

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 25, 2023 WITH ONLY A REMOTE ATTENDANCE OPTION OFFERED VIA AN AUDIO/VIDEO CONNECTION TO THE INTERNET PURSUANT TO MAYOR O'BRIEN'S LOCAL WEATHER EMERGENCY DECLARATION AS AUTHORIZED BY NEW YORK STATE AND VILLAGE OF SALTAIRE CODE AND REGULATIONS.

Mayor O'Brien called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 5:02 p.m., and the following were in attendance via video or phone connection:

Hugh O'Brien, Mayor
Frank Wolf, Deputy Mayor, Trustee
Nat Oppenheimer, Trustee
Susan Skerritt, Trustee
Anna Kovner, Trustee
Joseph Prokop, Village Attorney
Mario Posillico, Administrator & Clerk
Donna Lyudmer, Village Treasurer
Meagan Leppicello, Deputy Village Clerk Treasurer
And at times up to 0 persons attended in-person and 0 other attendees observed through internet connection

RATIFICATION OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION

Trustee Oppenheimer made a motion at 5:03 p.m. to ratify Mayor O'Brien's Emergency Declaration to offer only a remote attendance option for the January 25, 2023 Board meeting due to the forecast of severe weather and to mitigate the risk to potential attendees due to travel hazards during the severe weather. The motion was seconded by Trustee Skerritt and on call it was approved according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Oppenheimer

Seconded: Trustee Skerritt

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Against: None

Abstain: None

ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Wolf made a motion at 5:04 p.m. that the Board adjourn into Executive Session to discuss one or more of the following: information relating to current and future investigation and or prosecution of offenses in the Village, litigation strategy in pending or future litigation, personnel matters as described in Public Officers Law Section 105(f), and the purchase or sale of real property. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kovner and on call it was approved according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Wolf

Seconded: Trustee Kovner

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Against: None

Abstain: None

Deputy Treasurer Leppicello left Executive Session remote meeting site at 5:08 p.m.

RE-ADJOURNMENT INTO PUBLIC SESSION

Trustee Oppenheimer made a motion at 5:59 p.m. to close the Executive Session and to re-adjourn into public session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Wolf and on call it was approved according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Oppenheimer

Seconded: Trustee Wolf

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Against: None

Abstain: None

Mayor O'Brien called the Public Meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. and the following were in attendance:

Hugh O'Brien, Mayor

Frank Wolf, Deputy Mayor, Trustee

Nat Oppenheimer, Trustee

Susan Skerritt, Trustee

Anna Kovner, Trustee

Joseph Prokop, Village Attorney

Mario Posillico, Administrator & Clerk

Donna Lyudmer, Village Treasurer

Meagan Leppicello, Deputy Clerk Treasurer

And at times up to 0 persons attended in-person and at times up to 53 other attendees observed through internet connection

PUBLIC HEARING: LOCAL LAW MODIFICATION TO CHAPTER 10 (BICYCLES) AND CHAPTER 50 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) TO REGULATE EBIKES

Trustee Wolf reported on the background, purpose and specifics of the proposed modifications to both Chapter 10 and Chapter 50 regarding the use and registration of electric bikes. He stated that electric bikes are becoming more prevalent, and due to their size, weight and potential speed, registration of electric bikes will assist in both the dissemination of public education information to riders as well as assist with enforcement of regulations. After discussion of the specifics and ramifications of the proposed modifications, and all having a chance to be heard, Trustee Skerritt made a motion at 6:25 p.m. to adjourn the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kovner, and on call the motion was carried according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Skerritt

Seconded: Trustee Kovner

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Abstain: None

Against: None

ADOPTION OF EMPLOYMENT POLICY: COMPENSATORY TIME

Village Administrator Posillico provided a brief overview of the compensatory time policy that had been drafted and edited by the Board, posted online and that was up for consideration. After

discussion and all having a chance to be heard, Trustee Wolf made a motion to adopt the following employment practice policy regarding compensatory time for certain classes of employees:

COMPENSATORY TIME POLICY

Full Time Exempt Administrative Employees not eligible for overtime pay pursuant to the Fair Labor Standards Act may be eligible for compensatory time, which is defined as an arrangement where employees may be eligible for time-off in lieu of working beyond normal expected hours.

