

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – September 6, 2022**

The monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters held on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Drive, Brightwaters, NY, conducted in person as well as Facebook live with the following officers present:

John J. Valdinì	Mayor
Thomas Zepf	Deputy Mayor
Michael Dopsovic	Trustee
Mary Del Vecchio	Trustee
Patrick Fawcett	Trustee
Nicole Rhodes	Clerk – Treasurer
Charles Casolaro	Village Attorney
Bob O'Shea	Building Inspector
John Catania	DPW Foreman

At 7:30 pm, Mayor John J. Valdinì called the meeting to order followed by a salute to the flag and a moment of silence for those who served our country and passed.

**Approve** previous Board Minutes from July 11<sup>th</sup> & August 1<sup>st</sup> 2022.

Motion: Mayor Valdinì	Second: Trustee Del Vecchio
Vote: 5 ayes	0 nays

Suffolk County Police Department: - Quiet month with just a couple of domestic incidents. No larcenies. Keep up the good work with locking your car doors. A meeting will be held with the Police before Halloween to discuss the plans for Halloween night. Last year it was a pleasant experience.

### **Trustee Fawcett – Special Projects**

- Received the DEC Permit today and the spraying of lilies will be done soon. There will be a meeting on 9/17 at 9AM by the bridges to discuss the lakes, bridges and other topics in that area.
- A lot of residents have been requesting memorial benches in the village. It might be a better idea to donate Adirondack chairs near Gilbert Park to have down there.

### **Trustee Dopsovic – Highway Department**

- The Highway Department is getting ready for the fall. Cleaning the leaves and debris from the drain. We will be renting a vac truck to clean drains soon. The Equipment and Vehicles are being maintained so that we are prepared for the winter.

### **Trustee Del Vecchio – Celebrations**

- The fall Block Party is Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at the 4 corners in the downtown of Village. That is Columbus Day weekend.
- Garage Sale this fall is in Wohseepee Park as well as at resident's homes. There will be food trucks in the park and live music while you shop.
- The Witches / Warlocks Paddle in the canal is Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Ragamuffin Halloween Parade is on the Sunday evening the day before Halloween.

**Deputy Mayor Zepf – Code Enforcement**

- One of our Code Officers resigned but 2 new ones were hired.
- Suffolk County Police is monitoring the stop signs and are showing presence in the village.
- Be careful with driving and speeding as children are at bus stops now that schools are open.

**Mayor's Report – Mayor Valdini:**

- We've had requests for evening hours for dogs off leashes at Gilbert Park. The Board will discuss at next working meeting.
- We have plenty of cameras at Wohseepee and there are no dogs allowed at that park.
- Garden Club did the downtown boxes and they look great. Thank you to Anne Shierant.
- September 17<sup>th</sup> is the Lakes/Bridges Meeting by the bridges.
- Upper Cascade Bridge was rated 4 by NYS which fell to a poor condition while in the reconstruction phase. We just got our report back and are happy to announce we are back to being in good condition and rate at a 5. We are still concerned about heavy trucks and busses going over the bridges which is why the Board is considering making it a pedestrian only bridge.
- This Friday at 5pm the Scouts will be at the top of the canal to put 3,000 flags in the grass to honor those who perished in the September 11<sup>th</sup> terrorist attacks in 2001.
- The Board will be hiring a company to install new beach grass at the end of the concourse.
- Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 7PM the Planning Board will be holding a meeting on the rezoning of the Orinoco Corridor. A flyer will be going out in the mail with more information on that. We encourage residents to attend the meeting.
- The Art Council Meeting went well and they will have a booth at the Village Block Party to get residents to join.

**Presentation by Junior Jenson, Co-Founder of Trellus (Same-Day Local Delivery):**

Trellus presented their company and services to the Village Board and residents on how they can help local businesses thrive with same day delivery services subsidized by ARPA funds that the Village has received from the Federal Government at no cost to the businesses or its customers.

**Permission** to pay Sit Back & Relax \$7,500 for the trimming of bushes around the lakes

Motion: Mayor Valdini                      Second: Deputy Mayor Zepf  
Vote: 5 ayes                                      0 nays

**Permission** to hire Kovacs Security to upgrade existing burglar alarm panel and keypad to install panic buttons under the 3 desks in the amount of \$676 and to install one magnetic lock on the front door with 3 door releases at the desks in the amount of \$895 at Village Office.

