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**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING
RE-ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that the Village of Spring Valley will be having a Special Meeting (Re-Organization) in the Village Hall, Senator Gene Levy Municipal Plaza, 200 North Main Street, Spring Valley, New York on Tuesday, December 5th, 2011 at 8:00 p.m.

Sherry M. Scott
Village Clerk

Dated: Spring Valley, New York
November 23, 2011

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPRING VALLEY, NEW YORK**

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Spring Valley convened in special session pursuant to adjournment of November 22, 2011 meeting.

A Roll Call being taken, the following were present and answered to their names:

Noramie F. Jasmin	Mayor
Joseph A. Desmaret	Deputy Mayor
Anthony Leon	Trustee
Joseph Gross	Trustee
Demeza Delhomme	Trustee
Kevin Conway	Village Attorney
Sherry M. Scott	Village Clerk

Trustee Gross led the assembly in the salute to the flag.

The invocation was delivered by Reverend Weldon McWilliams.

Oath of Office

The Oath of Office was delivered to Trustee Demeza Delhomme by Vilair Fonvil.

The Oath of Office was delivered to Trustee Anthony Leon by the former Village Trustee Carl Joseph.

Address of Re-Elected Trustees

Trustee Demeza Delhomme

I have been here for a very long time. Let me thank God for helping me throughout my political career to serve the people of the Village of Spring Valley always involved and always helping the people and the vote shows that. I want to thank all of you, especially the people who were

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working with me during the tough summer time carrying out the petitions to make things happen for the Village of Spring Valley. I want to thank all of you. I am not going to call names because I might leave someone out. I want all of you to know that you are in my heart. I am going to make it short. First let me say to you, elections have consequences. One of the consequences you may have is spending six months campaigning, energy, money and end you up losing. That's one big one. Heart broken, crying and then you pray to God that you get healed. The other consequences in elections that we all know whether it is for two years or four years or six years, when the people decide to vote for someone or a group those who did not make it need to learn to step aside or help those who make it. I have done that and showed it for the past two years in the Village of Spring Valley because the money is there for every one of you to do that. But, during that election in the hot summer time we went door to door. We knocked on doors, went to buildings and streets, to everybody in the Village of Spring Valley. We heard the cries of the people and we present our (inaudible) to them. We had coalitions, myself, Trustee Leon and Trustee Desmaret. We asked the people what they want, they told us. With them giving us the trust, we will make sure we follow through and they did. Some of the issues, people might not like that the concerns of the people of the Village of Spring Valley is what's going on in the streets, sidewalks, security, drugs and all. We made a promise to them; we are going to look into it, of what they asked us, but what they asked us (inaudible). The answer to them we told them is we are sorry. Those we trust that you hired us, we hire them to furnish information to us so that we may make decisions, they did not give it to us, they denied us information in the Village of Spring Valley. We elect you, we want you to take the lead, they did. Some of you may probably was there, I believe two weeks ago. There was a crowd just like that who cried from Avon Gardens those buildings 145, 155, people cried and said I was born there thirty-five years ago. Now, I am about to be homeless and we didn't know about it and I told them that we are sorry and I am sorry. But, what I did at that time, on the record, I asked the people involved they supposed to give them information to us, prepare for us at least three months inspections, six months inspections to know what you have done. In the Village, why are these people going to be homeless and the Trustees did not know about it. No report has been given to us, I just left there. Now, as elected an official, if I am not (inaudible). To make it short, let me say this to you, I am elected for you in the Village of Spring Valley to make decisions, I will vote up and down. Some of you may not like the vote, but I have to make the decision anyway. That's why I like this Country, you can vote yes and you can vote no and you go home to sleep with your conscience, so that is what I will do, I will sleep with my conscious when I vote yes or no. If you refused us to give us information so we can make decisions for those who hired us, the people of the Village of Spring Valley, to make the best decisions. I can assure you, you will receive my vote. I love the people of the Village of Spring Valley and everybody knows that. They call me "Main Street Trustee". I am going to vote every time, every day, I am one of the Trustees that are always going to vote in the Village Hall to receive the people to give them information to help them out. I am going to continue to do that because they give me trust and it is my job to do so. Thank you very much for being there, watching me elected another time. May God bless you and your family. I thank you.

Trustee Anthony Leon

Let me take special interest in Trustee Delhomme for being there during the especially hard time. (Inaudible). Here I am again, Madam Mayor to the Board (inaudible).

Madam Mayor, honorable members of the Spring Valley Village Board, honorable members of the Spring Valley Village Justice, dignitaries; governmental and Religious and distinguished guests; Ladies and Gentlemen.

Here I am...for four (4) more years on the Board of Trustees of Spring Valley.

