

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – January 5, 2015

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters was held on Monday January 5, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Drive, Brightwaters, NY, with the following officers present:

Joseph McDermott	Mayor
Diane Urso	Trustee
Christian Sullivan	Trustee
Bernadette Whitwell	Trustee
Laurie Elliott	Trustee
John P. Finnerty, Esq.	Village Attorney

At 8:00 pm, Mayor McDermott called the meeting to order followed by a salute to the flag and a moment of silence for our Armed Forces.

Approval of the Minutes from the Board meeting of December 14, 2014 and work session December 15, 2014.

Motion: Trustee Urso

Second: Trustee Elliott

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Suffolk County Police Department 3rd Precinct –Officer White came up to answer any questions. He said there were 83 calls for Service within the Village for the month of December. A few damage to vehicles and property (four incidents). No one has been apprehended in the Gemaginations incident.

Mayor's Report:

- Highway DPW Building: has been demolished and removed. Photos are available if anyone would like to see them. Building was infested with raccoon feces and mold.
- Vacuum Truck Demonstration: Tom Crowley from Jack Doheny Companies came by to speak with the Clerk about possibly renting a vacuum truck to clean the drains in the Village. The Mayor was in the office and the representative had brought a new truck with him and asked if we would like to have a demonstration. The Mayor, DPW Foreman and the representative jetted drains on Peters Boulevard.
- Lights on Cascade: Many people have been involved and the process has been taking a little longer than expected. Trustee Whitwell has obtained prices in the poles and lights. Now we are waiting for price quotes on the installation. The Village is taking the right steps to get the best prices and agreement of all parties involved.

Code Enforcement – Trustee Sullivan

We have hired a new Code Enforcement Supervisor. There were six applicants, of which three were interviewed. The final decision was to select Al Dumala, a former Code Enforcement Officer for the Village and member of the Neighborhood Watch Committee, for the position. He will be doing two or three patrols a week as well as administrative functions. He will be making check lists and scheduling and developing policies for day-to-day operations and special events.

The concerns expressed to the Village Code Enforcement this month have involved improper use of buildings on Orinoco, extra attention at bus stops, loose dogs and minibikes.

New equipment will be distributed this week – new cell phones and a tablet.

Graffiti on Johnson Drive has been addressed by the DPW.

Final engagement meeting for NY Rising will take place on Thursday, January 15th at the Fifth Avenue Fire House. We will hear in several months which projects have been selected.

Administration – Trustee Elliott

The Clerk and I met with Chief Charles Smith of the Bay Shore Fire Department in preparation for the Public Hearing tonight. It was a very productive meeting discussing the budget pressures the Fire Department is under to replace aging equipment. Chief Smith mentioned that any resident is allowed to attend the budget meetings for the Fire Department, even residents of Brightwaters, who are not able to vote on their budget.

The Village will be updating the Procurement Policy to include Purchasing Cards.

Lakes and Parks – Trustee Urso

We had a great month with Holiday activities starting after Thanksgiving with photos with Santa, the Tree lighting, the Menorah lighting and the new activity: caroling which will hopefully become a new tradition.

At the end of February, early March, there will be a Parks Committee meeting to bring some new ideas to the Committee. Please contact me if you have interest in planning for the spring and summer months.

Highway Department – Trustee Whitwell

The DPW has been preparing for the winter snow season. Trucks have been checked and supplies have been ordered.

We will have to wait for a break in the weather to rent the vacuum truck and start addressing the drains.

A light fixture has been selected for the Cascades and Downtown area. It is called the Battery Park. It is dark sky compliant and LED. We are getting quotes from Magniflood and Sentry lighting for the fixtures.

A note on the historical side of the Village: Jane Arbeiter is looking to organize an event to discuss and celebrate the history of Brightwaters.

Appointment: Motion to appoint Alexander Dumala as Code Enforcement Supervisor. This is a non-exempt part-time position of at will employment.

Motion: Trustee Urso
Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Second: Trustee Sullivan

Open Public Hearing to Adopt the Bay Shore Fire Department Contract:

Motion: Trustee Sullivan
Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Second: Trustee Elliott

Actual contract amount is \$212,697 which is a 7.8255% increase over last year. The insurance portion, of which the Fire Department has no control, is \$ 24,903, which is 5% more than last year. Total is \$ 237,600. Discussion ensued that the numbers are based on residences. There is no negotiation and going forward residents might want to attend the Fire Department budget hearings. Trustee Elliott is working on obtaining a per residence cost.