Motion: Mayor Valdini                      Second: Trustee Dopsovic  
Vote: 5 ayes                                      0 nays

**Permission** to pay Kalifornia Custom Carpentry in the amount of \$3,300 to repair rotted windowsill at Village Office and install windows.

Motion: Mayor Valdin                      Second: Deputy Mayor Zepf  
Vote: 5 ayes                                  0 nays

**Permission** to pay Diamond Electric for the underground electrical work for the Gazebos in the amount of \$6,800. From 1.5M Canal Bond (Previously approved at the 8/1/22 Meeting under Brightwaters Building Company in error.)

Motion: Mayor Valdin                      Second: Trustee Fawcett  
Vote: 5 ayes                                  0 nays

**Permission** to pay N Romero Home Improvement for Gazebo work: Cement in the exterior side concrete for walkways and power wash roof, chemicals and back truck rent in the amount of \$2,900.

Motion: Mayor Valdin                      Second: Trustee Fawcett  
Vote: 5 ayes                                  0 nays

**Permission** to purchase a spare snow plow and install from Trius Inc. in the amount of \$7,070.

Motion: Mayor Valdin                      Second: Trustee Fawcett  
Vote: 5 ayes                                  0 nays

**Approve** Resolution 5-2022 Authorization for Village to purchase or lease a backhoe. (Price of Backhoe from Malvese Equipment: \$109,186.45 minus trade in -\$25,000, Balance Due \$84,186. Lease for 4 years at \$23,835 a year)

## **RESOLUTION 5-2022**

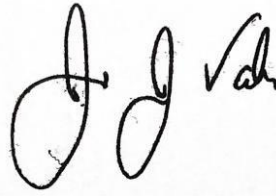
### **AUTHORIZATION FOR VILLAGE TO PURCHASE OR LEASE A BACKHOE**

**WHEREAS**, to maintain the highest level of building and/or construction work and safety in the Village, and to allow the Village Department of Public Works to perform its functions without delay or interruption, the Board of Trustees, therefore, does hereby **RESOLVE**:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Clerk, in consultation with the Mayor, is authorized to either purchase or lease a Backhoe for use by the Department of Public Works and is further authorized to execute all documents necessary to complete said purchase or lease.

**WHEREFOR**, this **RESOLUTION**, is hereby adopted by unanimous vote on September 6, 2022, before a duly constituted meeting of the Board of Trustees, shall be promptly recorded in the Office of the Village Clerk, and made part of the public record.

**JOHN J. VALDINI, Mayor**



Incorporated Village of Brightwaters

Motion to adopt made by: Mayor Valdin

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Zepf

Roll Call Vote:

Deputy Mayor Zepf; Aye

Trustee Dopsovic: Aye

Trustee Fawcett: Aye

Trustee Del Vecchio: Aye

Mayor Valdin: Aye

Motion: Mayor Valdin Second: Trustee Dopsovic

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

**Approval** of Outdoor Public Assembly Permit for Lenora Mulcahy for a Fundraiser for the Lustgarten Foundation at Walker Beach on Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:30AM-11AM.

Motion: Mayor Valdin Second: Deputy Mayor Zepf

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

**Approval** of Outdoor Public Assembly Permit for RaceAwesome for the Northwell Health Great South Bay Run (map attached) on September 28<sup>th</sup> 7:30AM-11AM.

Motion: Mayor Valdin Second: Trustee Dopsovic

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

**Appoint** Bacci Daniels and Desiree Daily as Parking Attendant at a rate of \$16 an hour.

Motion: Mayor Valdin Second: Deputy Mayor Zepf

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

**Approve** Site Plan for 225 Howells Road.

Motion: Mayor Valdin Second: Trustee Fawcett

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

**Motion to Open** Public Hearing on Local Law 8-2022 to amend Section 128-26 Fences, Hedges and Retaining Walls (Paragraph A).