The normal work week for Administrative Staff shall be Monday through Friday. Under normal circumstances, administrative employees are expected to work an eight (8) hour day, and to complete their workload within that time period. If an Administrative employee at their discretion exceeds that eight (8) hour period for any day or day(s) to complete timely tasks as part of their administrative duties, which is to be anticipated from time to time due to the seasonal nature of the administrative operations of the Village, there will not be any compensation made above their approved annual salary.

Full Time Exempt Administrative Employees not eligible for overtime pay pursuant to the Fair Labor Standards Act may be entitled to compensatory time, subject to the approval of the Village Administrator or Mayor, under the following circumstances:

- If an employee whose job description and/or civil service duty statement does not require attendance at all or occasional official Village meetings in the evenings or on a weekend may be entitled to compensatory time pursuant to the provisions of this policy for attendance at those meetings if requested by the Mayor or their direct supervisor. In this case the employee will earn one (1) hour of compensatory time for each hour dedicated to the meeting as measured from the time the employee left their home or their workplace for the meeting to the employee returned home from the meeting. Employees whose job description and/or civil service duty statement requires attendance at all or occasional official Village meetings in the evenings or on a weekend will not be entitled to compensatory time for attendance at those meetings so required in their job description and/or civil service duty statement.
- The employee is requested or required to attend meetings of other agencies (other than for Board meetings or mandatory training sessions required as a condition of employment or to obtain or retain necessary licensure) in the evenings or on a weekend. In this case the employee will earn one (1) hour of compensatory time for each hour dedicated to the meeting as measured from the time the employee left their home or their workplace for the meeting to the employee returned home from the meeting.
- The employee is requested to work by the Mayor or Village Administrator beyond a normal eight (8) hour workday for assumption of additional duties beyond the scope of those set forth in their job description and/or civil service duty statements, or on weekends to assist the Village under special circumstances, which may include and not be limited to Article IIB declarations, public health emergencies, or other situations deemed critical by the Mayor or Village Administrator for the safe and continuous operation of the Village and the provision of its services for the benefit of the residents of the Village. In this case the employee will earn one (1) hour of compensatory time for each hour beyond a normal 8-hour work day Monday through Friday, and all hours worked on the weekend.
- Travel to and from, and attendance at Village paid-for training seminars will not be entitled to any compensatory time; and each 24-hour period spent traveling to and from and attending Village-sponsored seminars will be considered one regular day of work included in the salary of the employee.

- Requests for Compensatory Time shall be submitted by the employee to the Village Administrator or Village Clerk, who shall submit that request for approval by the Mayor.

The Allocation and Use of Compensatory Time:

- All compensatory hour credits will be added to the employee's personal time accrued for the fiscal year that they were earned.
- The compensatory credits earned must normally be used in the fiscal year earned and within 60 days from the date on which the compensatory time was accrued, as part of the whole of all other personal time accrued, the entirety of which will be subject to the limit of five (5) personal time days allowed to be carried forward to the following fiscal year pursuant to the separate policy in the Handbook regarding carryover, with the following exception:
 - Some or all of compensatory hours worked under an Article IIB emergency may be carried over to the following fiscal year, at the sole discretion of the Village Administrator or Mayor, if either deems that the timing and duration of the emergency or special situation makes it impractical for the employee to use some or all of the time within the 60 day period or by the end of the fiscal year, or if the operations of the Village would be adversely impacted or if it is deemed to be in the best interest of the Village for the employee not to use the compensatory time within the 60 day period or during that fiscal year.
- The employee will not be paid for any unused compensatory time, unless deemed appropriate by a resolution of the Board of Trustees adopted at a duly convened Board of Trustees meeting.
- Any or all of these regulations may be suspended, altered or adjusted by the Mayor and/or Board if in their opinion extraordinary circumstances warrant such consideration.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Kovner, and on call the motion was carried according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Wolf

