

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF PELHAM HELD ON FEBRUARY 6, 2012 AT
THE TOWN HALL COMMENCING AT 7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR PETER DIPAOLA, COUNCILMAN BLAKE BELL AND COUNCILMAN DANIEL MCLAUGHLIN.

ABSENT: DEPUTY SUPERVISOR WILLIAM O'CONNOR, COUNCILWOMAN RAE SZYMANSKI.

RECORDING SECRETARY: TOWN CLERK TIMOTHY CASE.

OTHERS PRESENT: TOWN COUNSEL THOMAS KLEINBERGER, DEPUTY TOWN CLERK JESSICA HYNES, CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY TO SUPERVISOR RUTHANN DE SIMONE AND A FEW MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

CALL TO ORDER - Town Supervisor Peter DiPaola called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

- I. Approval of the minutes** – Supervisor DiPaola asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the January 9, 2012 Legislative meeting after a few very minor adjustments were to be made.

Motion by: Councilman McLaughlin

Seconded by: Councilman Bell

Vote taken:

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| Supervisor DiPaola | Aye |
| Councilman Bell | Aye |
| Councilman McLaughlin | Aye |
| Councilman O'Connor | Absent |
| Councilwoman Szymanski | Absent |

Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the minutes – Supervisor DiPaola asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the January 9, 2012 Organizational meeting after a few very minor adjustments were to be made.

Motion by: Councilman McLaughlin

Seconded by: Councilman Bell

Vote taken:

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| Supervisor DiPaola | Aye |
| Councilman Bell | Aye |
| Councilman McLaughlin | Aye |
| Councilman O'Connor | Absent |
| Councilwoman Szymanski | Absent |

Approval of the minutes – Supervisor DiPaola also asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Special meeting held on January 27, 2012 to appoint an interim justice.

Motion by: Councilman Bell

Seconded by: Councilman McLaughlin

Vote taken:

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| Supervisor DiPaola | Aye |
| Councilman Bell | Aye |
| Councilman McLaughlin | Aye |
| Councilman O'Connor | Absent |
| Councilwoman Szymanski | Absent |

Motion carried unanimously.

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. SUPERVISOR DIPAOLA – The Pelham Guidance Center and the Junior League sponsored a “text and talk family night.” The main topics discussed were sexting and teen alcohol abuse.

B. COUNCILMAN BELL – The senior advocate will sponsor a defensive driving course on February 9th from 9am-4pm. Also, the Recreation Board meeting will be held on February 13th. Councilman Bell will attend and give a report at our next meeting.

Merchant Processing update for Rec. soccer – TD Bank is changing the way that they collateralize merchant accounts. TD Bank has sent Anthony Barsanti a package of materials for his review. Anthony will go through the package and provide guidance before we proceed. In the interim, Supervisor DiPaola has approved Rec. soccer to move forward with a merchant agreement with Hudson Valley Bank in order for soccer to register participants online for their spring season.

- C. COUNCILMAN MCLAUGHLIN** – The Town Board is involved with trying to help secure money to replace the library roof. Several bids to fix the roof have been received. We are now waiting to see if we can get a grant to help with the cost of the roof replacement.

Also, Councilman McLaughlin and Supervisor DiPaola met with Senator Klein. Councilman McLaughlin discussed that member money is not available again this year. It is the third straight year that member money is not available and that no one should expect that member money will be available going forward. Councilman McLaughlin did ask for some capital money from Senator Klein's office for the library roof. Money for a possible turf field in Pelham was also discussed at the meeting.

III. SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

- A. Supervisor DiPaola** mentioned a new amendment has been passed in regards to the open meeting law. We now must post information to be discussed at the Town Board meeting, the preliminary minutes of the last meeting and any pending local law. By law, the preliminary minutes for the last meeting must be posted online or a copy must be available at the town hall within two weeks of the last Town Board meeting.
- B. Trotta Park update** – Supervisor DiPaola met with the landscape architect to go over the preliminary plan for the park. The final plan is due Friday February 10, 2012. Supervisor DiPaola wants to approve the final plans because the Town is doing the project. However, the maintenance of the park will be the responsibility of the Village of Pelham.
- C. Children's Center** - Supervisor DiPaola asked Town attorney Tom Kleinberger for a draft of the new lease for the children's center. Town attorney Kleinberger said he could do it as soon as he has the business terms of the lease. It was also determined that the old lease is not over until August 2012.

- IV. MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING** – No further new or old business, the Supervisor invited as motion to adjourn.

Motion by: Councilman McLaughlin
Seconded by: Councilman Bell

Vote taken:

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| Supervisor DiPaola | Aye |
| Councilman Bell | Aye |
| Councilman McLaughlin | Aye |
| Councilman O'Connor | Absent |
| Councilwoman Szymanski | Absent |

Motion carried unanimously and the legislative meeting ended at about 7:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted.

Timothy Case
Town Clerk
Pelham, New York