

**Village of Buchanan  
Mayor & Board of Trustees  
Village Board Meeting  
June 2, 2015**

**PRESENT:**

Mayor Theresa Knickerbocker  
Trustees Nicolas Zachary, Duane M. Jackson and Cesare Pasquale  
Village Administrator Kevin Hay  
Village Attorney Stephanie V. Porteus  
Village Board Secretary Susan F. Matthews  
Village Building Inspector Anthony Conti

**ABSENT:**

Trustee Richard A. Funchion - vacation

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Mayor Knickerbocker opened the meeting at 7:30 PM, welcomed everyone, informed them of the fire regulations and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. APPROVE MINUTES:**

March 24, 2015 Workshop: A Motion to approve these minutes as read was made by Trustee Zachary, seconded by Trustee Jackson with all in favor and Trustee Funchion absent.

Mayor Knickerbocker announced that the minutes from previous meetings not yet approved will be tabled in order for the Board to have more time to review them.

**3. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR: (agenda items only)**

None

**4. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUILDING INSPECTOR:**

Mayor Knickerbocker introduced and welcomed our new full-time Building Inspector Anthony Conti. She noted that he has been with the Village for two weeks and has been very busy.

Mr. Conti said that before he came to the Village of Buchanan he did 14 months in the Village of Ossining as Assistant Building Inspector then went to the Village of Irvington. He commented that in each his experiences were different because of the different directions in which each

village was going. He made decisions just like those that the Village of Buchanan is going to do. He is very happy to be here. He told everyone to feel free to reach out to him any time. Mayor Knickerbocker advised that the Building Inspector will be here from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM every day.

## **5. NEW BUSINESS**

### **a. PUBLIC HEARING: PROPOSED ZONING CHANGE ALLOWING A SENIOR MULTI-FAMILY ZONE**

At 7:33 pm a MOTION to open the Public Hearing was made by Trustee Zachary, seconded by Trustee Pasquale with all in favor and Trustee Funchion absent.

Mayor Knickerbocker announced that this afternoon we got a call. The developer has asked for a postponement. There are some issues that he needs to address. The Mayor announced that the Public Hearing will be rescheduled to July 7. She asked that anyone who came out for it this evening to please come back then. There were some things that we asked the developer to look at. The Mayor asked for a MOTION to adjourn this Public Hearing to the July 7 Village Board meeting.

At 7:37 pm a MOTION to adjourn this Public Hearing to the July 7 Village Board meeting was made by Trustee Jackson, seconded by Trustee Zachary with all in favor and Trustee Funchion absent.

### **b. 15-25 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF BUCHANAN FEE SCHEDULE.**

Mayor Knickerbocker read the Resolution (*copy attached*).

The Mayor commented that from time to time we need to look at different things with our fees. Some have not been updated since 2008 and are not in line with other communities. The Board has been working on this for most of this year. We are now ready to adopt these changes.

Trustee Jackson commented that one of the things will be that this comes in line with bringing in the new full time Building Inspector so that the fees can now be enforced. Throughout the Village there are some areas where enforcement is badly needed. This will bring us in line with what is going on in other communities and up to date. It is a good opportunity to move forward and make sure that the services of the Village go to a higher level.

Mayor Knickerbocker commented that we are going to keep the Building Inspector very busy. We are also going to look at the Code. Building Inspector Conti commented that even with the updates our Fee Schedule is one of the most affordable. The Mayor commented that we are not looking to hurt anybody. The Building Inspector is glad to see that the Board is promoting compliance.

Trustee Zachary commented that when the Board reviewed this Fee Schedule, they had some specific recommendations. There were a number of things left off that the Village Administrator was going to go back with to the Highway Department and Water Department to get their take. Trustee Zachary is not sure he sees that reflected here. Village Administrator Hay advised that he talked to the Highway Foreman concerning the Water Department. Some of the things were fees that at some point we probably did ourselves but which are now put in as inspection fees. The Administrator advised that he spoke to George Pommer about our recreation fees in lieu of park land. Mr. Pommer suggested that we double it which has now been done. The Administrator advised that he spoke with the Building Inspector. They looked over the fees. They changed the plumbing fee for the number of fixtures to a flat fee. The Administrator advised that he did go to all the department heads. Trustee Zachary said that those were the ones he had been thinking of.