Seconded: Trustee Kovner

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Abstain: None

Against: None

AUTHORIZATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON LOCAL LAW TO WAIVE OUT OF NEW YORK STATE MAXIMUM TAX CAP

Administrator Posillico stated that the Board will shortly undertake the budget process for the 2023/24 fiscal year, and that it is currently undetermined whether the budget will require a tax increase and if so to what extent. The Board has the option to waive the State-mandated tax cap limit, which is likely to be two percent (2.0%). The waiver can only be accomplished by adoption of a local law each year. The adoption of such a local law would not require that the Board adopt a tax increase above the State minimum increase, but rather would provide the flexibility to do so if necessary to balance the budget. After discussion and all having a chance to be heard, Trustee Skerritt made a motion to consider such an amendment of Chapter 48 of the Village Code at a public hearing scheduled for the same date as the next scheduled Board of Trustees meeting.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Kovner, and on call the motion was carried according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Skerritt

Seconded: Trustee Kovner

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Abstain: None

Against: None

PRESENTATION REGARDING SALTAIRE MARKET SURVEY

Trustee Skerritt presented an overview of the findings of the survey that was conducted in September/October 2022, whose purpose was to determine what the residents perceived to be the operational strengths of the market, and where there may be opportunities for better service going forward. After discussion of the presentation and the survey results, Trustee Skerritt stated that it was clear from the survey that the market plays a central and vital role in the quality of life of the Village and its residents; and while the survey demonstrated that the residents were generally satisfied with how Patrick Adams and his staff fill that role, there are identified opportunities for improvement. She stated that the survey was an important tool in the ongoing effort to maximize the benefit of one of the most important Village assets, and thanked everyone for their participation.

DISCUSSION OF DISCOUNT FERRY TICKET PROCESS

Village Administrator Posillico led a discussion about the financial benefit derived from and the managerial time and cost to administer the discount ferry purchase-and-redistribution program that is a contractual right and obligation of the current ferry contract with Fire Island Ferries. Administrator Posillico stated that that the Village, based on a five-year average, purchases 625 discount books per year., and that the 10% discount provided by the contract results in savings of approximately \$37 per book to homeowners. He further stated that the cost to administer the program, inclusive of staff time and lost interest, brings the actual realized value of the program to homeowners down to \$11 per book. He stated that Fire Island Ferries is willing to consider a one-year trial to suspend the requirement to purchase the minimum number of ferry books in exchange for the Village receiving 62 books without cost for use for commutation for Village employees. A question was raised how the Village residents would purchase ticket books if not available for sale in the Village office, and the level of convenience this afforded as compared to purchasing it the Ferry Terminal. After discussion, and all having a chance to be heard, Trustee Wolf made a motion to authorize the Village Administrator in consultation with the Village Attorney to prepare a draft amendment to the contract that would be acceptable to Fire Island Ferries to memorialize a modification of the contract to replace the discount program with the allocation of 62 books to be used for employee travel, and to present that for the Board's consideration before its next meeting in February; and at the same meeting to report on the purchasing options for books for Village residents if such a modification was approved and implemented.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Oppenheimer and the motion was carried according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Wolf

Seconded: Trustee Oppenheimer

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Abstain: None

Against: None

PUBLIC BIDS FOR RENOVATION OF 109A NEPTUNE WALK (ART SHED)

Administrator Posillico reported on the bid results from the January 23, 2023 public bid for the relocation, reposting and elevation of the Art Shed, also known as 109A Neptune Walk. He stated that one of the bidders had not properly filled out the bid sheets, thereby making it impossible to determine the low bidder between the two bidders who bid the project. After discussion, and all having a chance to be heard, Trustee Oppenheimer made a motion to authorize Administrator Posillico to reject all of the bids received at the January 23, 2023 public bid for the relocation, reposting and elevation of the Art Shed, also known as 109A Neptune Walk, and to rebid the project according to the same project specifications for a return of bids as soon as possible. The motion was seconded by Trustee Skerritt, and on call the motion was carried according to the following votes:

