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BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, July 11, 2022 - 7:00 PM

Virtual Webex Meeting

To access information on how to use WebEx to join the meeting, please click on the following link: <https://www.southorange.org/800/WebEx-FAQs>

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call Meeting to Order

2. Roll Call

Village President Collum
Trustee Brown
Trustee Coalier
Trustee Haskins
Trustee Hartshorn Hilton
Trustee Jones - ABSENT
Trustee Zuckerman
Ms. Doran, Acting Village Administrator
Mr. Rother, Village Counsel -ABSENT
Mr. Otis, Village Counsel
Ms. Davis, Village Clerk

3. Meeting Notice Statement

Village Clerk Davis read the following statement:

In accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to the official newspapers of the Village, posted on the Village's website and filed in the Office of the Village Clerk indicating that this meeting is being held virtually via Cisco WebEx video conferencing. During a remote meeting, participants, including members of the public may be muted by the host. However, there will be an opportunity for them to participate and speak during the public portion of the meeting where participants will be unmuted at their request. Official action may be taken.

4. Resolution to go into Executive Session

2022-164 Resolution Authorizing an Executive Session at the July 11, 2022,



Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

A. Matter/ (OPMA Exception) Executive Session

- Water Utility (Attorney/Client Privilege Matter)
- Personnel (Personnel & Attorney/Client Privilege Matter)
- General Redevelopment (Contract Negotiation)

Trustee Hilton moved to approve Resolution 2022-164, seconded by Trustee Zuckerman. All members were in favor and none opposed.

5. Reconvene into Open Session

ROLL CALL Village President Collum
Trustee Brown
Trustee Coalier
Trustee Haskins
Trustee Hartshorn Hilton
Trustee Jones - ABSENT
Trustee Zuckerman
Ms. Doran, Acting Village Administrator
Mr. Rother, Village Counsel - ABSENT
Mr. Otis, Village Counsel
Ms. Davis, Village Clerk

6. Announcements

Village President Collum read the following announcements:

A. Importance of continuing to follow the COVID-19 Emergency Precautions

We continue to monitor the COVID-19 pandemic situation in South Orange and work closely with the state and county health departments to track cases and coordinate vaccinations and testing.

Essex County offers both vaccinations and testing at the former Sears location at the Livingston Mall, including pediatric boosters for 5 to 11 years old. Current hours are Thursdays and Fridays from 2-7 pm and Saturdays from 8 am to 2 pm. Pediatric boosters are available by appointment only, visit EssexCovid.org to schedule an appointment.



You can find this and more information by visiting the southorange.org website's COVID-19 information page, calling your primary care doctor or New Jersey's toll-free vaccination hotline at 1-855-568-0545.

B. **Department of Administration**

Summer Hours – The Municipal Offices, Recreation Department and Department of Public Works (DPW) will remain open late on Mondays until 7pm and will close at 1pm on Fridays. These extended Monday hours will provide residents with more flexibility in conducting business with these municipal departments.

C. **Recreation Department**

South Orange Summer Night's is back! This year's lineup will showcase local talent on Wednesdays throughout July.

Join us on Wednesdays at 7:30 PM on Flood's Hill for great bands and food trucks. This year's lineup is:

SOMA Rocks July 13th

Radio Petty July 20th

Gravy Train July 27th

We cannot wait to see everyone on the hill this summer!

D. **Poison Hemlock Alert**

The South Orange Health Department and Environmental Commission want the public to be aware that Poison Hemlock has been sighted at the community garden and in various locations along the river. This is concerning because all parts of the plant are toxic and dangerous to humans, pets and livestock. Skin contact can result in a rash and significant ingestion can result in serious illness and death. Visit southorange.org for photos and more information provided by our Environmental Commission to aid you in learning to identify, avoid and control this plant.

Farmer's Market located in the Sloan Street parking lot and open every Wednesday from 2pm – 7pm.

7. **Public Comment**

Village President opened the meeting for public comment:
There were no questions or comments from the public.



