

**VILLAGE OF AIRMONT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MAY 3, 2021
7 PM – VIA ZOOM**

**PRESENT: MAYOR NATHAN BUBEL
 BRIAN DOWNEY, DEPUTY MAYOR
 MIGDALIA PESANTE, TRUSTEE
 SHIMON MOSES , TRUSTEE
 ISAAC WEISS, TRUSTEE
 SCOTT UGELL, VILLAGE ATTORNEY
 DANIEL KRAUSHAAR, ASSISTANT VILLAGE ATTORNEY
 TAMARA EPSTEIN, DEPUTY CLERK**

Mayor Bubel called the meeting to order at 7:11 pm and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance

A moment of silence was observed in honor of the people in Israel who were killed or injured during a crowded event.

Dennis Lynch, Esq. addressed the Board with regard to the property at 267 Cherry Lane. His client wishes to build “ The Fountain at Cherry Lane” which would be a housing community for active adults. Some questions remain as to a restrictive covenant which would prohibit building such a community. Mr. Lynch has a lawsuit pending and would like to come to an agreement with the Village.

Mayor Bubel opened the meeting to Public Comment:

Eve Zuckergood inquired as to the possibility of being appointed again as a member of the Architectural Review Committee as she was previously the chairperson of the committee. She expressed her displeasure with the current Board and all that is going on in Airmont.

Patti Quivelli asked why nothing has done with regard to installing a sign prohibiting buses from turning around on Smith Court.

Dan Finley asked Attorney Ugell to schedule a meeting where he would tour the Village and identify violations. Mr. Ugell agreed to set a date in the future provided that they be accompanied by Mayor Bubel.

Danielle Meehan questioned the follow-up on the animal control services. She complained that she sent an email to the entire Board and only Deputy Mayor Downey and Trustee Pesante responded. Ms. Meehan believes it was a mistake to hold the meeting on April 26th in light of the fatal accident in Suffern a few days before.

Maureen Benedict asked if an email could be sent out in advance of the May 24th meeting with information on the proposed new laws.

Paul Lorelli discussed Mr. Lynch’s proposal and said he didn’t know about the meeting. He was advised to sign up for the Village email blasts.

At 7:44 pm Mayor Bubel made a motion to go into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Moses and carried by all.

At 9:03 pm Mayor Bubel made the motion to leave Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Pesante and carried by all. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

RESOLUTION NO: 21-4579

VILLAGE OF AIRMONT

TITLE: Resolution authorizing Mayor Bubel to sign a contract with Fusco Engineering and Land Surveying, PC. Said contract shall be in a form approved by the Village Attorey.

The motion was moved by Mayor Bubel
The motion was seconded by Trustee Weiss

The votes of the Board of Trustees were as follows:

NAME	YES	NO	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
Weiss	x			
Moses	x			
Pesante		x		
Downey	x			
Bubel	x			

Mayor Bubel declared the motion carried and directed the Deputy Village Clerk to file same.

RESOLUTION NO: 21- 4580

VILLAGE OF AIRMONT

TITLE: Resolution authorizing a refund to the owners of 50 Dawn Lane in the amount of \$313.00 (\$338.00 original fee minus administrative fee of \$25.00) for a permit that was rescinded.

The motion was moved by Mayor Bubel
The motion was seconded by Deputy mayor Downey

The votes of the Board of Trustees were as follows:

NAME	YES	NO	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
Weiss	x			
Moses	x			
Pesante	x			
Downey	x			
Bubel	x			

Mayor Bubel declared the motion carried and directed the Deputy Village Clerk to file same.

RESOLUTION NO: 21- 4581

VILLAGE OF AIRMONT

TITLE: Resolution approving the Treasury Abstracts for May 3, 2021 in the amount of \$176,857.55

The motion was moved by Mayor Bubel
The motion was seconded by Trustee Moses

The votes of the Board of Trustees were as follows:

NAME	YES	NO	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
Weiss	x			
Moses	x			
Pesante	x			
Downey	x			
Bubel	x			

Mayor Bubel declared the motion carried and directed the Deputy Village Clerk to file same.

RESOLUTION NO: 21- 4582

VILLAGE OF AIRMONT

TITLE: Resolution approving the Minutes from the Board of Trustees Workshop dated April 26, 2021 as submitted for review by the Deputy Village Clerk.

