

# **VILLAGE OF SOUTH BLOOMING GROVE**

## **Board of Trustees**

### **Regular Meeting**

**Tuesday**

**October 23, 2017**

**7:00 P.M.**

#### ➤ **Call to order**

- Mayor Jeroloman called to order the Village Board Meeting at 7:06 pm on October 23, 2017, at the South Blooming Grove Village Hall located at 811 State Route 208, within the Village of South Blooming Grove, and having a mailing address of Monroe, New York.

#### ➤ **Roll call**

The following persons were present:

- Robert Jeroloman – Mayor
- John Hickey – Deputy Mayor
- James LoFranco- Trustee
- James Mullany - Trustee
- Dorine Sas – Trustee
- Joseph McKay – Village Attorney

#### ➤ **Mayor Comments**

- Mayor Jeroloman mentioned the installation of the new water tank. Discussed how contractor had opened a hydrant and caused a disturbance know as a hammer in the water system.
- Trustee Sas shared her experience with brown water and asked for patience while improvements are being made.
- Deputy Mayor Hickey expressed frustration over no response to what purpose tarps serve when they are erected on fences.
- Mayor explained that the highway department has been working in the village to be sure catch basins are not covered with leaves prior to the impending storm. Requested residents call if they see any clogged or blocked drains.

#### ➤ **Public Comments**

- Isaac Rosenberg – Expressed opposition to the proposed local law regarding accessory apartments.
- Simon Gelb – asked when the last public comment is accepted for the Accessory Apartment Proposed Local
- Lucas Kascheres – resident asked for an update on when the brown water. Mayor stated that the issue is ongoing due to the fact that the water system is old and has required multiple upgrades. The brown is iron and magnesium and is not dangerous to drink.
- Sonya Ayala - inquired about property maintenance regarding high grass at multiple locations in the village. Mayor Jeroloman explained that a public hearing is scheduled for October 30 and will address the issue of property maintenance at locations listed within the village that have been issued violations.

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- Debbie Bragado – thanked the board for addressing speeding issue and for installation of signs to Houston Avenue. Mentioned that leaves are clogging catch basins at 3 Houston Avenue; mayor reported the contactors will be working on various catch basins and added above location. Ms. Bragado asked about upcoming contract review of the sanitation company. The mayor advised the contract is under review and any changes will take place in the New Year.
- Maria Caponero – resident expressed concerns about showering with brown water. Mayor Jeroloman explained opening the garden hose to flush out the home systems is the best process to clear water in the home. Resident asked about how the issue of tarps being used as fences will be addressed. The Building Inspector will be speaking with residents who have erected tarps to have them removed as the mayor explained with a storm event, the tarps can pose a danger risk. Tarps may not be used as fencing; fencing regulations were recently added to the Village Code and will be enforced.
- John Salka – mentioned property maintenance summons, requested information on how the law is enforced. Mayor Jeroloman explained the steps on how the property maintenance law is enforced; explained that if property is not maintained, contractors will be hired and the owner of the property will be billed.
- Steve Kearins – asked for update regarding the parking issue on Dallas Drive; also asked if 13 Dallas Drive is compliant with building permits. The property does have a rehabilitation permit to fix and clean up the property but not to occupy the home. The parking issue is being addressed. The board is reviewing a proposed local law that will establish guidelines and regulations regarding parking within the village.
- Isaac Rosenberg - expressed concern over the proposed local law regarding accessory apartments. Resident asked why this law is being proposed now; Mayor Jeroloman expressed the growth in the area has always needed to be addressed due to the need for water. Additions to homes will increase the population and the demand for water on the already stressed water system. The village must be mindful of water usage for not just residents within the water district, but also those with private wells.
- Donna Douglas – asked about storm water issue, mayor explained that the issue is being addressed prior to the rain that is forecasted this week.
- Simon Gelb - asked about the accessory apartment law with regards to Clovewood Project. Mayor Jeroloman informed that all proposals must be reviewed by village attorneys.

#### ➤ Correspondence

- Letter from C.P.C. (Keen Equities LLC) regarding Local law amending chapter 235-4 and 235-4.6 of the village code “Accessory Apartment Units”
- Letter from C.P.C. (Keen Equities LLC) response to October 10, 2017 resolution authorizing additional services for Louis Berger.

#### ➤ Adoption of Prior Meeting Minutes:

- Motion to adopt minutes from special meeting 10/18/2017, regular meeting 1/13/2014 by Trustee LoFranco, seconded by Trustee Mullany – 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

#### ➤ Abstract

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- Motion to accept the abstract by Deputy Mayor Hickey, seconded by Trustee Sas, abstract accepted – 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

#### ➤ Business

- **Resolution No. (118)** – Setting the effective dates and times of the juvenile curfew for the 2017 Halloween season pursuant to Chapter 104 of the Village Code. Motion to accept by Trustee Sas, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hickey. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor Jeroloman, Deputy Mayor Hickey, Trustee LoFranco, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Sas, 0 Nays.*
- **Resolution No. (119)** – Appointing Eric Vogelsberg as an alternate member of the Village Planning Board. Motion to accept by Trustee Sas, seconded by Trustee LoFranco. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor Jeroloman, Deputy Mayor Hickey, Trustee LoFranco, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Sas, 0 Nays.*
- **Resolution No. (120)** – Setting a time and place for a public hearing to amend chapter 222 of the village code entitled vehicles and traffic. Motion to accept by Trustee Sas, seconded by Trustee LoFranco. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor Jeroloman, Deputy Mayor Hickey, Trustee LoFranco, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Sas, 0 Nays.*
- **Resolution No. (121)** – Authorizing the County of Orange to collect delinquent taxes. Motion to accept by Trustee Sas, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hickey. *Resolution passed. 5 Ayes, Mayor Jeroloman, Deputy Mayor Hickey, Trustee LoFranco, Trustee Mullany, Trustee Sas, 0 Nays.*

#### ➤ Closed Session

- Motion to enter into closed session with attorney at 8:05 pm by Trustee Sas, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hickey. *5 Ayes, 0 Nays*
- Motion to exit closed session at 9:00 pm by Deputy Mayor Hickey, seconded by Trustee LoFranco. *5 Ayes, 0 Nays*

#### ➤ Trustee Comments

- The Village Board accepted the resignation of Deputy Mayor John Hickey taking effect October 31, 2017. Motion to accept by Trustee LoFranco, seconded by Mayor Jeroloman.

#### ➤ Adjournment

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- Motion to close the meeting at 9:15 p.m. by Deputy Mayor Hickey, seconded by Trustee Sas.  
*5 Ayes, 0 Nays.*

Minutes respectfully submitted by  
Christine Bodeker, Assistant Clerk