

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – March 4, 2019

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters was held on Monday, March 4, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Dr., Brightwaters, NY, with the following officers present:

John J. Valdini	Mayor
Thomas Zepf	Trustee
Michael Dopsovic	Trustee
Patrick Fawcett	Trustee
Mary Del Vecchio	Trustee
Nicole Rhodes	Clerk – Treasurer
Charles Casolaro	Village Attorney
Anthony Rambazis	Code Supervisor

At 7:30 pm, Mayor Valdini called the meeting to order followed by a salute to the flag and a moment of silence for those serving in the military.

Approval of the Minutes from the Board meetings of February 4, 2019 & February 25, 2019.

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

Code Supervisor Rambazis advised that there has been stop sign enforcement by Suffolk County Police on Orinoco and Montauk Highway. Highway Patrol will not give the Village the heads up if they are enforcing but the 314 car will advise Code when they are enforcing. The Code Supervisor has new office hours on Fridays and has a direct cell phone as well as his email codesupervisor@villageofbrightwaters.com.

Officer Benitz is working well with Code. There has been drug activity at 120 Orinoco at the apartments. The Village has no criminal jurisdiction and the Police can arrest the person if they witness it. It is up to the Landlord to terminate the lease.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Valdini:

- The Tentative Budget Hearing will be 4/1/2019 and will be made available to the public on 3/18/19
- A Public Hearing will be held on April 1st to reduce the speed limit to 25mph on North Windsor Avenue; South Windsor Avenue; Windsor Avenue; Concourse W & Concourse E.
- An email went out to residents requesting feedback on where they feel a stop sign is needed in the village. The Board has collected all the information and will review.
- The Village's new and improved website has launched and available for the public to view.
- Easter Egg Hunt will be changed to Saturday afternoon at 3pm. It will be expanded to more of an event with crafts for the kids along with the hunt.
- Starting to get some pricing on repairing the concrete, stucco and railings for the bridges at the lakes. Structurally they are fine but in need of repair.
- Craig Low's Master Capital report is just about done and will be made available to the public.
- Tree preservation program we hope to have going by the Spring.
- The Rental Registration Law will be effective soon. Anyone who rents out their single-family home needs to register with the village.
- In need of a Camp Director. Please spread the word. We have it on the website.

Trustee Fawcett – Special Projects

- Multiple Projects that the village is looking into and are in the process of prioritizing them. Looking to improve the quality of the village. Looking into the roads, parks and at the hedges around the gazebos.

Trustee Dopsovic – Highway

- Thanked John Catania, Highway Foreman for the cleanup from the last couple of storms that came through. Last night's snow was light and DPW just salted the roads and the two snow falls before that required plowing. The Village got a way with minimal overtime for snow plowing this year.
- The wind storms caused a few trees to come down and DPW are also cleaning up branches.
- DPW is finishing up the cleanup the debris and leaves around the lakes.

Trustee Del Vecchio – Celebrations/Events

- In the following week Trustee Del Vecchio will be putting things into place for Lakes Day which will be May 19th from 10am-2pm. She will be reaching out to young volunteers from ages 12 and up to help hand out flyers on March 23rd to the homes surrounding the lakes. The purpose is to get the households involved with the event. The event will have casual activities, music, etc.

Trustee Zepf – Code Enforcement

- Department has been pretty quiet. The March schedule is all covered.
- The new Code Car is running great.
- Code Officer, Dennis Gartland suggested keeping a life ring in the code vehicles. If someone fell in the canal, right now the vehicle is not equipped for that so we will be ordering them as soon as possible.
- 2019 Parking Stickers are available through Code.
- As always, keep car doors locked to help alleviate vehicle theft.

Fire Marshall's Report

As of this report, all permits for 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. Subsequent re-inspections having also been conducted to insure that all violations have since been removed.

There were no request for investigation of fire by the Bay Shore Fire Department during the past month.

Noted below and on the attached page and pursuant to Part 434 of Title 19 of the New York State Secretary of State Rules and Regulations, noted below is a list of specific classes attended at the recent Code Enforcement Official's Conference of which have been applied to my required NYS In-Service training hours for the coming year. Additional trainings will be required and will be completed this coming April;

49-6892 Course Code:

- **Cold Weather Masonry Construction – Energy Code**

49-6893 Course Code:

- **Masonry Job Site Troubleshooting, 10 Things You Really Need to Know - Energy Code**

49-6884 Course Code:

- **Air Sealing for Success with the Blower Door**

49-7125 Course Code

- **Locks, Latches and the Fire Code**

49-6461 Course Code:

- **Oxygen and the Fire Code**

49-6966 Course Code:

- **Fire Resistance-Rated Construction & Preventing Penetrations - 2015 IBC**
49-6382 Course Code:
- **Division of Building Standards & Codes Update**
49-6999 Course Code:
- **Code Enforcement Official and Disaster Response, PART 1**
49-6999 Course Code:
- **Code Enforcement Official and Disaster Response, PART 2**
49-7009 Course Code:
- **Fire Resistive and Fire Rated Assemblies with Wood I-Joists**
49-7111 Course Code:
- **Installation and Inspection of Engineered Wood**

Sincerely,

Matthew Brennan

Matthew Brennan, Fire Marshal
Village of Brightwaters

Stop Signs: Clerk Rhodes, compiled a list of suggested stop signs from our residents and handed them out to the audience. Mayor Valdini asked the audience to review it and if anyone had any feedback or comments to speak up.

