#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES - October 6, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters was held on Monday, October 6, 2014 at 8:00 p.m. at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Dr., Brightwaters, NY, with the following officers present:

Joseph McDermott Mayor

Donna Barnett Deputy Mayor/Trustee

Diane Urso Trustee Christian Sullivan Trustee Bernadette Whitwell Trustee

John P. Finnerty, Esq. Village Attorney

At 8:00 pm, Mayor McDermott called the meeting to order followed by a salute to the flag and a moment of silence for our armed forces.

Mayor McDermott announced the retirement of Christine O'Shea after serving the Village for 33 years. Mayor McDermott wished her well and hoped that she enjoys her retirement and that she will be missed.

With regards to Richland Boulevard \$100,000 grant from Philip Boyle, the Mayor confirmed the grant and the Village will be going out to bid with work to commence in the Spring. The paperwork for an additional \$50,000 grant for infrastructure from Senator Boyle is forthcoming.

The Suffolk County Community Development Grant amount is \$38,625.00 and will be voted on tomorrow, but Mayor McDermott was assured that it has been approved. It should take about a month to finalize the paperwork.

Mayor McDermott accepted the resignation of Trustee Donna Barnett effective October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Mayor McDermott appointed Donna Barnett Clerk/Treasurer for the remainder of the two year term effective October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Mayor McDermott appointed Carol Posimato Deputy Clerk for the remainder of the one year term. She has been with the Village for 18 years.

Mayor McDermott announced that Susan Bela has resigned from the Planning Board. He then requested the Board's approval to appoint Craig Low to the Planning Board for the remainder of Susan Bela's term.

Tr. Barnett motioned to approve, seconded by Tr. Sullivan Vote: 4 ayes 0 nays

A proclamation was presented to Lenny and Gina Jaawarowski of Milk and Sugar thanking them for all of their generous donations of food 10/6/2014 - Board of Trustees Meeting and serving all of the attendees at the Family Fun Night at Walker Beach. They have participated since 2009. Designated July 29th, 2015 as Milk & Sugar Day in the Village of Brightwaters.

Tr. Urso moved to approve the board minutes of 9/2/14 and Tr. Whitwell seconded.

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

## Suffolk County Police Dept. Third Precinct

No police officer here. Tr. Sullivan said there were 59 calls in the last month. Noted that the remarks on the report are from the dispatch officer and not the police officers responding to the calls.

### **Code Enforcement**

Tr. Sullivan brought up issues with people and graffiti at the back of the Post Office. This needs to be reported to Suffolk County PD in order to establish a pattern. Will be meeting with all of the Code Officers to establish guidelines for dealing with issues and open a dialog on what to include in their job description. New code car is forthcoming.

#### **Administration**

Tr. Barnett will start working on the audit and evaluating the Court Clerk position and the duties and responsibilities associated with it.

#### Lakes & Parks

Tr. Urso said the Village garage sale went very well and the weather was perfect. She thanked John Valdini for setting up. Did not conflict with Entenmann's Great South Bay Run.

Pumpkin Run is scheduled for Saturday October 25<sup>th</sup>. If anyone would like to volunteer to help, please contact Village Hall.

Parks committee: needs revitalization and some new members. Invites all residents to provide input and to attend a soon-to-be scheduled meeting. They will do some long-term planning.

Tr. Urso called on Brett Branco who was in the audience to comment on issues with the poison ivy around the Lakes and the lily pads in the Lakes. He mentioned possibly using goats to control the poison ivy. He wants to identify the vegetation in the Lakes to determine if they are invasive or not.

New website will be more user friendly and efficient.

#### **Highway Report**

Tr. Whitwell read her report for this meeting.

