

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – May 2, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters was held on Monday, May 2nd, 2016 at 8:00 p.m. at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Dr., Brightwaters, NY, with the following officers present:

Joseph McDermott	Mayor
Diane Urso	Trustee
Christian Sullivan	Trustee
Bernadette Whitwell	Trustee
Laurie Elliott	Trustee
Charles Casolaro	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 April 4, 2016 and April 18, 2016.

Motion: Trustee Elliott Second: Trustee Sullivan

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Suffolk County Police Department 3rd Precinct – Officer Bennes: Over the last month there have been some larcenies and criminal mischief but not much more. Reminder not to leave valuables in the car even if it is for five minutes. No updates on recent car break ins. Very difficult to get finger prints. Summer is coming and bicycle thefts usually go up. Please lock up your bicycles. Reminder that the false alarm system fines will start to take effect. If you have multiple alarms, you will be fined so have your alarm system checked.

Mayor's Report:

- Good news: the Village has been rated by Standard & Poor's with a AA Stable which means when we go to bond, interest rates will be low. This did not happen by accident. There was hard work by the office staff and the Board of Trustees in the last two years with fiscal monitoring and financial policies including fund balance. For us to go from the New York State fiscal stress watch list to this point is heading in the right direction. We were anxiously waiting this report to show how this hard work paid off. Thank you to the Clerk and the Board.
- A recap of the last meeting on April 18th:
 - The 2016-17 Village Budget was adopted. There were no changes from the preliminary budget that was presented earlier and resulted in an actual tax increase of 2.2%
 - The resolution for the Village election on June 21, 2016 was adopted
 - A public meeting was called for June 6th to discuss ZBA fee changes

Code Enforcement – Trustee Sullivan

- There were 50 calls to the SCPD, Majority were alarms, 10 domestic calls and disturbances, smell of gas, car blasting radio at Walker, Our code enforcement issued 104 summonses and 3 violations, two of which are in progress. We received 3 separate calls this month regarding car rifling. One call came through the Neighborhood Watch but we don't know who placed the call or if they filed a police report. We encourage people to call the police if someone has trespassed on their property or went through the

cars. The SCPD report does not reflect this trend of car break-ins because people don't report it. There are one or two homeless people walking through the Village. We are dealing with owners that have graffiti. The second patrol car will start at the end of May for Friday and Saturday nights. This will split the shift into two areas: North of Union Blvd and South of Union Blvd. We had positive results from this last year and will continue this year.

Administration – Trustee Elliott

- We are very happy with the AA rating. The Official Statement for the bond sale is on line, It is over 70 pages if anyone would like to read it.
- The document scanning has been completed and the originals are stored in the basement for historical purposes. Everyone in the office is extremely pleased with the ability to access all of the files electronically. The ZBA files are next to go out for scanning which will make it much easier to find prior decisions.
- We are now taking credit cards for taxes. If you want to pay taxes with your credit card, you will have to call or come in to Village Hall. We do not have the on-line ability yet. There is a sliding scale of fees that are collected by the credit card company of approximately 3%.
- The garbage pick up will take electronic waste on recycling days. Please do not bag the electronic waste so it is easily identified.

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. Most recently, the "Public Assembly Permit" for the following occupancy are being processed;

- 120 Orinoco Dr. / Henry Dittmer (Multiple Dwelling Permit)
- 201-203 Orinoco Dr. / Mama Santana (Public Assembly Permit)

Commercial Occupancy Fire inspections have continued in the Village of Brightwaters since my last report, with subsequent re-inspections having also been conducted to insure that all violations have since been removed.

The proposed (AFA & Sprinkler) plans pertaining to the new construction of a *Self-Storage Facility* to be located on Orinoco Dr. have been reviewed. Required additions and modifications to the afore-mentioned plans are being addressed with the property developer and respective contractors.

During the past month, there were no request for investigations of fire from the Bay Shore Fire Department.

