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BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, August 9, 2021 - 6:15 PM
Virtual Webex Meeting

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
Mr. Loehner, Village Administrator
Mr. Rother, Village Counsel
Ms. Davis, Acting Village Clerk

3. Meeting Notice Statement

Adequate notice of this meeting had been provided to the press in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A 10:4-6 and in consideration of Executive Order No. 103, issued by Governor Murphy on March 9, 2020, declaring a State of Emergency and a Public Health Emergency in the State of New Jersey. Notice of this meeting was posted in Village Hall and on the Village's website, and has been filed in the Office of the Village Clerk. 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. Ojetti E. Davis, Acting Village Clerk

4. Resolution to go into Executive Session

2021-223 Resolution Authorizing an Executive Session at the August 9, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees



A. Matter/ (OPMA Exception)
Executive Session

- Recycling Contract (Attorney/Client Matters)
- General Redevelopment (Attorney/Client Matters)

Trustee Coallier moved to approve Resolution 2021-223, seconded by Trustee Hilton. All members were in favor and none opposed.

5. **Reconvene into Open Session**

ROLL CALL

Village President Collum
Trustee Brown
Trustee Coallier
Trustee Haskins
Trustee Hartshorn Hilton
Trustee Jones - **ABSENT**
Trustee Zuckerman
Mr. Loehner, Village Administrator
Mr. Rother, Village Counsel
Ms. Davis, Acting Village Clerk

6. **Announcements**

President Collum read the following announcements:

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

Importance of continuing to follow the COVID-19 Emergency Precautions - As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to cause us all health concerns and inconvenience; it is critical that we continue to follow the emergency protocols put in place. Cases are still on the rise, so we must remain vigilant. If you haven't gotten the vaccine yet, please do so. It is currently available for residents aged 12 and up. If we all do our part, we will see a return to normalcy soon.

B. **Department of Public Works**

Saturday, August 14th is Container day at the Department of Public Works located at 300 Walton Avenue

Please remember:

The gate will open at 8am and **the line closes at 1:15pm**, no one will be able to join the line after that time.



Proof of residency is required and must be presented. NO commercial vehicles will be allowed.

The remaining Container day is September 18th

C. **Department of Recreation and Cultural Affairs**

South Orange Summer Nights continues with Moonlit Movies on Wednesdays in August. The August movie lineup is 8/11 Frozen 2, 8/18 Onward, and 8/25 Jumanji 2. We hope to see everyone at Flood's Hill at 8PM on Wednesdays in August.

Fall Soccer registration is open for ages 9 -14. For more information, please visit the department's website. Registration for this program closed August 15th.

Fall baseball clinic registration will be open on August 16th. The department will offer baseball clinics for players ages 8 -12. For additional information about this program, please visit the department website.

D. **National Night Out!**

A huge shout out to all of our First Responders and residents who made National Night Out such a success. We're beyond proud that our First Responders are so well connected to the community and of the number of residents that turned out to support and honor them. Be sure to put next year's National Night Out into your calendar - Tuesday, August 2, 2022.

President Collum and the Board of Trustees held a moment of silence for longtime resident Meg Marlowe who was a beautiful and vibrant person loved by all.

7. **Public Comment**

Village President opens meeting for public comment:

Michael Hertz resident of South Orange submitted a question via email to the clerk's office regarding a recent increase in property taxes. Mr. Loehner will follow up with the Tax Collector to provide a response to Mr. Hertz.

8. **Approval of Minutes**

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



Trustee Hilton moved to approve the minutes held on July 26, 2021, seconded by Trustee Zuckerman.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Yes
Trustee Haskin	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes
Trustee Jones	Absent
Trustee Zuckerman	Yes
Motion Carried.	

9. Ordinances for Second Reading

2021-17 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE IN ESSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AMENDING VILLAGE CODE SECTION 185-164 TO PROHIBIT THE OPERATION OF ANY CLASS OF CANNABIS BUSINESSES WITHIN ITS GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES EXCEPT AS PROVIDED HEREIN AND EXPRESS A CONTINUED INTENT TO DEVELOP A LOCAL REGULATION SCHEME FOR COMMERCIAL RECREATIONAL CANNABIS OPERATION, USE AND POSSESSION

PUBLIC HEARING:

There were no questions or comments from the public.

Trustee Zuckerman moved to adopt Ordinance 2021-17, seconded by Trustee Brown.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Yes
Trustee Haskin	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes
Trustee Jones	Absent
Trustee Zuckerman	Yes
Motion carried.	

10. Resolutions for Consent Agenda

2021-224 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF A PART-TIME EMPLOYEE IN THE BUILDING/HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE

2021-225 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF A PART-TIME



EMPLOYEE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE

2021-226 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) 2021 HYBRID FORD ESCAPES, SE MODEL FOR THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT THRU ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT UNDER THE SOURCEWELL CCOPERATIVE PRICING COUNCIL CONTRACT #060618-EFM IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$63,274.19

2021-227 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF PART-TIME SEASONAL EMPLOYEE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE

2021-228 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPOSAL AND TASK ORDER 2021-02 OF HDR, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES TO ENGINEER, SUPPORT AND PROJECT MANAGE IMPLEMENTATION OF AN AUTOMATED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$199,814.00

2021-229 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT, ON NON-FAIR AND OPEN BASIS, BY AND BETWEEN TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE AND ASHLEY FULLERTON FOR SERVICES RELATED TO THE SOUTH ORANGE CARE & COMMUNITY JUSTICE PROJECT

2021-230 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #9 - FOR FRANKOSKI CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR INCREASE TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL LABOR, MATERIALS AND/OR EQUIPMENT TO PERFORM ALL WORK FOR STRUCTURAL REVISIONS FOR THE BAIRD COMMUNITY CENTER ADDITIONS AND RENOVATIONS A NET INCREASE OF \$189,970.49 TO THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT

2021-231 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING VILLAGE COUNSEL TO NEGOTIATE FOR THE ACQUISITION AND LEASING OF PARKING SPACES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING AT 41-45 WEST THIRD STREET

Trustee Hilton moved to adopt resolutions 2021-224 through 2021-231, seconded by Trustee Brown.

