

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
November 1, 2022, 6:30 PM**

PRESENT:

Mayor Daniel F. DeVita
Deputy Mayor Kevin Jusko
Trustee Richard Nicklas
Trustee Jeffrey Miritello
Trustee Nancy Jones
Trustee Jeffrey Nemshin

Howard Avrutine, Village Attorney (via Zoom)
Nancy Popper, Clerk/Court Clerk

EXCUSED:

Trustee Nicholas Tsafos

MAYOR DEVITA called the meeting to order at 6:34pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES of the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of July 13, 2022 were distributed to the Board prior to the meeting for review. It was moved by Mayor DeVita, seconded by Trustee Nicklas and approved by all present (with Trustees Miritello and Nemshin abstaining) that the minutes be approved.

MINUTES of the Board of Trustees Special Meeting of August 18, 2022 were distributed to the Board prior to the meeting for review. It was moved by Mayor DeVita, seconded by Trustee Miritello and approved by all present (with Trustees Jones and Nemshin abstaining) that the minutes be approved.

FILM PERMIT APPLICATION #1-2022

Ms. Sascha Springer and Mr. Varun Bajaj, of Giant Town Productions, Inc., appeared before the Board to discuss the application for filming at 1300 Ridge Road during November 7th-10th, 2022. The Board inquired about the parking of vehicles, unloading of equipment, hours of operation, notification to neighbors, exterior lighting, and the number of people expected to be on site. Michael Lax, resident of Laurel Hollow and neighbor to the subject property, expressed concerns about the disruption to the neighborhood and the potential for intrusion onto his property. The applicant informed the Board of relevant particulars such as: there will be no vehicles parked on the street and no large trucks will enter the neighborhood; all personnel will be shuttled to the site via 15 passenger vans; and with the exception of one outdoor scene where lights will be directed toward the house, all filming will be indoors. Police Chief Cronin was present and spoke about the need for emergency vehicles to have access to all homes at all times. Mayor DeVita moved to approve the film permit application, seconded by Trustee Nicklas, and approved by all present with the following conditions:

1. Pursuant to Code Section 51-9(B), a refundable cash bond of \$10,000 must be deposited with Village on or before November 3rd 2022;
2. Payment of all fees must be received on or before November 3rd, 2022;
3. The application must be amended to include 4 days of preparation and 2 days of wrap up in addition to the 4 days of actual filming;
4. All activity is limited to the hours of 8am – 10pm;
5. No parking is permitted on any street; and
6. Notification to neighbors must be amended to include the new hours and dates.

APPOINTMENT TO FILL VACANCY ON PLANNING BOARD

Correspondence from Jennifer Grgas was distributed to the Board prior to the meeting for review. Mayor DeVita reported that, based on his conversation with Ms. Grgas and her interest in volunteering in the community, he believed she would be an excellent candidate to fill the position vacated by Trustee Jones on the Planning Board. It was moved by Trustee Nicklas, seconded by Trustee Nemshin and approved by all present that the Mayor's appointment of Jennifer Grgas to serve a 3-year term as Member of the Planning Board be approved.

APPOINTMENT TO FILL VACANCY ON BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Julia Zoiner's resume was distributed to the Board prior to the meeting for review. Mayor DeVita reported that, based on his conversation with Ms. Zoiner and her interest in volunteering in the community, he believed she would be an excellent candidate to fill the position vacated by Member Kaufman on the Board of Zoning Appeals. It was moved by Trustee Miritello, seconded by Trustee Nicklas and approved by all present that the Mayor's appointment of Julia Zoiner to serve the balance of the 3-year term as Member of the Board of Zoning Appeals be approved.

REAPPOINTMENT OF LOUIS LEBEDIN AS MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Mayor Devita reported to the Board that Mr. Lebedin's 5-year term as Member of the Board of Zoning Appeals expired in July 2022 and that his reappointment was delayed pending the adoption of a new local law, which changed the term of service from five years to three years. It was moved by Trustee Miritello, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jusko and approved by all present that the Mayor's reappointment of Louis Lebedin to serve a 3-year term as Member of the Board of Zoning Appeals be approved.

REAPPOINTMENT OF JAMES GALTIERI AS MEMBER OF THE PLANNING BOARD

Mayor Devita reported to the Board that Mr. Galtieri's 5-year term as Member of the Planning Board expired in July 2022 and that his reappointment was delayed pending the adoption of a new local law, which changed the term of service from five years to three years. It was moved by Trustee Nemshin, seconded by Trustee Jones and approved by all present that the Mayor's reappointment of James Galtieri to serve a 3-year term as Member of the Planning Board be approved.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WILL BE HELD AT 6:30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, November 9, 2022.

Nancy Popper

Nancy Popper, Village Clerk

ALSO PRESENT:

Chief Cronin, OBCPD
Michael Lax, Resident

Sascha Springer, Giant Town Production
Varun Bajaj, Giant Town Production