

5-3-2021 – Board of Trustees

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – May 3, 2021

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters was held on Monday, May 3, 2021 at 7:30pm at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Dr., Brightwaters, NY with the following officers present:

John J. Valdini	Mayor
Thomas Zepf	Deputy Mayor
Michael Dopsovic	Trustee
Patrick Fawcett	Trustee
Mary Del Vecchio	Trustee
Carol Posimato	Deputy Clerk
Jeanne PirkI	Office Assistant
Charles Casolaro	Village Attorney

At 7:30pm Mayor, John J. Valdini called the meeting to order followed by a salute to the flag.
Approve Minute of April 5, 2021 & April 19, 2021

Motion : Mayor Valdini Second Trustee Del Vecchio

Vote: 4ayes 0 nays (Trustee Dopsovic joined meeting late)

Police Report - only 2 minor incidents reported in the village for April.

Fire Marshal Report:

Monthly Fire Marshal Report;

All Public Assembly and Multiple Dwelling occupancies within the Village of Brightwaters are currently valid and up to date. During the past month, processing has begun of three public assembly occupancies as noted below;

- Lulu's Lobster & Wing – 91 Howell's Rd.
- Vinnies Mulberry St. – 192 Howell's Rd.
- World Gym - 225 Howells Rd, Bay Shore, NY 11706

Inspections of commercial occupancies continue in the Village of Brightwaters with re-inspections having also been conducted to ensure that all violations have since been removed.

There was no investigation of fire requested by the Bay Shore Fire Department during the past month.

Sincerely,

Matthew Brennan

Matthew Brennan, Fire Marshal
Village of Brightwaters

Mayor's Report

Canal is continuing along- first phase is 95% completed. Doing what we can to move people around until the project is complete. We currently have 172 boat slips filled.

Bridge is done with stucco, handrails are ordered and tomorrow top of bridge will be paved. Road will be closed while paving being done and closed to traffic until the handrails are installed. Its all going pretty well. Swans had 5 signets.

Summer camp registration went well. We have the highest enrollment ever – 79 children. At the suggestion of director, Maria Dounelis. we extended the program hours and hired more counselors so that we could accommodate more children.

Pine Drive is scheduled to be milled this Friday, paving scheduled for Tuesday or Wednesday next week. All residents on both sides of Pine Drive received hand delivered notices. The residents of Pine have been waiting for this for quite some time.

Downtown – businesses are complying with new village code and cleaning up. Mamma Santinas is revising their plan for their renovation of restaurant & parking lot. Hopefully that will be starting in the near future.

Everything is coming together downtown and hopefully we can have our block party in October especially since larger groups of people are being permitted to gather outdoors.

Planning board had a public discussion to rezone the Orinoco corridor. We will be meeting with a professional planner this week and will keep everyone informed of their recommendations.

Garage sale was successful; some streets more congested than others but people seem to like this way of doing it instead of transporting all of the items to the park. We may consider doing this in the spring and fall.

The Mother's Day Plant sale is this weekend. – Ann Shierant & Jennifer Bartlett of the newly formed garden club are in charge of this event and have new volunteers as well as long standing volunteers to help out. We appreciate and thank them both for stepping up and taking on this long standing village tradition. We will send out information with details of the sale.

The Saturday of Memorial Day weekend, we will hold a ceremony at the head of the canal to dedicate additional bricks. The Lions club will be helping with this event as it is their 75th anniversary. The ceremony will take place at 9am.

July 1st we will start music nights at Walker, , we are planning on 2 Bingo nights which will be held at Wohseepee Park. Looking for businesses to donate.

Deputy Mayor Thomas Zepf

It was a quiet month in the village in April. Thanks to Tony and the crew during the garage sale everything moved along smoothly. Overnight parking and parking in the wrong direction still seems to be an issue. If you are having an overnight guest, please call the village office or the code car to inform them so that a ticket will not be issued. Inform your contractors to park facing in the right direction. Landscapers receive this information with their permits but sometimes need to be reminded. Garbage should not be placed out too early. Please adhere to the rules in the village. Maggie Fischer Swim will be in July.

