## Northport Village Corporation Overseers' Meeting April 9, 2006

## **Minutes**

Present: President Jo Huntoon; Overseers Peter Allen, Margaret Brockway, Bill Cressey, David Crofoot, Linda Houghton, Peter Spollett; Treasurer Julian Sheffield; Village Agent Bill Paige; Tree Warden Jane Phillips; Secretary Karen Hoedtke

Cressey moved and Brockway seconded that the minutes of the last meeting be approved. **Voted.** 

The Warrants were circulated for approval.

Village Agent Paige reported he is feeling better.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sheffield gave a projection of the cash position of the General budget. We started the year with approximately \$110,000 but should have had 75% - 80% of the budget (75% = \$118,000) in cash reserves. She recommended looking into disability insurance; Brockway to get a proposal from MMA.

Cressey moved and Crofoot seconded that the Overseers ask Brockway to coordinate with Huntoon as a personnel committee. **Voted**.

Visitors' Concerns: None.

Finance: None.

**Safety:** Allen reported that the police officers, Sal and Joan DeMeo, and Shelley, the lifeguard, are all on board for this year. Shelley will be asked to attend an Overseers' meeting after her school year has ended.

**Tree Warden:** Phillips has been in communication with the Williamses concerning the satellite dish. She recommended that this particular instance not be pursued.

Cressey moved and Brockway seconded to accept Phillips's recommendation and not pursue this particular matter. **Following discussion the motion was tabled.** 

**Utilities:** A flow violation was reported in February. The flow meter was recalibrated and the February violation as well as perhaps seven of last year's violations probably were factitious; there was no violation in March. The dipstick will continue to be used. A small leak (1,500 gpd) coming into the unused third train has been noted. McElhaney has a 60° weir which will be clamped to the existing 90° and will give a better and more accurate reading. The Utilities Committee accepted Ted Berry, Inc.'s bid to do the TV camera inspection. McElhaney is contracting with divers for the annual inspection of the outfall as required by our consent agreement. McElhaney has made inquiries to DEP as to what constitutes expansion and normal growth under the 301(h) waiver. The South Shore pump station usage is way down as the result of the installation of the new pump and the remediation of the problem on the Granston property. Paige, with son Bill, will be able to get the meters in with no problem. Over the past weekend there was a water leak at the Community Hall.

**Surface Runoff:** As Cressey has not met with the Surface Runoff Committee, there is no committee recommendation. Al Hodsdon, Civil Engineer, was in the Village and has made his recommendations. Cressey stated there are two fundamental issues: 1. property owners' concerns and, 2. cost. Cressey mentioned that some of the problems facing the Village now are the result of things not properly done 4 years ago, i.e. the drainage on George Street was in the job description, but removed; drainage ditches and culverts on Main Street were removed and replaced with shallow swales. Cressey would like to see the following this year: 1. Replace the current 12" culvert under Broadway at Maple with a 15" or 20" culvert; 2. Install drain and culverts under George to feed into catch basins at Griffin and Main; 3. Ditch and culverts on north side of Main Street with a feeder at the south side of the Inn; shallow paved swales at driveways with aprons for the property owners. For an additional sum of money, Hodsdon would supervise any work being done.

Allen moved and Brockway seconded to authorize Cressey to investigate how much could be done (culvert, catch basin, swale work, but no street paving) for up to \$30,000. **Voted 6-0.** 

At this point it was deemed appropriate that there should be a public hearing to discuss the surface runoff issue. The hearing is scheduled for July  $2^{nd}$  at 3:00 p.m. (after the band concert).

**Old Business:** Huntoon's daughter Wendy is working on the broadband proposal. Forgiveness of Wastewater Loan: Crofoot moved, Spollett seconded, to reconfirm last month's vote to eliminate the \$25,000 liability of the sewer department. **Voted.** 

**New Business:** Gordon Fuller has requested permission to park his boat on jack stands in the park. Cressey moved and Spollett seconded to grant permission. **Voted.** 

Allen moved and Cressey seconded to authorize Bill Paige to mow lawns until his contract can be extended. **Voted.** 

Meetings have been scheduled at 9:30 a.m. as follows:

May 21<sup>st</sup> regular meeting June 4<sup>th</sup>, budget meeting June 18<sup>th</sup>, regular meeting

The meeting moved into the scheduled Executive Session.

Brockway moved to adjourn at 11:56 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen L. Hoedtke, Secretary