

2/4/2013 - Board of Trustees Meeting

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – FEBRUARY 4, 2013**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters was held on Mon., Feb. 4, 2013 at 8:00 pm at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Dr., Brightwaters, NY, with the following officers present:

Joseph A. McNulty  
Robert W. Fischer  
John J. Riordan  
*John P. Finnerty, Esq.*

Mayor  
Deputy Mayor/Trustee  
Trustee  
*Village Attorney*

Absent: Timothy H. Cox, Trustee  
Denise Gibson, Trustee  
*Christine O'Shea, Village Clerk Treasurer*

At 8:03 pm, Mayor McNulty called the meeting to order followed by a salute to the flag. After the Pledge of Allegiance, a motion to approve the minutes of 1/7/13 as written and including the budget adjustments attachment and the budget to actual revenues and expenses was offered by Tr. Fischer, seconded by Tr. Riordan and all approved 3/0.

**Suffolk County Police Dept. Third Precinct**

A police officer showed up mid meeting and gave a brief report and took questions from the crowd.

**Trustee Reports**

**Code Enforcement**

Trustee Fischer read his report for this meeting –  
Report for the month of January 2013.  
Summons served 21  
Fines collected \$3000.  
Complaints prepared 10  
Building permits issued 2 with fees of \$450.  
C. O. inspections 6 with fees of \$300.  
Dumpsters 2 with fees of \$50.  
Fence permits 2 with fees of \$50.

**Administration**

Tr. Gibson was not at this meeting so Tr. Riordan moved to approve A/P ABSTRACT REPORT (APAR) #3719 dated 1/31/13 with 37 vouchers for \$106,838.80 and the highest contributors to that total was for garbage pick up and auditor professional services, otherwise business as usual and, the following a/p abstracts were also read aloud -  
APAR #3714 dated 1/8 with 6 vouchers for \$3,633.30  
APAR #3715 dated 1/11 with 4 vouchers for \$3,258.68  
APAR #3716 dated 1/15 with 2 vouchers for \$2,542.48

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APAR #3717 dated 1/22 with 2 vouchers for \$3,490.70  
APAR # 3718 dated 1/30 with 1 voucher for \$45.00

Tr. Fischer seconded and all approved 3/0.

**Highway Dept.**

Tr. Riordan read his report for this meeting.

- January was a busy month with some of the snow and ice encountered. The village roads were plowed on two occasions and we put down a total of 47.75 yards of salt for the two snowfalls. Unlike last year, we will be buying more salt and sand this winter.
- Trimming and clean up around the lake areas was done during the month when weather permitted.
- Some clean-up of sand and debris was done at Walker Beach. This was part of the storm debris left over from Super Storm Sandy.
- Street signs were replaced where needed throughout the village. The stop signs and speed signs for placement around the lakes are on order. Once received, we will arrange for mark-outs, which are safe placement spots and then get them in place.
- Cold patch work continued where needed throughout the village. Prior to Sandy we were attempting to get quotes on the roadwork we had identified to complete this year. We have not heard back from these road paving companies, which isn't unexpected now that most businesses are involved in Sandy related tasks on the Island and elsewhere. We will continue to follow up with them.
- Vehicle maintenance was done on our fleet for each of the vehicles and related equipment.
- One member of the DPW retired last week after 26 years on the job. He will retire with a guaranteed pension payment and at no cost to him, lifetime medical coverage. We wish him a happy and healthy retirement.
- The DPW now has 5 full-time laborers and a full-time foreman. We do not intend to re-staff the recently retired laborer, given the recent change in foreman and how he assigns and manages the work. If another laborer were to retire, at this point, we would most likely not staff that position either. During the warmer months we typically

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hire 2 part-time temporary employees for the added mowing and related work, and expect to repeat this in 2013.

- The east breakwater at the harbor, which was heavily damaged by hurricane Irene and then further damaged by Super Storm Sandy, has not been repaired as of yet, though the Mayor and I committed to getting it fixed correctly and back in performing its intended purpose. The FEMA funding we received due to Hurricane Irene requires extension (2/28), which our DPW office staff will address before the end of February. We hope by June this is classified as a completed project.
- The Fencing at Walker Bach and Gilbert Park took a beating and require significant repair. This repair will most likely be replacing the damaged material with like fencing and gates. If residents feel that after 50 years of service the fence style deserves upgrade, please make your opinion know to our DPW clerks in the office. Since we pulled down most of the barbed wire, we had noted an increase in individuals climbing the fences and entering the parks in the periods when these parks are closed. Perhaps another style fence would resolve this situation or change the look of the area.

### **Lakes & Parks**

Tr. Cox was not at this meeting.

### **Treasurer Report @ 1/31/13**

<i>Municipal checking:</i>	
General Fund	\$27,637
Payroll Fund	\$237
Trust & Agency Fund	\$-0-
Restoration Fund	\$1,413
<i>Investments:</i>	
CLAS\$ General Fund	\$459,031
CLAS\$ B.I.G. Fund	\$10,059

**Resolution** introducing a proposed local law #2 of 2013 to create Chapter 2, Article I, sections 2-1 through 2-5 to authorize a property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law 3-c.

Tr. Fischer moved to hold a public hearing next month and Tr. Riordan seconded and all approved 3/0.

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**Open meeting to public**

Mayor McNulty opened the floor to the audience for any questions and/or comments, and several issues were discussed.

At 9:00 p.m., there being no further business before the Board, the Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tr. Fischer made the motion; Tr. Riordan seconded and unanimously carried 3/0.

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Respectfully submitted,  
*Christine O'Shea*  
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Village Clerk Treasurer

Public attendance: 16 (not everybody signed in)