

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – OCTOBER 21, 2019**

The mid-month meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters was held on Monday, October 21, 2019 at 7:30pm at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Dr., Brightwaters, NY with the following officers present:

John J. Valdin	Mayor
Michael Dopsovic	Trustee
Patrick Fawcett	Trustee
Mary Del Vecchio	Trustee
Carol Posimato	Deputy Clerk
Charles Casolaro	Village Attorney
Robert O'Shea	Building Inspector
Anthony Rambazis	Code Supervisor

Absent: Deputy Mayor Thomas Zepf

At 7:30pm Mayor, John J. Valdin called the meeting to order followed by a salute to the flag.

Topics for Discussion:

**Orinoco Corridor & Planning Board Meeting** – Attorney Charles Casolaro advised that on October 8<sup>th</sup> the Mayor and Attorney appeared before the Planning Board as requested by them to discuss the Orinoco area. What prompted the meeting was that the storage facility had sent a lease proposing to lease the paper road immediately adjacent to it. It was sent to the Planning Board to get their input and they preferred the Village not enter into a lease agreement with the storage facility for the paper road because they have a different vision of what they want to do with Orinoco Drive. Mayor Valdin added that the Board was not really in favor of it either as they are trying to eliminate outdoor storage of vehicles in the village. The Planning Board would like to a change of zone and change of use in the Business District and redefine that area of the village. Village Attorney Charles Casolaro is working with the Planning Board in drafting legislation to redesign the business district. Trustee Fawcett added that going forward any new construction in the village will also be required to have appropriate parking requirements. Mayor added that some Planning Board members were down at the Highway Yard yesterday to see how that space is being utilized and to see if it can accommodate some extra parking spaces.

**Grant Update**

**Grant Awards Summer and Winter 2019:**

1. Suffolk County Downtown Revitalization: \$29,127.07 Submitted on 5/24/19
2. NYS Preserve NY: \$10,000 Submitted on 3/28/19
3. NYS Consolidated Funding Application (CFA): \$1,237,831 total requested- Submitted on 7/26/19:
  - a. Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan (LWRP): \$75,000 request (Total project cost: \$100,000) – UNDER REVIEW
  - b. Bridges, Cascades, Lake lock system: \$50,400 request (Total project cost: \$252,000) -UNDER REVIEW
  - c. Canal Improvements: \$1,112,431 request (Total project cost: \$1,519,175) - DENIED

<b>The grant strategy for Spring/Summer 2019: Grant Type</b>	<b>Grant Project</b>	<b>Due Date</b>
Suffolk County Downtown Revitalization	SW Extension	Due: May 24, 2019 <b>SUBMITTED/UNDER REVIEW</b>
Town of Islip Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	Walker Beach Bathroom	Rolling
NY State Preserve NY	Base Level Survey of Village	Due: March 28, 2019 Awards announced: July 1 <b>SUBMITTED: DENIED</b>
New York Consolidated Funding Application	(1) Lakes, Cascades, Bridges (2) Canal (3) LWRP	Due: July 26, 2019 <b>(1) Under review</b> <b>(2) Denied</b> <b>(3) Under review</b>
Fall 2019	NYS Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) follow-up and tracking; general grant research and preparation for fall 2019.	Ongoing grant tracking and research/prep.

### **2019 New York State Consolidated Funding Application Grant denial debriefing (Canal project)**

On September 23, 2019 Nicole Rhodes and Nicole Christian completed a conference call/debriefing about the denial of the request for Canal funding. The conversation was both informative and helpful.

The main points of clarity were:

- The funding request for the canal was denied since the project itself is not included in a comprehensive village-wide planning document which is an almost requirement to get funding from the state for any construction related project;
- The request for funding for the completion of a Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan (LWRP) is under review and will be considered closely since that plan will have to incorporate all construction related project on the horizon for the next 5 to 10 years;
- The RFP for the Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan should be very comprehensive and include the village's desire to substantially complete a component of a LWRP through construction and revitalization of the canal and surrounding area.

### **Other Topics:**

- Applied for the permit from the DEC to treat the phragmites and lily pads in the lakes. We are hoping to get the Permit before the first frost. If not, the Highway Department can hand cut them in the winter.
- 2020 Budget for Fire Department was passed and had a 2% increase.
- Clerk will send out a Legislative Update including the Landscaping License Requirement, Rental Permits and Solicitation update.
- Mayor instructed Attorney to update the Noise Code so that Contractors can not work on Sundays but not based on the Noise.
- 103 Orinoco no longer an issue
- Sea Levels and Medical Building to share parking lots on their off hours. Attorney will be following up with the owners to discuss the fencing.

## 10-21-19 – Board of Trustees Meeting

- Clerk will set up a meeting with the Police Department and Code Enforcement Supervisor to discuss safety precautions for Halloween night.
- The Village Office will be selling the Night the Light kits at the office. Maybe we can sell at Photos with Santa too.
- Pumpkin Run on Saturday and witches paddling up the canal was added to the event.
- Trustee Fawcett is working on taking care of the dangerous trees along Montauk Highway
- Clerk was instructed to speak with DPW about budgeting for needed equipment for next fiscal year.

### **Adjourn Meeting:**

Motion: Mayor Valdini                      Second: Trustee DelVecchio

Vote: 4 ayes                      0 nays 1 Absent

Meeting adjourned 8:37pm