

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – March 2, 2015

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters held on Monday, March 2, 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
Donna M. Barnett	Clerk-Treasurer
Charles J. 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 February 12, 2015:

Motion: Trustee Urso

Second: Trustee Elliott

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Mayor's Report:

- New (used) truck from Plandome has been on the road plowing. This has been one of the coldest Februarys on record and the DPW folks have been working hard.

Highway Department – Trustee Whitwell

- DPW has been working tirelessly to keep the roads clear
- Working on re-seating the poles in the canal
- Historical talk on March 19th at 6:30PM hosted by Jane Arbeiter about the basic history of Brightwaters

Code Enforcement – Trustee Sullivan

- 17 summonses issued this month, 7 violations, 5 complaints
- SCPD report shows mostly alarms, but there are some instances of suspicious activity, back door broken, teenagers on Richland Blvd.
- Thank owners of the Village Gardens property for cleaning up the graffiti on the slats of the fence

Administration – Trustee Elliott

- Highlight the dates and times of the budget meetings. March 16th, 7:30 PM work session for the Board members, March 20th tentative budget available to the public, April 15th, 8:00 PM Public Hearing on the budget, April 27th, 8:00 PM special meeting for adoption of the 2015-16 Budget
- The Village is no longer considered “subject to fiscal stress” by the State Comptroller’s Office

Lakes and Parks – Trustee Urso

- Working on the calendar for the Spring and Summer. Most dates will fall close to where they were in the past. Adding a second garage sale June 6th. June 27th first annual block party is being planned. Will have an activity sign-up table for all of the various committees. Will end the night with a movie night. Snapper Tournament is the third Thursday in August and we are looking for a chair
- Lake erosion committee meeting at Whoseepee Cabin Saturday, March 21st, 9:30 AM

Recognition of three boy scouts from troop 153 from St. Patrick's are in the audience. They are working towards their Eagle Scout badge.

Appointment: Robert Warvesyn, Parking Enforcement Officer, at a rate of \$12.00 which will cover the final open shifts. He will also be available to cover any additional shifts, should the need arise. We now have sufficient coverage and will set up second shifts in the warmer months from 10:00PM to 4:00AM.

Motion: Tr. Sullivan

Second: Tr. Elliott

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Appointment: Charles Casolaro, Esq. as Village Attorney to serve at the pleasure of the Mayor and Board of Trustees at a rate of \$1,500.00 per month.

Motion: Tr. Elliott

Second: Tr. Urso

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Call for Public Hearing on the 2015-16 Tentative Budget:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters will hold a Public Hearing at a Special Meeting to consider the adoption of the tentative budget as its budget for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 2015 through May 31, 2016 and to consider any other matters that might come before the board at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Dr., Brightwaters, NY on Wednesday, April 15, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. A copy of the tentative budget will be available March 20, 2015 at the office of the Village Clerk where it may be inspected there by any interested person during village office hours.

Donna M. Barnett
Village Clerk Treasurer
Brightwaters, New York

Dated: March 11, 2015

Motion: Tr. Elliott

Second: Tr. Whitwell

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Permission for the Bay Shore/Brightwaters Little League to hold their opening day parade on Saturday, April 11th, 2015 from Whoseepee Cabin, West on Penataquit Drive to the fields.

Motion: Tr. Urso

Second: Tr. Sullivan

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Recap of the February 23rd, 2015 work session:

- Permission to update the Village Hall and DPW phone system
- Adopted the New York State Deferred Compensation plan for voluntary employee contributions towards retirement savings
- Appointed Joseph Manfredi as Parking Enforcement Officer
- Granted permission to purchase fuel management devices for \$ 2,924 for the Village vehicles to be fueled at the Town of Islip yards at a savings of approximately \$800 per month

Approval of Abstracts and Treasurer's Report:

Seeking to approve payment on:		
Abstracts # 3920 -3922	43 vouchers	\$74,313.62
Large Payments		
Alpha Carting - monthly garbage removal		\$ 31,789.00
Health Insurance		\$ 14,650.38
Atlantic Salt - 124.21 tons of salt		\$ 8,441.20
Magniflood - new lights and poles		\$ 3,870.00
Treasurer's Report		
Cash on Hand as of 3/2/2015:		
General Fund	181,150	
BIG Fund	14,529	
CLASS General	564,596	
Total Cash on Hand	760,276	

Motion: Tr. Elliott

Second: Tr. Urso

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Public Hearing on Local Law 2 of 2015: the has been postponed due to the change in attorney. Will be held on April 6th.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 6, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Dr., Brightwaters, NY to consider the adoption of local law # 2 of 2015

to add Chapter 33 to the Code of the Village of Brightwaters to add Outdoor Assembly legislation.

All interested persons are welcome and will be given an opportunity to be heard.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
INC. VILLAGE OF BRIGHTWATERS
Donna M. Barnett, Village Clerk

Dated: March 16, 2015

Motion: Trustee Elliott

Second: Trustee Sullivan

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Open Meeting:

- Questions about any open litigations with the Village: Village Attorney Casolaro explained that these matters are subject to attorney/client privilege and the Board is under no obligation to discuss
- Question about 2 family homes: if brought to the attention of the Village, it will be addressed. Difficult to follow up on anonymous letter or concerns
- Shoveling sidewalk on the North side of Montauk Highway – creating a hazardous condition for pedestrians. Mayor McDermott explained that if we clear the sidewalks, then the State plows come by and cover them with snow again. The Village will try a test run with the next snow storm with the new snow blower
- Small garbage cans back on the Lakes
- Dark sky compliant lights
- Having meeting minutes on the website sooner and approved sooner at mid-month meeting
- Ice breaking plan ran into mechanical problems and the pilings popped up. The Village will have them reseated as soon as the ice is gone
- Posting updated budgets on the website
- Dead goose on the Lakes – need assistance to get it off
- Board should give term limits a serious consideration
- Return to old format of Newsletter
- Allowing chickens in the back yard

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion: Tr. Elliott

Second: Tr. Urso

Votes: 5 ayes 0 nays

Meeting Adjourned 9:08 P.M.

Approximately 22 people in attendance.