

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – January 3, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters held on Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Drive, Brightwaters, NY, conducted in person as well as Facebook live with the following officers present:

John J. Valdini	Mayor
Thomas Zepf	Deputy Mayor
Michael Dopsovic	Trustee
Mary Del Vecchio	Trustee
Patrick Fawcett	Trustee
Nicole Rhodes	Clerk – Treasurer
Charles Casolaro	Village Attorney
Bob O'Shea	Building Inspector
John Catania	DPW Foreman

At 7:30 pm, Mayor John J. Valdini called the meeting to order followed by a salute to the flag and a moment of silence for those who served our country and passed.

Approve previous Board Minutes from December 5, 2022.

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

Suffolk County Police Department – Officer Messina advised that there have been a few criminal mischiefs in the Village. Mayor requested more police presence on Richland Blvd. and if they can focus more attention to speeding on Richland. Resident Jennifer Bartlett asked Officer Messina if they can also focus on the stop sign at Windsor and Johnson that drivers blow through. Resident Carmine Chiapetta asked if the police can designate one day a month to the stop signs in the village.

*Bay Shore Fire District 2023 Budget Presentation and 2023 Contract approval moved to February 6, 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Valdini:

- Highway Yard Building Bud will be happening in the next couple of weeks. The Coronavirus Local Recovery Funds will be used towards this project.
- Thank you to the Garden Club for all your work in beautifying the Village.
- The Brightwaters Art Council will be having their first Art Show at the end of January. Look out for it in the next flyer.
- Thank you to John Dunn, lead musician of the Christmas Caroling on Christmas Eve. It was about 13 degrees outside and went on for 15 minutes.
- Mamma Santina's is open for business and the Village wishes them well. The no parking from here to corner will be strictly enforced.
- Today is the exact day of the first ever Board of Trustees Meeting from January 3, 1917. We sent out an email of the minutes and are included in the packets for all to see.

Trustee Dopsovic – Highway Department

- Highway Department spent the last month cleaning the leaves from streets and drains and decorating for the many events. If you see any drains that were missed please let the office know.

Trustee Fawcett – Special Projects:

- The lakes maintenance and remediation is an ongoing project and will continue to be monitored.

Trustee Del Vecchio – Celebrations

- The Garden Club's arrangements looked amazing this year, especially in the downtown area and we appreciate it very much.
- Operation Vest Polar Plunge and Run at Walker Beach is coming up soon so make sure you and your friends register.
- We are starting to have more conversations about putting in some new playground equipment at Wohseepee Park. Not a lot for the toddlers to play on at the moment. Resident Megan Quinn is helping with this project. Looking to raise money towards a piece(s) of playground equipment for Wohseepee Park.

Deputy Mayor Zepf – Code Enforcement

- Code is still trying to manage the four corners and to keep it as safe as possible.
- Also, with the cold weather people are down by the lakes and we need to control that area.

Marco Homes Application - Mark Sagliocca of Marco Homes is seeking relief from Section 128-16 of the Brightwaters Village Code which limits a building in the Business District to one story. The applicant is proposing a two-story building. A decision will be rendered at the next Board of Trustees Meeting on February 6, 2023.

Public Comment:

- Mark Sagliocca states the luxury apartments will compliment the Business District with the much-needed foot traffic that will help to support the businesses in town.
- Trustee Fawcett thanked Mr. Sagliocca for taking the recommendations from the Board and that it far exceeds what he envisioned for that spot.
- Carmine Chiapetta of Pine Acres Blvd. said its been vacant for several years showing concern with the apartments.
- Resident Michael Dunn is in favor of the application.
- Ray Samson of 70 Bay Way is in favor of the application.
- Joseph McDermott of Potter Blvd. asked why this was not set up as a public hearing?
- Jean Marie Buffet of N Windsor Avenue fully supports the application.
- Anne Shierant of Potter Blvd. was concerned of the traffic issues and asked if a traffic study could be conducted.

Approve Thomas Vorhees and Surfside Properties (Anthony Pantaleo, President), for lot line modifications and abandonment of an undeveloped private road known as South Bay Court, on properties owned by them at 13 and 17 South Bay Court (Sec: 13 Block: 1 Lot: 29.1 and Sec: 13 Block: 1 Lot: 21)

Motion: Mayor Valdini

Second: Deputy Mayor Zepf

Vote: 5 ayes

0 nays

Permission to hire Matthew Henricksen to provide ice breaking services to the Village of Brightwaters for the winter season in the amount of \$5,000 (gas receipts to be reimbursed).

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

Approve Public Assembly for Operation Vest to be held on January 21, 2023 from 8am-1pm (2.2-mile walk/run and Polar Plunge at Walker Beach).

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

Approve Treasurer's report and abstracts
VILLAGE OF BRIGHTWATERS

ABSTRACT REPORT FOR BOT January 3, 2023

Seeking to approve payment on:

Abstracts #4368-4369	vouchers	\$97,692.79
Expense		
Alpha Carting: December 2022		\$ 37,136.00
NYS Employees Health Insurance January 2023		\$ 26,545.69
Trius: Snow Plow & install approved at 9/6/22 mtg		\$ 6,720.00
Income for Period: 12/6/2022-1/3/2023		\$ 30,911.23
Suffolk County Mortgage Tax	\$21,617.58	
Building / Plumbing Permits	\$6,641.00	

Treasurer's Report

Cash on Hand as of 1/3/2023	
General Fund - BNB	197,098
General Money Market - BNB	50
CLASS General	1,761,344
Total Cash on Hand - General	1,958,492
Capital Fund	45,086
CLASS Capital fund	14,169
Total Cash on Hand - Capital	59,255
Canal Enterprise Fund - BNB	192,143
Canal Savings Fund - BNB	12,246
	204,389

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

Motion to Open to Public:

Motion: Mayor Valdini Second: Deputy Mayor Zepf
Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Public Comment:

- Jennifer Bartlett - Holiday decorating committee ideas. Planning and coordinating volunteers. Receptacles to replace tops on garbage cans in town for cigarette disposal.
- Carmine Chiapetta of Pine Acres Blvd – Pine Acres party a few weeks ago.
- Rich Dayhab of Lakeview Ave N – Leaves around lake. Electrical chargers for DPW Vehicles for future.
- Christian Sullivan of Ackerson Blvd. – Water main break at Iroquois/Ackerson still torn up. Just a temporary patch will be repaved.
- Joseph McDermott of Potter Blvd – Mamma Santina's will they have the decorative brick?
- Anne Shierant of Potter Blvd. – White laminated fencing to draw attention to Welcome to Brightwaters signs.
- Joseph Pers of Lakeview Ave – Letter from Village about string fencing around property to keep geese off. Need more help with geese population.

Adjourn the meeting:

Motion: Mayor Valdini Second: Trustee Del Vecchio
Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Meeting adjourned at 9:05PM.