Trustee Zachary commented that there are a lot of enforcement issues. He commented that for him with a lot of these fees it is not as much a question of enforcement as it is that we know that they cover the expenses incurred by the Village. There is some enforcement. A lot of these are building fees as opposed to penalty fees. We need to cover our costs. The Administrator advised that he also spoke about those with our previous Building Inspector. She recommended concerning the gas fee that the Building Inspector has to go out multiple times, so that was increased. They went through all the fees and that was the one she had the biggest concern with. The Administrator has gone over them all with the new Building Inspector. Trustee Zachary said that he would encourage any suggestions as things come up and we can revise it in the future. Some of it costs the Village \$500 for example and we are only charging \$100. Building Inspector Conti commented that the strong point about this restructuring is that we are not double dipping for electrical and plumbing purposes. Before the flat fee came into place, a lot of municipalities were basing the building permit on the total cost of construction which includes the electrical and plumbing. There were a lot of negative thoughts and feelings because people felt that they had paid for it in the form of the building permit. Now with the flat fee the cost of the building permit takes in everything.

Mayor Knickerbocker commented that we talked about this several times. The Board had left open the matter of the water tap because the Administrator had to talk to the Village Engineer. The Mayor commented that so people know what some of the schedules are, the filming permit for a commercial film is \$2500. There are fees for accident reports, returned checks, peddler

permits, sidewalk opening permits, building permits, demolition permits, swimming pools, the Water Department, the final water readings, unauthorized use of the hydrants, ID's for Recreation, the day camp, ball field, land subdivisions and steep slopes. This Resolution encompasses a lot of different fees.

Trustee Zachary commented on the filming permit. He joked that they might decide to shoot the last season of "Game of Thrones" at Lent's Cove Park. Mayor Knickerbocker commented that years ago we had the movie "Toxic Avenger" filmed there. She joked that it put us on the film map. Trustee Zachary commented that it is a cult classic. The Mayor said that we will be showing movies over the summer. She joked that she would like to actually show that one at Lent's Cove and have the monster come out. Trustee Zachary commented that it was one of those movies that were so bad that it was great.

A MOTION to adopt this Resolution as presented was made by Trustee Zachary, seconded by Trustee Jackson with all in favor and Trustee Funchion absent.

**c. 15-26 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF RECREATIONAL PERSONNEL (CAMP STAFF).**

Mayor Knickerbocker read the Resolution (*copy attached*). She read the names and salaries and wages.

A MOTION to adopt this Resolution as presented was made by Trustee Zachary, seconded by Trustee Jackson with all in favor and Trustee Funchion absent.

**d. 15-27 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH IBT LOCAL 456.**

Mayor Knickerbocker read the Resolution (*copy attached*).

Mayor Knickerbocker commented that unfortunately Trustee Funchion is not here tonight. He is in Ireland. He worked very hard on working with the Teamsters Union to resolve their contract. He will make some comments at next month's meeting. She said that one of the things that she would like to point out is that the employees here had never contributed to their medical. She commented that the world has changed. Whether it is corporate or municipal, everyone now contributes to their medical. This is the first time that we have asked our union employees to do so. She is glad to see it is resolved. It is a fair contract. This was another thing the Board has worked on all year. This was a very busy year. It was a big thing we had to address.

Trustee Jackson commented that in Trustee Funchion's absence he wanted to note the work that he did to make this come pass. Trustee Jackson feels that this is a fair contract with all our employees. He sees our Highway Department and Sewage Treatment Plant people all over the Village doing what they are supposed to be doing. He supports fair compensation for fair work. They deserve that, especially this past winter with the snow removal and different things they had to do. He is glad that we have this contract behind us. He gave kudos to Trustee Funchion for working in this time. He commented that a lot of times people say that the Trustees get paid a stipend. Trustee Funchion did overtime in trying to make this contract happen. Trustee Jackson commented that they say that a fair contract is when nobody gets everything they wanted. It moves on. Our municipal employees are the best around for the services they provide for our Village and he takes his hat off to them.

A MOTION to adopt this Resolution as presented was made by Trustee Zachary, seconded by Trustee Jackson with all in favor and Trustee Funchion absent.

**e. 15-28 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF RECREATIONAL PERSONNEL (POOL STAFF).**

Mayor Knickerbocker read the Resolution (*copy attached*).

The Mayor read some of the salaries and wages by position. She noted that we also have after camp swim lessons. The staff takes turns doing that.