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Motion: Mayor Valdin                      Second: Trustee Fawcett  
Vote: 5 ayes                                  0 nays

Public Comment:

- Carmine Chiapetta of Pine Acres Blvd. – House on Johnson Drive. Is it possible to include side yard?
- Peggy Arcuri of Richland Blvd. – Can fences go right to the property line. Building Inspector answered yes.
- Brian Siegar of Lakeview Avenue E. – can't put fence on 2 front yards would need to go to Zoning Board for a variance.

**Motion to close** Public Hearing.

Motion: Mayor Valdin                      Second: Trustee Del Vecchio  
Vote: 5 ayes                                  0 nays

**Decision Reserved for next meeting.**

**Motion to Open** Public Hearing on Local Law 9-2022 to amend Section 128-6 Permitted Uses (Paragraph E), Public Hearing on Local Law 10-2022 to amend Section 128-32 Building Height (Paragraph E), Public Hearing on Local Law 11-2022 to amend Section 128-40 Garages (Paragraph A).

Motion: Mayor Valdin                      Second: Deputy Mayor Zepf  
Vote: 5 ayes                                  0 nays

Public Comment:

- Trustee Fawcett not in favor of lowering the height to 18ft for Garages (LL #10 Paragraph B)
- Rich Dayhab of Lakeview Avenue N – Upper portion of his garage is like the equivalent to a basement with regards to storage as he can't have a basement due to the water level. Not in favor of lowering the height.
- Resident Joe Pers – Roof pitch max height.

**Motion to close** Public Hearing.

Motion: Mayor Valdin                      Second: Trustee Dopsovic  
Vote: 5 ayes                                  0 nays

**Decision Reserved for next meeting**

**Approve** Treasurer's Report and Abstracts  
**VILLAGE OF BRIGHTWATERS**

**ABSTRACT REPORT FOR BOT September 6, 2022**

Seeking to approve payment on:

Abstracts #4350-4353	vouchers	\$174,428.26
Expense		
NYS Employees Health Insurance - September 2022	\$	24,743.34
Edward & Edward Fence - Gilbert Park Fence	\$	8,500.00
Alpha Carting-July and August Garbage Services	\$	74,272.00

## 9/6/2022 – Board of Trustees Meeting

alan Fricke Memorials-Engraving of Bricks at Gazebos	\$	10,850.00
Income for Period: 7/30/2022-9/6/2022	\$	24,761.79
Cable Franchise Fees/Gross Receipts	\$13,067.48	
Gifts/Donations/Event Income	\$3,953.10	
Building / Plumbing Permits	\$6,173.00	

### **Treasurer's Report**

Cash on Hand as of 9/6/2022

General Fund - BNB	358,176
General Money Market - BNB	50
CLASS General	2,439,820
Total Cash on Hand - General	<b>2,798,047</b>

Capital Fund	210,394
CLASS Capital fund	14,023
Total Cash on Hand - Capital	<b>224,418</b>

Canal Enterprise Fund - BNB	207,730
Canal Savings Fund - BNB	27,140
	<b>234,870</b>

Motion: Mayor Valdin                      Second: Deputy Mayor Zepf  
Vote: 5 ayes                      0 nays

### **Motion to Open to Public:**

Motion: Mayor Valdin                      Second: Trustee Fawcett  
Vote: 5 ayes                      0 nays

### **Public Comment:**

- Peggy Arcuri of Richland Blvd. – Code Officers running plates.
- Rich Dayhab of Lakeview Avenue N – Infrastructure and Lighting in Village. Riverhead holding Public Hearing on Marijuana Dispensary Guidelines. Can we revisit? Pruning job around lakes is not quality.
- Brian Siegar of Lakview Avenue E – Making Lagoon Drive and other narrow roads a one-way.
- Sharon Cimino of Orchard Drive – Code Enforcement fines for dogs off leash and not picking up after dogs. It's becoming a quality of life situation.
- Joseph McDermott of Potter Blvd. – DPW should have done the job Sit Back and Relax was hired to do. DPW Overtime hours. Why isn't the Village doing the Pumpkin Run, he would've helped. Was an email sent out?

### **Adjourn the meeting:**

Motion: Mayor Valdin                      Second: Trustee Dopsovic  
Vote: 5 ayes                      0 nays

Meeting adjourned at 8:50PM.