

**PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Friday, July 28, 2023

at 12:00 PM

PRESENT:

Mayor: Alysa Plummer
Trustees: Lili Lanphear
Justin Leitgeb
David Marshall (absent)
Lisa Cove
Village Clerk: Dorothea M. Ciccarelli

CALL TO ORDER

Motion by Mayor Plummer and seconded by Trustee Cove to call the meeting to order.

Vote: Mayor Plummer-yes, Trustee Lanphear—yes, Leitgeb— yes, Cove- yes. *Motion passed.*

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

Motion by Mayor Plummer and seconded by Trustee Lanphear to enter Executive session.

Vote: Mayor Plummer-yes, Trustee Lanphear—yes, Leitgeb— yes, Cove- yes. *Motion passed.*

Motion by Mayor Plummer and seconded by Trustee Lanphear to exit Executive session.

Vote: Mayor Plummer-yes, Trustee Lanphear—yes, Leitgeb— yes, Cove- yes. *Motion passed.*

Motion by Trustee Leitgeb and seconded by Lanphear to raise the pay rate of DPW Foreman Jason Cernis to the amount of \$29.00/hour, effective July 29, 2023.

Vote: Mayor Plummer-yes, Trustee Lanphear—yes, Leitgeb— yes, Cove- yes. *Motion passed.*

Motion by Trustee Leitgeb and seconded by Lanphear for the DPW to prepare performance reviews within the next 60 days (about two months) and be delivered to the Board of Trustees.

Vote: Mayor Plummer-yes, Trustee Lanphear—yes, Leitgeb— yes, Cove- yes. *Motion passed.*

The Clerk presents the archive relocation plan to the Board at which a collection of our records will be housed at the Pittsford Lomb House, 3rd-floor ballroom.

Motion by Trustee Lanphear and seconded by Trustee Cove to authorize the transfer of archive records from the village hall 2nd floor to the 3rd floor ballroom.

Vote: Mayor Plummer-yes, Trustee Lanphear—yes, Leitgeb— yes, Cove- yes. *Motion passed.*

Motion by Trustee Leitgeb and seconded by Cove to approve the bill pay.

Vote: Mayor Plummer-yes, Trustee Lanphear—yes, Leitgeb— yes, Cove- yes. *Motion passed.*

MEMBER ITEMS

Trustee Leitgeb brings attention to a request for approval for the Friends of the Arboretum to cut certain invasive trees, and he believes that it would be in the interest of the village. He indicated they have a limited window over the summer when they're able to get together as volunteers work outside easily.

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The work is proposed to be in conjunction with the DPW, collaboratively and in discussion as to which ones to be removed and on what schedule.

The discussion begins with Superintendent Bleier reminding the Board there is a specific time of year to remove Ailanthus, and now is not the time. The Clerk has spoken with PRISM, and they offered to do a site visit to assist the Village of the removal of the invasives for the long term. Additionally, for liability measures, the group should not be using specific tools.

Trustee Leitgeb states that if the Friends of the Arboretum begin their proposed work, and it is not being conducted in a safe manner, then the Board would ask them to stop.

Robert Corby, 7 Washington— shares comments regarding his existing research regarding Ailanthus removal.

Motion by Trustee Leitgeb and seconded by Lanphear to approve an amended motion for the Friends of the Arboretum to, grant consent for a period of 2 years from data vigilance to the friends of the arboretum to cut down invasive trees of up to 6 inches DVH and to provide a brief summary of the best practices used and an expert consultant signing off for invasive removal; chainsaws will not be used; the work will be done in conjunction with the DPW regarding proper disposal.

Vote: Mayor Plummer-yes, Trustee Lanphear—yes, Leitgeb- yes, Cove- yes. *Motion passed.*

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mayor Plummer and seconded by Trustee Cove to adjourn.

Vote: Mayor Plummer-yes, Trustee Lanphear—yes, Leitgeb- yes, Cove- yes. *Motion passed*

Alexandria Torres Vaughn, Recording Secretary