

Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, NY, held on Monday, August 14, 2023, in the Georgianna Grant Meeting Room at the Stanley Kellerhouse Municipal Building, Van Wyck Street, Croton-on-Hudson, NY 10520.

The following officials were present:

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| Mayor Pugh                       | Trustee Gallelli |
| Village Manager Bryan Healy      | Trustee Horowitz |
| Village Attorney Linda Whitehead | Trustee Simon    |
| Village Treasurer Daniel Tucker  |                  |

The following official was absent:

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| Trustee Nicholson |
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1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pugh called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Trustee Horowitz made a motion to approve the following *Fiscal Year Vouchers, claims numbered 23241049 through 23241422*. The motion was seconded by Trustee Simon and approved with a 4-0 Vote.

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| General Fund | \$180,345.88 |
| Water Fund   | \$40,830.46  |
| Sewer Fund   | \$4,751.15   |
| Capital Fund | \$76,480.95  |
| Trust Fund   | \$1,400.00   |

2. RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS SUBMITTED BY EMAIL - None

3. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Email from Allie Fraase, Croton Welcome Wagon, dated August 3, 2013, regarding the proposed September 2023-2024 Budget

<https://play.champds.com/ATT/crotononhudsonny/2023-08/18938e9c29b1c4aa951a81cffd8bc95ac6bd2a8c.pdf>

Trustee Simon stated that the Croton Welcome Wagon is functioning almost in a semi-official capacity on behalf of the Village and feels that their budget is justified. Trustee Simon

1 additionally asked that we waive the Summerfest vendor fee and  
2 reallocate the \$50.00 to some other function.

3 Trustee Gallelli, Trustee Horowitz and Mayor Pugh stated that they  
4 are in support of this and thanked the committee for all their hard  
5 work.

6 Village Manager Healy stated that he did not think waiving the fee  
7 would be a problem and will put together an agreement.

- 8 b. Memo from Village Manager Bryan Healy dated August 9, 2023,  
9 regarding a donation in the amount of \$5,218.52 from the  
10 Westchester-Putnam AFL/CIO to purchase memorial benches and  
11 plaques.

12 [https://play.champds.com/ATT/crotononhudsonny/2023-](https://play.champds.com/ATT/crotononhudsonny/2023-08/18e595009e0b727d821cccbc1f25927f43133c74.pdf)  
13 [08/18e595009e0b727d821cccbc1f25927f43133c74.pdf](https://play.champds.com/ATT/crotononhudsonny/2023-08/18e595009e0b727d821cccbc1f25927f43133c74.pdf)

14 **RESOLUTION**

15 On motion by Trustee Horowitz and seconded by Trustee Simon the  
16 Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton on Hudson accepted the  
17 donation of \$5,218.72 from the Westchester-Putnam AFL/CIO for  
18 the purchase of memorial benches and plaques as described in  
19 their letter dated August 9, 2023. Motion was approved with a 4-0  
20 vote.

- 21 c. Letter from Chief of Police John Nikitopoulos dated August 8, 2023,  
22 regarding Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Council (LEAAC)  
23 Mandatory Certification.

24 [https://play.champds.com/ATT/crotononhudsonny/2023-](https://play.champds.com/ATT/crotononhudsonny/2023-08/e965d569fbcbb36d6b9abe2329e7c14061298716.pdf)  
25 [08/e965d569fbcbb36d6b9abe2329e7c14061298716.pdf](https://play.champds.com/ATT/crotononhudsonny/2023-08/e965d569fbcbb36d6b9abe2329e7c14061298716.pdf)

- 26 d. Email from the New York State Department of Public Service  
27 regarding upcoming Public Forums and Hearings on the Clean Path  
28 Transmission Line.

29 [https://play.champds.com/ATT/crotononhudsonny/2023-](https://play.champds.com/ATT/crotononhudsonny/2023-08/2758f3aa0a54422be68221ea5655235b045bac5d.pdf)  
30 [08/2758f3aa0a54422be68221ea5655235b045bac5d.pdf](https://play.champds.com/ATT/crotononhudsonny/2023-08/2758f3aa0a54422be68221ea5655235b045bac5d.pdf)

Village Manager Healy stated that most of this will be on the State's right-of-way and will not affect many areas in the Village, anyone interested in more information can log onto their website DPS.NY.gov.

