a comment regarding residents putting garbage out too early and was there anything the village could do. Deputy Mayor Chaleff said that they were aware of it and that the village pays for the carting company to go to the back of the houses to pick up the garbage and recycling. He also noted that they had sent notices to those houses to remind them of the rules. A suggestion was made to send out an e-mail with the regulations to the residents as a reminder as there are many new residents in the village.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Martin Adickman and seconded by Jane Krakauer to close the meeting 8:30 P.M.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

AYE: CHALEFF, ADICKMAN, KRAKAUER, ELLIS

NAY: NONE

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WILL TAKE PLACE ON
THURSDAY, FEB. 1, 2024.**