Trustee Jackson commented that he moved to the Village 21 years ago. His daughter worked in the camp to teach our young people participation and learning the ins and outs of recreation and being responsible. He feels that it is great that we as a municipality can offer this to our young people because it is a building block for them going forward. He commented that his son, who now has an internship in New York City, did not do as much of that as his daughter. He believes that if we start our children out early on being able to learn those basic fundamentals of work and friendship and working with others, it is always a good thing. He is proud of our Village to be able to do that.

Mayor Knickerbocker commented that the camp has gone a long way. When she was a little girl, it was in the same place. But it was only from 8:00 in the morning until Noon. It was just arts and crafts and then at Noon you went home. The camp has really grown. They have an after school program, swimming lessons and everything. It is a big difference from a few years ago. Trustee Zachary commented to give some credit to Recreation Supervisor Nancy Bayer. She has brought in more programs and more and more people every year. She has done a good job.

A MOTION to adopt this Resolution as presented was made by Trustee Zachary, seconded by Trustee Jackson with all in favor and Trustee Funchion absent.

**f. 15-29 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A VILLAGE FACILITY.**

Mayor Knickerbocker read the Resolution (*copy attached*).

Village Administrator Hay confirmed that the insurance certificate is attached.

A MOTION to adopt this Resolution as presented was made by Trustee Pasquale, seconded by Trustee Zachary with all in favor and Trustee Funchion absent.

**6. INFORMATION FROM OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS:**

- a) Justice Court Report – April 2015  
Received and filed.
- b) Wastewater Report – April-May 2015  
Received and filed.
- c) Zoning Board Minutes – April 8, 2015  
Received and filed.
- d) Fire Inspector's Report – April-May 2015  
Received and filed.
- e) Attorney's Report

Village Attorney Porteus reported that AAA is going to be back on the Planning Board agenda. The geo techs are talking with one another and working things out. They are coming in with an application to develop the lot next door which they also own. It will be for additional truck storage. There was a steep slope behind the building that has come down. Mayor Knickerbocker advised that the reason they need the geo tech is because the steep slopes had come down. They did not come down by themselves so they now have to address that. The Village Attorney advised that the engineers felt that they needed a geo tech because they deal with that type of slope and rock formation, and whether it is safe or not safe. The Mayor wanted to know if they will be installing a wall. Village Attorney advised that they have not yet seen the plan. The engineers did a conference. They advised that they are on the same page for the first time in a year and a half. She thinks that part of it will be a fence and part of it a wall. They will be bringing the dirt closer to the building. Concerning the 24 feet that the Planning Board had originally granted behind the building, they were going to put 7 trucks there. Now they will

move there provided that the site next door gets approved. This gives the Fire Department access to the back of the building which is safer. The Village Attorney said that the Fire Department did not have a hard time with them putting the trucks there but everybody involved seems to think it is a good idea. She said that the good news is that we have got them back in and are moving along.

#### f) Administrator's Report

Village Administrator Hay reported that the switch over to the new phone service will take place this Thursday. He looks forward to that. Their staff will be here all day to deal with any trouble shooting and to set up voice mails. Mayor Knickerbocker wanted to know if we have to set up own voice mails or is it "pre done". The Administrator advised that all the extensions are preset. Everyone will probably have to set up their own voice mails. The Mayor noted that as they mentioned, people want to leave messages, especially with the Court which is in session once a week, and can now leave them directly with the Court. She thanked the Administrator for his work on this.

The Administrator reported that they are now getting bids on the HVAC and soffit work at Village Hall. We are waiting on a third bid. All of them are significantly under budget which is good news. The process is starting now.

The Administrator reported that at the Sewage Treatment Plant we have switched over to the new side with the new aerators. It took a long time. With the winter, the side was frozen. It took a lot of coordinating with Cook to pump out the new side. Our initial D.O. numbers on the old side were from 0.2 to 0.4. With the switch over, we were at 4 before the weather got really hot. But even with the hot weather, our numbers were at 1.75 so our numbers are 3 times better.

#### g) Mayor's Report

Mayor Knickerbocker thanked the Buchanan Fire Department and Chief Stu Bayer. They did a fantastic job with Tri-Village Memorial Day Parade. The ceremony at the pavilion was great. We had a good turnout. We had neighbors there from Verplanck and Montrose. Next year it will be in Verplanck. She commented that it is nice to keep the tradition alive and remember those who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

Mayor Knickerbocker thanked the Beautification Committee by name: Joe and Natalie Tropiano, Karen Park, Colleen Lonergan, Jerry (*sp?*) Rodino, Beth Rendy (*sp?*), Becky Makelainen, Katy (*no last name given*) and Trustee Pasquale. They were out there with former Trustee Tropiano. The flowers look great. They spruce up the Circle. The Mayor thanked Trustee Jackson who donated all the American flags. They are in all the flower barrels and around the Circle.

