#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – January 2, 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters was held on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Dr., Brightwaters, NY, with the following officers present:

Joseph McDermott	Mayor
Laurie Elliott	Trustee
Carmine Chiapetta	Trustee
John Valdini	Trustee
Thomas Zepf	Trustee
Nicole Rhodes	Clerk – Treasurer
Charles Casolaro	Village Attorney
John Catania	DPW Foreman

At 7:30 pm, Mayor McDermott called the meeting to order followed by a salute to the flag and a moment of silence for our Armed Forces.

Approval of the Minutes from the Board meetings of December 4, 2017 and December 11, 2017.

Motion: Trustee ElliottSecond: Trustee ZepfVote: 5 ayes0 nays

Mayor McDermott Swore in Associate Justice, Andrew Arcuri.

#### Mayor's Report – Mayor McDermott:

• The Mayor announced that new flooring was installed throughout Village Hall and invited residents to come take a look after the meeting if they wanted to see it. He continued to thank the staff for pitching in with the cleanup and makeover.

## Highway Department – Trustee Chiapetta

- Trustee Chiapetta read the Highway Report prepared by DPW Foreman, John Catania. Busy cleaning up the highway yard in lieu of getting office trailer which we did not get. Cleaning up of leaves with the trees losing them so late. Fixed Christmas tree multiple times due to vandalism unplugging of tree lights since the tree lighting ceremony. Finished up all prep of snow equipment and repairs made to vehicles needed. Service of code cars and installation of red lights as requested by the board. Cleaning of cabin on a weekly basis. Picking up of pails and debris. Salting of roadways and plowing snow as needed. Started cleaning up of service roads. Picking up branches and clearing of drains. Painting of Village hall and moving furniture around for flooring to be installed. Trustee Chiapetta is initiating a long-term Capital Plan. Providing the Planning Board • with an outline of projects to be evaluated. Got a quote from Nelson & Pope to perform a Traffic Study. This will be discussed at the next working meeting.
- There are missing light poles at Howells Road. One went down for a second time near the Shell Station. Mayor called over to the Town of Islip there was some debate when

they were put in as to who was responsible for them. The town installed them and the Village has been maintaining them. He put a call into John Cochran and will follow up with him again as he thinks the Town of Islip will help.

## Code Enforcement – Trustee Zepf

- Code Officers got new uniforms.
- They have been great with covering shifts and working out a text/phone call chain.
- We lost a Code Officer and are currently interviewing for that shift.
- The red lights were installed on Code Vehicles for safety reasons and their roles have not changed.

## Administration – Trustee Elliott

- Renovations in the office turned out great and wanted to also thank the Office staff and Highway Dept. It's been a long time coming.
- Trustee Elliott recognized Clerk-Treasurer, Nicole Rhodes with her quick reaction to the prepayment of Village Property taxes and the appropriate email that was sent out to residents of not accepting pre-payments. This was fully researched with the Village Attorney and NYCOM. The Governor's Executive Order did not address governments that have non-calendar year budgets. Since we do not do our budget in time for the 31<sup>st</sup> of December we do not have a warrant issued by the 31<sup>st</sup> of December, that means we do not have tax bills before the 31<sup>st</sup> of December. Since we are faced with these three monumental tasks it wasn't possible to accept pre-payments of taxes. None of the Villages on Long Island with a non-calendar fiscal year accepted pre-payments. Information from NYCOM of not accepting prepayment of Village Taxes and also an article from Newsday was provided to residents to take if they were interested.

## Fire Marshall's Report

As of this report, all permits for Public Assembly and Multiple Dwelling occupancies within the Village of Brightwaters are currently valid and up to date.

Commercial occupancy fire inspections continue in the Village of Brightwaters. Subsequent re-inspections having also been conducted to insure that all violations have since been removed. Please note a correction regarding my September 2017 report. Mentioned in error in that report was the change of ownership and sale of the *Jon Thomas Inne*, when it should have stated the change of ownership and sale of the *Brightwater's Inn* located at 200 Orinoco Dr. There has been no change of ownership or occupancy of the *Jon Thomas Inne*. My apologies for any confusion this may have caused.

