

EMERGENCY MEETING ON BUDGET MINUTES

On Thursday, May 1, 2014, after a salute to the flag, at 4:00 PM the Mayor called to order a Budget Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Brightwaters, following proper posting and notification. Present were Mayor McNulty, Trustees Gibson and Lawlor. Trustees Riordan and McDermott were absent. Residents in attendance were Joan Manahan, John Belford, John Valdini, Tamara Vid, Ed Gaibrois, Craig Low and Newsday reporter Sophia Chang.

INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF BRIGHTWATERS PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters will hold a working meeting to address the 2014-2015 budget specifically as it relates to garbage collection fees at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Dr., Brightwaters, N.Y. on Thursday, May 1, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.

By Order of the Board of Trustees
Inc. Village of Brightwaters
Christine O'Shea, Village Clerk

Dated: May 1, 2014

Mayor McNulty opened the special meeting to work on the budget in reference to the sanitation fee charges. He had received letters from residents with concerns on its validity. Mayor stated that we are here to correct this and that is why this special meeting is taking place today so we can pass this budget on time.

Mayor McNulty stated that the line item A2130 sanitation fees are \$564,382. and he wants to bring it down to \$459,000. Actual sanitation cost is \$370,000/year and add to that 20% \$74,000. and the villages cost of tipping fees of \$15,000. In order to balance the budget the Mayor suggests lowering the roads by \$75,000 and lighting by \$25,000. He said we are here to correct a wrong and make it right and to balance the budget.

Tr. Gibson wants the actual sanitation fee to be \$446,500 as the highest benchmark and lowering the contingency acct. by \$117,882. Tr. Gibson does not want to lower the roads and street lights accts. We will be increasing the taxes 7-½% and sanitation fees will go down. We will have padding in the A2130 acct. for storm clean up.

Tr. Lawlor stated that by bringing the sanitation fees down we would have to take it out of either the roads, street lights or contingency acct. If we take it out of the contingency acct. we will have to figure out how to replenish it.

Mayor McNulty didn't want an additional tax increase and he will agree to take it out of the contingency acct.

Tr. Gibson said so will take the A2130 from \$446,500 to \$459,000. Tr. Lawlor stated that as a result of the adjustment in lowering the sanitation fees and increasing taxes the tax bill will reflect pretty much a zero increase.

Mayor McNulty said he had talked with Tr. McDermott and he was with him 100%.

Tr. Gibson said that the whole board was notified of these two scenarios – raising taxes or deducting out of the contingency acct. At 7:00p.m. tonight it will be 48hrs. since the notice went out and she did not here from Tr. Riordan and Tr. McDermott did say he wants to fix budget but was not specific.

Tr. Lawlor said he spoke with Tr. McDermott and he said just do what you can to fix it.

Tr. Lawlor read the following resolution.

**RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT AN EMERGENCY MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INC. VILLAGE OF BRIGHTWATERS**

Due notice having been given, and a quorum being present at an Emergency Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Brightwaters held on the 1st day of May 2014,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has held two working meetings and two public meetings to consider the 2014/2015 Fiscal Year Budget; and

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2014, the Board adopted an Amended Budget put forth by Tr. Gibson; and

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2014, at a second public meeting on the 2014/2015 Budget, additional concerns were raised by the residents in attendance; and

WHEREAS, the Board, after further deliberation and consideration of separate compromise proposals put forth by Trustees Gibson and Lawlor to address the concerns of the residents, has decided that it is in the best interests of the Village of Brightwaters and its residents; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2014/2015 Budget for the Inc. Village of Brightwaters is hereby further amended to change the Projected Revenues, line item A2130 Sanitation Fees to \$459,000. and that the Village tax bills to its residents reflect this amendment by a pro rata reduction in Sanitation Fees charged with no off-setting increase to any other category charged; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Contingency Acct. line item A1990.9 be reduced by \$105,382. to balance the budget accordingly.

Dated: May 1, 2014

Tr. Lawlor moves to approve above resolution and Tr. Gibson second and all approved 3/0. Original signed resolution is attached to these minutes.

Mayor McNulty moved to close meeting, Tr. Gibson seconded and all approved to close 3/0 at 6:00p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine O'Shea

Village Clerk