STOP SIGNS SUGGESTED BY RESIDENTS (More than one suggestion = *)

- Orinoco Drive & Pine Acres *
- Pine Acres & Mohawk *
- Windsor & Lagoon *
- Concourse E & Lagoon *
- Hiawatha & Ackerson *
- Mohawk & Ackerson *
- Orinoco & Windsor (Full 4 way stop) *
- Hiawatha & Richland *
- Concourse E & Windsor Place *
- Potter Blvd & Iroquois Dr (4 way stop) *
- Concourse E at every cross street
- Pine Dr & Wohseepee
- Lawrence Dr. & Lagoon
- Orinoco & Ackerson
- Lawrence & Lakeview Ave W
- Wohseepee & Pine
- Iroquois Dr & Ackerson
- Woodland Dr & Johnson Dr
- Pine Acres & Mohawk
- Brooklyn & Penataquit
- Manatuck & Penataquit
- Shore Road W at S Bay or Bayway

Resident Kelly of Iroquois Drive said that the enforcement would make such a difference. Trustee Dopsovic advised that we are working with the Suffolk County Police. Resident Kelly also added that the village may want to look into speed humps. Attorney Charles Casolaro added that NYS DOT prohibits speed humps on roads with speed limits of 25 mph (39km/h) or higher. The Mayor advised the Clerk to check with Patchogue village as they have speed humps. Resident Jodie McNulty added that Islandia and Lake Grove have them and they work well. Resident Carmine Chiappetta suggested that issues with the roadways should be professionally managed and evaluated by a traffic study.

Cabin Update: A week from today the inside walls will be gutted. We are waiting for a permit to remove the floor as the floor has asbestos in it. We can demo the interior walls without disturbing the floor. Aiming to go full steam starting April 1st. Resident Jodie McNulty asked what happens if we don't receive enough donations for the project. The Mayor said right now he has the resources to get the job done. Resident Ann Shiron was concerned about the deck coming off of the building and creating more loitering and would prefer a patio. The Mayor said that there will be a lot more presence of Code Enforcement at the Park. The rules for the cabin will be complete by April 1st and he cabin fee will go up along with a clean-up fee. Trustee Fawcett advised that there will also be more lighting. The Mayor said that the goal is to have the project completed by Memorial Day weekend. Also, looking to improve and enhance the parking that is there already. One resident mentioned to honor something at the in the village to a Brightwater's resident Steven James Prescott, who was killed in the Vietnam War. It's been 50 years and it would be a shame to let his memory be forgotten. The Board thought it would be appropriate to dedicate the flag to him.

Permission to pay Rosemar Contracting Corp. final payment for Concourse W Paving & Drainage Project in the amount of \$27,270.

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

Approve Treasurer's Report and Abstracts

VILLAGE OF BRIGHTWATERS

ABSTRACT REPORT FOR BOT March 4, 2019

Seeking to approve payment on:

Abstracts #4150 - #4153	vouchers	\$71,183.25
Alpha Carting - February 2019		\$ 27,454.33
Employee Benefits Division - Health Insurance March 2019		\$ 18,937.52

Treasurer's Report

Cash on Hand as of 3/1/2019		
General Fund - BNB		131,930
General Money Market - BNB		50
CLASS General		903,670
	Total Cash on Hand - General	1,035,651
Capital Fund		104,530
CLASS Capital fund		13,652
	Total Cash on Hand - Capital	118,182
Canal Enterprise Fund - BNB		66,976
Charitable Reserve Fund for Cabin Restoration - BNB		9,339

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

Code Vehicle: The Mayor advised that the Village has received some negative comments about the purchase of the new Code Car. Over the last two years the repairs for the hybrid code vehicles equaled \$16,000. It was time to purchase a new Code Car. The 2014 Subaru is up on Municibid and will be sold to the highest bidder. It is in need of a \$9,000 transmission and \$600 battery. The thought was right to be green but these cars have become very costly. The new Code Vehicle suits its purpose.

NYS Budget Cuts to Municipalities: The Board is in the middle of reviewing the budget. There have been a lot of cuts from the State. The Governor has put his proposed budget out and it eliminated Aid Incentives to Municipalities as well as Extreme Winter Recovery cuts. Our Senator Phil Boyle is not in the position to award us with grants as he did in the past as he is not in the majority anymore. We usually get about \$100,000 from him which we will not see this year. We are hoping with the report that Craig Low has put together our grant writer can use it as a tool and reference when applying for grants.

Public Comment:

- Resident Wayne Rockcamp advised that after the work was done on Concourse West they moved the poles down and the pole that was in front of the Ackerson Building is gone. The base is still there. The Mayor advised that we will look into it and order a new one if necessary. The resident also asked about the status of the Ackerson Building. Attorney Charles Casolaro advised that the building no longer enjoys a commercial status and has reverted back to a residential use. They can however have a home office if desired. No applications have come before the Board.
- Resident Ed Gabros has suggested to have a section on the website to let residents sell stuff they are getting rid of. The Board advised that there are other platforms such as Facebook that allows this feature and does not feel the website is the appropriate place to sell.
- Resident Chiappetta was inquiring about 103 Orinoco Drive for resident Jason Ruggiere. The tractor trailers are still creating loud noises throughout the night. Code Supervisor is working on it and have more Code presence in the early morning hours to witness any the noise violations. Code Supervisor Rambazis has advised that there have been no violations in the last 3 weeks. Attorney Charles Casolaro advised that it is not an easy solution as they are functioning a business but the village is addressing the issues. Thus far they've been cooperative after they came before the court. Going forward if this changes the village will actively address the violations. Unfortunately, they've been allowed to remain and operate like this for decades. The Planning Board is working on changing the Code and slowly enacting legislation to change this.

Adjourn: Motion: Mayor Valdinì Second: Trustee Fawcett
Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Meeting adjourned 8:30 PM