- e. Email from John Munson, Fire Council President/Secretary, regarding membership changes in the Croton Fire Department

<https://play.champds.com/ATT/crotononhudsonny/2023-08/a3534bac18724743f9fbc9496d9b9e7527d25523.pdf>

- f. Letter from Cynthia Lippolis, Hudson Valley Gateway Chamber of Commerce, dated July 25, 2023, requesting permission to conduct a Scarecrow Contest in the Village.

<https://play.champds.com/ATT/crotononhudsonny/2023-08/76dfe78c7d6747956399c7a6a3c543e43c48c7a9.pdf>

#### **RESOLUTION**

On motion by Trustee Gallelli and seconded by Trustee Simon the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton on Hudson approved the request from the Hudson Valley Gateway Chamber of Commerce to conduct a Scarecrow Contest. Motion was approved with a 4-0 vote.

#### **4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Ed Riely, 110 Truesdale Drive, Croton on Hudson, stated that the Fire Department has not received an apology from School Board member Joshua Diamond, concerned that the changes to the Village's Firearms law does not conform with State law, concerned that the Sealegs Amphibious 6.1 Rigid Inflatable Boat will not be strong enough to handle rapids in certain areas of the river, requested a summary of how our recyclables are handled, and does not support large scale housing in the Harmon parking lot.

Kathleen Mamone, 19 Young Avenue, Croton on Hudson, stated that she objects to large scale housing by the railroad station and

encouraged the Board to look at this type of development in Haverstraw and Ossining before they approve it.

5. RESOLUTIONS:

**Resolution 175 of 2023**

On motion of TRUSTEE HOROWITZ, seconded by TRUSTEE SIMON, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York, with a 4-0 vote.

WHEREAS New York State recently enacted legislation relating to the usage of firearms in historical reenactments, military funeral salutes, and other similar activities, and

WHEREAS the Village would like to amend Chapter 123, Firearms, of the Village Code to reflect these changes, and

WHEREAS the Village Board of Trustees is considering the adoption of Local Law Introductory No. 15 of 2023, which has been drafted for such purposes,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of Trustees hereby schedules a Public Hearing on August 28, 2023, at 7 PM, in the Georgianna Grant Meeting Room of the Stanley H. Kellerhouse Municipal Building, 1 Van Wyck Street, Croton-on-Hudson, New York 10520, to consider Local Law Introductory No. 15 of 2023 to amend Chapter 123, Firearms, of the Village Code.

DISCUSSION:

Village Manager Healy explained that New York State recently enacted legislation to allow more exceptions to their Firearms Law that relates to the use of firearms in historical reenactments, military funeral salutes, and other similar activities. Village Manager Healy advised that we are also establishing a process that provides some oversight by the Chief of Police.

Village Attorney Whitehead explained that the Village is allowed to create a law that is more restrictive than the State's law and Croton's law is more restrictive in the sense that it regulates more types of firearms. Village Attorney Whitehead stated that air guns are not considered firearms within the meaning of the 2<sup>nd</sup>

1 Amendment, they do not have constitutional protections and the Village does  
2 have the ability to regulate them.

3 Mayor Pugh stated that the Firearms section of the Village Code has been on the  
4 books since 1942 with some amendments and it is not about possession but  
5 rather the discharge of any of these types of firearms.

6 **Resolution 176 of 2023**

7 On motion of TRUSTEE GALLELLI, seconded by TRUSTEE SIMON, the following  
8 resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-  
9 Hudson, New York, with a 4-0 vote.

10 WHEREAS the Village of Croton-on-Hudson desires to add a new Chapter 185  
11 entitled "Recycling" to the Village Code to codify the source separation and  
12 segregation of recyclable materials, and

13 WHEREAS the Village Board of Trustees is considering the adoption of Local Law  
14 Introductory No. 16 of 2023, which has been drafted for such purposes,

15 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of Trustees hereby  
16 schedules a Public Hearing on August 28, 2023, at 7 PM, in the Georgianna  
17 Grant Meeting Room of the Stanley H. Kellerhouse Municipal Building, 1 Van  
18 Wyck Street, Croton-on-Hudson, New York 10520, to consider Local Law  
19 Introductory No. 16 of 2023, adding a new Chapter 185 entitled "Recycling" to  
20 the Village Code.

21 **DISCUSSION:**

22 Village Manager Healy explained that this law comes to us by way of New York  
23 State, and while our code talks about garbage, this came to our attention when  
24 we were looking at grant applications and found that we did not have our  
25 recycling provision codified.

26 **Resolution 177 of 2023**

27 On motion of TRUSTEE SIMON, seconded by TRUSTEE GALLELLI, the following  
28 resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-  
29 Hudson, New York, with a 4-0 vote.