Roll Call Vote:

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



Motion carried

11. Board of Health

- A. Trustee Hilton moved to recess the meeting of Board of Trustees and convene as the Board of Health, seconded by Trustee Coalier. All members were in favor.

Roll Call:

Board Member Brown
Board Member Collum
Board Member Haskins
Board Member Hartshorn Hilton
Board Member Jones - **ABSENT**
Board Member Zuckerman
Board President Coalier

Board Members have been provided with the monthly report for August 2021 from John M. Festa, M.A., Health Officer. Mr. Festa reviewed his report and discussed the negative and positive covid cases. Also discussed the worked performance of his new nurse who is working out well.

There being no further discussion, Ms. Collum moved to adjourn as the Board of Health at approximately 7:36pm to reconvene as the Board of Trustees, seconded by Mr. Zuckerman. All members were in favor.

Reconvened as Board of Trustees and all members are still present

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 August 9, 2021. The Board of Trustees has been provided with a copy of the Bills List prior to the meeting for examination.

2021-232 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE
ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH AUGUST 9, 2021 IN
THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$2,708,851.96



Trustee Hilton moved to adopt the Bill List Resolution 2021-232, seconded by Trustee Zuckerman.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Brown	Yes
Trustee Coalier	Yes
Trustee Haskin	Yes
Trustee Hilton	Yes
Trustee Jones	Absent
Trustee Zuckerman	Yes
Motion carried.	

13. Village President Report

President Collum discussed a promissory note for Third & Valley that will be on for approval at the next meeting, which will go into the Affordable Housing Fund. A portion of the fund will also be used to address equity and inclusion for the Village's Affordable Housing Plan and Program known as the Wealth Gap Equalizer Loan Program. The program is for new home buyer with specifically addressing Black and Hispanic families with a loan for up to \$7,500.00 and after 5 years the Village will forgive half of the \$7,500.00 loan.

14. Village Administrator Report

Mr. Loehner discussed the Village offices summer hours. There had been good turn outs. He will have a more detailed report at the next meeting.

15. Village Counsel Report

There was no report from the Village Counsel.

16. Trustee Reports

A. Trustee Brown

B. **Trustee Coalier**

- Community Care & Justice- Trustee Coalier discussed the feedback received from the forum on the police camera and asked members of the community to share their feedback at the following site:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1SIUABjhu4YIDXPBbWfvkQS_UmYF5hiha7BEH82GDhOQ/edit

Trustee Coalier announced the new youth coordinator Ashley Fullerton who is a recent graduate of Seton Hall University and



discussed the first meeting of the Police Task Force. Members of the Police Task Force consist of volunteer police officers who help with the CC&J initiatives.

C. Trustee Haskins

- Municipal Solid Waste/Recycling – Trustee Haskins discussed the successful Town Hall with Zero Waste Consultant. The consultant is working on a draft report and will be discussed at the September meeting.
- Trees –Proposing planting of 120 trees I the fall throughout town and the loss of all the ash trees.

D. Trustee Hartshorn Hilton

- Baird Center Construction Update – Trustee Hilton mentioned she is very pleased with the construction process. They have found two structural issues and encouraged the community to keep their distance and not to wander on the site.
- Library Announcement – Book donations can be dropped off in the large green bin outside of the Library but if the bin is full do not leave the books on the ground, just hold to them and return at a later date. Due to the construction Taylor Place may not be accessible. The Library is now open 6 days a week with full staff. The new Library Director Jill Faherty started on July 26th.

E. Trustee Jones

- F. Trustee Zuckerman** – The Planning and Economic Development Committee is discussing Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) which are separate structures that are either attached or detached to the primary home. This will be helpful for seniors that want to age in place. They have received great feedback and after the Master Plan is adopted they will be looking to adopt an Ordinance on ADUs.

17. Public Comment

Village President opens meeting for public comment

18. New Business

19. Adjournment



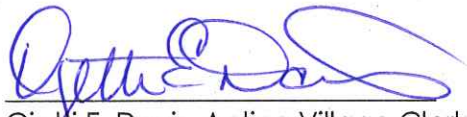
There being no further discussion, Trustee Coalier moved to adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:10 9m. President Collum announced the next regular scheduled meeting is Monday, September 13, 2021.

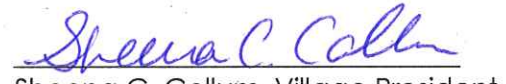
***These minutes are a summary and the actual statements can be found on the video located on the Village's website at the following link:**

<https://southorangetwpnj.civicclerk.com/Web/Player.aspx?id=22&key=-1&mod=-1&mk=-1&nov=0>

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTHORANGEVILLAGE


Ojeri E. Davis, Acting Village Clerk


Sheena C. Collum, Village President