

The Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Cedarhurst was held March 9, 2026, at Village Hall, 200 Cedarhurst Avenue, Cedarhurst, NY 11516 at 8:00 P.M.

Present after roll call: Mayor:	Benjamin Weinstock
Trustees:	Eric G. Brown (remote)
	Myrna Zisman
	Israel Wasser
	Daniel Plaut (excused)
Village Attorney:	Evan Newman
Village Clerk-Treasurer:	Jacob Plaut
Sup't of Buildings:	Wayne Yarnell

Village Trustee Ziman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Weinstock reported the unexpected passing of Annmarie Smith's husband, Thomas Smith. Trustee Brown spoke of Tom's passing and offered condolences on behalf of the Village.

Trustee Wasser offered condolences on the passing of Rabbi Dovid Spiegel. Rabbi Spiegel was a pillar of the community since 1970 and touched countless lives through his leadership and will be greatly missed.

Trustee Wasser announced the birth of Village Clerk-Treasurer Plaut's son and offered congratulations to the entire Plaut family.

Village Clerk-Treasurer Plaut took roll call, all were present, Trustee Plaut was excused.

On motion of Trustee Zisman, seconded by Trustee Wasser, the following reports for the month of January/February 2026 were unanimously accepted:

Nassau County Police Department (January only)
Lawrence-Cedarhurst Fire Department
Village Justice Andrew Goldsmith
Associate Justice Christina Sardo

On motion of Trustee Wasser, seconded by Trustee Zisman, payment was approved of all properly audited vouchers, except as noted in the Board Audit dated March 9, 2026, covering the period from February 7, 2026, through March 9, 2026.

On motion of Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Zisman, the Board Meeting Minutes of February 6, 2026, were adopted.

The Village Clerk-Treasurer Plaut presented the certified bid tabulation for Parking Field #10 Expansion Project (Bid No. TI-2026-002), reflecting the bids received and publicly opened on February 6, 2026.

Upon motion duly made by Trustee Brown and seconded by Trustee Zisman, the Board of Trustees reviewed and accepted the certified bid tabulation subject to review of insurance as

submitted by the Village Clerk-Treasurer Plaut and adopted Resolution No. 2026-04 awarding the contract to Watral Brothers, Inc, having been determined to be the lowest responsible bidder in the best interest of the Village.

On motion of Trustee Zisman, seconded by Trustee Wasser Resolution No. 2026-05 appointing Daniella Portillo as Parking Enforcement Officer was adopted

Mayor Weinstock announced public hearing – Local Law 2026-01 amending Chapter 211. (permitting electronic signs for non-profit uses)[copy attached]

On motion of Trustee Wasser, seconded by Trustee Zisman the hearing was closed and the Local Law was adopted.

Mayor Weinstock asked Village Attorney Evan Newman to announce public hearings to amend Local Law 2026-02 Amending Chapter 265. Zoning: Article I. Terminology 1. Definitions; Word Usage and Public Hearing – Local Law 2026-03- Amending Chapter 265. Zoning: Article X General Business District 86. Permitted Use. (permitting a children’s play place in limited areas of the general business district.) [copy attached]

On motion of Trustee Wasser, seconded by Trustee Zisman the hearing was closed and the Local Laws were adopted.

Mayor Weinstock addressed the Board regarding a flyer received from the 4th Precinct regarding electric scooters and e-bicycles. This flyer states that electric scooters and e-bicycles as well as non-electric scooters and bicycles are not permitted on sidewalks. Mayor Weinstock stated that we will be publishing this flyer on our website and hopefully increase the safety in our Village.

Avi Benmordechai of 595 West Broadway, Cedarhurst NY addressed the Board. Mr. Benmordechai said he would like the Board to expand the list of professions permitted to operate in a residential zone to include an LCSW so that he can conduct his business as a clinical psychotherapist in his home. Mayor Weinstock explained that the Board would listen to what Mr. Benmordecai had to say, but since he is requesting an amendment of a Local Law and the matter was not advertised for a public hearing, the Board cannot take action at this meeting. The Mayor further explained that the Board is aware that a case is pending before the Village Justice Court on a violation that occurred at 595 West Broadway and nothing said by the Board this evening would directly affect the disposition of the pending violation.

Former LCFD Chief Meyer Adler came before the Board to commend the Village on the snow removal from the most recent snowstorm.