Resident Robert Hulse, 555 Potter Boulevard, spoke as a long-time member of the Fire Department. He mentioned some of the facts and figures regarding the Fire Department costs. He spoke about the ISO rating, which is a contributing factor to the insurance portion. The Bay Shore Fire Department is highly rated resulting in more reasonable insurance costs. He compared the cost of Fire coverage to the cost of the Library and other taxes the residents pay.

Resident Councilman John Cochrane, Woodland Drive, mentioned that Ron Devine, the Assessor for the Town of Islip, compares all the other Fire budgets to ensure that all the districts are charging an equivalent amount. The response time for using the Bay Shore Fire District versus Islip is what makes the difference.

Resident Sharon Cimino shared that they have a child with special needs and was required to communicate this with the local Fire Department. When she contacted them, she was asked a series of comprehensive questions to document the physical location of her child should an emergency occur. She urged anyone with special needs residents to contact the Fire Department and register them.

Motion to close Public Hearing on the Bay Shore Fire District Contract

Motion: Trustee Urso
Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Second: Trustee Elliott

Motion to adopt the 2015 Bay Shore Fire District Contract:

Motion: Trustee Urso
Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Second: Trustee Elliott

Motion to call for Public Hearing: On February 2nd, 2015 to hold a Public Hearing on Local Law no. 1 of 2015 to amend Village Code Article V section 119-11: Penalties for Offenses on Regulated Parking.

Motion: Trustee Sullivan
Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Second: Trustee Urso

Permission to enter into Agreement with Govpay.net : This company would allow the Justice Court to accept credit cards for tickets. The convenience fee would be paid by the card holder and there would be no cost to the Village.

Motion: Trustee Elliott
Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Second: Trustee Whitwell

Authorization to go to bid for Street Lighting Maintenance: The current contract has expired and the Village would like to go to bid on the contract.

Motion: Trustee Elliott Second: Trustee Urso
Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Approval of the Treasurer's Budget Modification:

Motion: Trustee Elliott Second: Trustee Whitwell
Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Revenue: Increase Budget Amount

A2025 Special Recreation - Beach Passes	1,720.00
A1585 Other Public Safety Dept income	1,390.90
A3089 State Aid - Other	3,680.25

Expenses:

Decrease Budget Amount

A1420.445 Village Attmy: Litigation	<u>6,166.85</u>
	12,958.00

Increase Budget Amount

A1410.417 Village Clerk Computer Svcs & Supplies	1,500.00
A1620.414 Buildings Misc. Expense	150.00
A1620.425 Buildings Supplies	1,000.00
A1640.414 Highway - Misc Supplies	3,000.00
A3310.428 Traffic Signs	300.00
A3620.414 CEO Uniforms	300.00
A3620.427 CEO Towing	75.00
A5010.417 Highway - computer services	150.00
A6410.440 Publicity - Ceremonies	3,000.00
A7110.410 Gilbert Park Water	200.00
A8140.425 Drainage Supplies	100.00
A9040.8 Worker's Compensation Insurance	<u>3,183.00</u>
	12,958.00

Approval of Abstracts and Treasurer's Report:

Motion: Trustee Urso Second: Trustee Elliott
Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

ABSTRACT REPORT FOR BOT January 5, 2015

General Fund

ABSTRACT #	Date	# of Vouchers	Abstract Amount
3904	11/20/2014	18	9,544.21
3905	12/3/2014	17	48,354.94
3906	12/11/2014	14	12,278.21
3907	12/12/2014	1	3,341.41
3908	12/15/2014	6	900.00
3909	12/16/2014	24	12,724.16
3910	12/30/2014	1	2,143.00
3911	12/30/2014	28	67,540.19
Prepaid 3911	12/30/2014	1	400.00
	Total	110	157,226.12

Trust & Agency

ABSTRACT #	Date	# of Vouchers	Abstract Amount
398	11/25/2014	1	28.00
399	11/25/2014	1	324.20

Treasurer's Report

November-14

General Account Disbursements	\$287,839.08
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Includes checks 9115 through 9195 and transfers to other Village accounts

Trust & Agency Account Disbursements	\$17,747.06
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Includes checks 3081 through 3082 and electronic tax payments

Payroll Account Disbursements	\$145,866.87
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Open Meeting:

- The Mayor mentioned that the Village is in possession of two electric vehicles that they no longer need. If anyone is interested in these vehicles, please contact the Village.
- Removal of trash cans by the Lakes. Suggestion made to replace with smaller cans to avoid residential trash from being deposited.
- Rental of a sifter to clean up the sand at the Beach.
- Village website update – February.
- Pot hole on Iroquois.
- Stop signs on Howells road between Jon Thomas Inne and Lombardy.
- Lake erosion should be made a priority.

Meeting adjourned 9:20 PM

Approximately 25 people in attendance.