

**VILLAGE of GREENWOOD LAKE  
BOARD MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024**

**VILLAGE OF GREENWOOD LAKE  
PO BOX 7, 18 CHURCH STREET  
GREENWOOD LAKE, NY 10925**

Mayor Matthew Buckley called to order the Village Board Meeting at 7:40 pm on January 17, 2024, for the Village of Greenwood Lake located at 18 Church Street in Greenwood Lake, NY.

**The following persons were present:**

- Mayor Mathew Buckley
- Deputy Mayor Kelli Kelm (via video conference)
- Trustee Nancy Clifford
- Trustee Chad Sellier
- Trustee Thomas Howley
- Attorney Brian Nugent

**MAYOR’S REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Village of Greenwood Lake Centennial:** Trustee Clifford reported that the first event of 2024, Greenwood Lake Trivia Night, took place on January 13, 2024, at the Elks. The winning team was Lakers for Life. The event was a huge success. Mayor Buckley offered that he thought it was a great event.

**Holiday Light Contest Winners:** The Graff Family on Lakes Road took first place and Chuck and Karen Dulgerian on Murray Road took second. The first-place recipient will be awarded a family beach pass for the 2024 season and second place was awarded a \$100 Amazon gift card.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**Warwick Advertiser** – Legal Notices  
**Allen Clarkson** – Condemning Harassment of Shannon’s Eyes on the Pies  
**Jennifer D’ Andrea** -Start Believing Campaign  
**Katie Leigh Collins** – Resignation Letter  
**Margaret Carey** – Resignation Letter

**VISITING OFFICIAL REPORTS:**

Floyd Deangleo had no report.

**REPORTS OF BOARDS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS**

**PARKS DEPARTMENT (December):**

- Garbage Village Wide
- Rebuilt check valve in Lakelands pump station with Water Department
- Took Down Holiday Decorations
- Building maintenance and repair DPW/PD
- Plowed snow
- Shoveled sidewalks
- Salting of ice
- Repaired beach sign
- Repaired lights in beach gazebo
- Picked up litter along Windermere Avenue
- Hung Centennial banner
- Reset cameras for PD
- Back flow purification with Water Department
- Seal on wells with Water Department
- Lock at Senior Center
- Took signs down on 17A
- Worked on Water tower
- Met with Skate Park
- **DPW:** (Given by Bill Roe) dealing with rainstorms, recent snowstorm, and preparing for upcoming snowstorm.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:** Chief Adam Eirand reported the following for December 2023:

COMPLAINTS: 1211  
ARRESTS: 6  
TRAFFIC SUMMONSES: 127  
PARKING SUMMONSES: 2  
MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS: 4

The Chief also reported that they are working on putting together a Traffic Safety Committee and will be reaching out to prospective members in the near future. There was a large structure fire on Rumsey Road. Sgt. Jones and PO Petersen responded to that call and demonstrated exemplary bravery and professionalism on scene. Two other officers responded to an overdose call and administered Narcan. All four officers will be recognized at February’s meeting. Trustee Kelm added that she would like to extend her thanks to the Greenwood Lake Police Department for sending Sgt. Jones and Sgt. Gayler to visit her and bring her flowers and gifts after her major surgery.

**WATER DEPARTMENT:** (December and January)

- For the month of January, the department is continuing to easily operate on one filter at just under 200 GPM. All of our annual samples were taken in December and as it stands right now there were no violations or exceedances.
- Aside from a flooded wastewater discharging equipment pit that is situated outside and behind the treatment plant. The facility itself seemed to handle the excess flooding without any real problems.
- The Lakelands Pump Station VFD Project has finally been completed and is fully operational. The installation of the Variable Frequency Pump Drives up there should really have a positive impact on water quality for the entire village. As the pumps now slowly ramp up to speed to fill the storage tank. And back down to shut off when the tank is satisfied. Rather than disrupting the entire system by abruptly slamming on and off when called into operation.
- Our electrician is waiting on a part so he can wire the necessary plug connections for our new back-up generator to be able to run our new well along with the Lakelands Pump Station in the event of an extended power outage.
- We're continuing to work with Delaware Engineering in an attempt to get our pilot study system operational enough to collect the necessary data. The data is needed to satisfy the health department, and to properly design and size the green sand filter units that the engineers seem to be in favor of for the village's upgraded treatment plant capital improvement project.