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With a sense of humility in the face of God, I am standing before you again tonight mindful of the efforts and the sacrifices borne by the people of this Village; many of whom are present with me in the Hall: my friends, family members and extended family members who have come a distance to enjoy this celebrating moment with me. I thank you for your unconditional and strong support.

I am also standing here tonight grateful for the trust you have bestowed upon me and I am humbled by the task before me.

At first, I thank the Almighty Lord for giving me strength, courage, compassion, determination and tenacity like a weed to resist those tough and miscalculated fights and to help pull me through by overcoming the burdens and the limitations. Presently, the scares and the sequels of the darkness impede my rejoicing moment. For tonight, I rather take another stand than pursuing on the same path.

Yet, the oath is taken again amidst a bigger gathering that is anxious to hear the words spoken where Spring Valley has to “carry on not simply because of the skill or vision of us in office”– to quote President Barak Obama – but because we, the people, have remained faithful to the ideas of our forebears and true to our founding documents; through votes casting people can and will be elected in office, not otherwise.

To reiterate what I prescribed four (4) years ago, I like to be proactive to remind everyone again that the geo-political situation of the Village does not allow us having disparities, at the risks of our constituency’s interest. Despite the professionalism that everyone tries to muster, the continued bickering leads to much distrust. By preventing controversy, second-guessing, recrimination, finger-pointing and egocentrism, the think process will save time in the end.

At the crossroads of an Urban Renewal program that does not, for the most part, respond to the housing needs and demands of the Village’s residents; a higher tax rating in the region; a Police Department operating under its effectiveness and restricted means; and other unsatisfied vital needs, we would rather see complementary strengths than conflicting agendas. Collectively and cohesively we will prevail and win our place in history. It takes a great deal of courage and confidence for people anxious to take the world by storm to slow down, think, explore all the possible options, and be ready together to pull the plug if the information points away from success. All that counts is some “respect”, and positive behaviors and attitudes approaching the issues.

As we achieve the preliminary stages of the Urban Renewal and pursuing with other phases – like the Post Office Square, the sites five (5) and six (6) for instance; as we are working diligently to limit the high tax burdens that continue to be a major concern for all of us residents, I am reiterating the need for a cleaner and safer community; for a community where children can grow up and develop pride in their skills and ability to be part of our truly global economy; for a community where elderlies can feel a sense of pride and respect in receiving appropriate and necessary care for their struggle; and for a community that values giving or receiving, and values family and friendship over selfishness and self-advertisement.

My fellow residents – I am mindful that the challenges Spring Valley faces are real. They are serious and they are multiple. They will not be met easily or in a short span of time. They will be met, to begin with, by rebuilding the leadership, a more effective and complementary one, where a common vision, common incentives, communication and trust are this Board’s landscape, and respect is the currency we trade.

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Through your votes, you have chosen unity of purpose over conflict and discord, and hope over fear. Tonight, you come to proclaim an end to the petty, misguided grievances and false promises, the baseless recriminations and worn-out dogmas that for past years long have strangled our Village's political realm. The time has come to reaffirm our enduring spirit and set aside childish things; to carry forward that founding-fathers' precious gift: *the one that we are equal, free in our speech and our actions, and deserve a chance to pursue our full measure of happiness*, to echo President Barak Obama.

Already, there are some people who question the scale of our ambitions, interpreting our actions as prelude for being future contenders at the next mayoral race. Their memories are short. For they have forgotten what you, free men and women in Spring Valley, can achieve with your votes when imagination is joined to common purpose and necessity to courage. Brothers and sisters – the cynics fail to understand that the ground has shifted beneath them. The stale political and crooked arguments and tactics that have consumed them for so long does no longer apply.

We, members of this board, upholding the fiduciary role to manage the public's dollars will be held to account, to spend wisely, to reform bad habits and to do business in the light of day. That way only then can we restore the vital trust between a community and its government. To those who choose the dictatorship path to manage or to cling to power through lies and wrong doing, bad behaviors and communication, corruption and deceit; they have to know that they are on the wrong side of history. We will still extend a hand to them if they have the willingness to unclench their fist and to find a diplomatic approach to breakthroughs.

My fellow-colleagues in the Board – The values upon which our success depends are based on honesty and hard work, courage and fair play, tolerance and curiosity, innovative and leadership. These have been known as the pillars of progress and empowerment throughout the American history. Yet, I firmly believe that together we can conquer the complementary and effective leadership, adding on some character over unsustainable strategies. Bringing thinking and doing into the equation for proper balance, under a new form of leadership and a paradigm shift, we shall feel much better prepared to meet the challenges for a bright future in our Village. By virtue of hope and integrity, let us be brave once more to learn from one another through courage, civility, order and respect, and to firmly stand against maleficence, malfeasance and hypocrisy.

