

Village of Depew, NEW YORK

"The Village of Unrecalled Opportunity"



MEETINGS TO DATE: 26

NO. OF REGULARS: 25

AGENDA

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF DEPEW

March 22, 2021 7:00PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION – FR. JOSH BAKER FROM CHRIST THE HOLY SERVANT

ROLL CALL: Trustee Hamernik
Trustee Voll
Trustee Stempniak
Deputy Mayor Jakubowski
Mayor Peterson

APPROVE VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES – March 8, 2021

APPROVE VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES – March 17, 2021- Canvass the vote

APPROVE PLANNING BOARD MINUTES – March 4, 2021

1. 5770 Transit Rd, Shakawat Hossain for site plan review for parking expansion for additional six spots. Approved as submitted with stipulation that work must be completed by 9-1-21.
2. 5770 Transit Rd, Adela Darwish on behalf of Joe D. Tire & Auto Repair 2 for rehearing from tabled 12-3-20 meeting requesting a special use permit to operate an auto repair facility in a C-2 Zone under Chapter 260 § 260-27 under the guidelines of Chapter 260 § 260-33(N). Approved with stipulation that parking is addressed by 9-1-21.
3. 571 Terrace Blvd, Joseph Palumbo of Carmina, Wood, Morris DPC on behalf of Dr. Kristen Robillard for final site plan review for parking lot expansion. Recommendation for Negative SEQR Declaration and approved as submitted.
4. 5636 Transit Rd, Mark Dean of Dean Architects PLLC on behalf of Paul Marinaccio requesting site plan review for plans to demolish 75ft x 100ft section of existing block building and to replace with at 75ft x 125ft new steel building. Recommendation for Negative SEQR Declaration and approve site plans as submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

1. Public Hearing – Tax Cap Override – OPEN: CLOSED:
2. Permission – Advertise Tentative Budget
3. Adopt – Local Law – Tax Cap
4. Appoint – Public Safety Dispatcher
5. Approve – SEQR
6. Approve – Bond - Capital Improvements Project
7. Approve – Fire – Out of Village Training
8. Approve – Junior Firefighter Membership
9. Approve – Fire Installation Dinner
10. Approve – Penflex Service Awards
11. Permission to sign – Sanilac Agreement
12. Appoint – MEO
13. Appoint – DPW Laborer
14. Adopt – The NYS Police Reform & Reinvention Collaborative
15. Department Head Reports – Police February 2021
16. Employment Applications –
17. Unfinished and Other Business
18. Public Concerns and Comments
19. Claims and Accounts
20. Adjournment

Village of Depew
Notice of Public Hearing

Please take notice that the Village of Depew Board of Trustees passed a resolution at their March 8, 2021 Village Board meeting to conduct a public hearing in the Council Chambers of the Depew Municipal Building, 85 Manitou St, Depew NY on Monday March 22, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

The purpose of this hearing is to consider Local Law 2 of 2021 authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law Section 3-c. If adopted, the proposed local law shall read as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent

It is the intent of this local law to allow the Village of Depew to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2021 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law Section 3-c.

Section 2. Authority

This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General municipal Law Section 3-c, which expressly authorizes a local government's governing body to override the property tax cap for the coming fiscal year by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) of said governing body.

Section 3: Tax Levy Limit Override

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Depew, County of Erie, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2021 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law Section 3-c.

Section 4: Severability

If a court determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court's order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this local law, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or in its application to the person, individual, form or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5: Effective date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

At said hearing all persons so desiring shall have the opportunity to be heard.

Teresa Wachowiak
Village Administrator

RESOLUTION

March 22, 2021

**AUTHORIZE ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVERTISE FOR PUBLIC HEARING
FOR TENTATIVE 2021-2022 BUDGET**

Trustee _____, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Village Administrator is hereby authorized to advertise for public hearing for the tentative 2021 - 2022 budget to take place on Monday April 12, 2021 at 7:00 PM in the council chambers.

The forgoing resolution was seconded by Trustee _____, and **CARRIED**.

