Public Hearing – Continental Village Park District November 4, 2015

The Town Board held a Public Hearing on the above date at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, 238 Main Street, Cold Spring, New York. The purpose of the Public Hearing was to hear comments for/against the Proposed 2016 Budget for the Continental Village Park District.

PRESENT:

Richard Shea

Nancy Montgomery

John Van Tassel

Michael Leonard

Robert Flaherty

Supervisor

Councilwoman

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Town Clerk Merando read the Public Notice.

Michael Phelan, Superintendent of the Continental Village Park District explained that the proposed budget reflects some added expenses for the repairs to the base of the dam. The total budget submitted is \$189,473.00, which is a considerable increase. He noted that there are some unexpended funds from past years, which will decrease that amount by \$25,000.00 easing the tax burden on the residents. He also stated that depending on the cost, they would like to resurface both the basketball and tennis courts, which are now 17 years old. Also, the bathhouse needs a new roof. He also stated that the beach's retaining wall needs to be removed and a new one installed, or re-grading the beach area, bringing in new sand.

Supervisor Shea asked what the condition of the dam is. Mr. Phelan responded saying that during Hurricanes Irene and Sandy, the DEC noticed that the large stones placed at the base of the dam were dislocated with the volume of water overflow. The DEC wants maintenance performed by placing boulders at the base of the dam so there is no scouring underneath, or put in a concrete abutment with stone beneath it to keep any water from getting under the dam itself. The DEC will determine which remediation is acceptable. It was noted that the cost for the remediation would be split between the three towns.

Supervisor Shea thank Mr. Phelan for his dedication to the Park District.

There being no further comments from the public, Councilman Van Tassel made a motion, seconded by Councilman Flaherty to close the Public Hearing at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Tina M. Merando, Town Clerk