## MINUTES Overseers Meeting March 14, 2010

**Present:** 

President: Josiah Huntoon

Tree Warden: Jane Phillips

Office Manager: Paul Bartels

Village Agent: Bill Paige

Overseers: Marge Brockway

Ned Lightner

Maureen Stalla

Lee Houghton

Steve Kazilionis

Visitors: Dick Brockway, Drexel White, Denis & Francine Dinkel, Dr. David Crofoot,

Seth Thayer.

**Meeting called to order** at 9:00 a.m. by President Huntoon.

#### **Minutes:**

Maureen Stalla moved that the February 14, 2010 minutes be approved, seconded by Marge Brockway – **Voted: unanimous.** 

#### Warrants were circulated.

## **Treasurers Report:**

Bill Cressey reviewed the 2009 year end financial reports which were distributed. He explained the format and content of the report which contained minor variances for the year. He also distributed and commented on the financials for the first two months of 2010 and introduced the Cash report and outstanding tax report.

### **Village Agent:**

Bill Paige noted that leaves and debris were raked out to the road in front of the Christiansen residence which can cause a runoff problem in the spring. Ned Lightner, safety chairman, said he will talk to him.

Bill said there were no major runoff problems after the last big rain event. He said the fixes made on the Broadway area seem to be working. There was a small runoff problem on Cobe Road.

Lee Houghton received a call from the Dinkels on Griffin Street and answered questions about the paving of Griffin Street. Their concern is that they would prefer to not have it paved. Lee told them that it was necessary for runoff reasons.

#### **Visitors Concerns:**

Seth Thayer requested that the Overseers approve his request to bury the power line from the existing CMP pole to his house. Seth views the current above ground line as a possible safety issue. The work would cross a Village right-of-way, hence the need for

Overseer approval. He assured that this type of thing is common and he had permission from CMP to conduct the work. Ned Lightner moved to give Seth Thayer permission to bury the cable subject to receipt of proof of insurance, seconded by Lee Houghton – **Voted all in favor.** 

**Communications:** - No Report.

**Facilities:** - No Report

## Safety:

## Ned Lightner reported:

Police officers Sal and Joan Demeo will be at the April Overseers meeting. Ned is working to develop a closer relationship and has scheduled a luncheon with them to understand how best to serve the village needs

We have received repeated complaints regarding speeding in the village. The Waldo County Sheriff's department has a mobile unit we could use that tracks both vehicle speed and time of day which would allow us to focus police efforts where they are most needed. Ned was asked to get permission from the Town since this would be used on town roads.

Surface Runoff: - No Report

Tree Warden: - No Report

#### **Town Liaison:**

Ned Lightner reported that the Town of Northport has Marine Reserve Fund available for Waterfront repairs. These funds are collected primarily from boat excise taxes and mooring fees. Drexel White reported that the town is open to a proposal from the village corporation to use some of these funds to repair the wharf / seawall as these are resources used and valued by Northport residents. The NVC needs to request funding for a specific portion of the project, this request would be added to the Northport Town Warrants for approval by the voters in Northport. Ideally the information should be provided to the town by mid April. Jo Huntoon will get Rob Frank to do a study for the request.

#### **Utilities:**

Ned Lightner reported:

- The public hearing for the Outfall repair and new septic tank went very smoothly.
- Sensors were installed for I&I detection.
- New electric panel was installed in the pump house.

David Crofoot covered all aspects of the sewer plant repair/ outfall extension project, as outlined in our consent decree with the DEP. We have applied for a combination grant/loan to complete this project as outlined in the minutes from the February 14<sup>th</sup> Overseers meeting. He said there are upfront engineering costs for the study which we

will incur without a guarantee of getting the loan/grant. However he believes the study could be used in the future if this funding does not come thru. Dirigo Engineering notified the utility that the permitting process for the outfall project may take a long time because the bay is habitat for salmon (endangered species).

## **Waterfront Improvement:**

Jo Huntoon reviewed the beginning of the water front project which is expected to begin in early April. Prock Marine has advised us that the asphalt in the circle may have to be replaced after the job is done.

Steve Kazilionis said the north seawall bulkhead needs to be repaired sooner than later. We cannot currently afford the extensive repairs recommended as part of the waterfront renovation study. However we do need to make some repairs to ensure the seawall will hold up for several more years until we can afford a more extensive (and expensive) rebuilding process. Marge Brockway moved that Jo Huntoon engage Rob Frank to make recommendations for repairs that would accomplish the above. Seconded by Lee Houghton – **Voted all in favor.** 

Jo Huntoon would like to pay Prock Marine invoices as they are received. Steve Kazilionis moved to have Rob Frank review and approve invoices in accordance with our contract with Prock Marine. These invoices would then be further approved by Jo or Marge for payment, seconded by Lee Houghton – **Voted all in favor.** 

#### **Discussion:**

Steve Kazilionis, NYC, said that the outer boat float needs repairs. The NYC would also like to retrofit the float to accommodate storage of the 420 and 470 boats used by the sailing school. A question was raised as to whether NYC owns that float and in turn is responsible for it. It is believed that the NYC owns the float, Steve will work with the NYC to develop a proposal for Overseer consideration.

Bill Paige said he needs a helper for a couple of weeks to make repairs on the snow plowing damage. Lee Houghton said he has a couple of guys that might be interested. He will talk to them and tell Bill.

#### **Future Meetings:**

Overseers Meeting: April 11, 2010 9:00 AM.

#### **Executive Session:**

Marge Brockway moved to go into executive session at 9:52 AM Voted: unanimous.

10:10 reconvened.

The Overseers are looking into the 2010 pay raise which will be decided by July 1, 2010.

# Adjourn:

Steve Kazilionis moved to adjourn at 10:35 a.m., seconded by Marge Brockway – **Voted all in favor.** 

Respectfully submitted by Paul E. Bartels