

**MINUTES OF DECEMBER 7, 2023
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING
FOR THE
INC. VILLAGE OF RUSSELL GARDENS**

PRESENT David M. Miller, Mayor, Larry Chaleff, Deputy Mayor, Trustee Martin Adickman, Trustee Matt Ellis, and Danielle Pennise, Village Clerk-Treasurer

ABSENT Trustee Jane Krakauer

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mayor David M. Miller opened the Public Hearing at 8:05 P.M. in Village Hall on proposed **Bill (6-2023)**, entitled, "Tax Levy Limit Override." The Mayor read Bill 6-2023 and commented that the purpose is to raise the property tax levy above the state limit of 2%.

Mayor Miller invited comments from the public. There were no comments from the public.

The Mayor closed the hearing at 8:10 P.M.

Upon motion of Deputy Mayor Larry Chaleff, seconded by Martin Adickman, and unanimously approved, the following resolution was adopted. **RESOLVED, to adopt Bill 6-2023, entitled, "Tax Levy Limit Override".**

The Mayor proceeded and opened the next public hearing on the proposal of **Bill (7-2023)**, to amend Russell Gardens Code Chapter 55, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", subsection 55-4 and subsection 55-7.

There were no comments from the public.

The Mayor closed the hearing at 8:15 P.M.

Upon motion of Deputy Mayor Larry Chaleff, seconded by Martin Adickman, and unanimously approved, the following resolution was adopted. **RESOLVED, to adopt Bill 7-2023** as presented.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

AYE: DAVID MILLER, LARRY CHALEFF, MARTIN ADICKMAN, MATT ELLIS

NAY: NONE

REGULAR MEETING:

RESEOLVED to schedule a Public Hearing on January 4, 2024, at 8:00 P.M. for the proposal of the Inc. Village of Russell Gardens' Budget for the Fiscal Year 3/1/2024-2/28/2025.

Mayor Miller commented, the village has a surplus which will be placed in the village's reserve for future use.

A motion was made by **Deputy Mayor Larry Chaleff** and seconded by **Martin Adickman**.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

AYE: DAVID MILLER, LARRY CHALEFF, MARTIN ADICKMAN, MATT ELLIS

NAY: NONE

A motion was made by **Deputy Mayor Larry Chaleff** and seconded by **Martin Adickman** to accept the minutes of November 2, 2023, Treasurers Report for the period of October 2023, Building Inspector's Report and Maintenance Report for the month of November 2023.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

AYE: DAVID MILLER, LARRY CHALEFF, MARTIN ADICKMAN, MATT ELLIS

NAY: NONE

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees adopt the amended Open Meetings Law Chapter 56, Section 103.

A motion was made by **Deputy Mayor Larry Chaleff** and seconded by **Martin Adickman**.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

AYE: DAVID MILLER, LARRY CHALEFF, MARTIN ADICKMAN, MATT ELLIS

NAY: NONE

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees adopt a minimum of 6 court nights per year; where each court date will be no more than 60 days apart.

A motion was made by **Deputy Mayor Larry Chaleff** and seconded by **Martin Adickman**.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

AYE: DAVID MILLER, LARRY CHALEFF, MARTIN ADICKMAN, MATT ELLIS

NAY: NONE

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees will revise the fee for a sprinkler system application; \$250 for the application and \$10 per head installed.

A motion was made by **Deputy Mayor Larry Chaleff** and seconded by **Martin Adickman**.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

AYE: DAVID MILLER, LARRY CHALEFF, MARTIN ADICKMAN, MATT ELLIS

NAY: NONE

RESOLVED to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement to purchase a sweeper at a cost not to exceed \$300,000.

Mayor Miller commented, the proposal for the sweeper will be received in late December.

A motion was made by **Deputy Mayor Larry Chaleff** and seconded by **Martin Adickman**.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

AYE: DAVID MILLER, LARRY CHALEFF, MARTIN ADICKMAN, MATT ELLIS

NAY: NONE

RESOLVED to approve disbursements from First National Bank of Long Island General Fund Checking Account in the amount of \$79,150.35 for invoices paid in Oct. 2023, Check #'s 2016 to 2068; including Electronic Transfers of \$1,408.71 and Payroll in the amount of \$27,178.63 and direct deposits.

A motion was made by **Deputy Mayor Larry Chaleff** and seconded by **Martin Adickman**.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

AYE: DAVID MILLER, LARRY CHALEFF, MARTIN ADICKMAN, MATT ELLIS

NAY: NONE

RESOLVED to approve disbursements from First National Bank of Long Island General Fund Checking Account in the amount of \$95,593.35 for invoices paid in Nov. 2023, Check #'s 2069 to 2103; including Electronic Transfers of \$1,186.23 and Payroll in the amount of \$28,518.14 and direct deposits.

A motion was made by **Deputy Mayor Larry Chaleff** and seconded by **Martin Adickman**.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

AYE: DAVID MILLER, LARRY CHALEFF, MARTIN ADICKMAN, MATT ELLIS

NAY: NONE

The Mayor commented, with reference to enhancements to the village, All village street signs have been changed.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on **Thursday, January 4, 2024**.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at **8:30 P.M.** by **Larry Chaleff** and seconded by **Martin Adickman**.

VOTE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

AYE: DAVID MILLER, LARRY CHALEFF, MARTIN ADICKMAN, MATT ELLIS

NAY: NONE