# **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES - May 1, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Brightwaters was held on Monday, May 1st, 2017 at 8:00 p.m. at Village Hall, 40 Seneca Dr., Brightwaters, NY, with the following officers present:

Joseph McDermott Mayor
Laurie Elliott Trustee
Carmine Chiappetta Trustee

Charles Casolaro Village Attorney

Absent:

Christian Sullivan Trustee
Bernadette Whitwell Trustee

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.

**Approval** of the Minutes from the Board meeting of April 3, 2017

Motion: Trustee Elliott Second: Trustee Chiappetta

Vote: 3 ayes 2 absent 0 nays

Suffolk County Police Department 3<sup>rd</sup> Precinct – An officer from sector 317 was in attendance. He went through all the calls from the 314 sector and there were a few larcenies in the Bay Shore-Brightwaters area, but nothing out of the ordinary. People are calling to report suspicious people/vehicles, which is very important and helps them to track issues. Gang activity is not a problem here. There is a special unit that handles that as well as the FBI. Mayor thanked them for the undercover officers that patrol our area. The Mayor is concerned about people speeding down North Windsor Avenue. The SCPD is training a lot of new officers so you may see two people in a car for training purposed. Resident asked if there is a suspicion of drugs being dealt from a house, what is it they should do. Officer stated that they should contact the precinct. There is a special unit that handles this. For issues with kids on bikes, snap a photo and put it on social media. The parents seem to be able to address this when there is a photo of their child.

## **Mayor's Report:**

- The Mayor and Board presented clerk Donna Barnett with flowers and thanked her for all of her work in training the Mayor and Trustees, working on the finances, and all her incredible hard work over that last 2 ½ years and wished her much luck in the future. He introduced her replacement, Nicole Rhodes, who comes to us from the Village of Roslyn Harbor
- At the mid-month, the proposition for the June 20th to compensate the Mayor and Trustees was rescinded and the expenses were removed from the Preliminary budget, this reducing the tax increase to 2.3%
- The Girl Scouts have raised \$4,100 for two AED's for Wohseepee Park and Walker Beach
- We have a completed another corner of the four corners. The pavers between the two sycamore trees are set in sand to allow for water to get to the roots
- Canal restoration is moving along nicely. If anyone would like to put their boats in before
  the work is completed, please contact Village Hall and they will find you a temporary spot
  until the canal is done

- We discussed the height of the light posts on the canal. A replacement pole was put in that
  was 20' high. There was a call from a concerned resident that the poles were different
  heights. We decided to keep the pole at 20' because we don't have a set pole height. Once
  we establish that, we will adjust the new pole accordingly and any future poles
- I would like to thank Tim and Eileen Cox for their excellent service of running the Summer program. They have done an excellent job over the years and have been very accommodating in expanding the age limit when possible. They are retiring and we will be hiring a new director and are looking for counselors
- Met with National Grid to discuss cutting up the newly paved roads without letting the Village know. Contact numbers were exchanged and they committed to informing the Village of any work they will be doing so residents can be informed. We also addressed the issue of trucks coming down Lombardy instead of Clinton. If anyone sees them using the residential streets, please call Village Hall

#### **DPW - Trustee Sullivan**

- All Village properties have been thatched and mowing has begun
- The new flag pole at Wohseepee has been installed as the other one was damaged
- They have turned on the sprinkler systems at Village Hall and the canal.
- Turned on the water on the East side of the canal
- Signs were replaced on the SE corner after the cement work was done
- Removed a fallen tree at Gilbert
- Installing conduit and water where the canal was restored

# <u>Code Enforcement – Trustee Chiappetta</u>

- Light police activity which has been consistent over the last several months
- We have a gap in the code enforcement schedule on weekends and are looking to fill them
- Some calls about people engaging the intersection of Seneca and North Windsor by the JTI. We will be looking at how to make this safer
- We will be looking at the maintenance code for properties that are not being taken care of
- Also looking at the sign code and how we can enforce it unilaterally
- We have a traffic study from 1989 that the Board will be reviewing to see if we can incorporate some of the recommendations before committing to another study
- The polls on June 20<sup>th</sup> will now be open at 7:00 AM instead of noon. This has been a request in the past and we would like to try it

#### **Administration – Trustee Elliott**

#### 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.

Fire inspections continue in the Village of Brightwaters. Re-inspections have also been conducted to insure that all violations have since been removed.

