

1/6/2020 – Board of Trustees Meeting

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – January 6, 2020**

The monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters held on Monday, January 6, 2020 at 7:30pm at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Drive, Brightwaters, NY with the following officers present:

John J. Valdin	Mayor
Thomas Zepf	Deputy Mayor
Michael Dopsovic	Trustee
Parick Fawcett	Trustee
Mary Del Vecchio	Trustee
Charles J. Casolaro	Village Attorney
Carol Posimato	Deputy Clerk
John Catania	DPW Foreman
Anthony Rambazis	Code Supervisor

At 7:30 pm, Mayor John J. Valdin called the meeting to order followed by a salute to the flag and a moment of silence for our troops.

**Approve** minutes of December 2, 2019

Motion: Mayor Valdin      Second: Trustee Fawcett

Vote: 5 ayes   0 Nays

#### **Mayor's Report – Mayor Valdin**

- Wished everyone a Happy New Year and thanked everyone for coming to the first meeting of the year.
- We had a very busy year last year, we renovated the cabin, plaque should be in any day, 25 mph signs we , replaced 4 vehicles in DPW, an infrastructure plan was put together, updated our website, northwest corner was done and we will do the northwest extension in the spring, passed parking requirements for downtown, landscape permit was put in place as well as rental registry permit.
- This coming year we will be focusing on the lakes and bridges. In the coming weeks our Engineer should have the scope of work together so we can get prices for restructuring the two bridges. They are structurally intact but pieces of concrete keep falling into the water so we have to redo the stucco and railings.
- There will be more work planned for downtown as Mamma Santinis will be expanding and submitting plans soon.
- We will spruce up the lifeguard shack at Walker Beach, get a new flagpole. We plan on continuing to improve.

- We will be going out to bid for garbage at the end of this month so we will see what pricing comes in. We are not sure if the current carting company will be bidding.

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

- Projects for next year – as downtown renovations continue we will remove hedges by Sea Levels and put up a feature wall that will give us a nice walkway. Will be speaking to the landlord of Sea Levels to see if they will redo the parking lot and if we put up a gate it can be accessed from the medical building parking lot. The old hardware store is almost complete and this will change the look of that corner. Mamma Santinis will be doing an extension on their building and with the new parking code it will allow us to control what goes there.
- Looking into getting some pricing on landscapers to do some work around village to free up DPW workers to work on other projects needed around the village.
- Continually looking at where we are spending money and where we can save money

#### **Trustee Dopsovic – Highway**

- So far we've been lucky and haven't had any snow which allowed the DPW to keep cleaning up around the village and decorate for the holidays.
- We were able to purchase 2 new pick-up trucks for \$58,000. It was a great deal which came at the right time. These new trucks are replacing 2 very old trucks which literally had the engines fall out. We will be piggybacking off of the county bid to have the lights installed on the new vehicles which will save us some money. The two older vehicles are being sold at bid and should hopefully offset the cost of lights and incidentals.

#### **Trustee Del Vecchio- Celebrations/Events**

- Planning for spring events – the first event is the Easter Egg Hunt. We are working with the Lions Club and plan on having it on Saturday April 11<sup>th</sup>.
- We'd like to have another Lakes Appreciation Day where we close off the roads and have kids bike around the lakes. It was a fun event last year.
- Planning on being more involved with village social media by posting more frequently and possibly starting a village Instagram.

#### **Trustee Zepf – Code Enforcement**

- During the holidays we were lenient with issuing some parking tickets and issuing and code violations but now that the holidays are over, we are out in full force and will continue to educate the residents on village code.
- Landscape permits are in effect. – we will enforce the code starting March. Code Officers during the day are handing out information to landscapers so they are fully informed.
- Working to negotiate the use of the parking lot behind the medical building by sea levels for village parking.

## **Fire Marshall Report**

All Public Assembly and Multiple Dwelling occupancies within the Village of Brightwaters are currently valid and up to date.

Commercial occupancy fire inspections continue in the Village of Brightwaters with subsequent re-inspections having also been conducted to insure that all violations have since been removed.

On Thursday, December 26<sup>th</sup>, at 2030 hrs, there was a request for investigation by the Bay Shore Fire Department. The structure in question was a residence at 544 N. Windsor Dr. and the nature of the call was elevated & dangerous level of Carbon Monoxide. Unfortunately, I was away for the holiday and unable to respond. Fire department personnel and other municipal agencies remedied the incident. However, this most recent incident led to a follow-up meeting with the Chiefs of the Bay Shore Fire Department on Monday, December 30<sup>th</sup>. The subject matter of this meeting was my availability regarding past and future request for investigations. In the immediate future, I would like to further discuss these matters with Mayor Valdini and any other Trustees that may have interest...

Sincerely,

*Matthew Brennan*

Matthew Brennan, Fire Marshal  
Village of Brightwaters

Bay Shore Brightwaters Rescue – Charlie Flood reported the Bay Shore-Brightwaters Ambulance was called into the village 7 times during December. There were 112 calls to Brightwaters for 2019. The board attend the village Trustees working meeting to discuss negotiations.

## **Treasurers Report**

### **VILLAGE OF BRIGHTWATERS**

#### **ABSTRACT REPORT FOR BOT January 6,2020**

Seeking to approve payment on:

Abstracts #4209 -4215	vouchers	\$216,273.05
Alpha Carting -	Dec-19	\$ 27,454.33
NYS Employees	Health Insurance - Jan-20	\$ 22,399.36
Genesee Valley	Ford (2 Pick Up Trucks)	\$ 58,608.80
NYS Retirement Fund 2020 payment		\$ 75,268.00

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Cash on Hand as of 12/2/2019 of 1/6/2020

General Fund - BNB 199,841

General Money Market - BNB 50  
CLASS General 1,328,113

Total Cash on Hand - General	1,528,004
Capital Fund	29,980
CLASS Capital fund	13,885
Total Cash on Hand - Capital	43,865
Canal Enterprise Fund - BNB	90,277

**Approve** Abstracts and Treasurers report

Motion: Mayor Valdinì Second: Trustee Zepf

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

**Public Comments**

- Residents Mary Donnelly & Richard Allegretta of 334 Windsor Ave requested permission to build a “Little Free Library” at Wohseepee Park as a gift to the community. They will be responsible for building it and maintaining it with no cost to the village. Board thinks it will be good idea and suggest residents coordinate with Trustee Del Vecchio to start planning as well as provide specs for village Building Inspector.
- Resident Ed Gabrois 547 Ackerson Blvd. asked what is happening with the generator installation at Village Hall. Foreman Catania informed everyone that we are waiting on approval for a retaining wall to be constructed before the generator can be installed for safety issues. Mr. Gabrois also asked about all the debris on the island on Union Blvd. He was informed that there is an ongoing county project which should be completed by the spring and since it is a county road, they will clean it up. He also inquired about the status of tree permits. Mayor commented that for now we are not rushing into anything. We will enforce code for village trees.

**Adjourn** the meeting

Motion: Mayor Valdinì Second Trustee Del Vechhio

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.