On Friday, 12/15/17 at approximately 7pm, during the recent snow storm, I was summoned by the Bay Shore Fire Department to respond and investigate a Carbon Monoxide (CO) emergency at the Peter Pan Diner. Upon my arrival, it was learned that the fire department was alerted when one of its members whom was wearing a "personal CO detection" device, was having dinner when the device activated with a reading of 10 parts per million. During the response by the Bay Shore Fire Department, their monitoring results revealed no more than 6 parts per million at any given location. It should be noted that, typically, residential and commercial CO detection devices are designed to alert occupants when readings exceed 35 parts per million. While CO readings were considered low, the possibility did exist for a reoccurrence with even higher readings. With that possibility in mind as well as the safety of all occupants, a concerted effort to locate, isolate and mitigate any presence of CO was made by myself along with the owner of the Peter Pan Diner. All possible sources were investigated and

it was concluded that the emittance of CO although low in concentration was in all likelihood related to the roof top heating units with possible complication caused by atmospheric conditions associated to the wind and snow being experienced during this evening. With no activations of the several required CO detection devices, the Peter Pan Diner was deemed safe with continued occupancy permitted. The owner was also advised that in the event of any activation of the required CO Detectors that the diner be immediately evacuated and fire department called. Additionally, the owner was advised to have a heating specialist respond no later than the next day (Saturday AM) to inspect, test and confirm or deny the presence or emittance of CO from the roof top units. On Saturday, 12/16/17, I again responded to the Peter Pan Diner to meet with the heating specialist. As per the report provided by the heating specialist after his inspection it was concluded that while there was no emittance of CO from the units in question, there was disrepair by way of pin holes in the heat exchange on 3 of the 5 rooftop units that may have contributed to the limited release of Carbon Monoxide. The heating specialist and the diner's owner agreed that the rooftop units in guestion could be shut down and repaired at a later date, thus mitigating the threat of any CO release. Subsequently, I visited the Peter Pan Diner again on Sunday to confirm that no other issues were experienced that were related to Carbon Monoxide. As of this report, there has been no other issues received regarding the Peter Pan Diner.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish the Mayor, Board of Trustees and the entire Staff at the Village of Brightwaters a Healthy, Happy, Prosperous and Fire Safe New Year.

Sincerely, *Mattherv Brennan* 

Matthew Brennan, Fire Marshal Village of Brightwaters

# Lakes and Parks– Trustee Valdini

- Bay Shore Beautification sponsored the Light the Night event. This is not a Village run event but we do participate.
- The Menorah Lighting at the head of the Canal is an individual run event. The Village allows them to use their property. There has been requests to have a Nativity Scene up. The Village is more than happy to allow it but again we would not organize it.
- Christmas Caroling event on Christmas Eve turned out nice. It is usually the same 25-• 30 people every year. There are 7 musicians who show up.
- The Village finally has a permit with the DEC for the removal of Poison Ivy. The Company hired has already started to remove it around the Lakes.
- There has been skating around the Lakes. It is skate at your own risk and the village is looking into getting bigger signs to state that it is skate at your own risk, Village is not responsible.
- Trustee Valdini is organizing a meeting at the Cabin to discuss the future of the cabin.
- The Polar Plunge event will be in March.

## Approval of Treasurer's report and abstracts.

Motion: Trustee Chiapetta Second: Trustee Valdini Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays

VILLAGE OF BRIGHTWATERS

#### ABSTRACT REPORT FOR BOT January 3, 2018

Seeking to approve payment on:

Abstracts # 4061 - # 4068	vouchers	\$71,718.90
Employee Benefits Division - Health Inst Alpha Carting -December 2017	urance Jan 2018	\$ 18,242.01 \$ 26,147.00
<b>Treasurer's Report</b> Cash on Hand as of 1/2/2018		
General Fund - BNB		118,963
General Money Market - BNB		50
CLASS General	Tatal Cash an Usual	1,176,662
	Total Cash on Hand - General	1,295,675
Capital Fund		109,317
CLASS Capital fund		19,766
	Total Cash on Hand - Capital	129,082
Canal Enterprise Fund		91,100
CLASS Canal		413,247

Residents Feedback:

- Resident Andrew Arcuri Recreational use statute basically says the more you do the more you will be held liable.
- Resident Joan Manahan advised that the sign by the Post Office is out of date. She asked if we could please update it and put everything in large print. Also, before the meetings if the lights can be turned on when you walk through the doors.
- Resident Ed Gaber complained about he's neighbor's Landscaper working on Thanksgiving. He put a call into Code and left a voicemail message for them to call him back. He still hasn't received a call back. The Mayor advised that there was no one in Code working on Thanksgiving but the Officer should have called back when he received the message. He also suggested that in the future if anything like that happens to call the office shortly after it happens so that we can address it. The Village is in the process of working to get Landscapers licensed throughout the village.

Adjourn: Motion: Truste	e Elliott	Second: Trustee Zepf
Vote: 5 ayes	0 nays	

1/2/2018 - Board of Trustees Meeting

Meeting adjourned 8:40 PM