VILLAGE OF DEPEW
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Agenda Item #2

__Approved __Denied

RESOLUTION

March 22, 2021

ADOPT LOCAL LAW #2 OF 2021 – TAX CAP OVERRIDE

Trustee _____, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Depew, New York held a public hearing on March 22, 2021, at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 85 Manitou St, Depew, NY to consider the adoption of a local law authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law Section 3-c.

WHEREAS, all persons were given an opportunity to speak for or against this local law;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this local law is hereby adopted.

If adopted, the proposed local law shall read as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent

It is the intent of this local law to allow the Village of Depew to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2021 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law Section 3-c.

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Section 5: Effective date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

The following resolution was seconded by Trustee _____, and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted in the following

Trustee Hamernik -
Trustee Voll -
Trustee Stempniak -
Deputy Mayor Jakubowski -
Mayor Peterson -

VILLAGE OF DEPEW
BOARD MEETING
March 22, 2021

Agenda Item # 3

___Approved ___Denied

EXHIBIT A

EAF and Negative Declaration

EXHIBIT B

Local Law

RESOLUTION

March 22, 2021

APPOINT PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHERS POLICE

Pursuant to Section 4-400 of Village Law, I Mayor Kevin Peterson, do hereby appoint

Tim Schaefer

to the position of Public Safety Dispatchers Police effective April 11, 2021.

The forgoing nomination was acted upon in the following manner by the Board of Trustees:

Trustee Hamernik -

Trustee Voll -

Trustee Stempniak -

Deputy Mayor Jakubowski -

Mayor Peterson -

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Agenda Item # 4

___Approved ___Denied

RESOLUTION

March 22, 2021

SEQR Type II Determination

Trustee _____, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Village of Depew (Village) is currently under an Order of Consent with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to address sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) in the Village's sanitary sewer collection system; and

WHEREAS, the Village completed a Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Survey (SSES) in Sowershed 4 to identify potential corrective actions; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Depew Board of Trustees is considering various improvements to correct sewers system defects and reduce inflow and infiltration; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is seeking funding assistance under the New York State Cleanwater State Revolving Fund, and is, therefore subject to environmental review obligations required to participate in the funding program; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to sections 617.5(c)(1), 617.5(c)(2) and 617.5(c)(6) under SEQR, this project is a Type 2 Action as it involves the maintenance, repair and replacement in kind of existing sewer infrastructure with no substantial change to the existing sanitary sewer collection system.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that as a Type 2 action under SEQR, the project has been found categorically to not have significant adverse impacts on the environment and no further review under SEQR is required.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee _____, and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted in the following:

Trustee Hamernik -
Trustee Voll -
Trustee Stempniak -
Deputy Mayor Jakubowski -
Mayor Peterson -

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BOARD MEETING
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Agenda Item # 5

___ Approved ___ Denied

RESOLUTION

March 22, 2021

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BOND

Trustee _____, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

A BOND RESOLUTION, DATED MARCH 22, 2021, OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF DEPEW, ERIE COUNTY, NEW YORK (THE "VILLAGE"), AUTHORIZING A SEWER SYSTEM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (PHASE 5) IN RESPONSE TO NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION ORDER ON CONSENT NO. R9-20140128-1, AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF \$2,913,000, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SERIAL BONDS IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,913,000, PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL FINANCE LAW TO FINANCE SUCH PURPOSE, SUCH AMOUNT TO BE OFFSET BY ANY FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY AND/OR LOCAL FUNDS RECEIVED, AND DELEGATING THE POWER TO ISSUE BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE SALE OF SUCH BONDS TO THE VILLAGE TREASURER.

WHEREAS, the Village of Depew, Erie County, New York (the "Village") has entered into a Consent Agreement with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) to remediate issues related to the discharge of sewer system overflow; and

WHEREAS, such DEC agreement requires that the Village undertake sewer system monitoring, repair, remediation and reconstruction in order to avoid civil fines and penalties; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village desires to undertake a capital improvements project (Phase 5) for the reconstruction of and construction of improvements to the Village Sewer System; and

WHEREAS, the Village intends to apply for grant funds from the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation.