WHEREAS the Village would like to amend and update provisions of Chapter 230, Zoning, of the Code of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, and

WHEREAS the Village Board is considering taking an action to adopt Local Law Introductory No. 17 of 2023 which has been drafted for such purposes, and

WHEREAS the Village has completed Part 1 of a Short Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) and a Coastal Assessment Form (CAF),

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Village Board hereby determines that the Proposed Action is an Unlisted Action.
2. The Village Board hereby declares itself to be the Lead Agency for SEQRA purposes in connection with the Proposed Action.
3. The Village Board hereby issues the EAF and CAF which it has before it in connection with the Proposed Action.
4. The Village Board hereby refers to the Village Planning Board the Draft Law for a report back to the Village Board in accordance with Village law.
5. The Village Board hereby refers the Draft Law, the EAF and the CAF to the Village Waterfront Advisory Committee for a recommendation back to the Village Board in accordance with Village Law.
6. The Village Board hereby refers the Draft Law, the EAF and the CAF the Westchester County Planning Board for review in accordance with law.
7. The Village Board hereby directs Village staff to make any other circulations and notifications regarding the Proposed Action as may be required by law.

DISCUSSION:

Village Manager Healy explained that this Local Law updates the definition of Family as well fixing various other references that have changed over time.

Village Attorney Whitehead explained that there has been a number of cases with respect to what you can have in your code regarding the definition of family, this is one of the issues that General Code had raised during their review, and we have reviewed some of the cases as well as other codes and this is what we have come up with.

**Resolution 178 of 2023**

On motion of TRUSTEE SIMON, seconded by TRUSTEE HOROWITZ, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York, with a 4-0 vote.

WHEREAS the National Rural Water Association (NRWA) has created the PFAS Cost Recovery Program to help water and wastewater systems recoup money spent on treatment and remediation, and

WHEREAS systems that register will be eligible to recover costs associated with PFAS testing, treatment, and remediation if a settlement is reached, and

WHEREAS utilities may join the NRWA PFAS Cost Recovery Program by retaining Napoli Shkolnik PLLC for participation in the current Multi District Litigation (MDL) proceeding in the Federal District Court for South Carolina (MDL 2873) as well as any other appropriate action in State and Federal Court,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Village Manager to execute a retainer agreement with Napoli Shkolnik PLLC, including future documents related to the settlement, subject to the final approval of the Village Attorney.

**DISCUSSION:**

Village Manager Healy explained that this came to us from the National Rural Water Association of which Croton is a member and while we are currently below the maximum allowable levels, we do have some levels of the PFAS in our water systems. Village Manager Healy advised that since there seems to be a movement by the EPA to lower the maximum allowable levels we may be in a position where we will have to do some sort of treatment and remediation, and this is going to allow us to re-coop some of those costs.

Village Attorney Whitehead explained that that this firm only gets paid if the Village is successful and then they only receive a percentage of what the Village receives.

**Resolution 179 of 2023**

On motion of TRUSTEE HOROWITZ, seconded by TRUSTEE GALLELLI, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York, with a 4-0 vote.

WHEREAS the Village Board of Croton-on-Hudson initiated preparation of a Local Waterfront Revitalization Program in cooperation with the New York State Department of State, pursuant to Article 42 of the Executive Law, and

WHEREAS a Draft Local Waterfront Revitalization Program and Waterfront Consistency Review Law were prepared and circulated by the Department of State to potentially affected State, Federal, and Local agencies in accordance with the requirements of Executive Law, Article 42, and

WHEREAS the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, as lead agency, filed a Negative Declaration-Notice of Determination of Non-Significance on October 5, 2015, for preparation of the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program and Waterfront Consistency Review Law, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law State Environmental Quality Review Act, and

WHEREAS the Waterfront Consistency Review Law was adopted by the Village Board of Trustees on October 5, 2015,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Croton-on-Hudson Local Waterfront Revitalization Program is hereby adopted, and that the mayor is authorized to submit the LWRP to the New York State Secretary of State for approval, pursuant to the Waterfront Revitalization of Coastal Areas and Inland Waterways Act.

**DISCUSSION:**

Village Manager Healy stated that once the State gets notified that we have adopted the resolution we will be able to use the updated Local Waterfront Revitalization Program and Waterfront Consistency Review.

Trustee Gallelli stated that Croton has benefitted a number of times from having adopted this and cannot imagine where we would be if we did not have a Local Waterfront Revitalization Program.

