## Northport Village Corporation

## November 12, 2017

## **Overseers Meeting Minutes**

**Attendees:** 

President: John Spritz

Treasurer: Steve Kazilionis Village Agent: William Paige

Office Manager: Amy Eldridge

**Overseers** 

Judy Metcalf Dick Brockway Paul Nyren

Michael Lannan - on phone

Vicky Matthews Lee Houghton

Wendy Huntoon – not present

Visitors: Marge Brockway, Ned Lightner.

Meeting Called to order: at 9:00 am

**Approval of Minutes:** Dick B. moved to approve the October Minutes, Vicky M. seconded the motion, 6 Approved, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained.

**Questions/issues from Bayside Residents and meeting attendees:** None at this time.

**Report of the President:** John S. will provide his notes later in the meeting to be discussed during the appropriate topic.

Report of the Treasurer: Steve K reported that NVC is in good shape and he went over a review of the 2017 budget spending forecast figures. He reported on available funds that could be used toward expenses approved by the Overseers. Electrical upgrade in the Community Hall was spoken about. Funds in the amount of \$11,500.00 will to bring the Community Hall up to MMA requirements and address performance needs. Dick B. reported that the 8k was originally for the interior updating of the wiring of the community hall. Michael L. reported that it would be another \$3,500.00 for upgrading the wiring from the street to the hall. Steve K. reported that the voters approved a onetime carry over that the overseers could utilize. Lee H. motion to provide the full 8k for the box, transfer switch and cover and any leftover would be rolled over to next year. Paul N seconded the motion, 6 Approved, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained.

Further Discussion of where the Overseers would like designate the funds that are available in Contingency and Centennial reserves. John S. reported that Jane Strauss has resigned as tree warden which may affect decisions made about tree work. Judy M motioned that we expend \$4,178.00 for the electrical work out of the Centennial fund and anything above that amount up to 8k will come out of the Contingency Fund. Vicky M. seconded the motion. Discussion: Judy M. explained how the 8k would be allocated for the electrical work needed for the Community Hall. 6 Approved, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained.

Steve K. reported that about 4k would be left available out of the contingency after the adjustments that the Overseers just approved and \$3,500.00 in tree work. The consensus from the overseers was to not use the remaining funds for anything and if there are still funds available at the end of the year they would roll it over into 2018.

Report of the Village Agent: Bill P. reported that the Catch Basin contract with the Town of Northport is currently being approved. Paul N. said that it should be approved at the next selectman meeting. The Town of Northport wants NVC to plow Griffin Street because of the new construction at the Malone property that encroaches in the right of way that is preventing the Town of Northport the ability to plow Griffin Street. Judy M. moved that John S. direct a letter to the Town of Northport about the Malone situation that can be given to Paul N. to present at the Town of Northport meeting. Michael L. seconded the motion. 6 Approved, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained.

Bill P. reported the fence going into Bayview Park is NVC's and needs to be replaced due to the recent storm. The Oberg's would like to ask that the new fence match their fence. Judy M. was ok with matching the post as long as it didn't increase the price. If the cost was more the Oberg's would need to pay the difference.

Bill mentioned tree damage that happed due to the windstorm and there were 2 trees on Bayview, 1 oak on Blasdell and 1 on West Street that need to be replaced and he is keeping an eye on the apple tree at the Library. He thinks we may be able to save the tree. He also reported that the North shore seawall was fine through the storm as well as the dock held up well. The village held up pretty good throughout the storm and a lot of trees /polls/powerlines on the town streets were handled appropriately.

Bill also reported the defibrillator for the lifeguards is not charging. He contacted the company which said it's still under warranty and we will send it back and they will replace it. Bill P. also mentioned that we got one bid request back on the plowing of 12 Auditorium Park and due to the cost Bill P. said that he had plowed it in the past and he will plow it this winter. John S. will be writing a letter to the renters and the owners of 12 Auditorium Park about plowing this winter of which Bill P. will deliver to the renters.

**Report of the Office Manager:** reported that with the holidays coming up she will be working more for the post office and may need to reschedule office hours. She mentioned that 11-24-17 is a date that the office will not be open but she will replace that day on Tuesday instead. Amy will post any changes to the Community Hall door for the public to be aware as well as let Dan Webster know to put on BaysideMaine.com

<u>Communications Report:</u> Judy M. reported the Utilities Department is sending out a communication about the billing date changes that will be going out with the next billing.