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Village Board of Trustees (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all the members of the Board) as follows:

SECTION 1. The Village is hereby authorized to undertake a certain sewer system capital improvements project being undertaken in response to a New York State

Department of Environmental Conservation Order on Consent No. R9-20140128-1, such work to generally consist of (but not be limited to) the installation of a cured-in-place pipe ("CIPP") lining system for approximately 27,200 linear feet of sanitary sewer pipe, manhole rehabilitations, replacement of defective sanitary sewer pipe, point repairs to sanitary and storm sewer pipes, and various restoration work, as well as other improvements as more fully identified in (or contemplated by) a report dated January 10, 2020 that was prepared by engineers at GHD in connection with the project, all of the foregoing to include all preliminary work and necessary equipment, materials, apparatus and related site work and other improvements and costs incidental thereto and in connection with the financing thereof (collectively, the "Purpose"). The estimated maximum cost of the Purpose is \$2,913,000.

SECTION 2. The Village Board of Trustees plans to finance the estimated maximum cost of the Purpose by the issuance of serial bonds of the Village in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$2,913,000 of the Village, hereby authorized to be issued therefor pursuant to the Local Finance Law, such amount to be offset by any federal, state, county and/or local funds received, including, but not limited to, any grant funds received. Unless paid from other sources or charges, the cost of such improvements is to be paid by the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property in the Village to pay the principal of said bonds and the interest thereon as the same shall become due and payable.

SECTION 3. It is hereby determined that the purpose is a class of objects or purposes described in subdivision 4 of paragraph (a) of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, and that the period of probable usefulness of such purpose is 40 years.

SECTION 4. Current funds are not required to be provided prior to the issuance of the bonds authorized by this resolution or any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such bonds.

SECTION 5. It is hereby determined the proposed maturity of the obligations authorized by this resolution will be in excess of five years.

SECTION 6. The faith and credit of the Village are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds (and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such bonds) as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation will be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds or notes becoming due and payable in such year. Unless paid from other sources or charges, there will annually be levied on all the taxable real property of the Village a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds or notes as the same become due and payable.

SECTION 7. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Local Finance Law, pursuant to the provisions of Section 21.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes and of Section 50.00, Sections 56.00 to 60.00, Section 62.00, Section 62.10, Section 63.00, and Section 164.00 of the Local Finance Law, the powers and duties of the Village Board of Trustees pertaining or incidental to the sale and issuance of the obligations herein authorized including, but not limited to,

authorizing bond anticipation notes and prescribing the terms, form and contents and details as to the sale and issuance of the bonds herein authorized and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such bonds, and the renewals of such notes, are hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer, the chief fiscal officer of the Village. Without in any way limiting the scope of the foregoing delegation of powers, the Village Treasurer, to the extent permitted by Section 58.00(f) of the Local Finance Law, is specifically authorized to accept bids submitted in electronic format for any bonds or notes of the Village.

SECTION 8. The temporary use of available funds of the Village, not immediately required for the purpose or purposes for which the same were borrowed, raised or otherwise created, is hereby authorized pursuant to Section 165.10 of the Local Finance Law, for the purpose or purposes described in this resolution.

SECTION 9. This resolution shall constitute the declaration (or reaffirmation) of the Village's "official intent" to reimburse the expenditures authorized in this resolution with the proceeds of the bonds, notes or other obligations authorized herein, as required by United States Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2.

SECTION 10. The Village Treasurer is further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to ensure the continued status of the interest on the bonds authorized by this resolution, and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, as excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and may designate the bonds authorized by this resolution, and any notes issued in anticipation thereof as "qualified tax-exempt bonds" in accordance with Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

SECTION 11. The Village Treasurer is further authorized to enter into a continuing disclosure agreement with the initial purchaser of the bonds or notes authorized by this resolution, containing provisions which are satisfactory to such purchaser in compliance with the provisions of Rule 15c2-12, promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

SECTION 12. The Village Treasurer is further authorized to call in and redeem any outstanding obligations that were authorized hereunder (at such times and in such amounts and maturities as may be deemed appropriate after consultation with Village officials and the Village's municipal advisor), to approve any related notice of redemption, and to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to effectuate any such calls for redemption pursuant to Section 53.00 of the Local Finance Law, with the understanding that no such call for redemption will be made unless such notice of redemption shall have first been filed with the Village Clerk.

