

Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting
Village of Kensington, 2 Nassau Drive, Great Neck, NY
January 18, 2023
8:00pm – Village Hall

Present: Mayor Susan Lopatkin

Trustees: Deputy Mayor Greener, Alina Hendler, Phil Bornstein, Brent Greenspan

The Board meeting was brought to order by Mayor Lopatkin at 8:02pm.

Mayor Lopatkin made a motion to approve the December board minutes, all in favor.

Mayor Lopatkin read a resolution appointing Village Clerk Treasurer Melissa McComb the receiver of taxes for fiscal year March 1, 2023 – February 28, 2024. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Greener, all-in favor.

Mayor Lopatkin read a resolution designating the election polling place and hours. The Village Election will take place on March 21, 2023 at the Village Hall from 12pm – 9pm.

Mayor Lopatkin opened up the public hearing for Local Law #1

Chapter 6. Architectural Review Board §6-6 Guidelines.

C (4) The use of inferior windows, particularly those utilizing vinyl window frames or which have excessively large frames in comparison to the surface glass area, is prohibited. Direct application to the Board of Trustees may be made for exceptions to this rule.

The board of trustees agreed with this addition to the ARB guidelines. No one from

the public had any comments on this local law. Mayor Lopatkin made a motion to approve local law #1, seconded by Trustee Greenspan, all in favor.

Mayor Lopatkin made a motion to open the public hearing for the Budget for 2023-2024 seconded by Trustee Bornstein, all in favor. Mayor Lopatkin went through the budget recap. We are increasing our spending that has to be raised by tax levy by \$108K, to do that we will be taking additional funds from our cash that is in the bank. We will be appropriating \$380K in cash this year in the budget, The Village has enough cash on hand to do this, it is what allows us to keep the village tax rates low and not raise them too much to accommodate the extra costs that need to go in to the budget categories. The Village is \$40K under the tax cap; we could've spent more and we didn't.

Mayor Lopatkin made a motion to accept the 2023-2024 budget, seconded by Trustee Bornstein, all in favor.

On a motion of Deputy Mayor Greener, seconded by Trustee Bornstein accept the Police and Treasurers reports.

Entered executive session at 8:42pm-8:59pm

On the motion of Deputy Mayor Greener, seconded by Trustee Greenspan, the meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.