Trustee Fawcett – Busy month with the nice weather people out walking and as we do construction on the Concourse & bridges, be mindful of the cones as they are there for your protection. Someone mentioned we have a lot of new residents to the village and some of them may not know the village codes so maybe we can get assistance from some of the realtors so we know when a house is turned over. Another suggestion I will be looking into was a master plan for plantings throughout the village– maybe we can do some environmentally friendly plantings with less maintenance. Looking into a gazebo cocktail party if COVID restrictions permit to get some fundraising ideas to restore the gazebos. Wohseepee Park had National Grid donate mulch at the park. Several people have complimented how nice the village looks.

Trustee Dopsovic – highway dept. doing spring cleaning. If you notice anything missed, contact let us know we have a lot of area to maintain but not a large staff. There are numerous parking signs around canal which have been added over the years so we are working on making sure all the signs are coherent.

Trustee Del Vecchio – No new items to report. The mayor touched on all of the upcoming events that we will be working on.

July 1st music night at walker, 2 bingo nights at Wohseepee. Looking for the business to donate.

Attorney Charles Casolaro updated on the legalization of cannabis which allows anyone over 21 to possess and smoke marijuana and retail sale and consumption of marijuana. Villages have until 12/31 to make a decision whether to allow or not. The village can either pass a law to prohibit and residents can sign a petition and then go to referendum. This board decided to put it out to the residents since it is a state law and allow the residents to decide. If the residents vote no, the board will pass a law. If the residents vote in favor, the village reads the statement. Copies of the law can be found on the governor's page and NYCOM.

Approve to declare May 22, 2021 as Sound of Silence Day in Brightwaters. There will be a 5 & 10K race throughout the village. The race course will be the same as the pumpkin run.

Motion: Mayor Second: Trustee Del Vecchio

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Approve for Public Hearing on June 7, 2021 for the adoption of the 2021 Storm water Management Program Annual Report.

Motion: Mayor Second: Trustee Zepf

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Approval to hire Fifth Ave. Paving to resurface roadway and Lakeview Avenue North and Upper Cascade bridge in the amount of \$24,750.

Motion: Mayor Second: Trustee Zepf

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Approval to make 2020-2021 budget modification to modify Income: Appropriate Fund Balance (A599N) from \$150,000 to \$170,000 . Modify Expense: Transfer to Capital (9550000) from \$118,0009 to \$138,000.

Motion: Mayor Second: Trustee Zepf

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Approve Resolution 10-2021 Suffolk County Downtown Revitalization Program NE Corner Extension Project

Municipal Resolution 10-2021

Suffolk County Downtown Revitalization Program

Village of Brightwaters NE Corner Extension Project

May 3, 2021

WHEREAS, the Village of Brightwaters is always desirous to improve the economy and quality of life within the Village of Brightwaters; and

WHEREAS, through the Suffolk County Downtown Revitalization Program, the County of Suffolk participates with local governments in the development, support and funding of projects located in Suffolk County that will have an important and sustainable impact on downtowns and business districts; and

WHEREAS, as part of the application process in conformity with Suffolk County Resolution No. 808-1998, the County of Suffolk requires a resolution of the Brightwaters Village Board showing local support for the proposed project; and

WHEREAS, upon the County's approval of the project, the Village of Brightwaters would be required to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the County under Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law pursuant to which the Village of Brightwaters would be required to undertake and complete the project and the County would be responsible for providing financing for all or part of the cost of the project; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide County financing for all or part of the project, the County of Suffolk must obtain a leasehold, easement or other real property interest in the site of the project; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board as Lead Agency has caused to be prepared the attached Short Environmental assessment Form (EAF) to evaluate potential significant adverse impacts associated with the proposed action, and has reviewed the aforesaid Short EAF.

WHEREAS, Brightwaters Downtown Revitalization Committee (and/or other eligible organization)

is desirous of proposing that the Village of Brightwaters participate in such program in connection with installation of curbing, sidewalk, aprons, ADA compliant warning pads, brick pavers and decorative lighting (including all electrical work) and tree removal to improve pedestrian access in and around the central downtown business corridor at Orinoco Drive heading East to Pine Acres Blvd. (NE extension); and; the Village of Brightwaters is applying for up to \$20,786 (49%) from the program. The Village will provide a match of up to 51% of the grant project total, approximately \$21,634 The total project cost is \$42,420
The upgrades are consistent with local land use controls. As per the Building Department, no building permits are necessary for this project. The project is located on Village land, either land directly owned by the Village or land in which an easement has been granted to the Village.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Brightwaters hereby states its support of the Brightwaters Four Corners Extension project.