8. Approval of Minutes

A. The Village Clerk is requesting the Board's approval of the minutes for the following meetings:

- Regular meeting held on June 27, 2022 (Trustee Coalier is ineligible to vote)
- Special meeting held on June 29, 2022 (Trustees Zuckerman is ineligible to vote)

Trustee Brown moved to approve the minutes of June 27, 2022, seconded by Trustee Zuckerman.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Abstain
Trustee Haskins	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes
Trustee Jones	Absent
Trustee Zuckerman	Yes

Motion carried.

Trustee Hilton moved to approve the minutes of June 29, 2022, seconded by Trustee Coalier.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Yes
Trustee Haskins	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes
Trustee Jones	Absent
Trustee Zuckerman	Abstain

Motion carried.

9. Ordinance for Second Reading

A. 2022-15 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE CODE, CHAPTER 143, "FEES", BY AMENDING RENTAL PROPERTY FEES

PUBLIC HEARING: There were no comments from the public.

Trustee Zuckerman moved to adopt Ordinance 2022-15 for second reading, seconded by Trustee Hilton.



Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Yes
Trustee Haskins	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes
Trustee Jones	Absent
Trustee Zuckerman	Yes

Motion carried.

- B. 2022-16 BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WATER UTILITY IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$1,250,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,250,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE VILLAGE TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF

PUBLIC HEARING: There were no comments from the public.

Trustee Haskins moved to adopt Ordinance 2022-16 for second reading, seconded by Trustee Brown.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Yes
Trustee Haskins	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes
Trustee Jones	Absent
Trustee Zuckerman	Yes

Motion carried.

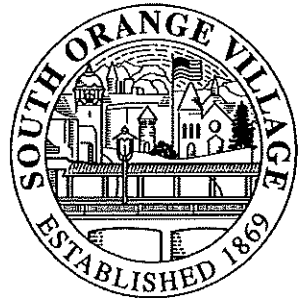
10. Resolutions for Consent Agenda

2022-165 RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT TO CROSSROADS PAVING FOR REDMOND ROAD RECONSTRUCTION (TROPICAL STORM IDA REPAIRS CONTRACT #1)

2022-166 RESOLUTION DESIGNATING ACTING VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR JULIE DORAN AS APPOINTING AUTHORITY

2022-168 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RECREATION DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS TO BE CONDUCTED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH COUGAR SOCCER

2022-169 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF PART-TIME SEASONAL EMPLOYEES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND



CULTURAL AFFAIRS FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE

2022-170 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #19 - FOR FRANKOSKI CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR ADDITIONAL LABOR, MATERIALS AND/OR EQUIPMENT TO REPLACE SMALL GYM WALL NOT TO EXCEED \$10,347.52 TO THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT

2022-171 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #20 - FOR FRANKOSKI CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR ADDITIONAL LABOR, MATERIALS AND/OR EQUIPMENT TO INSTALL INSULATION IN EXISTING EXTERIOR WALLS & CEILINGS WHERE PLASTER NEEDED TO BE REMOVED NOT TO EXCEED \$16,834.77 TO THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT

2022-172 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 800-HPR-ECO SERIES IV TRUCK MOUNTED HIGH PRESSURE SEWER CLEANER AND ACCESSORIES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS UNDER THE SOURCEWELL COOPERATIVE PRICING COUNCIL CONTRACT #101221-SCA IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$295,069.85 FROM JET VAC EQUIPMENT

Trustee Hilton moved to adopt Resolutions 2022-165 through 2022-166 and 2022-168 through 2022-172, seconded by Trustee Zuckerman.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Yes
Trustee Haskins	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes
Trustee Jones	Absent
Trustee Zuckerman	Yes

Motion carried.