Mayor Knickerbocker reported that on Friday she and Trustee Pasquale attended the Buchanan/Verplanck School's Memorial Day Ceremony. The kids walked through the Village streets and had a ceremony at the pavilion. She commented that it is just unbelievable listening to the kids talking about Memorial Day and singing. It warms your heart. The kids are being taught what Memorial Day is. The Mayor said that they were so cute and that she was happy to be able to attend. Trustee Pasquale commented that the night before, he went to the Spring concert at the B/V School. He commented that those kids put on a magnificent show. They did a beautiful rendition of Lee Greenwood's "God Bless the USA". Trustee Pasquale commented that he wanted to hug all of them.

Mayor Knickerbocker wanted to give an update on things going on at Entergy. She said that everyone knows that there was a transformer fire. A lot of people were upset and scared because they did not know what was happening. She said that she knew pretty quickly. She was standing in her driveway and saw a puff of smoke. She was contacted by Entergy very quickly. They advised her that there was no threat to our safety or health. It was a transformer fire. The Mayor noted that some people will remember another transformer fire in 1977. It was in the evening and the sky completely lit up. These transformers are supposed to last for 40 years. The transformer that went in May was only 8 years old. Entergy is looking at the manufacturer to determine what the problem is because they should have much longer life. They had everything quickly under control. They have fire brigade there and they were right on top of it. It was a lengthy fire. Unfortunately, there was a 3,000 gallon spill of oil into the Hudson. Entergy has been very transparent about it. They keep the Mayor and other public officials informed. The DEC and the Coast Guard were involved in the clean up. They put booms out to stop the flow of oil. Entergy was very responsive to the problem and they are looking into it.

Mayor Knickerbocker reported on the Spectra gas line. There has been a lot of concern with its being in close proximity to the power plant. The Mayor has gone to government-to-government meetings. She and Trustee Pasquale and Village Administrator Hay went to the Entergy stakeholders' meeting today where the Spectra gas line was talked about. They talked about the companies that were hired to look into the safety of the gas line being so close to Indian Point. It is going to be about 2,000 feet away from the protected area. Entergy had asked for an enhancement on the line. The line is going to go deeper. It will have concrete pads over it. The NRC looked at it. Entergy hired their own experts because they cannot have new construction that will affect the safety of the plant. They feel that with the enhancement and distance from Entergy that it is safe. They do not feel that the 42 inch line is going to be a problem. These were experts. The Mayor commented that she does not know. She does not know where Spectra is right now. They are moving along. The DEC has given their approval. We are still waiting for FERC. The Mayor commented that FERC is a rubber stamp for the industry. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) are the people that we have been in front of asking



them not to send the pipeline through here. This has been going on for over a year. The Town and all the local officials joined in.

Mayor Knickerbocker wanted to let everybody know that there was no safety issue with Indian Point at that time. She would have found a way to communicate if there had been. We are working with Entergy to get the Code Red system so that if there is an emergency, she or someone from the Village could send out a message and information. It is a way for us to communicate to the residents in the Village in an emergency. The Mayor is still working on that and will give everyone an update when she has it.

#### h) Trustee's Reports

Trustee Jackson wanted to give a "shout out" to all our Seniors. They do great work around the Village with beautification. They are a great group of individuals who truly love the Village and participate at all levels. Several are members on the Historical Society.

Trustee Jackson reported that he was contacted by the Journal News. They are contemplating doing a story on Indian Point before it became the nuclear power plant. They have reached out to our Historical Society and we have enlisted some of our Seniors to talk about what it was like. Indian Point was an amusement park before the nuclear power plant in the 1970s. It had quite a history. Trustee Jackson said that one of the things the Historical Society has been doing is videotaping a number of our residents who are telling their anecdotal stories about what it was like. Trustee Jackson commented that we have Fleet Week in New York City but before there was a Fleet Week when the Navy would come in there would be bus loads of Navy people coming up to our Indian Point amusement park. There is no date on when they are going to record this story. Building Inspector Conti joked by asking if they got their filming permit. Trustee Jackson said that is one of the things the Historical Committee is looking toward is an Open House in October at the Historical Room on the second floor of Village Hall. They are going to be working with the school system to have some of the school kids come to teach them the idea of a living history and how looking at the past can prepare them for the future. The committee looks forward to working with the school system on that. When details are known, it will be in the Newsletter and possibly something on News 12.