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Brightwaters pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) is the Lead Agency for the proposed action; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village Board, as lead agency for the proposed action, pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617, hereby determines that the proposed action is an Unlisted Action; and be it further

RESOLVED, that based upon the information contained in the Short EAF the Village Board, as lead agency for the proposed action, hereby determines that the proposed action will not result in significant adverse impacts to the environment, and hereby adopts a Negative Declaration for the propose action.'

RESOLVED, that the Brightwaters Village Board authorizes the Mayor and/or Deputy to sign any and all necessary documents, including but not limited to the required easement/lease documents and an intermunicipal agreement, subject to review and approval of the Village Attorney, to participate in the above referenced program.

NICOLE RHODES
Village Clerk-Treasurer

Dated: Brightwaters, New York
May 3, 2021

Motion to adopt: Mayor Second: Trustee Fawcett
Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Approve an additional Election Inspector Paul Cowan from 12PM-9PM at the June 15th General Election at a rate of \$135.00

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

Approval to pay Magniflood in the amount of \$5,7090 for 6 light pole fixtures at the Head of the Canal.

Motion: Mayor: Second: Trustee Fawcett

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Approval to pay N. Romero Painting in the amount of \$12,000 for repair of the Upper Cascade Bridge. Balance after payment \$9,000.

Motion: Mayor: Second: Trustee Zepf

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Approval for resident Kevin Cozier to remove Village tree from 109 Concourse West at owner's expense and replanting of a new tree on property. All permit requirements must be followed.

Motion: Mayor Second: Trustee Dopsovic

Vote: 4 ayes Trustee Del Vecchio abstained

Approve Treasurer's Report and Abstracts

Motion: Mayor Second: Trustee Fawcett

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

VILLAGE OF BRIGHTWATERS

ABSTRACT REPORT FOR BOT May 3, 2021

Seeking to approve payment on:

Abstracts #4284-4288	vouchers	\$ 84,743.96
Expense		
Alpha Carting-Garbage April 2021		\$ 34,936.00
NYS Employee Health Insurance-May 2021		\$21,919.99
Income for Period: 4/6/2021-4/30/2021		\$18,619.73
Landscape Licenses, Business Licenses:		\$3,450.00
Building Permits, Plumbing & ZBA Fees		\$8,277.20

Treasurer's Report

Cash on Hand as of 4/30/2021

General Fund - BNB	465,853
General Money Market - BNB	50
CLASS	
General	430,860
Total Cash on Hand - General	896,763

Capital Fund	12,240
CLASS Capital fund	<u>13,959</u>
Total Cash on Hand - Capital	26,199
Canal Enterprise Fund - BNB	336,480
Canal Savings Fund - BNB	<u>1,115,849</u>
	1,452,329

Public Comment

Rich Dehab, 10 Lakeview Avenue North asked if it is possible to split referendum in to parts because residents may not want marijuana distributed in the four corner area but may be open to it in the businesses where residences are separated by a major highway and it would allow the village to get 3% of the revenue it would bring in. Attorney Casolaro will look into this. Also suggested to create an amphitheatre in Gilbert Park. Mayor suggested we look into this next year as we are going to fundraise for the gazebo restoration.

Mayor commented that we don't have to put the cannabis law on the ballot since we have until the end of the year to make this decision. Let's look into the law some more and give us more time to have all of the information before a decision can be made.

Robert Fischer 80 Iroquois Dr. commented on a concern read in Newsday about proposed state law which would force all New York municipalities to allow accessory apartments. If this law is passed, villages will not have any way of restricting and the state will dictate what we can do in our own village. This would affect the entire state. Mr. Fischer asked if the village would write to Albany opposing this proposed law. Attorney Casolaro stated this is a very dangerous law and village officials in Nassau Suffolk and Westchester are trying to get a lobbying mov

Anthony Tartaglio one of the owners of the Brightwaters Inn – asked about the status of his application for use of the rear patio. – Building inspector stated needs a site plan and clarification on what activity will take a place in the rear patio. Noise and hours of outside use was discussed and would be limited.

Christine Genalo 507 Ackerson Blvd. commented that minutes from last year are missing from the website. Also asked who to contact regarding a neighbor's unregistered vehicle. Mayor stated she should call the code car or village hall.

Adjourn Meeting

Motion: Mayor

Second: Trustee Fawcett

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

Meeting adjourned 8:41pm