• Condition of DPW break room facility – building will be demolished. The Village ordered a forty foot temporary storage container to house all of the supplies and the workers will be using the trailer for a break room. DPW yard will be redesigned

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- Working on quotes to repair the ramp in front of the Post Office
- DPW removed the RCA from the Beach which led from the playground to the sand
- Excessive signage around the Beach and parks
- Drainage issues in the Village working with Tr. Sullivan and Engineer, Dan Falasco, to obtain quotes for clearing drains
- Street sweeping hasn't been done in two years and could be out of compliance with the Storm Water management program
- Downtown revitalization met with Tr. Sullivan and Pat Fawcett, Chairman of the DRC and the architect/planner. Concluded that surveys are needed to proceed to improve the Four Corners area to make it safer and more accessible

Mayor McDermott made a motion to Open the **Public Hearing on Local Law #6** to add stop signs at Penataquit Dr. & Brooklyn Blvd. to stop traffic Eastbound and Westbound on Penataquit Drive. Seconded by Tr. Sullivan. Vote:

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Tr. Sullivan explained that a resident had spoken up that the local car dealership was using the road for test drives as there were no stop signs on that particular stretch. The resident presented a petition from neighbors with 18 names requesting the stop sign. Discussion ensued.

Mayor McDermott motioned to close the Public Hearing. Tr. Urso seconded. Vote:

Ayes: 5 Nays:0

**RESOLUTION:** An act to amend section 119-4 of the Code of the Village of Brightwaters to add stop signs at Penataquit Drive and Brooklyn Boulevard

Tr. Sullivan motioned to adopt the resolution to amend section 119-4 of the code. Tr. Barnett seconded. Vote:

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

**Authorization to Purchase:** 2014 Subaru Crosstrek Hybrid to replace code car #6 which is dangerous to operate. Cost, including light bar, striping, radio and warranty not to exceed \$32,000. Car should be ready for service by Halloween. Tr. Barnett made motion to authorize and Tr. Urso seconded. Vote:

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

**Authorization to Repair 80 Feet of the West Concourse Canal** damaged by the August rain event. Cost not to exceed \$80,000 which will come from the road repairs budget. Contractors submitted bids for this type of work several months ago and pricing was still valid. Mayor McDermott motioned to approve project, Tr. Barnett seconded. Vote:

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Tr. Barnett motions to approve to approve the following abstracts that were generated during the month of September

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APAR # 3889 dated 9/3 with 9 vouchers for $34,691.32
APAR # 3890 dated 9/4 with 1 voucher for $49.04
APAR # 3891 dated 9/4 with 1 voucher for $19.95
APAR # 3892 dated 9/4 with 2 vouchers for $576.10
APAR # 3893 dated 9/9 with 1 voucher for $200.00
APAR # 3894 dated 9/9 with 2 vouchers for $1446.30
APAR # 3895 dated 9/17 with 8 vouchers for $3517.61
APAR # 3896 dated 9/18 with 1 voucher for $1941.15
APAR # 3897 dated 9/26 with 1 voucher for $500.00
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Tr. Urso seconded and all approved 5/0.

Total account balances at the end of September were \$ 1.5 million dollars.

Tr. Barnett said that in the future she would like to have the abstracts on the new website.

## **Open Meeting to Public**

- Question regarding if the Village is required to purchase used vehicles. Had purchased used vehicles in the past.
- Follow-up on John Thomas Inne. Thought was to remove paper road and sell it to JTI for parking. After resident input, the BOT decided to drop that proposal entirely.
- Regarding JTI Mayor McDermott explained that there is adequate parking and that the upstairs capacity is limited to 65. If they are serving 65 upstairs, a portion of the downstairs dining area will be closed off. Mayor McDermott invited anyone interested to come and see the plans in Village Hall. Also discussed various ways of alleviating resident parking concerns, including special permits.
- Regarding Drains: A discussion was had with various residents regarding the drainage situation. The BOT will be working with the Village Engineer in developing a plan to deal with both problematic drains and a schedule for regular drain cleaning to be in compliance with the Storm Water management plan.

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# **Motion to Adjourn Meeting**

Mayor McDermott asked for a motion to close and Tr. Sullivan moved to adjourn at 9:45 p.m., seconded by Tr. Barnett, and the meeting was adjourned on a 5/0 vote.

In attendance: approximately 27 people

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Barnett

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