Trustee Jackson reminded that school will be out soon. In our Village, young people are required to wear helmets when riding bikes. Trustee Jackson urged everyone to be more careful with our driving now that school is out.

Trustee Zachary said that while we have our new Building Inspector present he wanted to go back to something that he said has been coming up for as long as he has been on the Board. The idea of property maintenance comes up often. It was brought up several times in the last year or

so, including what we can do about buildings that have illegal apartments. Trustee Zachary wants to point out that the Board is very concerned about that. When you see a property in disrepair, it affects everybody's real estate values. He believes that one of the best things we can do is to make sure that those 10 or 20 buildings in the Village are gone after because 99% of the people here take meticulous care of their properties. He said that he keeps his property clean and nice. It does not impact anyone's property value in any negative way. But some properties in the Village do. Once the Building Inspector settles in, the Board intends to sit down with him to go over this. Trustee Zachary feels that in this new Building Inspector we have a tool to make progress with enforcement and property maintenance. He encouraged residents to report things if they see something they feel is a detriment to the community in terms of maintenance. But not if somebody goes away for a week or two on vacation and their lawn gets overgrown for a week. We cannot go crazy on people. But do report things when the place is chronically in disrepair. If a resident is not comfortable reporting something, they can contact Trustee Zachary, the Village Board, the Village Administrator or the Building Inspector and anonymously ask that we examine a certain property. He commented that it can be an awkward situation because sometimes it is a neighbor. We understand that. But he asked residents to get involved with this. It affects the quality of our neighborhoods and value of our homes.

Trustee Zachary announced that Buchanan Day will be on September 26. The next committee meeting will be on June 9 at 7 PM at the Highway Department building. Everyone is welcome to join them.

Trustee Zachary reported on the Summer Concerts. The Town of Cortlandt has started concerts and a movie series at the new Town park in Verplanck. That park is becoming more and more beautiful. We are now going to have a Summer Series of concerts. The Acquaintances will be on Sunday, June 14 at 5 PM on the lawn at Village Hall. In case of rain, they will be in the pavilion. He encouraged everyone to come out and hear some good music, to invite some friends, bring a picnic and have fun. Mayor Knickerbocker said that we look forward to the concerts.

Trustee Pasquale reported that on June 16 at 1 PM, at the Buchanan Seniors' meeting, his brother Dr. Sal Pasquale will be the guest speaker. He said they should pick his brain. He will give some good and valuable information regarding Senior health care.

Trustee Pasquale commented that his former neighbor Edward Murray passed away a couple of years ago. Trustee Pasquale had the opportunity last week to spend some time with Mr. Murray's daughter Sharon with whom he keeps in contact. She is interested in donating some memorial benches to the Village in her father's name. Trustee Pasquale would like to discuss this with the Board to determine the best places for them. Maybe have a ceremony. He will be

getting back to Mr. Murray's daughter. He commented that Ed would have loved that. Mayor Knickerbocker said that the Board can discuss that.

Trustee Jackson announced that the Buchanan Engine Company will be having their anniversary on September 19. It is the Firemen's parade. It will be a big parade.

## **7. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:**

Reed Outhouse, 241 Westchester Avenue, commented that over the past few months we have discussed Buchanan Engine Company's fire truck getting a refurbishment. The truck is now out of service starting today. It will take 4-6 weeks. They have plans in place to make up for that missing truck. They hope to get at least 10 more years out of it. It will be a big savings for the Village not having to replace it.

Mr. Outhouse reported that about a month ago they got a call from a resident on Westchester Avenue about a neighbor and the improper disposal of hazardous materials. Mr. Outhouse cautioned everyone to be careful about what they are disposing of in the garbage. There was an incident in Croton in the past couple of years where someone was hurt trying to dispose of some chlorine. The incident in the Village was with a chlorine-like material that was disposed of in the garbage. Some of the containers broke. It was in a dumpster. There were kids in the area. The HAZMAT team had to be called in. Mr. Outhouse implored everyone to be careful. Watch what you are disposing of. There were six spontaneous combustion fires in Ossining last year from people throwing out chemicals from their garage. Mayor Knickerbocker commented that the County used to do a chemical disposal. Mr. Outhouse advised that they used to do a whole mobile thing in Yorktown at the FDR State Park. They are doing that less frequently. They do have a dedicated disposal facility at the Grasslands reservation in Hawthorne. It is on the County web site. They require an appointment but it is well worth it. He commented that the situation in the Village could have been worse if the kids had come in contact with it. Thankfully, the Fire Department was able to isolate it. The HAZMAT team neutralized it. The next thing is that they have to call the Health Department who has to come to your house and look around. Mr. Outhouse said that we want to avoid all that.