## COMMISSION REPORTS

**Trustee Clifford:** Many people are taking advantage of the Senior Center. The Elks is hosting a Friend in Need cornhole tournament on February 3, 2024. Check in time is 12:00 and play begins at 1pm. A Centennial banner was hung on December 31<sup>st</sup>. February events for the Centennial include the first of the library lecture series, entitled, "The Greenwood Forest Farms," by Dr. Richard Hull. It will take place at the library on Sunday, February 11, 2024, at 1pm. There will be a lecture at the Elks discussing the first American rocket mail flight. This will take place on Saturday, February, 24, 2024, 2pm presented by Jim Hall and Steve Gross.

**Trustee Sellier:** This report covers Planning, Zoning, and Building. The Building Department took in \$6350 in December and a total of \$163,500 in 2023; 63% was for building permits. The ZBA met in December; there was one applicant, which was a holdover. The Planning Board has had one ongoing application, Benjamin's Steakhouse. They are busy meeting NYS DEC requirements before they move forward with the village.

**Trustee Kelm:** Registration is open for the library's winter/spring programs. The new library hours for January 2, 2024, to March 11, 2024, are as follows: Sundays 11-3, Mondays 9-5, Wednesday 9-8, Thursdays 9-5, and Saturdays 10-4.

**Trustee Howley:** The police department is currently looking for part time officers. The village is looking forward to opening the beach.

**Attorney Report – Brian Nugent:** Recommends restructuring Village Board meetings and public hearings. He will put his recommendations in writing and distribute to the board.

**Clerk's Report- Katheleen Holder:** We are still collecting water bills until the end of February. Bills can be paid online or in person at Village Hall.

## OLD BUSINESS

**Planning and Zoning Boards:** A new combined board will be created in April. A revision to the local law has to be adopted and then the new board will start with the new year.

**Golf Carts:** NYS law does not allow golf carts on public roadways.

**Water Plant:** The plan put in place by our engineers needs to be expedited as the plant is deteriorating daily.

**Comprehensive Plan:** A committee will be formed to start work on the new comprehensive plan. Members will be contacted in the near future.

**Speed Signs:** Signs will be placed around the village as part of the Police Department's Traffic Safety Committee.

**Code Changes:** Changes will be made as part of the new comprehensive plan.

**Giving Tree:** There is a wooden tree in between Village Hall and the Police Department with cold weather clothing including boots, hats, mittens, and jackets available to anyone who needs them. The tree was built by School District and Boy Scout Troop 121.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Comprehensive Plan** - A committee will be formed to start work on the new comprehensive plan. Members will be contacted in the near future.

**Traffic Committee** – The Chief has been overwhelmed with people showing interest in being a part of this committee. Residents have asked that the village roads as well as the state roads be monitored for speed.

**Beach (sign and gazebo)** – The sign has been repaired; the gazebo and the sign will both be reburnished in the spring.

**Fishing permits** – The Village will start issuing passes for weekends on Fridays at \$10 per day for non-Warwick residents. Permits are not required for anyone living within the Town of Warwick,

## EVENTS:

- Community Center: Tue 4-6pm 2-5th grades, 6-8pm 6-8th grade
- Planning Board Meeting – Thursday, February 1st – 7:30 pm, Village Hall
- Zoning Board Meeting – Thursday, February 15th – 7:30 pm, Village Hall
- Grievance Night – Thursday, February 22nd – 4-8pm, Village Hall.

## PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Ed Krull, 659 Jersey Avenue, Greenwood Lake, NY, is displeased with his experience with the ZBA. He feels he was mistreated by the Building Department and their attorney. He urges the Village Board to take action immediately.

Jim Einstman, 34 Bear Court, Greenwood Lake, NY, on behalf of Greenwood Lake Little League, would like to bring up some safety issues to the Village Board concerning the fields.

## APPROVAL TO PAY ALL AUDITED BILLS:

Motion made by Trustee Clifford and seconded by Trustee Kelm. 5 Ayes- Mayor Buckley, Trustee Sellier, Trustee Clifford, Trustee Howley, and Trustee Kelm.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion to approve minutes from the December 18, 2023, Board Meeting and Public Hearings on same date made by Trustee Howley and seconded by Trustee Sellier. 5 Ayes- Mayor Buckley, Trustee Sellier, Trustee Clifford, Trustee Howley, and Trustee Kelm.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Resolution #44 Authorizes the hiring of part time dispatcher Robert Foschini at \$19.87 per hour. Motion made by Trustee Clifford and seconded by Trustee Kelm. 5 Ayes- Mayor Buckley, Trustee Sellier, Trustee Clifford, Trustee Howley, and Trustee Kelm.