Motion: Trustee Oppenheimer

Seconded: Trustee Skerritt

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Abstain: None

Against: None

ACCEPTANCE OF COURT AUDIT

Administrator Posillico reported that the Village auditors, Cullen and Danowski, had undertaken the annual audit of the Village Justice Court, as is required by New York State law, and that a copy of the audit had been presented to the Board of Trustees. Trustee Skerritt made a motion to accept delivery of the 2021/22 annual audit of the Village Justice Court as prepared by Cullen and Danowski and that the same be filed with the State of New York Unified Court System.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Wolf, and the motion was carried according to the following:

Motion: Trustee Skerritt

Seconded: Trustee Wolf

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Abstain: None

Against: None

APPOINTMENTS TO THE MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mayor O'Brien stated that, after review of the candidates presented by the Saltaire Volunteer Fire Company for consideration for the position of Fire Company Liaison to the Medical Advisory Committee, as now authorized and required by Code, he presents the following appointments to the Medical Advisory Committee for review and approval:

Fire Company Liaison	William Veronese	Term Ending: 8/31/2023
Medical Advisory Committee Alternate	Dr. Ben Zabar	Term Ending: 8/31/2023

After discussion and all having a chance to be heard, Trustee Wolf made a motion to appoint the new members presented for the terms specified. The motion was seconded by Trustee Oppenheimer, and the motion was carried according to the following:

Motion: Trustee Wolf

Seconded: Trustee Oppenheimer

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Abstain: None
Against: None

AUTHORIZATION FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR COUNSEL FOR MEDIATION SERVICES
After discussion and all having a chance to be heard, Trustee Wolf made a motion to increase the maximum fee for services to \$15,000.00 for HWH Mediation LLC for the purposes of conducting mediation for a department(s) of the Village, without seeking further Board authorization. The motion was seconded by Trustee Oppenheimer, and on call the motion was carried according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Wolf
Seconded: Trustee Oppenheimer
In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner
Against: None
Abstain: None

ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW MODIFICATION TO CHAPTERS 55 – HARDSCAPE
After further discussion and all having a chance to be heard, Trustee Wolf indicated that he was prepared to make a motion to adopt the local law to modify Chapter 55 of the Code of the Village of Saltaire in the form presented, and Trustee Skerritt indicated that she was prepared to second the motion.

Before that motion was made, Trustee Oppenheimer first made the following motion:

**SEQRA RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ADOPTION OF A LOCAL LAW OF 2023
AMENDING CHAPTER 55 (ZONING) OF THE SALTIRE VILLAGE CODE
REGARDING HARDSCAPE**

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees of the Village of Saltaire is considering for adoption a proposed Local Law of 2023 which Local Law will amend Chapter 55 (Zoning) of the Saltaire Village Code to adopt regulations regarding hardscape and patios; and

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees by resolution initially adopted lead agency status and preliminarily determined that the consideration and adoption of the local law of 2023 amending 55 to adopt regulations regarding hardscape and patios is a Type 1 action for purposes of SEQRA; and

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees adopts Lead Agency status for purposes of SEQRA with respect to the consideration and adoption of the proposed Local Law of 2023 amending Chapter 55 of the Saltaire Village Code to adopt regulations regarding hardscape and patios; and it is further

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby determines that the adoption of the proposed Local Law of 2023 amending Chapter 55 is a Type 1 action for purposes of SEQRA; and it is further;

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby determines that the adoption of the proposed Local Law of 2023 amending Chapter 55 of the Saltaire Village Code;

Will not create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations; and

Will not result in a change in the use or intensity of the use of land except that the use of the subject property will be changed to be consistent with the uses in the surrounding area and properties; and

Will not impair the character or quality of the existing community; and

Will not have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area; and

Will not result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking, or walkways; and