Trustee Zachary commented that there are disposal problems with a lot of things. Twice a year there is still a DEP disposal of pharmaceuticals and drugs. Many police stations have a drop box. We have one in our police station. He said to not flush unused medications or leave them where they might get into the hands of the wrong person. You can drop them off at the police station. He commented that a lot of people do not have the means to get to some places that are far away to dispose of household chemicals. A lot of people do not always know what they are throwing away. He asked if there is any way that something like that could be dropped off with the Fire Department. Reed Outhouse advised that they do not normally do that but if somebody

has something in an unmarked container that they do not know how to dispose of the best thing is to give the police a call. They can call the Fire Department who can determine what it is. There are some chemicals that can become very volatile and explosive with age. There was an incident in Montrose not long ago. Some people have old lab chemicals. Some common chemicals crystallize when they age and become explosive if dropped. He advised if you do not know what it is, do not dispose of it. Call the police who will contact the Fire Department who will take it from there. If it is one of those materials that become combustible or explosive or unstable, they do not want residents putting it in their car and driving it to the police station or the fire house. He advised that the County disposal facility also takes paint and fluorescent and LED light bulbs which can be transported.

Mayor Knickerbocker thanked Mr. Outhouse. She directed the Village Administrator to contact the County to see if a disposal day is scheduled for our area or if we could set one up in the Village. We could use the pavilion. Mr. Outhouse advised that the Fire Department would work with the Village on a disposal day here. He commented that he has also noticed that there are a bunch of houses for sale locally and this is what happens when people are cleaning out.

Reed Outhouse said that he wished to change hats and speak as a taxpayer. He commented that Fat Sal's has been doing great. It is good to have the business in the Village. He does not think that he can be the only one who has noticed the hazard in trying to cross the street there. His stepfather is not well so he moves slowly. The speed of some of the cars coming off Tate Avenue has caused a lot of near misses with pedestrians crossing from the parking lot to Fat Sal's. Mr. Outhouse wanted to know if there was anything that the Village could do. Mayor Knickerbocker noted that the parking lot is Village property. Maybe there could be a pedestrian crossway. Mr. Outhouse agreed. He thinks it is worth looking into. He suggested maybe something out at the end of Tate Avenue to slow people down. He commented that a lot of people come around that corner blind and then they are at that crossing point. The Mayor directed the Village Administrator to look into that.

Mayor Knickerbocker thanked the Fire Department concerning the recent transformer fire at Entergy. She had mentioned Entergy's fire brigade but had not mentioned that our Fire Department was also involved. So were the Montrose and Verplanck Fire Departments. She commented that we are very fortunate here with the services that we have. The fire departments and the emergency services all work together as a team. That is a beautiful thing. Not every municipality has that. She commented that you go to some other municipalities and that does not happen.

Don Zern, Westchester Avenue, wanted to remind everybody watching on t.v. that with all the recent storm water if across the street from your houses you see a bottle or paper bag to pick it up

and discard it. It would end up in our beautiful lake. A lot of plastic bags and everything gets into the lake. If everybody can do a little bit, it will help.

Trustee Zachary commented that one of his pet peeves is that he is always picking up cigarette butts. He commented that because they are small and go unnoticed, you may not realize that you may see one bottle but you will not see one thousand cigarette butts. He feels that is more of an issue because they are not as easy to detect and clean up. He said that they do not break down. He commented that people should use an ashtray or crush it out and dispose of it properly. He commented that it is litter and they are all over.

**8. BOARD MEMBER REBUTTALS:**

None

**9. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Mayor Knickerbocker requested a Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a contract and agreement negotiation.

At 8:26 PM a MOTION to enter into Executive Session was made by Trustee Zachary, seconded by Trustee Jackson with all in favor and Trustee Funchion absent.

At 9:10 PM a MOTION to exit Executive Session was made by Trustee Jackson, seconded by Trustee Pasquale with all in favor and Trustee Funchion absent.

**10. ADJOURNMENT:**

At 9:11 PM a MOTION to adjourn this meeting was made by Trustee Pasquale, seconded by Trustee Zachary with all in favor and Trustee Funchion absent.