

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
VILLAGE OF MILLBROOK  
DECEMBER 18, 2007**

Mayor Ciferri called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Present were Mayor Ciferri, Trustees Bondus, Hurley and Morse.

Mayor Ciferri led the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Mayor Ciferri asked the minutes of the November 13, 2007 be approved. A motion by Trustee Morse seconded by Trustee Bondus to accept the minutes as submitted. All were in favor. A motion by Trustee Morse Seconded by Trustee Hurley to accept the minutes of the first Public Meeting on the Master Plan. All were in favor.

Trustee Morse stated that Cable Channel 22 and our Website were up and running. He introduced Kate Farrell to say a few words about the start up of Channel 22. Kate thanked Dr Matteson, Brian De Vencenzie and the Millbrook High School Seniors who worked so hard to get the Village on Channel 22. Annie Frenzel one of the seniors working on the Cable project said a few words about the project and how in the future she would like to see some of the Millbrook High School functions on the channel.

Mike McGowan who is the Insurance Broker for the Village gave a presentation to the Board on Long Term Care Insurance.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**HIGHWAY:** Bob Collocola gave the attached report. Bob said the trees and decorations were complete and wanted to thank the Murphy family for the new Santa that they made. Bob said the new highway truck arrived just in time for the snow removal. Bob thanked the town for their help with snow removal. Trustee Morse thanked Bob and his crew for a job well done with the snow removal. Several people called to say how well cleared the streets and sidewalks were in the village.

**POLICE REPORT:** John Imperato said speeding and other violations have been increased. A warning about parking for snow removal has been distributed. John researched the littering issue. Chapter 136.5 states a fine of up to 250.00 can be given for littering. A Judge will decide the amount of the fine. We must post signs before we can enforce the fines. Bob Collocola will price the signs and make sure the size and color will meet our compliance. John will talk to Judge Prisco about the fines. The second Police car needs work if we are going to keep it. It will cost approximately \$3,000. To repair. The Board will decide what to do with the car at a budget meeting in January. John discussed how we can change a speed limit. A letter sent to the State from the Mayor as to why we request a change in a speed limit. John would like to increase some of the traffic fines. In order to do this some of the codes would have to be changed. John announced that two new officers graduated both being top in their class. They are John Bloodgood and Jesse Walsh. They are both working for the village and doing a great job. John asked if he could order new vests for the officers. It is now a law for all officers to have these vests.

Trustee Bondus made a motion to order the vests seconded by Trustee Morse all were in favor. John is applying for a grant to cover the cost of the new vests. Trustee Hurley asked about the police coverage in the village. John said they are now covering seven days a week six hours per day.

**VRI:** Cathy Dahlin gave the attached report. Trustee Hurley said we will continue to have tours of the Water & Sewer Plant in the Spring. I.E.S. would like to continue to give the school tours. More work needs to be done at the Bennett Complex but it must be postponed due to the weather. The water main break on County House Road needs more work and we will try to notify the residents before we start the work and have to turn the water off.

**HISTORICAL SOCIETY:** David Greenwood talked about the November 16, tour the Oakwood School took. Oakwood sent a letter thanking the Village and David Greenwood. Trustee Bondus will scan this and have it put in the minutes. David thanked Camille for being so helpful at a very hectic time.

**TRUSTEE UPDATED:** Trustee Bondus said the roof on the garage behind the Village Hall had collapsed and need immediate attention. Mark Daley was working in the Village Hall and did a patch job but more repairs need to be done some of which the highway department can do. Trustee Bondus again thanked the Murphy family for the new Santa which they made. Steve Lynch prepared a grant application for a shared plan for the water and sewer. It is shared with the Town and the County. The application has been submitted along with letters of support from Congresswoman Gillibrand, John Dyson, Margaret Fetes, Marcus Molinaro and Stephen Saland. Kate Farell and Tony Sloan asked for more of a clarification of the grant. Trustees Hurley and Bondus along with Steve Lynch gave some explanation.

**MASTER PLAN:** Trustee Morse talked about the first Meeting. The plan is to have follow up Public meetings, with one on an afternoon and one in an evening. Dates were discussed and will be announced. Trustees Bondus and Hurley will work on an agenda for the next meeting. Trustee Hurley stated she would like to take general comments from residents that were unable to attend the first meeting.

**AMBULANCE CONTRACT:** Mayor Ciferri said he would like to meet with the three companies that provide emergency coverage before we sign a contract. Supervisor Prisco asked if the village can provide their own coverage on weekends? Mayor Ciferri said the Rescue Squad could provide that coverage, however, if it does not work we have the option to increase our coverage with the company we contract with. Trustee Hurley asked Alamo if their merger would affect our contract. Alamo assured us it would not but we would benefit if anything. The merger would not take place for at least six months. Ken Lily asked if the police officers could assist in the rescue squad. Mayor Ciferri said not this year but sometime in the future.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Mayor Ciferri said we will have to go to Bond for the repairs needed on the Water and Sewer. There are several things that need to be done in the immediate future. The Board will present a list of items and the cost of those items so we can determine how much of bond we will need. The Public Hearing will remain open until such information can be given to the public.

**UPDATES:** The Board hired Ken Mc Laughlin to replace Jim Tyger as Village Building Inspector and Code enforcement office. Motion by Trustee Bondus to hire Mc Laughlin pending Jim Tyger's official

resignation and Andy will set the hours. Trustee Hurley said the hours and his office location would have to be clarified. Mayor Ciferri said it needed to be discussed in Executive Session therefore the motion was tabled.

Ed Shaughnessy asked for a copy of the guidelines for the use of village owned buildings.

Gladys Lang asked how people know about the snow ordinance. It was in the newspaper, flyers were given out and now we will put it on our website and our Cable channel.

At 9 pm a motion by Trustee Hurley seconded by Trustee Bondus to end the regular meeting and go into executive session. All were in favor. Mayor Ciferri said no further actions would be taken.

Respectfully submitted

Camille Prehatney  
Clerk/Treasurer