

**MINUTES**  
**Overseers Meeting**  
**May 12, 2013**

**Present:**

President Josiah Huntoon  
Village Agent Bill Paige  
Distribution Operator Bill E. Paige  
Treasurer Bill Cressey  
Tree Warden Jane Phillips  
Clerk Maureen Einstein  
Office Manager Paul Bartels

Overseers: Marge Brockway  
Ned Lightner  
Lee Houghton  
Judy Metcalf  
Maureen O'Keefe  
Steve Kazilionis  
Denis Wang

**Visitors:** Dick Brockway, Rachael Rosa.

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

**Minutes:** Judy Metcalf moved to approve the April 14, 2013 meeting minutes with typos corrected, seconded by Marge Brockway – **Voted, motion passed.**

**Warrants** were circulated for approval.

**Treasurers Report:**

Bill Cressey:

1. Bill reviewed the Audit Summary report he provided.
2. The P & L reports were distributed and no new issues were presented.
3. A meeting has been set up with Cathy Reynolds at BSB to discuss options to spread our cash assets across additional accounts to ensure those funds are protected by FDIC insurance.

**Village Agent:**

Bill Paige:

1. Has located an energy efficient light fixture to replace the broken fixture on the wharf. The overseers would like to have a fixture that projects downward, avoiding night sky light pollution. Steve offered to research options and get that information back to Bill Paige.
2. Denis Wang reported on the meeting he had with residents about Beale Park. Their feeling is that they want the park put back as a park not a parking lot. They would like the excess gravel removed and replace the grass and provide one parking space per resident for a total of four. Judy Metcalf moved to accept and implement the recommendations of the residents, seconded by Denis Wang – **Voted, Marge Brockway abstained, motion carried.**

3. The shrubs on Clinton Street, which are on public property, will be looked at by Jane Phillips. They will be trimmed as needed.
4. The runoff at the end of Maple street seems to be coming from Broadway not Maple. An option to resolve this problem is to install a paved swale. This will be scheduled when we are paving other roads to reduce the costs of the project.
5. Upper Main Street needs paving to fix pot holes.
6. Winter road sand is usually not cleaned up until summer. Maureen will bring this issue to the Northport Selectmen to see what we have for options with the goal of sweeping the streets earlier in the season.
7. Will install ropes on the swim float and keep the chain with shocks on the boat float.
8. In an effort to improve the maintenance of the Community Hall, the Overseers approved monthly cleaning of the hall through September. Billy Paige will do the cleaning and will be paid as an employee at his hourly rate, not as a contractor.
9. Bill Sr. was told by the Overseers to put a wood railing on the new ramp at the bottom of Bayview Park.
10. The swing set needs repair, Bill has been looking for somebody to cut threads on the top of the pipe on the swing set. This would be the least expensive option for repairs; he is continuing this search.
11. The library has a mold problem. Judy moved to accept a proposal from ServPro to remediate the problem, seconded by Ned – **Voted and accepted.**

### **Residents' Concerns:**

Jackie LaCoste sent a letter to the Overseers regarding the policy for renting the Community Hall. She feels that the fee is too high and the cancelation policy too strict. The Overseers decided not to change the policy but will review each application when presented.

### **Communications:**

Maureen O'Keefe reported on the selectmen's meeting.

### **Finance:**

The Overseers agreed with Bill Cressey to have a Budget workshop on 6/16/2013, 9:00 AM.

### **Tree Warden:**

Jane Phillips had Joe Holms pruning the bushes in the Village. She was told to have the bushes planted in the road way behind the Clarke residence pruned.

### **Utilities:**

Judy and Denis reported:

- No new issues for water or sewer.
- Utilities Committee gave the go ahead for doing our own water testing in our lab. Bill E. Paige will be trained by Dick McElhaney to do this. Once in place, this new process will save the Village approximately \$1,500 annually
- Due to tank train improvements, the cost for pumping out the tanks by Moore Septic has been cut in half saving approximately \$3,000.00 twice a year for the foreseeable future.
- A deep water line will be installed in the street by Ruggles Park, running down to the hydrant at the sewer plant. This will be in keeping with the ongoing task of upgrading and maintaining our water system..

**Discussions:**

- Bill Cressey volunteered and was assigned the task of assembling the nominating committee for the annual meeting.
- Judy moved to give the Centennial Committee a line item in the budget of \$500.00, seconded by Maureen O'Keefe – **Voted all in favor.**
- A proposal to refinance some outstanding loans at a lower interest rate will be put on the warrants for the annual meeting

The next Overseers meeting is scheduled for June 9 at 9:00 am.

Voted to adjourn at 11:15AM.

Submitted by Paul E. Bartels