## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – January 31, 2017**

The mid-month meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters was held on Tuesday, January 31, 2017 (originally scheduled for January 23, 2017 canceled due to weather) at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Dr., Brightwaters, NY, with the following officers present:

Joseph McDermott Christian Sullivan Bernadette Whitwell Laurie Elliott	Mayor Trustee Trustee Trustee
Charles Casolaro	Village Attorney
Absent:	

Carmine Chiappetta

Trustee

At 7:30 pm, Mayor McDermott called the meeting to order followed by a salute to the flag led by Girl Scout Troop 104.

**Presentation** by Girl Scout Troop 104: several of the scouts are working on achieving their Silver Award. Their project is to raise funds to purchase two portable AEDs to be placed in the Wohseepee Cabin and at Walker Beach as a life-saving tool. The cost for the two devices is \$5,000. They have currently raised \$2,400. They will be holding a pancake breakfast fundraiser at Applebee's. The girls are hoping to meet their goal by the summer and will work with the BSBW Rescue Ambulance corps to locate the proper equipment.

Appoint Gary Stark and Kenneth Jones as Parking Officers at a rate of \$13.00 per hour.Motion: Trustee ElliottSecond: Trustee SullivanVote: 4 ayes0 nays1 absent (Tr. Chiappetta)

**Approve** All Island Plumbing to repair the broken drain pipe in the area of 405 Peters Blvd at a cost not to exceed \$16,100 (does not include catch basins)

Motion: Trustee	Sullivan	Second:	Trustee	Elliott
Vote: 4 ayes	0 nays	1	absent	(Tr. Chiappetta)

**Approve** raising non-resident beach pass fee to \$100. Increase non-resident senior pass proportionately.

Motion: Trustee ElliottSecond: Trustee WhitwellVote: 4 ayes0 nays1 absent (Tr. Chiappetta)

**Presentation** by Patrick Fawcett, Downtown Revitalization Committee. The committee recommends attempting to save the two sycamore (London plane) trees on the South side of Orinoco by the old hardware store. It was agreed with the Board that the wood around the trees would be removed layer by layer and the soil gently taken down. John Catania will start the work and all will be asked to take a look once it have begun. If necessary, an arborist will be asked to check it as well. The trees will be observed to see if they benefit from this change or if it has an adverse effect. The tree in front of Stitches and Screens will be removed. The recommendation for trees in front of the card shop/dry cleaners are sycamores due to the large amount of space available for planting and in keeping with the feel of the Village. Mention was made pf a special tree planting method that will force the roots down instead of outward, causing sidewalk damage.

Benches, trash cans and bike rack suggestions were made. Board to decide on these items and trees.

Other items:

- Look into a new flag pole for Wohseepee Park and painting the one at Walker Beach
- Mayor would like to focus on outstanding issues that have been brought to Village Court
- Bob O'Shea is in contact with the DEC regarding possible heating oil violations at the Manella property on Orinoco
- Develop a sign for Gilbert Park reminding people that it is for residents only and dogs can only be off leash from 6-9AM. There have been complaints of non-residents using the park and dogs off-leash. Code enforcement to monitor the situation and ask for proof of residency

• Walker Beach: install post and rail fence to keep cars a safe distance from the playground and basketball court. Remove the telephone poles on the ground

• Downtown parking: the Mayor will contact the owner of the parking lot next to Mama Santina's and continue the discussion about leasing the property

• Canal: the surveyor has completed his work. Dan Falasco will be asked to present the findings to the Board. The canal restoration is in full swing and will result in the bulkhead being raised at the northern end to match the southern end

Meeting adjourned 9:30 PM

3 people in attendance (members of Girl Scout troop left after presentation)