SECTION 13. The Village determined that the Purpose is a Type II action that will not have a significant effect on the environment and, therefore, no other determination or procedures under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") is required.

SECTION 14. To the extent applicable, the Village Treasurer is hereby authorized to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of the Village a project financing agreement

prepared by the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation ("EFC") (the "SRF Project Financing Agreement"). To the extent applicable, the Village Treasurer and the Village Clerk and all other officers, employees and agents of the Village are hereby authorized and directed for and on behalf of the Village to execute and deliver all certificates and other documents, perform all acts and do all things required or contemplated to be executed, performed or done by this resolution or any document or agreement approved hereby, including, but not limited to, the SRF Project Financing Agreement.

SECTION 15. In the absence or unavailability of the Village Treasurer, the Deputy Treasurer is hereby specifically authorized to exercise the powers delegated to the Village Treasurer in this resolution.

SECTION 16. The validity of said serial bonds or of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said serial bonds may be contested only if:

(1) (a) such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Village is not authorized to expend money, or

(b) the provisions of the law which should be complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within 20 days after the date of such publication of this notice; or

(2) such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution of New York.

SECTION 17. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish this resolution, or a summary thereof, together with a notice in substantially the form provided by Section 81.00 of said Local Finance Law, in a newspaper having a general circulation in the Village and hereby designated as the official newspaper of the Village for such publication.

SECTION 18. This Resolution is effective immediately pursuant to Section 36.00(a)(5) of the Local Finance Law.

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The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee _____ and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted in the following:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

VILLAGE OF DEPEW
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Agenda Item # 6

____Approved ____Denied

RESOLUTION

March 22, 2021

PERMISSION – FIRE DEPARTMENT

Trustee _____, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, Depew Fire Department would like permission to take Engine #2 to the Tonawanda Fire Training Center, 70 Fire Tower Dr, Tonawanda, NY 14150 on Saturday April 10, 2021 from 9 AM – 3 PM for the Emergency Vehicle Operators Course.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: The above foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee _____ and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted in the following:

Trustee Hamernik -
Trustee Voll -
Trustee Stempniak -
Deputy Mayor Jakubowski -
Mayor Peterson -

VILLAGE OF DEPEW
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Agenda Item # 7

___Approved ___Denied

RESOLUTION

March 22, 2021

**PERMISSION – MEMBERSHIP – DEPEW FIRE DEPARTMENT – JUNIOR
FIREFIGHTER PROGRAM**

Trustee _____, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, membership is hereby granted to the following in the Depew Fire Department pending the passing of his physical:

Junior Firefighter

Cody Whiteside

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee _____, and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted in the following:

Trustee Hamernik -
Trustee Voll -
Trustee Stempniak -
Deputy Mayor Jakubowski -
Mayor Peterson -

VILLAGE OF DEPEW
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Agenda Item # 8

__Approved __Denied

RESOLUTION

March 22, 2021

PERMISSION – DEPEW FIRE DEPT

Trustee _____, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

Permission is hereby granted to Cayuga Hose Co. #3 to use the Southside Fire Station for their Company Installation Dinner on Saturday April 10, 2021 from 5:00 PM–12:00 AM. All Covid 19 guidelines will be followed.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee _____, and **CARRIED.**

VILLAGE OF DEPEW
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Agenda Item #9

___Approved ___Denied

RESOLUTION

MARCH 22, 2021

**AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO SIGN PENFLEX AUTHORIZATION FORM FOR
2020 SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM**

Trustee _____, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor Kevin Peterson and Board of Trustees are authorized to sign the 2020 Service Award Program Administration Form and after the 30 day period forward to Penflex, Inc for the purpose of administering the 2020 Service Award Program for Depew Firefighters.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee _____, and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted in the following:

Trustee Hamernik -
Trustee Voll -
Trustee Stempniak -
Deputy Mayor Jakubowski -
Mayor Peterson -

VILLAGE OF DEPEW
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Agenda Item # 10

__Approved __Denied

RESOLUTION

MARCH 22, 2021

AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO SIGN AGREEMENT

Trustee _____, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor Kevin Peterson is authorized to sign the agreement, retroactively, with regards to Sanilac Street.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee _____, and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted in the following:

Trustee Hamernik -
Trustee Voll -
Trustee Stempniak -
Deputy Mayor Jakubowski -
Mayor Peterson -

VILLAGE OF DEPEW
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MARCH 22, 2021

Agenda Item # 11

__Approved __Denied

RESOLUTION

March 22, 2021

APPOINT DEPT OF PUBLIC WORKS MEO

Pursuant to Section 4-400 of Village Law, I Mayor Kevin Peterson, do hereby appoint

Jeff Morgan and Spencer Sojka

to the position of Public Works MEO effective March 22, 2021

The forgoing nomination was acted upon in the following manner by the Board of Trustees:

Trustee Hamernik -

Trustee Voll -

Trustee Stempniak -

Deputy Mayor Jakubowski -

Mayor Peterson -

VILLAGE OF DEPEW
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Agenda Item # 12

___Approved ___Denied

RESOLUTION

March 22, 2021

APPOINT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS LABORER

Pursuant to Section 4-400 of Village Law, I Mayor Kevin Peterson, do hereby appoint

Daniel Wypij

to the position of Department of Public Works Laborer.

The forgoing nomination was acted upon in the following manner by the Board of Trustees:

Trustee Hamernik -

Trustee Voll -

Trustee Stempniak -

Deputy Mayor Jakubowski -

Mayor Peterson -

VILLAGE OF DEPEW
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Agenda Item # 13

___Approved ___Denied

ADOPT - THE NYS POLICE REFORM & REINVENTION COLLABORATIVE

Trustee _____, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS: The NYS Police Reform & Reinvention Collaborative was directed by NYS Governor Andrew Cuomo's Executive Order No. 203 of June 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS: All municipalities in New York State that have police forces are required to participate and submit a written plan by April 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS: If communities fail to submit a written plan, their funding will be withheld by the NYS Department of Budget; and

WHEREAS: This process was structured according to the guidelines provided in the New York State Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative, requiring community input and participation, along with an assessment of the Police Department's policies, practices, and procedures; and

WHEREAS: The Village of Depew understands that maintaining public safety is extremely important and is one of the essential roles of government. To achieve that goal, there must be mutual trust and respect between police and the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS: The Village of Depew has followed the guidelines of the Police Reform & Reinvention Collaborative in the following ways:

- Convened local stakeholders in the community with the formation of a "Village of Depew Police Reform and Reinvention Team; • Reviewed the needs of the community served by the Village of Depew Police Department and conducted a comprehensive review of the Department's current deployments, strategies policies, procedures and practices;
- Developed a "Policing Reform Plan" to improve such deployments, strategies, policies, procedures, and practices;
- Involved the entire community in the discussion by way of a public survey distributed in December 2020;
- Offered the Plan in draft form for public comment to all citizens and hosted a communitywide conversation on March 1, 2021 and held a public hearing on March 8, 2021. No comments or recommendations were received from the public; and

WHEREAS: The Depew Village Board has reviewed and considered the information presented in the Plan; therefore, be it

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Depew Village Board accepts and adopts the Village of Depew Policing Reform Plan and will use it as a guide for future decision-making; and be it further

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED: That the Depew Village Board, upon adoption of this resolution, hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute and submit the Plan Certification Form and Policing Reform Plan to the New York State Division of the Budget by the established deadline of April 1, 2021.

Trustee_____, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

Trustee Hamernik -

Trustee Voll -

Trustee Stempniak -

Deputy Mayor Jakubowski -

Mayor Peterson -

VILLAGE OF DEPEW

BOARD MEETING

MARCH 22, 2021

Agenda Item # 14

___Approved ___Denied