Sincerely,

Matthew Brennan

Matthew Brennan, Fire Marshal

Village Of Brightwaters

Highway Department – Trustee Whitwell

- The DPW staff is working on the spring plantings.
- The staff assisted National Grid with the mulch spreading.
- There will be tree spraying this month at Wohseepee Park to prevent the caterpillar infestation.
- DPW participated in safety training last week.
- There will be a Mother's Day activity at the plant sale in honor of the 100th anniversary of incorporation.

Lakes and Parks – Trustee Urso

- Opened the canal a few weeks early when the weather was nice. Now it is not so nice.
- Thank National Grid for having their employees volunteer for Earth Day by coming to Wohseepee Park on the 20th and spreading 40 yards of mulch in the playgrounds. They were very happy to do this and it created a good partnership between the Village and National Grid.
- This past Saturday was the first shredding event with Quality Shredding. Those who participated were very excited and some came back for seconds. It was not a high cost to the Village and we hope to do the same next year.
- Enrollment in the summer camp is steady and we will not have to have a lottery. Those that signed up will have a spot.
- There are volunteer sign-up sheets in the back and in Village Hall.
- There is an Arbor Day ceremony on May 14th at Wohseepee Park at 9:00 AM sponsored by the Girl Scouts. There will be a tree dedication and activities.
- We are planning the Ice Cream Social and checking with various musical groups in order to set a date.
- The Plant Sale is this weekend at the Head of the Canal.

Call for a Public Meeting on June 6, 2016 for adoption of the Stormwater Management Program (SWMP) Annual report. The report will be made available at that time and an information session will be held.

Motion: Trustee Elliott

Second: Trustee Urso

Vote: 5 ayes

0 nays

Appoint Election Inspectors at a rate of \$12.00 per hour for the June 21, 2016 election.

Barbara Boccone, Brooklyn Blvd

Michael Ruggiere, Howells Road

Motion: Trustee Urso

Second: Trustee Whitwell

Vote: 5 ayes

0 nays

Approve the following programs this summer at Walker Beach:

Paddleboard lessons at the Walker Beach Boat Basin

Yoga at the Beach sponsored by Drew Patrick

Motion: Trustee Sullivan

Second: Trustee Urso

Vote: 5 ayes

0 nays

Approval of Abstracts and Treasurer's Report

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ABSTRACT REPORT FOR BOT May 2, 2016		
Seeking to approve payment on:		
Abstracts # 3982-3984	52	\$58,036.36
Large Payments		
NYS Industry for the Disabled - grant work		\$ 22,981.85
Employee Benefits - Health Insurance		\$ 12,708.03
New York State Unemployment		\$ 4,577.00
Treasurer's Report		
Cash on Hand as of 5/2/2016		
General Fund - BNB	191,155	
General Money Market - BNB	263,278	
CLASS General	314,994	
Total Cash on Hand	769,428	
Capital Fund	91,092.00	

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

Meeting Open to the Public:

- No notice of the meeting was in the Post Office but there was a large garage sale notice.
- Asplundh was seen cutting down nine trees on Seneca at Pine Drive, Will they be replaced? Previously when trees were cut down on Seneca, they were not all replaced. The piece of property in question is owned by the State and is not maintained by the Village. However, the Village will look into replacing them.
- Street paving: notify residents before the paving starts so they can install curbing or connect to utilities. Restoration of the asphalt will be determined on a case by case basis as the street will be paved in any event.
- Many more trees have been volcano mulched with the onset of Spring. Some of the root systems have grown in to the mulch and the tree would be damaged if it was removed. Perhaps notify the landscapers.
- DPW trailer was replaced with a larger trailer as a temporary measure until a new DPW facility has been decided upon. The Village is exploring various options.

Adjourn: Motion: Trustee Sullivan Second: Trustee Urso
Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Meeting adjourned 9:02 PM

Approximately 15 people in attendance.