The motion was moved by Mayor Bubel
The motion was seconded by Trustee Pesante

The votes of the Board of Trustees were as follows:

NAME	YES	NO	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
Weiss	x			
Moses	x			
Pesante	x			
Downey	x			
Bubel	x			

Mayor Bubel declared the motion carried and directed the Deputy Village Clerk to file same.

The Board discussed the need for STOP signs at the intersection of North Lorna Lane and Seth Lane. It was decided to continue the conversation at the meeting of May 24, 2021.

UNDER THE TOPIC OF **NEW BUSINESS** THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WERE PASSED:

RESOLUTION NO: 21- 4583

VILLAGE OF AIRMONT

TITLE: Resolution removing Thomas Gulla from the position of Special Assistant to the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

The motion was moved by Mayor Bubel
The motion was seconded by Trustee Moses

The votes of the Board of Trustees were as follows:

NAME	YES	NO	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
Weiss	x			
Moses	x			
Pesante	x			
Downey	x			
Bubel	x			

Mayor Bubel declared the motion carried and directed the Deputy Village Clerk to file same.

RESOLUTION NO: 21-4584

VILLAGE OF AIRMONT

TITLE: Resolution authorizing the Deputy Village Clerk to create the position of Constituent Services Assistant (Village) according to Rockland County Personnel guidelines.

The motion was moved by Mayor Bubel
The motion was seconded by Trustee Moses

The votes of the Board of Trustees were as follows:

NAME	YES	NO	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
Weiss	x			
Moses	x			
Pesante	x			
Downey	x			
Bubel	x			

Mayor Bubel declared the motion carried and directed the Deputy Village Clerk to file same.

RESOLUTION NO: 21- 4585

VILLAGE OF AIRMONT

TITLE: Resolution hiring Thomas Gulla provisionally as Constituent Services Assistant (Village) pending approval by Rockland County Personnel. Mr. Gulla will be paid \$12,000 annually for a one- year term to end on April 4, 2022.

The motion was moved by Mayor Bubel
The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Downey

The votes of the Board of Trustees were as follows:

NAME	YES	NO	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
Weiss	x			
Moses	x			
Pesante	x			
Downey	x			
Bubel	x			

Mayor Bubel declared the motion carried and directed the Deputy Village Clerk to file same.

RESOLUTION NO: 21-4586

VILLAGE OF AIRMONT

TITLE: RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE A STIPEND FOR VILLAGE LIAISON TO CONTRACTORS FOR ROADWAY MAINTENANCE, SNOW REMOVAL, GARBAGE AND SANITATION AND BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

WHEREAS, the Village of Airmont Board of Trustees wishes to establish clear and definitive lines of communication between the village and the contractors; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees recognizes and acknowledges the increased and important responsibilities inherent in the position of liaison to its independent contractors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Village Board hereby appoints Deputy Mayor Downey as Village Liaison to the Board of Trustees and shall reimburse its liaison with its independent contractors to wit: Roadway Maintenance, Snow Removal, Garbage and Sanitation and Buildings and Grounds in the sum of \$1000.00 monthly for an annual stipend of \$12,000.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the liaison is appointed for a one- year term to end on the first Monday in April of 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said liaison shall not assume the duties and responsibilities reserved to the Mayor and the Board of Trustees.

The motion was moved by Trustee Moses
 The motion was seconded by Trustee Weiss

The votes of the Board of Trustees were as follows:

NAME	YES	NO	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
Weiss	x			
Moses	x			
Pesante	x			
Downey			x	
Bubel	x			

Mayor Bubel declared the motion carried and directed the Deputy Village Clerk to file same.

RESOLUTION NO: 21- 4587

VILLAGE OF AIRMONT

TITLE: Resolution amending resolution #21-4536 to increase the salary of Yehuda Zorger, Confidential Assistant to the Mayor, from \$3,000.00 annually to \$12,000.00 annually.

The motion was moved by Deputy Mayor Downey
 The motion was seconded by Mayor Bubel

The votes of the Board of Trustees were as follows:

NAME	YES	NO	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
Weiss	x			
Moses	x			
Pesante		x		
Downey	x			
Bubel	x			

Mayor Bubel declared the motion carried and directed the Deputy Village Clerk to file same.

At 9:24 pm, Mayor Bubel made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Weiss and carried by all.

Respectfully submitted by;
 Tamara Epstein, Deputy Village Clerk