

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES – November 5, 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters was held on Monday, November 5, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Dr., Brightwaters, NY, with the following officers present:

John J. Valdini	Mayor
Thomas Zepf	Trustee
Michael Dopsovic	Trustee
Patrick Fawcett	Trustee
Nicole Rhodes	Clerk – Treasurer
Charles Casolaro	Village Attorney
John Catania	DPW Foreman
Bob O’Shea	Building Inspector
Anthony Rambazis	Code Supervisor

1 Trustee Seat Vacant

At 7:30 pm, Mayor Valdini called the meeting to order followed by a salute to the flag and a moment of silence for those serving in the military.

Approval of the Minutes from the Board meetings of October 1, 2018 and October 22, 2018.

Motion: Mayor Valdini Second: Trustee Zepf

Vote: 4 ayes 0 nays

Officer Benitz of the Third Precinct reported that there are still incidents happening in the area of unlocked cars being broken into. She stressed the importance of reporting these incidents to the third precinct. Trustee Fawcett advised that if the RING camera or any camera is installed in your home you can report that footage to the police.

Supervisor Tony Rambazis notified residents that the Ragamuffin Parade went well but on Halloween night there was violent activity geared towards Code and Police Officers. Code Cars were egged, a liquor bottle and stones were thrown at Police. There were kids challenging police officers. 4 were arrested. In preparation for Halloween, the Village had 4 Code Officers on, DPW, help from the precinct and 3 light towers.

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Valdini:

- The Garage Sale was a success. The Village’s first Block party was also a success and the Mayor thanked everyone who made these events possible. The Pumpkin Run was rescheduled to the next day because of the rain but all and all it worked out. The Mayor mentioned starting the Halloween parade at 6pm next year as it will be lighter out.
- The Zoning Board of Appeals denied the Wellness Centre it’s non-conforming use variance. We are still waiting for the written Decision in Order.
- The Village hosted a Vigil at the Head of the Canal to stand together against hate & anti-semitism. It was sponsored by the Chabat of Islip Township. Rabi Stillerman led the vigil and over 300 people were in attendance.
- There will be a flyer coming out this week informing residents of the upcoming events for November and December.
- November 17th a Lakes Meeting will be held at the cabin. All are invited to attend.

Trustee Fawcett – Special Projects

- **Downtown:** Working on the Northwest corner in obtaining proposals for a hardscaped wall to replace where hedges are near Sea Levels Parking lot. Also, looking into using a lot downtown for additional parking.
- **Gilbert Park & Walker Beach:** Looking into parking for Gilbert Park and fencing for Gilbert and Walker Beach.
- Trustee Fawcett mentioned that residents have been reporting lights out to him directly and that they must go through the appropriate channels by calling the village office and doing an official work order. This goes with mostly everything you would like to report.

Trustee Dopsovic – Highway

- The Village has been decorated for the fall.
- Walker Beach has been cleaned up.
- Drains were cleaned after the nor'easter.
- Equipment is ready for the winter but DPW is in desperate need of a new dump truck.

Trustee Zepf – Code Enforcement

- Three Code Officers were recently hired, one of which is female.
- GPS units were installed in both Code Cars.
- Trustee Zepf thanked Code, DPW and the police for the worked they did on Halloween night.
- Trustee Zepf advised residents to watch your packages during the holidays. If possible, you can have them delivered to your work

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.

Inspections of commercial occupancies continue in the Village of Brightwaters with re-inspections having also been conducted to insure that all violations have since been removed.

Ongoing activity can also be described as follows. The *Advance Design Group*, representing the occupants of 165 Orinoco Drive, contacted me regarding the upgrade and replacement of the automatic fire alarm system. A joint meeting and follow up inspection between myself and Patrick Orlando (owner of 400 Potter Blvd.) and the Chief of the Bay Shore Fire Department, was also attended regarding the parameters and requirements associated with the installation of a "Knox Box". Lastly was a meeting with the Town Of Islip's Fire Marshal Office regarding recent changes in the protocols associated with "Knox Box" installations. Any future progress with the above mentioned will be reported promptly.

