

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – December 12, 2016

The mid-month meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters was held on Monday, December 12, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Dr., Brightwaters, NY, with the following officers present:

Joseph McDermott	Mayor
Christian Sullivan	Trustee
Bernadette Whitwell	Trustee
Carmine Chiappetta	Trustee
Laurie Elliott	Trustee

At 7:40 pm, Deputy Mayor Elliott called the meeting to order followed by a salute to the flag.

- ZBA fees: The schedule that Bob O'Shea prepared was discussed. The proposed fee schedule seems reasonable. Interpretation fee seems reasonable. Clerk to prepare a resolution for the January meeting for the proposed fee increase. Start the fees in the new fiscal year.
- Suggestion by Prosecutor and Clerk to change the code for the Head of the Harbor. Tr. Elliott will start one for the canal parking and then we can change the signs once the code is changed. Should also address the area across from walker beach boat basin.
- Signage and parking for downtown - where should it be and for how long? Questions about enforcing the parking issues at the downtown - marking the tires. Investigate designated parking spaces and how they would be enforced.
- Code Enforcement: current situation is problematic. Possibly change the shifts to the more important times. Some people expressed interest in the positions in shorter shifts. Maybe change the rate to \$15 from \$12 for qualified persons. Trustee Chiappetta suggested taking cars off of day shifts and put those hours towards overnight. Trustee Chiappetta doesn't want to eliminate the overnight patrols. Possibly add night differential. Winter has less activity so maybe reduce the night shifts in winter but keep the activity in the summer.
- 59 Orinoco has surfboard signs in front of their new business. There is a code against them. Mayor would like to give the owner a small window of time to keep them up so he can drum up more business. The owner did not come in front of the Board and ask. Trustee Whitwell mentioned there could be other ways to advertise. General consensus of the Board is they need to come down. Discussion of the lighting and possibly toning it down.
- Signs in general: JTI sign on the fences don't violate the code individually but collectively they violate. Trustee Sullivan would like Bob O'Shea to go around the Village once a month and issue violations for signs and maintenance issues. Same for neon signs. Pick a time and have a deadline for them to remove. JTI has a wall mounted sign the lights up the two houses. Bob O'Shea should look at it.

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- The highway foreman wants to keep the small dump truck (replaced by a new truck) as a backup. There is a need to do some maintenance on it to have it pass inspection. The DPW built a chipper box to contain the chips for the old truck. Mayor feels they can rebuild it for the new truck. No point in putting more money into the old truck. Should be sold.
- DPW Building: The Mayor and Clerk met with Sand Pebble builders, which is a project management company. Their process is to bid out each piece of the project separately which is a huge savings. They want us to look at all the functions of the yard including the salt shed and the other buildings. Drainage could be an issue. As a board need to address how the entire parcel is going to be addressed. When they receive the needs assessment they will make a presentation to the board.
- Fire District contract is on the agenda for January 3rd meeting. Trustee Elliott has not had a chance to speak to them yet about their budget. Contract Increase is 30%. The increase is the same for Islip. Mayor will ask someone from BSFD to come to the January meeting.
- We missed the opportunity to start the SE corner. The Board and the office staff did not slow this project down. Suggested having the Revitalization Committee come to the working meeting in January. If they can't make a decision then the Board will make a decision.
- Tree in front of the post office is pushing the sidewalk up.
- More regulation at Gilbert Park regarding off leash dogs. Send an email regarding dogs at Gilbert and have code spot checking identification.

Meeting adjourned 9:30 PM

1 person in attendance