**Resolution 180 of 2023**

On motion of TRUSTEE SIMON seconded by TRUSTEE HOROWITZ, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York, with a 4-0 vote.

WHEREAS on August 3, 2023, the Village of Croton-on-Hudson advertised Bid 05-2023 for the purchase of a Sealegs Amphibious 6.1 Rigid Inflatable Boat (RIB), and

WHEREAS on August 9, 2023, one bid was received and opened, and

WHEREAS the sole bidder was Proper Pressure and Performance LLC of Barrington, Rhode Island at the price of \$105,000, and

WHEREAS the Chief of Police has reviewed the bid and recommends awarding the contract to Proper Pressure and Performance LLC,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Village Manager to award the contract for the purchase of a Sealegs Amphibious 6.1 Rigid Inflatable Boat to Proper Pressure and Performance LLC of Barrington, Rhode Island at the price of \$105,000, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the cost of this purchase shall be charged to H3120.2010.24479

**DISCUSSION**

Village Manager Healy explained that this was included in our Capital Plan, and as part of that limited patrol the State will give Croton money back, we are also getting a good deal because it is certified pre-owned.

**Resolution 181-2023**

On motion of TRUSTEE HOROWITZ, seconded by TRUSTEE GALLELLI the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York, with a 4-0 vote.

1 WHEREAS Local Law No. 3 of 2003 was approved at a regular Village Board  
2 Meeting held on October 7, 2003, and

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4 WHEREAS this Local Law called for the setting of Village fees through Board  
5 Resolutions, and

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7 WHEREAS the Village wishes to clarify the weekend rate for daily parking,

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9 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of Trustees hereby  
10 amends the 2023-2024 Master Fee Schedule as follows:

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| Weekend daily rate | 4:45 am Saturday – 3:00 am Sunday | \$10.00 |
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13 **Resolution 182 of 2023**

14 On motion of TRUSTEE HOROWITZ seconded by TRUSTEE SIMON, the following  
15 resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-  
16 Hudson, New York, with a 4-0 vote.

17 WHEREAS patrol vehicles from the Croton-on-Hudson Police Department have  
18 been involved in two separate accidents this summer, and

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20 WHEREAS the Village's insurance company has determined that both vehicles  
21 are a total loss and cannot be repaired, and

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23 WHEREAS the police department must maintain a minimum number of patrol  
24 vehicles for operational reasons, and

25 WHEREAS Chief of Police John Nikitopoulos has requested funding in the amount  
26 of \$116,000 to purchase and outfit two new patrol vehicles, and

27 WHEREAS these vehicles will be purchased on state contract, and

28 WHEREAS the Village's insurance company will be providing a loss payment to  
29 cover some of the total cost listed above, and

30 WHEREAS funding for this expense was not included in the 2023-2024 General  
31 Fund budget,

1 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board hereby authorizes the  
2 Village Treasurer to transfer \$116,000 from Contingency Account A1990.4000 to  
3 the following account:

4 A3120.2010 – Police Department – Vehicles: \$116,000

5 **Resolution 183 of 2023**

6 On motion of TRUSTEE SIMON, seconded by TRUSTEE HOROWITZ, the following  
7 resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-  
8 Hudson, New York, with a 4-0 vote.

9 WHEREAS the Croton-on-Hudson Fire Department's Marine 32-a 2013 inflatable  
10 boat is no longer holding air, and

11 WHEREAS the manufacturer has advised that the boat is no longer under  
12 warranty and should be replaced, and

13 WHEREAS the Fire Department has received a quote from Defender Industries of  
14 Waterford, Connecticut for a Defender-430 inflatable boat in the amount of  
15 \$4,350.95, and

16 WHEREAS funding for this expense was not included in the 2023-2024 General  
17 Fund budget,

18 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board hereby authorizes the  
19 Village Treasurer to transfer \$4,350.95 from Contingency Account A1990.4000  
20 to the following account:

21 A3410.2000 – Fire Department – Equipment: \$4,350.95

22 **DISCUSSION**

23 Trustee Simon stated that the Fire Council had made every effort to try to hang  
24 on to the previous boat, but the condition of the boat made it not possible.

25 **Resolution 184 of 2023**

26 On motion of TRUSTEE HOROWITZ seconded by TRUSTEE SIMON, the following  
27 resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-  
28 Hudson, New York, with a 4-0 vote.