In conclusion, whereas we are all living in a democratic county, so would I be remiss for not sharing with you the famous quote of President Woodrow Wilson, written 1885 and still has a tremendous impact on the political realm today: ***“Democracy...is not created by aspirations or by new faith; it is built up by slow habit...It comes, like manhood, as the fruit of youth: immature people cannot have it, and the maturity to which it is vouchsafed is the maturity of freedom and self-control, and no other.”***

May the Almighty Lord protect, assist and guide us in our conduct towards one another and in the decisions we shall make to move our Village forward!

Thank you for your attention, your understanding and your patience.

May God bless you, our Village and its Board, and the United States of America!

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Mayor's Report – (Mayor Speech)

Mayor Noramie J. Jasmin

Good evening:

Special thanks for Rev. McWilliams for such a wonderful blessing, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate both Trustee Demeza Delhomme and Trustee Anthony Leon. Also, we have the dignitaries in the house, a good friend of mine Assemblywoman Ellen Jaffe. We would also like to congratulate Legislator Toney Earl and we have our Judge David Fried.

Welcome to the second annual re-organizational meeting, it is my pleasure to welcome you and thank you for taking the time out of your busy schedule to come and show your support and devotion as a community which unite for a common goal to further progress to make Spring Valley once again the hub of the county. I am privileged to present to you my accomplishments thus far; each day that I step in my office is another day of privilege that God has given me to serve you as your Mayor. When I took the oath of office in 2009 I pledged to all of you that I will faithfully serve you with dignity and decorum; alongside the many hardworking village employees, to continue to serve you with pride, focus and professionalism. While the past year has been difficult because of the economic downfall facing our nation and state, at the local level, in Spring Valley which remains with an A1 bond rating; that is a blessing and hard-work from my administration. We have made it a priority in the Village to “do more with less” by maintaining services, while keeping property taxes low. The Village remains in good fiscal shape and as a result a whopping savings of \$1,300,000 by cutting spending negotiating with contractors and union member on every level of government. Further, I am committed to moving the Village forward with Urban Renewal, Economic Development, Infrastructure Improvements and Police, Fire Department and Public Works services to keep us safe. WHILE WE'RE ON SAFETY.

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Let's talk about the overall crime in the Village. Good News, the crime is down by 9% this year compared to last year. We consider our police department to be the most diverse police department in Rockland County with 32% of our police force being comprised of Haitian-American, Hispanic-American, African-American and female officers. In addition, we just hired two police officers to better serve our community.

From January 2011 to December 2011 total arrest is 2,151, total police responses for service 21,102, DWI Arrest 112, community policing related services events, 684, this includes coordinating community meeting and targeted patrols in areas needing community policing. In domestic violence cases, investigated 476; guns taken off the street 20; illegal drug seizures 372; total of emergencies and other calls are 72,195 calls; lastly, number of articles taken into evidence 1,643. It doesn't stop here with all their efforts, they remain the most active, finest in the County, through their daily hard work and professionalism they were able to apply and receive \$450,000 in grants under “Weed and Seed, Governor's Traffic Safety, Stop DWI, and Maglocen. It doesn't stop here; we were able to upgrade our radio system with a new system through the use of over a \$100,000 in assets forfeiture monies and at no cost to the Village, Wow! “That's what I call effectiveness”

UNDER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND THE SECTION 8 OFFICE:

It was certainly a busy year for Community Development/Section 8 office. Despite drastic cuts in funding for federal, state and local funding much was achieved to enhance the quality of life of our residents. On Kennedy Park, phase one already completed with walking/exercise trails and phase two will be out for bid next week and Babbin Court Tot Lot construction is well underway. In addition, the village received \$140,000 in 2011 CDBG funds for curbs and sidewalks and the project is in progress, like Ridge Avenue and Collins paving and curbs already in place.

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Through the Restore Program, emergency repair for income eligible senior citizen homeowners continued with several roofs and heating systems repaired and/or replaced. The 2011 Summer feeding program saw another successful season, operating at 10 sites and serving a total of 24,658 meals to Village children over 35 days during July and August 2011. Our Record Management Grant through the NYS Education Department was completed and records in the Treasurer's office and Justice Court were microfilmed. The Department has been very pro-active in seeking grants that will fund programs that address the needs of our community. Last but not least, our Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program, which provided approximately 580 low/moderated income families with rent subsidies, went under heavy scrutiny by HUD in 2008. Under my leadership, I hired the most qualified staff to assist and come with a corrective action plan to fix the program. Last year I pledged to you Section 8 would remain in Spring Valley to serve the underprivileged. I did just that, and I am proud to report to you that on August 3rd, 2011, I received the seal of approval from HUD. The Spring Valley Section 8 deemed to be a NON- TROUBLE Agency. "That's what I call effectiveness". The staff involved in this vital program continues to work diligently on improving program performance, efficiency and compliance in order to provide safe, decent and affordable housing to our residents.

THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

During the year 2011 the legal department prepared and the Village Board passed eleven local laws. Among those laws enacted are: a local law dealing with the licensing and control of dogs; amending the zoning code to re-zone certain parcels of land to permit the construction on a new Hatzlocha Grocery store and a brand new Refuah Health Center on Maple Avenue. One of the most important one is the law requiring HIV testing of persons charged with committing sexual crimes involving force or threat of force. The Legal Department was also proactive in identifying and commencing litigation against Orange and Rockland and related parties for their liability and for damages to Robert Pitt Drive, which suffer severe damage from road cuts. In the days ahead you will see road construction starting for repairs to Robert Pitt Drive, please be patient.

THE TREASURY OFFICE

During the year, the Treasury Department embarked on several tasks. They implemented time and attendance for a new payroll system, cross trained staff members to do multi task, managed our cash flow and got the maximum interest income for the Village, filed timely all financial records for all Federal grants namely, Weed and Seed, Domestic Violence Grant and Justice Court Training Grant, most importantly refinance Bonds payable which resulted in a saving of \$115,000. The Treasury's Office also engaged and examined prior years of accounting records and made all necessary adjustments to have accurate and proper accounting records for the Village. Overall efficiency of the Treasury Department is excellent and the staff deserves credit for their support and efforts.

JUSTICE COURT

First, let me congratulate the re-election of Honorable Christine A. Theodore as a Village Justice. Second, I am proud that for the first time the very first Misdemeanor Drug Court in Spring Valley will be held by the Honorable Judge David Fried and will be commencing soon. I am also pleased to inform you that all the court's reports are generated and submitted to the appropriate divisions on a timely fashion. With this, I extend my sincere appreciation to the Justices and staff for doing a tremendous Job.

THE VILLAGE CLERK

The Village Clerk's office has had many successful accomplishments for the year 2011, all minutes are up to date; including Zoning and Planning Boards, all files are reorganized in a new filing system, birth certificates and death records are being computerized for easy access and readiness. All taxi licenses and professional license renewal applications have been filed. From 500 taxi licenses only 330 taxicabs registered this year, there's a new system set up with our

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consultant Kauker and Kauker for better consultation services. The Village Clerk continuously works with the County Department of Personnel on issues regarding payroll certification and all personal files have been reorganized. Again, congratulation to Ms. Scott, who has been appointed President, of the Rockland County Clerk's and Finance Association.

FINALLY:

URBAN RENEWAL

Under the Urban Renewal Program we saw full occupancy in the building constructed by CPC Resources, Inc. which is site 3 for low/moderate income senior citizens. With my perseverance and tenacity CPC started construction on site 4 this year to build 54 units of new affordable residential housing and commercial space, downtown Main Street, plus coming soon a new WALGREEN. "That's what I call Effectiveness". In front of you, you have two major projects that will benefit the community; the Post Office Square and the Community Center. I want the Board of Trustees to help achieve these goals; it is not about me rather about the future. Most importantly, it is about the legacy we can be proud to say "what great accomplishments we did". Rockland County is considering the selling of the RCC annex right on Main Street. I am asking the Board to help acquire the parcel so we can utilize it as a Cultural Art Center and also as shelter for some of the organizations that are struggling to have a place to continue to provide services to our community.

Once again, I thank you for coming tonight, and I love you with all my heart, I will need your prayers and I ask you to pray for the Board of Trustees as well. May God Bless you and yours.

Noramie F. Jasmin

Mayor of the Village of Spring Valley

Referral No. 3039

THE NEXT ITEM ON THE AGENDA WAS PULLED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

OCTOBER 11, 2011, OCTOBER 25, 2011 AND NOVEMBER 3, 2011

Trustee Gross offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mayor Jasmin:

WHEREAS, the next item on the agenda, approval of minutes; October 11, 2011, October 25, 2011 and November 3, 2011 was pulled.

Referral No. 2030

RESOLUTION NO. 607 OF 2011

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

FOR THE VILLAGE OF SPRING VALLEY ABSTRACTS

Trustee Delhomme offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Leon and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Village of Spring Valley through its various departments had made certain expenditures pursuant to the appropriations contained in the Village of Spring Valley 2011/2012 adopted budget; and

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WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie Jasmin and the members of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees have reviewed bills to be paid reflecting such expenditures; and

WHEREAS, such payments require the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the payment of the bills of the Village of Spring Valley set forth below and authorizes the Treasurer of the Village of Spring Valley to pay such bills.