Resolution #45 Authorizes the hiring of part time dispatcher Alexandria Diaz at \$19.87 per hour. Motion made by Trustee Kelm and seconded by Trustee Howley. 5 Ayes- Mayor Buckley, Trustee Sellier, Trustee Clifford, Trustee Howley, and Trustee Kelm.

Resolution #46 Authorizes the hiring of part time dispatcher Lydia Merrigan at \$19.87 per hour. Motion made by Trustee Sellier and seconded by Trustee Howley. 5 Ayes- Mayor Buckley, Trustee Sellier, Trustee Clifford, Trustee Howley, and Trustee Kelm.

Resolution #47 Authorizes the hiring of part time dispatcher Karine Rosenblum at \$19.87 per hour. Motion made by Trustee Clifford and seconded by Trustee Kelm. 5 Ayes- Mayor Buckley, Trustee Sellier, Trustee Clifford, Trustee Howley, and Trustee Kelm.

Resolution #48  
BOND RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF GREENWOOD LAKE, NEW YORK, ADOPTED JANUARY 17, 2024, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$120,0000 TO FINANCE VARIOUS PURPOSES IN AND FOR THE VILLAGE, STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS \$120,000 AND APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT FOR SUCH PURPOSES  
Motion made by Trustee Howley and seconded by Trustee Clifford. 5 Ayes- Mayor Buckley, Trustee Sellier, Trustee Clifford, Trustee Howley, and Trustee Kelm.

Resolution #49  
Bond Resolution of the Village of Greenwood Lake, New York, adopted January 17, 2024, authorizing elevator improvements, stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is not to exceed \$100,000, appropriating said amount for such purpose, and authorizing the issuance of bonds in the principal amount of not to exceed \$100,000 to finance said appropriation.  
Motion made by Trustee Kelm and seconded by Trustee Sellier. 5 Ayes- Mayor Buckley, Trustee Sellier, Trustee Clifford, Trustee Howley, and Trustee Kelm.

Resolution #50  
RESOLUTION TO CORRECT AND CONFIRM VILLAGE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEMBER TERMS AND PLANNING BOARD MEMBER TERMS.  
Motion made by Trustee Howley and seconded by Trustee Clifford. 5 Ayes- Mayor Buckley, Trustee Sellier, Trustee Clifford, Trustee Howley, and Trustee Kelm.

Resolution #51  
AUTHORIZING RETENTION OF FEERICK NUGENT MACCARTNEY TO PROVIDE LEGAL REPRESENTATION FOR THE VILLAGE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AND PLANNING BOARD.  
Motion made by Trustee Clifford and seconded by Trustee Kelm. 5 Ayes- Mayor Buckley, Trustee Sellier, Trustee Clifford, Trustee Howley, and Trustee Kelm.

Resolution #52 Authorizes the treasurer to give the Centennial Planning Committee \$5,000.00 towards the Founders Day Immersive Theater on March 16, 2024.  
Motion made by Trustee Clifford and seconded by Trustee Kelm. 5 Ayes- Mayor Buckley, Trustee Sellier, Trustee Clifford, Trustee Howley, and Trustee Kelm.

Resolution #53 The upcoming Village Election will be held at the Greenwood Lake Senior Center located at 132 Windermere Avenue, Greenwood Lake, NY on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, between the hours of 12 pm and 9 pm. The following election inspectors are authorized to work the election.

Brian Campagna  
Jennifer El-Rifai  
Karin Schiemann

Motion made by Trustee Sellier and seconded by Trustee Howley. 5 Ayes- Mayor Buckley, Trustee Sellier, Trustee Clifford, Trustee Howley, and Trustee Kelm.

**BUDGET TRANSFERS & AMENDMENTS:**

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
3120.418	3120.100	\$41,855.61
3120.418	3121.100	\$28,144.39
3121.400	3120.431	\$1,000.00
3121.400	3120.407	\$1,250.00
3124.400	3120.400	\$2,000.00
3124.400	3120.413	\$1,000.00

Motion to approve made by Trustee Kelm and seconded by Trustee Howley. 5 Ayes- Mayor Buckley, Trustee Sellier, Trustee Clifford, Trustee Howley, and Trustee Kelm.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motioned to adjourn Village Board Meeting by Trustee Howley at 8:19 pm and seconded by Trustee Clifford. 5 Ayes- Mayor Buckley, Trustee Sellier, Trustee Clifford, Trustee Howley, and Trustee Kelm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by

Katheleen Holder  
Village Clerk/Treasurer

The next meeting will be February 21, 2024, 6pm Public Hearing, 6:30pm Workshop followed by a 7:30pm Village Board Meeting at the Courthouse on Waterstone Road, Greenwood Lake, NY 10925.