

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – Sep 24, 2020**

The mid-month meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters was held on Monday, September 24, 2020 at 7:30pm at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Dr., Brightwaters, NY with the following officers present:

John J. Valdin	Mayor
Thomas Zepf	Deputy Mayor
Michael Dopsovic	Trustee
Patrick Fawcett	Trustee
Mary Del Vecchio	Trustee
Nicole Rhodes	Clerk - Treasurer
Charles Casolaro	Village Attorney
Robert O'Shea	Building Inspector

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

**Approve** Resolution 7-2020 Participation in the 2020 Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP)

**VILLAGE OF BRIGHTWATERS  
RESOLUTION 7-2020**


**Participation in the 2020 Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP)**

**WHEREAS**, funding is available to eligible municipalities under the Justice Court Assistance Program, wherein eligible projects can receive up to \$30,000.00 in grant monies; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Brightwaters has determined that three (3) new desks will provide enhanced services to the Village's Justice Court, and is a qualifying purpose and therefore an appropriate use of grant proceeds;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Village Board of the Village of Brightwaters does hereby authorize the Brightwaters Village Court to apply for a JCAP grant in the 2020-21 grant cycle up to \$30,000.

**WHEREFOR**, this **RESOLUTION**, hereby adopted by vote of the Board of Trustees on September 24, 2020 and shall be promptly recorded in the Office of the Village Clerk, and made part of the public record.

  
**NICOLE RHODES**, Clerk  
Incorporated Village of Brightwaters

Motion made by: *Mayor John Valdin*  
Seconded by: *Trustee Dopsovic*  
Approved by: *All*

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

Topics for Discussion:

- Mamma Santina's – Reviewed Site Plan and discussed parking and stop signs.
- Halloween Curfew/Parade – The idea of a Halloween curfew was discussed but after a Meeting with the Suffolk County Police Cope Officer, he informed us they could not enforce this. Therefore, we will not have a curfew but extra Code Enforcement Officers and Public Works Employees will be working Halloween night. Also, the parade on Halloween is tentatively scheduled to start at 5:00pm at the four corners. We will still have the three light towers for Halloween one the Library will cover. The Board discussed possibly having residents mark their homes with something universal to show that they are "trick or treat friendly" homes. Business Groups sponsor the parade and they will give out chips.
- Garage Sale Details / Enforcement –October 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Village-wide Garage Sale is being held from 9am-4pm at properties throughout the Village. Two charities (Juvenile Diabetes and Shelter Link) will be set up at Wohseepee Park to raise money for their organizations. As of now we have over 100 houses taking part in the Garage Sale. We will post a map and list of locations on Facebook and email residents as well as reach out to advertiser to promote such as Greater Bay Shore, Islip Bulletin and Newsday.
- Business District Proposed Property Maintenance Local Law – A proposed Property Maintenance Code for the Business District was discussed. We currently have a Code that is geared toward residential properties but does not address commercial properties. This newly proposed code will enable us to enforce higher standards in our Business District. The Board asked Village Attorney Casolaro to revise the proposed law to make it geared more towards commercial and foreclosed bank owned properties. Also, wanted to get more specific in the law with signage requirements for businesses.
- Lakes: Grass, Lily pads and Shoreline – Solitude Lake Management will to continue to control the invasive species affecting our lakes. They will also be removing the phragmites around the lakes. Discussed putting aside money in the budget to open up the valve in the lake. Engineer, Dan Falasco is looking into the grant writer for Babylon, and East Bulkhead scope of work. Need to also budget for the other bridge in next year's budget ~\$80,000.
- Brightwaters Beautification Committee – Discussed the formation of a Garden Club to beautify the Village by helping with the village plantings around our signage locations, flower boxes, hanging baskets and holiday decorations. Possibly pose to the Real Estate Companies to give information to our new residents moving in about joining. A Meeting will be held in early November.
- Downtown Revitalization Fee for Interior Work – Discussed adding a revitalization fee to the Building Permit Application for Commercial interior renovations.
- Future Ambulance Contracts / Billing Program – Need to have a meeting with a representative from Northwell and a separate meeting with a representative from the Ambulance to discuss our options going forward.
- CHIPS Reimbursement – NYSDOT CHIPS advised by mail that they are taking off 20% of reimbursement for CHIPS. The Village will be short \$30,000 for this year. The funds will still be there in our balance but we can not get it in this year.
- ZBA Fees & Escrow – The Board discussed adjusting our fees for when residents come before the Zoning Board of Appeals. The goal is to have the applicant cover the cost of their application process (ie: Stenographer, Legal Fees, Public Notices, etc.) Last year the Village lost over \$15,000 in ZBA expenses.
- Veterans Memorial – Will be on November 7<sup>th</sup> at 10AM at the head of the canal. We are working with a resident to help possibly live stream the event.

- Girl Scout, Julia Carpenter will be adding a rain garden to Gilbert Park to achieve her Gold Award.

Motion to **Approve**

Motion: Mayor Valdin                      Second: Trustee Fawcett

Vote: 5 ayes                      0 nays

- **Approval** of 216 Lakeview Avenue E Tree Permit Application  
Must donate or replace 4 trees (location and species TBD and leave bond of \$2,000)

Motion: Mayor Valdin                      Second: Trustee Fawcett

Vote: 5 ayes                      0 nays

**Motion** to adjourn Meeting

Motion: Mayor Valdin                      Second: Trustee Dopsovic

Vote: 5 ayes                      0 nays

Meeting adjourned 9:20pm