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACTS

DATE: December 5, 2011

GENERAL ABSTRACT #2011/24A

Amount \$2,504,287.57 Claim #56022539 thru 56022642

Referral No. 2030

**RESOLUTION NO. 608 OF 2011
AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS
FOR THE VILLAGE OF SPRING VALLEY
POST AUDIT ABSTRACTS**

Trustee Delhomme offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Leon and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Village of Spring Valley through its various departments had made certain expenditures pursuant to the appropriations contained in the Village of Spring Valley 2011/2012 adopted budget; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie Jasmin and the members of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees have reviewed bills to be paid reflecting such expenditures; and

WHEREAS, such payments require the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the payment of the bills of the Village of Spring Valley set forth below and authorizes the Treasurer of the Village of Spring Valley to pay such bills.

APPROVAL OF POST AUDITED ABSTRACTS

DATE: December 5, 2011

GENERAL ABSTRACT #2011/10

Amount \$457,098.77 Claim #56022526 thru 56022533

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Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 609 OF 2011
APPOINT EDWARD M. KATZ TO THE
POSITION OF ASSISTANT VILLAGE ATTORNEY**

Deputy Mayor Desmaret offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Leon and unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Edward M. Katz to the position of Assistant Village Attorney; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the Appointment of Edward M. Katz to the position of Assistant Village Attorney for a six month term, effective December 5, 2011.

Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 610 OF 2011
APPOINT SHERRY SCOTT TO THE
POSITION OF VILLAGE CLERK
(POSITION IS HOLD-OVER)**

Mayor Jasmin offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Gross:

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Sherry Scott to the position of Village Clerk; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees voted as follows (position is a hold over by the Mayor):

AYES: 2 - Mayor Jasmin, Trustee Gross

NAYS: 3- Trustee Delhomme, Trustee Leon, Deputy Mayor Desmaret

Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 611 OF 2011
APPOINT SHERRY SCOTT TO THE POSITION
OF REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS
(PASSED FOR THE POWER OF THE CLERK TO SIGN
FOR BIRTH AND DEATH CERTIFICATES)**

Mayor Jasmin offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Gross:

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WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Sherry Scott to the position of Registrar of Vital Statistics; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees voted as follows (position is passed for the power of the Clerk to sign):

AYES: 2 - Mayor Jasmin, Trustee Gross

NAYS: 3- Trustee Delhomme, Trustee Leon, Deputy Mayor Desmaret

Debate:

Mayor Jasmin

The Village receives birth and death certificates and I will grant the power to the Clerk to sign those.

Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 612 OF 2011
APPOINT KATHRYN BALL TO THE POSITION OF
DEPUTY VILLAGE CLERK**

Deputy Mayor Desmaret offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Leon and unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Kathryn Ball to the position of Deputy Village Clerk; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Kathryn Ball to the position of Deputy Village Clerk for a six month term, effective December 5, 2011.

Debate:

Trustee Delhomme

Same thing, I request six months for re-evaluation.

Mayor Jasmin

So, therefore, they will all be six months.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 613 OF 2011
APPOINT KATHRYN BALL TO THE POSITION OF
DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS**

Deputy Mayor Desmaret offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Leon and unanimously adopted.

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WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Kathryn Ball to the position of Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Kathryn Ball to the position of Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics for a six month term, effective December 5, 2011.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 614 OF 2011
APPOINT KURUVILLA CHERIAN TO THE
POSITION OF VILLAGE TREASURER**

Trustee Leon offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Gross and unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Kuruvilla Cherian to the position of Village Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Kuruvilla Cherian to the position of Village Treasurer for a six month term, effective December 5, 2011.

Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 615 OF 2011
APPOINT MARY J. RHODES-STEPHENS TO THE
POSITION OF DEPUTY TREASURER**

Deputy Mayor Desmaret offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Gross and unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Mary J. Rhodes-Stephens to the position of Deputy Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Mary J. Rhodes-Stephens to the position of Deputy Treasurer for a six month term, effective December 5, 2011.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 616 OF 2011
APPOINT JOSEPH SIMPSON TO THE POSITION OF
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF YOUTH BUREAU**

Trustee Delhomme offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Deputy Mayor Desmaret and unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Joseph Simpson to the position of Deputy Director of Youth Bureau; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Joseph Simpson to the position of Deputy Director of Youth Bureau for a six month term, effective December 5, 2011.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 617 OF 2011
APPOINT KENNETH SOHLMAN TO THE POSITION OF
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS**

Trustee Leon offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Gross and adopted.

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Kenneth Sohlman to the position of Deputy Commissioner of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Kenneth Sohlman to the position of Deputy Commissioner of Public Works for a six month term, effective December 5, 2011.

Vote was as follows:

AYES: 4 - Mayor Jasmin, Trustee Gross, Trustee Leon, Deputy Mayor Desmaret

NAYS: 1- Trustee Delhomme

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**RESOLUTION NO. 618 OF 2011
APPOINT FRITZ ERNEST TO THE POSITION OF
DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

Deputy Mayor Desmaret offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Gross and adopted.

