

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – September 5, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters held on Tuesday, September 5, 2023 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
Nicole Rhodes	Clerk – Treasurer
Charles Casolaro	Village Attorney
Bob O'Shea	Building Inspector
Mike Gralton	DPW Foreman

Absent: Trustee Patrick Fawcett

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 September 5, 2023 & September 18, 2023

Motion: Mayor Valdinì	Second: Trustee Del Vecchio
Vote: 4 ayes	0 nays Absent: Trustee Fawcett

Mayor's Report – Mayor Valdinì:

- *Report from Trustee Fawcett*
 - Battling the lily pads in the lakes and are having the boat back. This is the first year we are doing it and will be monitoring the results.
 - The adirondack chairs that Trustee Fawcett requested at Gilbert Park are now installed for all to enjoy.
 - The shoreline restoration around the lakes will need to be addressed and Trustee Fawcett will organize the help for that. Will probably do about a couple hundred feet at a time.
- Supposed to have the concrete workers in tomorrow and the next couple of days down at the new Highway Building doing the floor of the office area and the garages. We have A/C contractors giving the Village estimates for the air conditioning and heating of the building. Hope to have the building completed by the end of November.
- Planning Board is having another public meeting for the rezoning of the Orinoco Corridor. A flyer will be going out tomorrow on all residents. Please ask any questions in advance if you can't make the meeting.
- Storage Building on Howells Road is proceeding. Once complete, it will be the same as the old building in height wise but flatter. Will also be about 5,000 sq ft less in foot print.
- Flyers will be going out for the upcoming fall events. This Saturday we will be putting flags up at the top of the canal at 9AM in honor of the victims of the 9-11 attacks. We can use some volunteers. Many events are coming up in the village and are always looking for people to help out. Emails, social media posts and flyers will be going out.

Trustee Dopsovic – Highway Department

- Other than the normal maintenance Highway has assisted with the boats in clearing out the lily pads. About 30 loads were taken to the dump.
- Assisted the Landscape company the Village hired to trim around the lakes with the dumping.
- Installed the Adirondack chairs at Gilbert Park.
- Working up on the northside of the village trimming trees.

Trustee Del Vecchio – Celebrations

- Yesterday was the last day that lifeguards were at Walker Beach. We've had more than ever food trucks this year which was super successful. The Mayor will give update on the upcoming fall events.

Deputy Mayor Zepf – Code Enforcement

- School is back in session so do your best to drive slowly and be mindful that it is getting lighter later and darker earlier. Be careful.
- Village Court has been postponed as the court has assigned two court officers to be present during court nights and will be back in session hopefully next week.

Approve the application of Wayne Rottkamp – Lot line modification concerning 161 and 165 Concourse West. Owner of both properties proposes to move the common property line 75 feet to the North. Resulting lots will be fully zoning compliant.

Motion: Mayor Valdin	Second: Trustee Dopsovic
Vote: 4 ayes	0 nays Absent: Trustee Fawcett

Appoint Scott Bentley as Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate Member

Motion: Mayor Valdin	Second: Deputy Mayor Zepf
Vote: 4 ayes	0 nays Absent: Trustee Fawcett

Permission to hire Waterside Contracting Corp. (formerly ConStar) for emergency repair work to Concourse West Jetty consisting of 8x8 walers both sides with thru tie rods 6' on center and end jetty pulled back into position and connected to new walers in the amount of \$15,000. (Use remaining bond balance of \$12,252.92 towards the payment)

Motion: Mayor Valdin	Second: Trustee Dopsovic
Vote: 4 ayes	0 nays Absent: Trustee Fawcett

Permission to pay R. Landscaping in the amount of \$9,900 for trimming and clean up around the lakes from 8/8/23-8/17/23.

Motion: Mayor Valdin	Second: Trustee Dopsovic
Vote: 4 ayes	0 nays Absent: Trustee Fawcett

Approve payment to Pure Lake in the amount of \$9,050 for aquatic weed removal in the lakes. (Work performed August 8-11)

Motion: Mayor Valdin	Second: Trustee Dopsovic
Vote: 4 ayes	0 nays Absent: Trustee Fawcett

Approve Treasurer's report and abstracts
VILLAGE OF BRIGHTWATERS

ABSTRACT REPORT FOR BOT September 5, 2023

Seeking to approve payment on:

Abstracts #4393-4396	vouchers	\$100,126.62
Expense		
Alpha Carting August 2023		\$38,236.00
Weedoo Boats - Mechanical Harvesting of Lakes		\$9,050.00
R. Landscaping - Trimming and clean up around lakes		\$9,900.00

Income for Period: 8/8/2023 - 9/5/2023		\$24,945.32
Village Various Tax Payments 2023-2024	\$5,644.00	
Building/Plumbing Permits/ZBA Fees	\$1,895.00	
Event Income	\$2,085.00	
Cable Franchise Fees	\$11,932.68	
Business Licenses	\$2,060.00	

Treasurer's Report

Cash on Hand as of 9/5/2023

General Fund - BNB	188,496
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General Money Market - BNB	50
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CLASS General	<u>2,617,737</u>
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Total Cash on Hand - General	2,806,283
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Capital Fund	27,921
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CLASS Capital fund	<u>14,625</u>
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Total Cash on Hand - Capital	42,545
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Canal Enterprise Fund - BNB	216,486
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Canal Savings Fund - BNB	12,254
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228,740

Motion: Mayor Valdinì

Vote: 5 ayes

Second: Trustee Dopsovic

0 nays

Absent: Trustee Fawcett

Motion to open meeting to the public.

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

Public Comment:

- Michael Wolfe – 103 Orinoco Dr – Will remedy the broken gate and beat up fences in front of JJ's Landscaping. Will not have a problem at 103 Orinoco Dr.
- Chris Pace of Windsor Avenue – Crosswalk at Windsor near his property. Keep water on and bathrooms open longer down by parks. Follow up on clear cutting of trees on Hiawath none on village property. Mostly bushes and bamboo. Will put in evergreen screening.
- Ed Gaibros of Ackerson – Email of damage at Gilbert Park by golf cart. Liability exposure to the village? Tree Code.
- Brian Morahan of Peters Blvd. – Code Enforcement decline. Need enforcement for trailers, boats and campers parked in driveways. Revise Code.
- Joe Paliseno of Penataquit Dr – Spotted lantern flies / proactive plan.
- Richard Dayhab of Lakeview Ave N – Spotted Lantern Fly. Trees to cut down.
- Sharon Cimino of Orchard Blvd. – Oiling Eggs for free by Christine Miceli, Code for mandating spaying and neutering cats.
- Joe Pers of Lakeview Ave – Can the Board discuss the possibility of hiring Geese Busters at next Working Meeting.
- Michelle Oliveri, Bay Shore Resident – Population Control of Geese is best method, chasing them will only have them return.
- Anne Shierant of Potter Blvd. – Garden Club would help with plantings around the lakes putting in plant types that geese do not like to be part of the solution with the geese.
- Carmine Chiapetta of Pine Acres Blvd. – Lights down on Howells, do we still have insurance policy?
- John Corlito of Lagoon Drive – Orinoco: Improvements at Wolf property. Put up hedge/repair gates.

Adjourn the meeting:

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:15PM.