An inspection and acceptance test of the Automatic Fire Alarm System and Automatic Extinguishing Systems at Henley's tavern located at 184 Orinoco Dr. has been completed. During the inspection and acceptance test, a joint inspection with Building Inspector Robert Shea

was also conducted insuring the maintenance of all Life, Fire & Building Codes. All extinguishing and life safety systems were found to be operating as designed and in compliance.

There was no request for investigations of fire from the Bay Shore Fire Department during the past month.

Sincerely,

Matthew Brennan, Fire Marshal Village of Brightwaters

### Lakes and Parks-Trustee Whitwell

- April 2<sup>nd</sup> ribbon cutting to recognize B.I.G. and the new playground at Walker Beach with a sign. First annual B.I.G. Polar Plunge was held and they raised \$3,000 for a new swing set and special needs swing. The Village thanks the Bay Shore Brightwaters Ambulance & Rescue for being on hand during the event.
- The Bay Shore Lions club, led by Meg Smith, hosted the Easter Egg Hunt
- The shredding day was well attended and a great way to start spring cleaning
- Would like to thank National Grid for donating four cherry trees and beautifying the two traffic islands in front of their offices
- Park Appreciation Day was a success with a replenished playground with new wood chips
- Memorial Day Parade is on Main Street, Bay Shore on Memorial Day
- Would like to thank Donna Barnett for all the hard work she has done and it was a pleasure to work with her. She will be missed!

**Approve** Application #3 for payment from Quintal contractors in the amount of \$330,376.87 for work on the canal. Funds from \$1.6M bond. Amount spent to date on bond including this payment: \$820,225.

Motion: Trustee Elliott Second: Trustee Chiappetta

Vote: 3 ayes 0 nays 2 absent

**Approve** abstracts and Treasurer's report:

### 05/01/2017 - Board of Trustees Meeting

VILLAGE OF BRIG	SHTWATERS		
	ORT FOR BOT May 1, 2017		
Seeking to appro	ve payment on:		
Abstracts # 4020-4022		58 vouchers	\$94,519.20
Alpha Carting - N	/lar. 2017		\$ 26,147.00
All Island Plumbing -drain repair Peters Blvd			\$ 23,400.00
Employee Benefits Division - Health Insurance			\$ 18,574.11
Treasurer's Repo			
Cash on Hand as			
General Fund - BNB			67,489
General Money Market - BNB			50
CLASS General			768,713
	Total Cash on Hand - General		836,252
Capital Fund			10,936
CLASS Capital fund			83,481
Total Cash on Hand - Capital		oital	94,417
Canal Enterprise		184,962	
CLASS Canal			1,146,994

Motion: Trustee Chiappetta Second: Trustee Elliott

Vote: 3 ayes 2 absent 0 nays

### **Public Comments:**

- Poison Ivy on the lakes is starting to climb up the trees and needs to be addressed
- Please thank the Bay Shore Fire Department for their help at the polar bear plunge
- Possibility of banning leaf blowers in the summer months
- Why doesn't the Village have an ordinance regarding bamboo? The Mayor said he will have the Building Inspector investigate. They have already looked at the Town of Islip and the County codes
- Will there be work done on the Walker Beach parking lot? We are fixing it this summer
- Residents should be aware that the Heartland development could affect the traffic through the Village to get to the Robert Moses beaches

Adjourn: Motion: Trustee Elliott Second: Trustee Chiappettal

Vote: 3 ayes 2 absent 0 nays

Meeting adjourned 8:45 PM

Approximately 8 people in attendance.