Will not cause an increase in the use of energy or fails to incorporate reasonably available energy a conservation or renewable energy alternatives; and

Will not impact existing public or private water supplies; and

Will not impact existing public or private wastewater treatment facilities; and

Will not impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources; and

Will not result in an adverse change to natural resources such as wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna provided certain conditions are met on the development of the subject property; and

Will not result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems; and

Will not create a hazard to environmental resources or human health; and that it is therefore

RESOLVED that a Negative Declaration is hereby adopted for purposes of SEQRA.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Kovner, and the motion was carried according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Oppenheimer

Seconded: Trustee Kovner

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Abstain: None

Against: None

Trustee Wolf then made the following motion:

RESOLUTION ADOPTING A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 55 OF
THE SALTAIRE VILLAGE CODE
TO ADOPT REGULATIONS REGARDING HARDSCAPE AND PATIOS

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Saltaire, having adopted lead agency status for purposes of SEQRA with regard to the consideration and adoption of this proposed Local Law of 2023 amending Chapter 55 of the Saltaire Village Code to adopt regulations regarding hardscape and patios; and

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Saltaire, having typed the adoption of this local law of 2023 as Type 1 action; and

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Saltaire having determined that the adoption of the proposed Local Law of 2023 amending Chapter 55 of the Saltaire Village Code will not have a significant effect

on one or more aspects of the environment, and having adopted a Negative Declaration for purposes of SEQRA; it is therefore

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Saltaire hereby adopts the proposed Local Law of 2023 amending Chapter 55 of the Saltaire Village Code to adopt regulations regarding hardscape and patios.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Skerritt, and the motion was carried according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Wolf

Seconded: Trustee Skerritt

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Abstain: None

Against: None

ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW MODIFICATION TO CHAPTERS 10 (BICYCLES) AND 50 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC)

After further discussion and all having a chance to be heard, Trustee Wolf indicated he was prepared to make a motion to adopt the local laws to modify Chapters 10 and 50 of the Code of the Village of Saltaire in the form presented, and Trustee Skerritt indicated that she was prepared to second the motion.

Before that motion was made, Trustee Skerritt first made the following motion:

SEQRA RESOLUTION REGARDING THE
ADOPTION OF A LOCAL LAW OF 2023
AMENDING CHAPTERS 10 (BICYCLES) AND 50 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC)
OF THE SALTIRE VILLAGE CODE AS PRESENTED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING OF
JANUARY 25, 2023

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees of the Village of Saltaire is considering for adoption a proposed Local Law of 2023 which Local Law will amend Chapters 10 and 50 of the Saltaire Village Code to adopt regulations regarding electric bikes; and

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees by resolution initially adopted lead agency status and preliminarily determined that the consideration and adoption of the local law of 2023 amending Chapters 10 and 50 to adopt regulations regarding electric bikes is an Unlisted Action for purposes of SEQRA; and

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees adopts Lead Agency status for purposes of SEQRA with respect to the consideration and adoption of the proposed Local Law of 2023 amending Chapters 10 and 50 of the Saltaire Village Code to adopt regulations regarding electric bikes; and it is further

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby determines that the adoption of the proposed Local Law of 2023 amending Chapters 10 and 50 is an Unlisted Action for purposes of SEQRA; and it is further;

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby determines that the adoption of the proposed Local Law of 2023 amending Chapters 10 and 50 of the Saltaire Village Code;

Will not create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations; and
Will not result in a change in the use or intensity of the use of land except that the use of the subject property will be changed to be consistent with the uses in the surrounding area and properties;
and

Will not impair the character or quality of the existing community; and

Will not have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area; and

Will not result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking, or walkways; and

Will not cause an increase in the use of energy or fails to incorporate reasonably available energy a conservation or renewable energy alternatives; and

Will not impact existing public or private water supplies; and

Will not impact existing public or private wastewater treatment facilities; and

Will not impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources; and

Will not result in an adverse change to natural resources such as wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna provided certain conditions are met on the development of the subject property; and