The following Resolution was pulled for separate action:

2022-167 RESOLUTION REFERRING PROPOSED FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT REDEVELOPMENT PLAN TO THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE TO DETERMINE IF SUCH AMENDMENT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE VILLAGE'S MASTER PLAN AND FOR RECOMMENDATIONS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7

Greer Patras Village Planner of Topology discussed proposed Resolution 2022-167, in which the amendment was previously discussed in the Planning & Economics Development Committee. Ms. Patras explained the existing and proposed Principal Permitted Use in



all CBD Zones, new retail category called retail flex, indoor cannabis and standards for townhomes. In response to board questions, Ms. Patras explained the difference between the Central Business District and all other districts and changes made in other towns. President Collum suggested leaving less grey area to this amendment.

Trustee Zuckerman moved to adopt Resolution 2022-167, seconded by Trustee Hilton.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Yes
Trustee Haskins	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes
Trustee Jones	Absent
Trustee Zuckerman	Yes

Motion carried.

11. Resolution for Separate Action

- A. 2022-173 RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE SOUTH ORANGE DOWNTOWN FY 2022 OPERATING BUDGET

PUBLIC HEARING: There were no comments from the public.

President Collum briefly discussed the 2022 Operation Budget of the South Orange Downtown that was previously presented to the board. Trustee Zuckerman moved to adopt Resolution 2022-173, seconded by Trustee Hilton.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Yes
Trustee Haskins	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes
Trustee Jones	Absent
Trustee Zuckerman	Yes

Motion carried.

12. Approval of Bills

- A. Trustee Hartshorn Hilton, Chair of the Finance and Capital Projects



Committee presents the Bills List audited by the Village Treasurer dated July 11, 2022. The Board of Trustees has been provided with a copy of the Bills List prior to the meeting for examination.

2022-174 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH JULY 11, 2022 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$6,789,981.24

Trustee Hilton moved to adopt Resolution 2022-174, seconded by Trustee Brown.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Yes
Trustee Haskins	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes
Trustee Jones	Absent
Trustee Zuckerman	Yes

Motion carried.

13. Village President Report

President Collum discussed the following:

- LEAP Grant – received the max of \$250,000 shared with Maplewood to help with the implementation of the new South Essex Fire Department.
- Seton Village - The Neighborhood Preservation Program received a \$233,000 Grant for the ADA upgrade at 133 Fairview Avenue Community Center.
- S & P Bond Rating – Thanked the Finance Committee Chair, CFO and Administrator for all their hard work.
- The South Essex Fire Department is looking into new hires and authoring appointments to administration.
- In August, there will be promotions in the Police Department.
- Energy Tax Receipt Bills - still working on getting the necessary funds returned to the Municipality.
- Paddle Board vs Pickle Board – The next step is to circle back with the residents to get more feedback and hope to have some direction in early August. They are trying to make it work for everyone.
- The NJEDA (New Jersey Economic Development Authority) will be in the Village to tour the development areas on July 15, 2022.

14. Village Administrator Report



There was no report.

15. Village Counsel Report

There was no report.

16. Trustee Reports

A. Trustee Brown - There was no report.

B. **Trustee Coalier**

- Community Care & Justice – Currently looking to replace the Social Work for the outreach team.

President Collum congratulated Trustee Collum on being appointed to the Lifetime Fitness Board of Directors.

C. Trustee Haskins - There was no report.

D. Trustee Hartshorn Hilton - There was no report.

E. Trustee Jones - Absent

F. Trustee Zuckerman gave an update on the Cannabis applications. The deadline was June 30th and a total of 7 applications were received. The Taskforce received a report Topology regarding the application and planning to make recommendation to this board soon.

17. Public Comment

Village President opened the meeting for public comment:
There were no questions or comments from the public.

18. New Business

There was no new business.

19. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, President Collum adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:15pm, and announced the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 25, 2022.

***These minutes are a summary and the actual statements can be found on the video located on the Village's website at the following link:**

<https://southorangenj.civicclerk.com/Web/Player.aspx?id=619&key=->

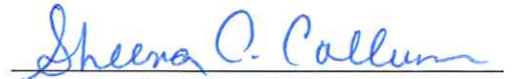


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ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTHORANGEVILLAGE


Ojeri E. Davis, Village Clerk


Sheena C. Collum, Village President