WHEREAS the Village of Croton-on-Hudson utilizes meters for all customers to measure the amount of water being used at each location, and

WHEREAS the existing meter at Sky View Rehabilitation & Health Care has reached the end of its functional life, and

WHEREAS the Village has received a check from Sky View in the amount of \$2,206 to replace the meter, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Treasurer is authorized to make the following budget amendment to the 2023-2024 Water Fund budget:

WATER FUND EXPENSES

Increase

|                        |         |
|------------------------|---------|
| F8340.2000 – Equipment | \$2,206 |
|------------------------|---------|

WATER FUND REVENUES

Increase

|                                 |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| F1000.2770 – Other Unclassified | \$2,206 |
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**Resolution 185 of 2023**

On motion of TRUSTEE SIMON, seconded by TRUSTEE HOROWITZ, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York, with a 4-0 vote.

WHEREAS in 2021, the Village of Croton-on-Hudson was awarded grant funding through the New York State Clean Energy Communities (CEC) Program for various clean energy projects, including the installation of solar panels atop the Washington Engine Company firehouse on North Riverside Avenue, and

WHEREAS the Village signed an agreement with New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) outlining the terms and conditions of the implementation of the grant project, dated March 14, 2021, and

WHEREAS a modification has been proposed to this Agreement in order to permit the Village of Croton-on-Hudson to purchase a municipal Electric Vehicle, subject to certain terms and conditions,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Manager is hereby authorized to execute Modification No. 1 to the Clean Energy Communities (CEC)

Agreement with the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority.

**DISCUSSION:**

Village Manager Healy explained that because the Washington Engine project came in under budget, our Sustainability Chair, Lindsay Audin, has worked with NYSERDA to have some of those funds repurposed so that it can be put towards an electric vehicle.

**Resolution 186 of 2023**

On motion of TRUSTEE SIMON seconded by TRUSTEE GALLELLI, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, New York, with a 4-0 vote.

WHEREAS the Village of Croton-on-Hudson was approved to receive funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to purchase a new street sweeper for the Department of Public Works, and

WHEREAS the Village has received payment from FEMA totaling \$294,924.95, and

WHEREAS a portion of these funds will be used to replenish the capital account used to purchase the street sweeper and a portion will be used to fund necessary stormwater improvements,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Village Treasurer is authorized to make the following budget amendment to the 2023-2024 General Fund and Capital Fund budgets:

GENERAL REVENUE

Increase

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| A1000.4960 – Federal Emerg Disaster - FEMA | \$179,910.21 |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|

GENERAL EXPENSES

Increase

|                                       |              |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| A9901.9030 – Transfer to Capital Fund | \$179,910.21 |
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CAPITAL REVENUE

Increase

1 H1000.5031.24467 – Transfer from General Fund \$179,910.21

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3 CAPITAL EXPENSES

4 Increase

5 H5110.2010.23441 – DPW Equipment \$89,910.21

6 H5110.2010.24465 – Village Wide Stormwater \$90,000.00

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8 DISCUSSION:

9 Village Manager Healy stated that this dates back to Hurricane Irene (2011),  
10 where the Village was allocated funds from FEMA to do work along the Croton  
11 River, but between the Hydrilla project, which delayed the work, and further  
12 evaluations that determined the work was no longer necessary, the Village did  
13 not receive the funds. Village Manager Healy stated that we are grateful that  
14 these funds are being reallocated towards purchasing the street sweeper.

15 Mayor Pugh thanked FEMA for their flexibility and also credited former  
16 Congressman Mondaire Jones for all his efforts in helping us to secure these  
17 funds.

18 **Resolution 187 of 2023**

19 On motion of TRUSTEE GALLELLI, seconded by TRUSTEE SIMON, the following  
20 resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Croton-on-  
21 Hudson, New York, with a 4-0 vote.

22 WHEREAS the property owners of 101 Scenic Drive West have notified the  
23 Department of Public Works that there is a sinkhole forming on their property,  
24 and

25 WHEREAS upon further investigation, the Department of Public Works has  
26 determined that the area of concern is surrounding a manhole that is part of the  
27 Village drainage system running through the property, and

28 WHEREAS repair and maintenance of the stormwater system is the Village's  
29 responsibility, and

30 WHEREAS each heavy rainstorm contributes more to the deterioration of the  
31 system, and has the potential to create a very dangerous condition, and

1 WHEREAS due to the urgent nature of this repair, the Village would require the  
2 assistance of an outside contractor to perform this work, and