Will not result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems;
and

Will not create a hazard to environmental resources or human health; and that it is therefore

RESOLVED that a Negative Declaration is hereby adopted for purposes of SEQRA.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Oppenheimer, and the motion was carried according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Skerritt

Seconded: Trustee Oppenheimer

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Abstain: None

Against: None

Trustee Wolf then made the following motion:

RESOLUTION ADOPTING A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTERS 10 AND 50 OF
THE SALTAIRE VILLAGE CODE
TO ADOPT REGULATIONS REGARDING ELECTRIC BIKES

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Saltaire, having adopted lead agency status for purposes of SEQRA with regard to the consideration and adoption of this proposed Local Law of 2023 amending Chapters 10 and 50 of the Saltaire Village Code to adopt regulations regarding electric bikes; and

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Saltaire, having typed the adoption of this local law of 2023 as an Unlisted Action; and

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Saltaire having determined that the adoption of the proposed Local Law of 2023 amending Chapters 10 and 50 of the Saltaire Village Code will not have a significant effect on one or more aspects of the environment, and having adopted a Negative Declaration for purposes of SEQRA; it is therefore

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Saltaire hereby adopts the proposed Local Law of 2023 amending Chapters 10 and 50 of the Saltaire Village Code to adopt regulations regarding electric bikes.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Skerritt and the motion was carried according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Wolf

Seconded: Trustee Skerritt

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Abstain: None

Against: None

PRESENTATION OF 2023/24 TENTATIVE BUDGET

The Village Administrator and Village Treasurer presented the 2023/2024 Tentative Budget to the Board of Trustees. The Tentative Budget had previously been distributed to the Board electronically and will be posted on the Village's website. Those in attendance were advised that the Board would work through the 2023/24 budget in more detail at a Budget Workshop on March 7, 2023 and then present it at a public hearing to be held at the Board of Trustees Meeting scheduled for a date in April as yet to be confirmed.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Each Trustee gave a brief overview report on their areas of respective oversight responsibilities.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Draft copies of the minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting of December 12, 2022 had previously been presented to the Board and posted in draft form on the Village website. Following discussion, Trustee Oppenheimer made a motion to adopt the minutes as presented with minor non-substantive corrections. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kovner and on call it was carried according to the following action:

Motion: Trustee Oppenheimer

Seconded: Trustee Kovner

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Against: None

Abstain: None

AUDIT AND APPROVAL OF ABSTRACTS

Mayor O'Brien stated that the following Abstracts, having been distributed to the Board and posted on the Village website, were presented for approval by the Village Administrator and the Village Treasurer:

General Fund Checking No. 7B in the amount of \$30,912.59
General Fund Checking No. 8A in the amount of \$103,212.89
Capital Fund Checking No. 8A in the amount of \$7,987.50

After discussion and opportunity for questions, Trustee Skerritt made a motion that the above-listed abstract(s) be approved as presented and that the Mayor be authorized to execute the warrant(s). The motion was seconded by Trustee Oppenheimer, and on call it carried according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Skerritt

Seconded: Trustee Oppenheimer

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Abstain: None

Against: None

ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Skerritt made a motion at 8:43 p.m., that the Board adjourn into Executive Session to discuss one or more of the following: information relating to current and future investigation and or prosecution of offenses in the Village, litigation strategy in pending or future litigation, personnel matters as described in Public Officers Law Section 105(f), and the purchase or sale of real property. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kovner and on call it was approved according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Skerritt

Seconded: Trustee Kovner

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Against: None

Abstain: None

Mayor O'Brien recused himself from the Executive Session at 9:55 p.m. and left the remote meeting site.