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WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Fritz Ernest to the position of Deputy Superintendent of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Fritz Ernest to the position of Deputy Superintendent of Public Works for a six month term, effective December 5, 2011.

Vote was as follows:

AYES: 4 - Mayor Jasmin, Trustee Gross, Trustee Leon, Deputy Mayor Desmaret

NAYS: 1- Trustee Delhomme

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**RESOLUTION NO. 619 OF 2011
APPOINT LAURENCE HOLLAND TO THE
POSITION OF VILLAGE ASSESSOR**

Deputy Mayor Desmaret offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Gross and unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Laurence Holland to the position of Village Assessor; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Laurence Holland to the position of Village Assessor for a six month term, effective December 5, 2011.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 620 OF 2011
APPOINT ANNU JACOB TO THE POSITION OF COURT CLERK**

Trustee Gross offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Delhomme and unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Annu Jacob to the position of Court Clerk; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

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RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Annu Jacob to the position of Court Clerk for a six month term, effective December 5, 2011.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 621 OF 2011
APPOINT GARY ROXAS TO THE
POSITION OF DEPUTY COURT CLERK**

Trustee Leon offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Delhomme and unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Gary Roxas to the position of Deputy Court Clerk; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Gary Roxas to the position of Deputy Court Clerk for a six month term, effective December 5, 2011.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 622 OF 2011
APPOINT PATRICIA A. CALDWELL
TO THE POSITION OF ZONING BOARD CHAIRPERSON**

Trustee Gross offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Leon and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Patricia A. Caldwell to the position of Zoning Board Chairperson; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Patricia A. Caldwell to the position of Zoning Board Chairperson for a one year term, effective December 5, 2011.

Debate:

Trustee Leon

Since those members are Board members, I suggest we appoint them for one year.

Mayor Jasmin

I will support that for the Zoning Board and Planning Board.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 623 OF 2011
APPOINT MARTHA PATRICK
TO THE POSITION OF
ZONING BOARD VICE CHAIRPERSON**

Trustee Delhomme offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Leon and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Martha Patrick to the position of Zoning Board Vice Chairperson; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Martha Patrick to the position of Zoning Board Vice Chairperson for a one year term, effective December 5, 2011.

Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 624 OF 2011
APPOINT MARTHA PATRICK TO THE
POSITION OF ZONING BOARD MEMBER**

Trustee Delhomme offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Leon and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Martha Patrick to the position of Zoning Board member; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Martha Patrick to the position of Zoning Board member for a one year term, effective December 5, 2011.

Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 625 OF 2011
APPOINT MOSHE HOPSTEIN TO THE
POSITION OF ZONING BOARD MEMBER**

Deputy Mayor Desmaret offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Delhomme and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Moshe Hopstein to the position of Zoning Board member; and

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WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Moshe Hopstein to the position of Zoning Board member for a one year term, effective December 5, 2011.

Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 626 OF 2011
APPOINT ELI SOLOMON TO THE
POSITION OF ZONING BOARD MEMBER**

Trustee Gross offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Deputy Mayor Desmaret and adopted:

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Eli Solomon to the position of Zoning Board member; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Eli Solomon to the position of Zoning Board member for a one year term, effective December 5, 2011.

Vote was as follows:

AYES: 4 - Mayor Jasmin, Trustee Gross, Trustee Leon, Deputy Mayor Desmaret

NAYS: 1- Trustee Delhomme

Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 627 OF 2011
APPOINT JEAN DORMELAS TO THE
POSITION OF ZONING BOARD MEMBER**

Trustee Leon offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Deputy Mayor Desmaret and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Jean Dormelas to the position of Zoning Board member; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Jean Dormelas to the position of Zoning Board member for a one year term, effective December 5, 2011.

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Debate:

Mayor Jasmin

I would like to thank Mr. Dormelas for accepting this appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 628 OF 2010
APPOINT LORENZO GARNER TO THE
POSITION OF PLANNING BOARD CHAIRPERSON**

Trustee Leon offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Delhomme and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Lorenzo Garner to the position of Planning Board Chairperson; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Lorenzo Garner to the position of Planning Board Chairperson for a one year term, effective December 5, 2011.

Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 629 OF 2010
APPOINT FREDDIE CRUMP TO THE POSITION
OF PLANNING BOARD VICE CHAIRPERSON**

Trustee Leon offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Delhomme and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Freddie Crump to the position of Planning Board Vice Chairperson; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Freddie Crump to the position of Planning Board Vice Chairperson for a one year term, effective December 5, 2011.

Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 630 OF 2010
APPOINT FREDDIE CRUMP TO THE POSITION
OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBER**

Trustee Leon offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Deputy Mayor Desmaret and unanimously adopted:

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WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Freddie Crump to the position of Planning Board member; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Freddie Crump to the position of Planning Board member for a one year term, effective December 5, 2011.

Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 631 OF 2011
APPOINT LEVI SCHWARZ TO THE
POSITION OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBER**

Trustee Leon offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Gross and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Levi Schwarz to the position of Planning Board member; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Levi Schwarz to the position of Planning Board member for a one year term, effective December 5, 2011.

Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 632 OF 2011
APPOINT AARON STERNBERG
TO THE POSITION OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBER**

Deputy Mayor Desmaret offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Leon and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Aaron Sternberg to the position of Planning Board member; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Aaron Sternberg to the position of Planning Board member for a one year term, effective December 5, 2011.

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Referral No. 2022

**RESOLUTION NO. 633 OF 2011
ESTABLISH DAYS AND TIMES OF VILLAGE
BOARD MEETINGS AND TIMES OF PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Trustee Leon offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Gross and unanimously adopted.

Now therefore be it:

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby establishes the days and times of the meetings of the Village of Spring Valley as the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month at 8:00 pm, unless another time and place shall be designated by the Mayor upon notice to the public and the Board of Trustees. All Village Board Public Hearings shall commence at 8:15 pm unless the notice of public hearing, duly published specifies otherwise.

Debate:

Trustee Delhomme

Yes, in there establishing the times of the Village Board meetings, the place it's fine I would put forth a motion to remove the second paragraph until further notice that we meet until we meet to figure out how we are going to decide to do that. Unless another time, place shall be designated by the Mayor upon notice. That particular paragraph I move to table that paragraph on that subject.

Mayor Jasmin

Trustee Delhomme let me interject here. Establish the date and time for the Board meetings and public meetings Village Board meetings shall be held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month at 8:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.

Trustee Delhomme

That's the one we vote for. I make the motion to remove the second part of it, unless another time and place shall be designated by the Mayor upon notice to the public and the Board of Trustees. That particular language has to be removed.

Mayor Jasmin

Let me just say this to you.

Trustee Delhomme

I made a motion. I need a second.

Mayor Jasmin

I may not entertain the motion, you know that.

Trustee Delhomme

You cannot. That's the rules.

Mayor Jasmin

That's the rule. I may not entertain your motion.

Trustee Delhomme

I am not finished yet. You cut me off, but go ahead.

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Mayor Jasmin

Go ahead and finish.

Trustee Delhomme

Go ahead, I am done. When you finish, I will finish my motion.

Mayor Jasmin

Make up your mind, please. You said you are not finish. I will give you the floor.

Trustee Delhomme

Yes, Madam Mayor, we could either vote it down and then come back at another time because if you vote it down and come back at another time because the times and the place is going to be affected anyhow. That's a given. The adding part of it if we vote it down, would not be part of the Board meetings. But, the reason I am asking you to remove that language so that we (inaudible) all we have to do is vote it down, the meetings are still going to be held at 8:00 p.m. , it is a given.

Mayor Jasmin

Did you hear what you just said. You will vote it down anyhow.

Trustee Delhomme

No. The meetings will be held, but that particular language would not be part of the subject.

Mayor Jasmin

Can I speak now? Sometimes we have Executive Sessions that come as a meeting and sometimes we can meet with other entities that are for the good of Village business. I think it is adequate language for us to have as a Board so that we can better serve our community. So, I do not see anyone (inaudible) for discussion to take this part. That will give us the privilege to do the Village business. I do not see how this is improper. Since it is required by law to have meetings, I think that is appropriate to have this language. I will not further discuss that.

Trustee Delhomme

And I vote no.

Deputy Mayor Desmaret

This language in the last paragraph should read, "unless another time and place shall be designated by the Mayor and the board of Trustees". Just change the language because according to dates and time, you are not going to send me a certified letter telling me that you are going to have a meeting. We have to agree upon a Special Meeting or an Executive Meeting to do so, but this language can change it so that in agreement with the Board we can another (inaudible) time, place for Special Meetings or (inaudible).

Mayor Jasmin

Okay, let me say this to you. If we cannot reach you by law we have to have that communication sent to your property to advise you to come to the meeting.

Deputy Mayor Desmaret

I understand that.

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Mayor Jasmin

If you understand that, what's your discussion? It has been proven that the Board failed to appear to serve the people who elected them. As a result, the Board put the Village in jeopardy and as the Mayor I took it upon myself and the law to execute certain things in the Village. One example, one of the phone bills could not be paid. That particular bill was at the Police Department. Imagine if we had an emergency, the residents could not get through to the Police Department. We're talking about saving lives, serving to the best of your ability. Yes, people elect you into office, they do not elect you to fight the Mayor. They elect you to serve. So, I say tonight that it is not about me, it's about the people. They voted you in office because they have confidence in you. You will come back and serve them. I am asking every single member on this Board to have common sense not to fight me, but to serve the people of Spring Valley.