During the past month, at the request of the Bay Shore Fire Department, I responded to the 556 Mattituck group home, to investigate an oil burner emergency and failure to comply with automatic fire alarm procedures. Staff was advised and ordered to conduct immediate training as to fire alarm protocols while the oil burner malfunction was remedied by a licensed contractor.

Sincerely,

Matthew Brennan

**Matthew Brennan, Fire Marshal
Village of Brightwaters**

11/5/2018 - Board of Trustees Meeting

Public Hearing on proposed Local Law 6-2018 to amend Article II Removal of Trees Along Sidewalks, Section 90-5 Permit Required; fines

To open the Public Hearing:

Motion: Mayor Valdini Second: Trustee Dopsovic
Vote: 4 ayes 0 nays

Mayor Valdini advised that in an effort to control the clear cutting in the village and taking down of village trees it is being proposed to raise the fine we currently have from \$250 to \$1,000 for the first offense, \$1,500 for the second offense and \$2,000 for the third offense. As of now the Village does not have a tree preservation program in place and we are working on that but in the mean time we can at least raise the fines to deter this type of violation from happening so often.

Trustee Dopsovic added that this is in no way trying to keep people from taking a tree down but it is to set a precedent.

Public Comments:

- Resident, Joan Manahan said it was a great idea
There were no other comments made by residents.

To close the Public Hearing:

Motion: Mayor Valdini Second: Trustee Zepf
Vote: 4 ayes 0 nays

Discussion on proposed amendments to Chapter 128 Zoning, amendment to Section 18, Off-street parking.

Building Inspector, Bob O'Shea along with the Planning Board, developed an off-street parking code. This was put into place to put some restrictions on businesses to provide a certain amount of parking necessary for their type of business. It would only affect an existing building if they changed the use of a building. As always, an application can be made to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a variance.

Permission to pay Landtek for the Northeast corner (Downtown Revitalization) in the amount of \$59,483.50.

Motion: Mayor Valdini Second: Trustee Fawcett
Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

VILLAGE OF BRIGHTWATERS

ABSTRACT REPORT FOR BOT November 5, 2018

Seeking to approve payment on:

Abstracts #4123 - #4130	vouchers	\$188,892.85
Alpha Carting - October 2018		\$ 27,454.33
Employee Benefits Division - Health Insurance Nov 2018		\$ 19,259.49
Hohwald Landscaping - Tree trimming & Removal		\$ 3,350.00

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NYS Local Retirement - 2019 Contribution	\$	74,412.00
Town of Islip - Street Sweeping from May 2018	\$	12,500.00
PABCO Industries - Plastic Leaf Bags	\$	3,789.00
Econo Signs - Traffic Signs for speed	\$	3,361.80
TRIUS - New Sander for DPW	\$	4,681.00

Treasurer's Report

Cash on Hand as of 11/5/2018

General Fund - BNB	279,577
General Money Market - BNB	50
CLASS General	1,495,699
Total Cash on Hand - General	1,775,327

Capital Fund	88,795
CLASS Capital fund	20,043
Total Cash on Hand - Capital	108,838

Canal Enterprise Fund	88,366
Canal Savings	-

Approve Treasurer's Report and Abstracts

Motion: Mayor Valdini Second: Trustee Dopsovic

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

Before going into Public Session, Mayor Valdini advised the residents that Trustee Carmine Chiappetta had resigned from the Board this afternoon due to personal reasons.

Public Comment:

- Diane Urso started the Brightwaters' Lions Club and would like to have a food drive in the cabin on November 17th. She asked if the Village can post it on the website. Mayor Valdini advised that a Lakes Meeting will be going on from 8-10am and she can have her meeting directly following.
- Christian Sullivan complimented Mayor Valdini for having the Block Party. He thought it was a great opportunity to get together with neighbors and a great way to support our local businesses. He recommended that when setting the budget for next year to consider adding funds for new sand to add to Walker Beach. More people now than ever are using Walker Beach.
- Sharon Cimino thanked the Mayor for giving her a spot at the village garage sale. She was able to raise funds for three different animal rescues. She made a recommendation that when putting together the new tree preservation program, to put into place an inspection to make sure there are no disturbances of nests before cutting any trees.

Adjourn: Motion: Mayor Valdini Second: Trustee Zepf

Vote: 4 ayes 0 nays

Meeting adjourned 8:30 PM