RE-ADJOURNMENT INTO PUBLIC SESSION

Trustee Kovner made a motion at 10:22 p.m. to close the Executive Session and to re-adjourn into public session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Skerritt and on call it was approved according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Kovner

Seconded: Trustee Skerritt

In Favor: Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Against: None

Abstain: None

Deputy Mayor Wolf called the Public Meeting to order at 10:23 p.m. and the following were in attendance:

Hugh O'Brien, Mayor
Frank Wolf, Deputy Mayor, Trustee
Nat Oppenheimer, Trustee

Susan Skerritt, Trustee
Anna Kovner, Trustee
Joseph Prokop, Village Attorney
Mario Posillico, Administrator & Clerk
Donna Lyudmer, Village Treasurer
And at times up to 0 persons attended in-person and at times up to 0
other attendees observed through internet connection

AUTHORIZATION FOR VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO HIRE A FULL-TIME PERSON AS DEPUTY VILLAGE TREASURER

Village Administrator Posillico stated that as had been authorized at the December 12, 2022 meeting, Village Treasurer Lyudmer had undertaken a search for candidates for the position of Deputy Village Treasurer. He stated that as a result of that search both he and Village Treasurer Lyudmer are prepared to recommend Connor Cassara as a full-time member of the office staff and to fill the position as Deputy Village Treasurer. After discussion and all having a chance to be heard, Trustee Wolf made a motion to authorize Administrator Posillico, subject to a background check and concurrence with the Village Attorney regarding compliance with Village Code and Policy, to offer employment to Connor Cassara as a full-time employee of the administrative staff for ultimate appointment to the position Deputy Village Treasurer, which shall be requested in a timely manner to be approved by the Suffolk County Department of Civil Service, with benefits associated with full-time employment pursuant to Village Employment Policies at a rate of \$52,500.00 per annum, effective February 1, 2023, or a later date to be arranged directly with the employee, with the condition that if the position or the employee is not approved by the Suffolk County Department of Civil Service, the offer for employment may be rescinded or assigned to a different title at the discretion of the Village Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Oppenheimer, and the motion was carried according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Wolf

Seconded: Trustee Oppenheimer

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Kovner

Against: Trustee Skerritt

Abstain: None

AUTHORIZATION FOR VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO HIRE A FULL-TIME PERSON AS DEPUTY VILLAGE CLERK

Village Administrator Posillico stated that as had been authorized at the December 12, 2022 meeting, he had undertaken a search for candidates for the position of Deputy Village Clerk. He stated that as a result of that search he is prepared to recommend Catherine O'Brien as a full-time member of the office staff and to fill the position as Deputy Village Clerk. After discussion and all having a chance to be heard, Trustee Oppenheimer made a motion to authorize Administrator Posillico, subject to concurrence with the Village Attorney regarding compliance with Village Code and Policy, to immediately offer employment to Catherine O'Brien as a full-time employee of the administrative staff for ultimate appointment to the position Deputy Village Clerk to be requested in a timely manner to be approved by the Suffolk County Department of Civil Service, with benefits associated with full-time employment pursuant to Village Employment Policies at a rate of \$52,500.00 per annum, effective February 1, 2022, or a later date to be arranged directly with the employee with the condition

that if the position or the employee, is not approved by the Suffolk County Department of Civil Service, the offer for employment may be rescinded or assigned to a different title at the discretion of the Village Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Kovner, and the motion was carried according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Oppenheimer

Seconded: Trustee Kovner

In Favor: Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Against: None

Abstain: Mayor O'Brien

CLOSE OF MEETING

Trustee Skerritt made a motion at 10:35 p.m. to close the meeting and to hold the next Board of Trustees meetings according to the following schedule:

- February 28, 2023 at 1180 Sixth Avenue, New York to start at 6:00 p.m., with remote connection, which will include any Public Hearings.
- March 7, 2023 at 32 Old Slip, New York to start at 6:00 p.m., with remote connection, for the primary purpose of conducting a Budget Workshop for the 2023/24 Budget.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Oppenheimer and on call it was approved according to the following vote:

Motion: Trustee Skerritt

Second: Trustee Oppenheimer

In Favor: Mayor O'Brien, Trustee Wolf, Trustee Oppenheimer, Trustee Skerritt, Trustee Kovner

Against: None

Abstain: None