<u>Finance Committee Report:</u> Judy M. reported they have reviewed the Utility budgets that will be mentioned during the Utilities Committee Report.

Governance Committee Report: Judy M reported that there is nothing to report at this time. Dick

Brockway, Lee Houghton, Blair Einstein, Tim Samway and Judy Metcalf are all on the committee. They will be focusing on the Fire and Zoning Ordinances.

Infrastructure Committee Report: Michael L. said that the committee is looking to be proactive on repairs to the wharf. They discussed the seawall and he would like to adjust the approach and is looking for guidance from the Overseers. He has 4 options that he is recommending, 1st would be Pine option, 2nd is a Granite Wall, 3 is Rip Rap/no wall and the last one is Hybrid which is half Rip Rap and half wall. Drainage for the wall would be something that would need to be considered. Parking, drainage, longevity, permitting and Initial cost are all focusing factors that the Infrastructure Committee will have to keep in mind. Dick B. recommends that the Infrastructure Committee continue with an engineer to determine the best solutions for the village and continue working on developing. 15K is the budget for the Seawall.

Michael L reported the dinghy situation was discussed and a lot of options were mentioned from a lottery to a taxi service. The overseers have an obligation to assist the wharf master with enforcing the rules. Many of the dinghies do not meet standards. Judy M mentioned that maybe the Governance Committee needs to look at revising the rules that will assist the wharf master. The Yacht club Commodore needs to be worked with and informed of the issue at hand about the dinghies and what will need to change to fix the problem going forward. The Governance committee will go forward with handling the dinghy issue.

<u>Safety committee Report:</u> John S presented on behalf of Wendy H. The Safety Committee recommended the appointed Michael Tirrell to the Safety Committee. A safety fair was mentioned that the committee was looking into. Ned Lighter mentioned that maybe a video could be completed that could be put on the website where everyone could see at any time. Judy M. moved to direct the President to appoint Michael Tirrell to the Safety Committee. Dick M. seconded the motion, 6 Approved, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained.

<u>Town Liaison Report:</u> Paul N. was looking for an explanation that he would be able to provide to the Town of Northport about the Malone/plowing issue. Judy M. was willing to draft up a letter that Paul N. will be able to provide to the Town of Northport.

Paul N. mentioned a complaint from Pricilla Granston that the Gray's next door had a tree fall during the storm. The Grays cut up the tree but let the tree float into the bay. The tree is hitting other properties and retaining walls and was looking for guidance on whom to contact.

Paul N. reported a complaint of a dog attack in the village. Judy M. mentioned that the dog that was involved in the attack has been crated and has been through training. She reported that the 2nd half of the summer has been a big change and since the training there have not been any other incidences.

<u>Utility Committee Report:</u> Judy M. reported that the committee had two action items. First was they are looking for the approval for the Water and Sewer budget for 2018. Judy M. moved for the approval of the 2018 Water budget recommended by the Utilities Trustees. Dick B. seconded the motion. Discussion: Steve K. noticed an amount that wasn't consistent with previous years. He thinks that that amount needs to be increased. Judy M. reported that the Utilities Trustees did make changes that which

could explain his concerns. 5 Approved, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Judy M moved for the approval of the 2018 Sewer budget recommended by the Utilities Trustees. Lee H. seconded the motion, 5 Approved, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained.

Report of the Tree Warden: John S. again reported that the tree warden Jane Strauss has resigned. There was a meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup> where the Tree Planning Committee determined that it may be best to hold off until the spring for another meeting. The Tree Planning Committee which consist of Bill Paige, John Spritz, John Woolsey, Michael Lannan, Vicky Mathews, Blair and Maureen Einstein and Jane Strauss. They are looking into an audit of all the trees in 2018 and John S. would like assistance from the Overseers as to the direction that should be taken going forward. Judy M would like Bill P. to continue with the schedule that was already in process with the arborist as well as the tree service. Judy M. mentioned getting in touch with the UMO about having them come down and complete their analysis for the Village. Vicky M. will be chairman of the tree committee and TEMPORARY Tree Warden until a new tree warden is appointed.

<u>New and continuing business:</u> Ned Lightner asked if the dock was available for Northport residents and if so would it be worth having Paul N. ask the Town of Northport about helping with repairs to the dock. Judy M. mentioned about requesting funds from taxes at an appropriate time and expressed that the Town of Northport is a resource.

Next Meeting: - January 14<sup>th</sup> 2018

Meeting Adjourned: Meeting is adjourned at 11:52 am