3 WHEREAS General Municipal Law Section 103(4) allows for the Board to let a  
4 contract without public bidding where necessary due to a public emergency  
5 arising out of an unforeseen occurrence or condition, and

6 WHEREAS Superintendent of Public Works Frank Balbi has received a proposal  
7 for the repair and restoration of the system from Green Mountain Pipeline  
8 Services of Bethel, VT in the amount of \$79,670, and

9 WHEREAS Superintendent Balbi has estimated the cost of labor to excavate and  
10 repair the drainage manhole to be \$10,330,

11 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board hereby declares the  
12 formation of a sinkhole at 101 Scenic Drive West to be an emergency situation,  
13 and

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Village Manager is authorized to accept the  
15 proposal from Green Mountain Pipeline Services of Bethel, VT in the not-to-  
16 exceed amount of \$79,670, and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Manager is authorized to proceed in  
18 the not-to-exceed amount of \$10,330 for labor-related costs in this project, and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the funding for such project is available in the  
20 following capital line: H5110.2010.24465

21 6. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

22 Ed Riely, 110 Truesdale Drive, Croton on Hudson, addressed his  
23 concerns with Wells Fargo Bank, immigration issues and bankruptcies  
24 of manufacturers of electric busses, and stated that the presentation  
25 made by Architect Ethan Lewis who spoke on Accessory Apartments at  
26 Croton's July 17<sup>th</sup> Work Session was informative.

27 7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

28 Motion to approve the minutes as amended of the Regular held on July  
29 24, 2023, was made by Trustee Horowitz. The motion was seconded by  
30 Trustee Simon and approved with a 4-0 vote.

1           8. REPORTS:

2           Trustee Simon stated that he attended the Fire Council meeting on July  
3           25<sup>th</sup> and updated us on equipment and plans for their October 8<sup>th</sup> Fire  
4           Fair, the Telecommunications Master Plan is well underway, the August  
5           5<sup>th</sup> concert at Senasqua Park was well attended, on July 25<sup>th</sup> the Board  
6           had a tour of the Metro North Harmon yards and got an overview of  
7           their day to day operations, on July 9<sup>th</sup> he participated in a Press  
8           Conference where Senator Harckham awarded Croton \$100,000 under  
9           the CREST Program, we are continuing to work with our Dog Park  
10          advocates as well as the neighbors on new measures to ensure proper  
11          usage of the park, and thanked Westchester County for addressing  
12          issues regarding maintenance of grass at Croton Point Park.

13          Trustee Gallelli stated that the tour of the Metro North Harmon yard  
14          was very impressive, the 125 Anniversary Committee will be  
15          sponsoring a boat flotilla this Saturday, the 125 Anniversary Logo has  
16          been installed in front of Village Hall, reminded everyone that Hudson  
17          River Day will be held on September 9<sup>th</sup> at the Yacht Club, the Village of  
18          Croton along with the Village of Buchanan and Town of Cortlandt will be  
19          holding its 9-11 ceremony on September 11th at Croton Landing.

20          Trustee Horowitz advised that the Croton Council on the Arts is  
21          planning a Hudson River Arts Festival on Saturday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>,  
22          (rain-date September 3<sup>rd</sup>), the Croton Conservation Advisory Council  
23          will hold its first Repair Café in the Community Room on December 9<sup>th</sup>,  
24          for more information you may log onto their website, and congratulated  
25          Aaron Lewis for completing his Eagle Scout project for his work at the  
26          Arboretum.

27          Mayor Pugh stated that he had the honor of attending the Ecuadorian  
28          festival this past Sunday at Croton Point Park, next Saturday a  
29          community blood drive will be held at the Croton Library from 10:00am  
30          to 4:00pm.

31          Village Manager Healy advised that DPW has been doing some  
32          landscaping at the 9-11 Memorial and path and while it may look  
33          somewhat bare, new plantings will be going in before the ceremony  
34          next month. Village Manager Healy advised that three additional names

1 will be added to the memorial year for those who have passed away  
2 from 9-11 related illnesses. Village Manager Healy announced that the  
3 Halloween Dog Parade and Goblin Walk will be held on October 28<sup>th</sup>.

4 There being no further business to come before the Board a motion to  
5 close the meeting was made by Trustee Simon. The motion was seconded  
6 by Trustee Horowitz and approved with a 4-0 vote. The meeting was  
7 adjourned at 8:20pm

8 Respectfully submitted,

9 Judy Weintraub, Board Secretary

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11 Paula DiSanto, Village Clerk