There being no further business before the Board, on motion of Trustee Zisman, seconded by Trustee Wasser, the meeting was duly adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Jacob Plaut
Village Clerk-Treasurer

Local Law 2026-02

§ 265-1 Definitions

CHILDREN'S PLAY PLACE — An indoor facility, contained entirely within an approved building or structure, intended primarily for the recreational, imaginative, or developmental play of children, which may include playground equipment, climbing structures, slides, ball pits, interactive play elements, or supervised imaginative play activities. The term shall not include outdoor play areas, arcades, indoor sport facilities or simulators or facilities primarily offering food service, retail sales, or entertainment uses not incidental to children's play.

Local Law 2026-03

§ 265-86 Permitted uses.

(27)

A Children's Play Place, as defined in § 265-1 of this chapter, if contained within an approved building or structure, provided that: (a) such use shall not be located on the ground floor of any building located on Central Avenue or Cedarhurst Avenue; and (b) on-site off-street parking is provided in compliance with the parking requirements applicable to new commercial buildings under § 265-94 of this chapter.

Local Law 2026-01

PROPOSED NEW SECTION § 211-5(F)

Electronic Message Signs for Nonprofit Organizations in the General Business Zone

The following provisions shall govern the display of electronic message signs by eligible nonprofit organizations located within the General Business Zone along Central Avenue, and shall constitute a new Subsection F of § 211-5 of the Code of the Village of Cedarhurst:

(a) Eligible Organizations.

An electronic message sign may be erected and maintained only by a nonprofit organization, school, or religious institution duly recognized under applicable federal or New York State law, provided such organization is located within the General Business Zone of the Village of Cedarhurst.

(b) Permitted Content.

The content displayed on any such sign shall be limited to:

- (1) Information relating to the organization's schedule, programs, services, events, and activities.
- (2) The name(s) of sponsors or donors who have contributed to the organization, subject to the limitations set forth in Subsection F(c) below.
- (3) General public interest announcements consistent with the organization's nonprofit purpose.

(c) Donor and Sponsor Recognition.

Donor or sponsor names may be displayed within the overall dimensions of the sign as specified in Subsection F(d). In no event shall donor or sponsor recognition constitute a commercial advertisement for a for-profit enterprise.

(d) Sign Dimensions, Height, and Location.

- (1) Maximum Size. The maximum dimensions of the sign shall be fifty-four (54) inches in height and seventy-two (72) inches in width, measured from the outermost edge of the sign cabinet or frame.
- (2) Maximum Height. No portion of the sign shall extend more than seven (7) feet above the average finished grade at the base of the sign.
- (3) Setback. The sign shall not be located within ten (10) feet of any property line.
- (4) Orientation. The face of the electronic display shall be oriented parallel to the street frontage of the property and shall not be angled or directed toward adjacent residential properties or intersections.

(e) Display and Operation.

- (5) The sign's displayed content may change no more than three (3) times per hour.
- (6) The sign shall be visual only. No loudspeakers, audio output, or sound-generating devices of any kind shall be attached to or operated in conjunction with such sign.
- (7) No flashing, blinking, scrolling, or animated content shall be permitted except for the permitted content transitions occurring no more than three (3) times per hour, in compliance with § 211-3(A) of this chapter.

- (8) The sign shall be illuminated only during the organization's normal operating hours and shall be extinguished no later than 10:00 p.m., or at such other hours as the Village Board may establish as a condition of the permit.

(f) Prohibitions.

The following are expressly prohibited:

- (1) Commercial advertising of any kind, including advertising for any for-profit business, product, or service.
- (2) Any content that causes annoyance to neighboring properties or constitutes a distraction to motorists, as determined by the Village Board.
- (3) Illumination, glare, or reflection directed toward any public street, sidewalk, or adjacent premises in a manner that constitutes a traffic hazard or nuisance.
- (4) Any content unrelated to the eligible organization's nonprofit purposes or events.

(g) Permit Required; Village Board Approval.

No electronic message sign shall be erected, installed, or operated under this section without first obtaining a permit approved by the Village Board of Trustees. The Village Board shall have full discretion to approve, deny, or impose conditions upon any application, including but not limited to conditions governing hours of operation, content categories, brightness levels, and the size and placement of any donor recognition display.

Applications shall be submitted to the Building Official and shall include the information required under § 211-7 of this chapter, together with such additional information as the Village Board may require. The Village Board may refer applications to the Board of Architectural Review prior to action.

Permits issued under this section shall be subject to annual renewal and may be revoked by the Village Board upon a finding that the permittee has failed to comply with any provision of this section or any condition of the permit, following notice and an opportunity to be heard.

(h) Compliance with Other Provisions.

All signs permitted under this section shall comply with the general regulations set forth in § 211-3 of this chapter and all other applicable provisions of this Code, except to the extent expressly modified herein.