

# Minutes of the Meeting of the Northport Village Corporation Board of Overseers

9:00 am, June 14, 2020

Virtual – Zoom

Attendees
President: John Spritz
Treasurer: Steve Kazilionis
Village Agent: William Paige
Michael Lannan
Vicky Matthews
Judy Metcalf
Michael Tirrell
Jeffrey Wilt

Meeting called to order: 9:04 am

**Approval of Minutes:** Vicky M. motion to approve the minutes from the May 10<sup>th</sup> meeting; Michael L. seconded the motion; vote was unanimous.

Note: Need to change Michael L. to Michael T. in Coronavirus section.

#### **Public Comments:**

- Mary Brown 31 Broadway discussed browntail moth caterpillars and threat to those with respiratory conditions. She has been affected and feels more needs to be done to inform people.
- Miles Frieden (Clinton Avenue) addressed concerns he has over the use of the term 'Overseer,'
  with its negative historical implications related to slavery, and he asked the Board to consider
  alternate titles.

### **Seawall Update:**

• Nothing to report

### **Nordic Aquafarms Update:**

- John S. states that the DEP approved intertidal rights.
- Mike L. reviews how the NAF and DEP changed calculations after the fact.

### **Report of the Treasurer:**

- Steve K. shares his screen and shows the Annual Meeting Warrants to review and finalize.
  - o Article 7 approved.
  - O Article 8 Mike L. says additional cost for North Street, up to \$4,000 for redesign work; the contractor does not have the plans; \$6,000 \$8,000 to add a second basin; makes the project approximately \$43,000 instead of \$29,000 all approved.
  - o Article 9 approved by everyone except Vicky M.
  - o Article 10 Village Truck approved.
- Judy M. motions to accept the general operating budget; Vicky M. seconds; vote is unanimous.
- Judy M. motions that the warrant be accepted as explained today, recognizing that some wording changes may happen, and for all warrants to be presented at the Annual Meeting. Jeffrey W. seconds; vote is unanimous.



#### **Infrastructure Committee:**

- Mike L. shares his screen of the meeting minutes. The contract for the seawall has been signed, waiting on the bonds.
- North Avenue subcommittee formed Bill Haverty is the chair.
- Mike L. makes a motion for Al Frye and Paul Overgag to extend the pipe down to the base with their own permit and add riprap to the bottom of the base of North Avenue to further protect; Vicky M. seconds; vote is unanimous.
- Mike L. states that there are two new subcommittees:
  - o Roads to pave and conditions for next year's budget chair Bill Cressey
  - o Parking ordinance chair Mark Stelmack

#### **Tree Committee:**

- Lisa F. is meeting on Wednesday regarding Project Canopy process for grant.
- Merithew Square has been planted.
- Accounting for public spaces where browntail moths have been sprayed or not.

#### Tree Warden:

• Vicky M. goes over the history of the browntail moth in the village and there is a discussion on how to fix it in the future.

### **Communications Committee:**

Lisa F. states that the signs have been ordered and the cost is approximately \$600.

#### **Finance Committee:**

• John S. appoints Fred Lincoln and Wendy Huntoon to the Finance Committee.

#### **Governance Committee:**

• Judy M. states that they have not met and that the parking ordinance is on hold.

# **Personnel Committee:**

• Jeff W. nothing to report

# **Utility Committee:**

- Judy M. states that there are sampling issues again like last year, but thinks it's a lab problem.
- The report has been submitted to the EPA regarding the wastewater treatment building.
- The wastewater treatment building is out to bid again, opening is on June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- They received a proposal from Farley for the site work portion of the building project.
- Jeffrey W. has been appointed by John S. to fill Mike L.'s term until September 2021.

# **Safety Committee**

- Michael T. states that the police are scaling up.
- The lifeguard starts June 30<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday Saturday with occasional Sunday.



- Vicky M. states that people have noticed the new speed signs and is wondering if one can be put on Bluff Road.
  - o Bill P. says they will get the sign out and keep it charged.

# **Waterfront Safety Committee:**

• Jeff W. states that dinghy owners are finding it difficult to put them where they are being asked to, asking for flexibility on where to put them.

# **Town of Northport Issues:**

• Vicky M. states that voting is July 14<sup>th</sup> and suggests registering to absentee vote.

### **Report of the President:**

- John S. states that he has received 2/3 of the 2019 annual report info.
- Craig Brigham, with Jim Coughlin and Bill Haverty as assistans, has agreed to be the 2020 wharfmaster to replace Gordon.
- John S. discussed Zoom meetings going forward for Overseers and options for the Annual Meeting.
  - o Community Hall
  - o Bayview Park
  - o Parking Area on Bluff Road
  - Secret Election

# **Village Agent Report:**

- Bill P. states the committees are doing a good job.
- Signs are up, lifeguard chair is moved, found fencing material to go around the chair; yacht club made \$250 donation to the village; yacht club key will be changed, lifeguard uses the bathroom there; the roads are in good shape; there are still people swimming off the dock.
- Vicky M. asked if Bill has heard from CMP regarding a tree that needs to come down, he has not. She also asks if Basil can add mowing to an area near her house that is common area. John S. asks for an estimate before it is approved.
- Bill P. states that the office has been cleaned and would like to schedule it regularly.

### **Office Manager Report:**

• Mike L. states that Personnel Committee should handle financial officer position jobs and tasks, Jeffrey W. agrees.

# **Community Comments:**

- Mary Brown reads information regarding browntail moths.
- Dan Webster says the lifeguard can use the yacht club bathroom; wants to know if the browntail moth treatments have worked.
  - o Michael T. says the implants work in future years.

### Meeting Adjourned: at 12:03pm



# The next Overseers Meeting is at 8 am on Sunday, July 12th.

Meeting minutes submitted by Nina Richard.