Trustee Leon

I do not think any Board member has the capacity and the ability to fight (inaudible). I think that every member should come to consensus to work with the Mayor. It seems we are leaders on the Board, we have to compromise to work with the Mayor. One thing caused the problem that the Mayor got to make a decision in this Village according to (inaudible). So, therefore, since the Mayor is also (inaudible) of the Board, in order to call a meeting, the Mayor could have at least consult diligently with any other two members of the Board and to have the approval, either by phone or a short meeting. So, therefore, when we have the Mayor acting upon herself to call a meeting without knowing what kind of emergency the other members have, so, therefore, this being my case I had emergencies that I could not be able to perform my duties proper way because as an educated (inaudible) come first and I felt that I had been left behind and be thrown by the boss by treating me (inaudible) like any other citizens refuse to (inaudible), so therefore, I think, being said this, let me word it properly "unless other time and place shall be designated by the Mayor upon notice to the public and two other Board of Trustees", that would be more feasible for all members of the Board. That way the Mayor would have two other members with her to call a meeting and have a quorum. So, Mayor I am asking you personally to call back your decision to insert "upon approval of two other Board members". That would be feasible for everyone.

Mayor Jasmin

The Mayor calls the meeting, you may request a meeting. You have to send notice to the public to advise them that a meeting will be taking place. So, that's my duty to ask the Village Clerk to publish the meeting so that the public will know. We really do not need further discussion.

Trustee Delhomme

It is not a discussion or argument, but for the sake of the Village sometimes we are out on vacation, we are out with our children, we are out with our family. So, what's happening if just because you want to go someplace yourself, you decide to have this special meeting, you postpone the regular meeting, we have a duty to have a meeting every 2nd and the 4th. Just because you want to go someplace you cannot say what (inaudible), I am probably in Atlantic City shooting craps. I am probably someplace else. You could call Trustee Gross or Trustee Leon and say I have to have a special meeting and I have two of you guys to make sure you have a quorum. Because you are controversial that is what you are going to get from us.

Mayor Jasmin

I will entertain a motion.

Trustee Leon

I would like to pull it.

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Mayor Jasmin

No, you cannot pull it. We need to set up the meetings.

Referral No. 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 634 OF 2011
DESIGNATING DEPOSITORY BANKS FOR
THE VILLAGE OF SPRING VALLEY**

Deputy Mayor Desmaret offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Leon and unanimously adopted.

Now therefore be it;

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby designates Municipal Investors Service Corporation - MBIA, Manufacturers & Traders Trust Company (M&T Bank), UBS, Chase Bank, Key Bank, Wachovia, TD Bank North, Provident Bank, Citizens Bank and Citi Bank , as the official depositories for the Village of Spring Valley funds.

Referral No. 2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 635 OF 2011
DESIGNATE THE ROCKLAND JOURNAL NEWS,
THE MONSEY ADVOCATE AND THE ROCKLAND BULLETIN AS THE
OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS OF THE VILLAGE OF SPRING VALLEY**

Trustee Leon offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Deputy Mayor Desmaret and unanimously adopted.

Now therefore be it;

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby designates the Rockland Journal News, The Monsey Advocate and the Rockland Bulletin as the official newspapers of the Village of Spring Valley as directed by the Mayor in accordance with State Law.

Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 636 OF 2011
APPOINT PATRICIA A. CALDWELL AS CHAIRPERSON
OF THE APPEARANCE REVIEW BOARD**

Deputy Mayor Desmaret offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Gross and unanimously adopted.

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WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Patricia Caldwell as Chairperson of the Appearance Review Board; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Patricia A. Caldwell as Chairperson of the Appearance Review Board for a one year term as of December 5, 2011.

Referral No. 2001

**RESOLUTION NO. 637 OF 2011
APPOINT LEONARD BINDER
AS SPRING VALLEY HISTORIAN**

Trustee Gross offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Leon and unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin has appointed Leonard Binder as Spring Valley Historian; and

WHEREAS, such appointment requires the approval of the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees; now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village of Spring Valley Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Leonard Binder as Spring Valley Historian, for a one year term as of December 5, 2011.

The next item on the agenda, Appointment of Deputy Mayor (The Deputy Mayor was not Appointed by the Honorable Mayor Noramie F. Jasmin at this Meeting).

**ADJOURNMENT
CLOSING PRAYER BY REVEREND FRITZ R. MOODIE**

RESOLVED, that the meeting of the Spring Valley Board of Trustees is hereby adjourned to Tuesday, December 13, 2011, at eight o'clock in the evening.

Respectfully submitted,
Sherry M. Scott
Village Clerk