



INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF OCEAN BEACH

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Ocean Beach, Suffolk County, New York held on April 22, 2017 at the Fire Island School in Ocean Beach, New York.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mayor Mallott made the motion to open the meeting, seconded by Deputy Mayor Blake. Mayor Mallott then moved to go into Executive Session at the Village Office, at 9:05 AM, for the purpose of discussing personnel, collective bargaining negotiations and/or pending litigation.

The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Blake, upon call the following voted:

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| Deputy Mayor Blake | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Bendicksen | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Norris | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Power | Voted Aye |
| Mayor Mallott | Voted Aye |

No motions or resolutions were acted upon in Executive Session. Executive Session was closed at 11:10 AM by Mayor Mallott. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Blake, upon call the following voted:

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| Deputy Mayor Blake | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Bendicksen | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Norris | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Power | Voted Aye |
| Mayor Mallott | Voted Aye |

GENERAL SESSION: At 11:20AM, Trustee Mallott moved to open General Session. Deputy Mayor Blake seconded this motion. Upon call, the following voted:

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| Deputy Mayor Blake | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Bendicksen | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Norris | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Power | Voted Aye |
| Mayor Mallott | Voted Aye |

Following the pledge to the Flag, Roll Call was taken, as follows:

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| There were present: | Mayor: | James S. Mallott |
| | Trustees: | Jason Bendicksen |
| | | Matthew M. Blake |
| | | Christopher F. Norris |
| | | Brian C. Power |
| | Village Counsel: | Kenneth A. Gray |
| | Superintendent of Public Works: | Kevin J. Schelling |
| | Village Clerk/Treasurer: | Steven W. Brautigam |

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING HELD ON APRIL 8, 2017: Resolution No. 2017-057:

Mayor Mallott moved as follows:

Be it RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting held on April 8, 2017 are accepted as presented:

Trustee Power seconded the motion. Upon call, the following voted:

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| Deputy Mayor Blake | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Bendicksen | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Norris | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Power | Voted Aye |
| Mayor Mallott | Voted Aye |

APPROVAL OF BILLS AND CLAIM VOUCHERS: Resolution No. 2017-058: Mayor Mallott moved as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED that bills and claim vouchers, already paid be approved as submitted and as follows:

General Fund, in the amount of \$72,606.76, for Gross Payroll from 03/29/17 through 04/11/17, including check numbers 14998 through 15001, and

BE IT RESOLVED that bills and claim vouchers to be paid, are submitted to be approved for payment as follows:

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| General Fund, in the amount of | \$ 33,695.21, starting with check number A21574 and |
| Water Fund, in the amount of | \$ 24,600.38, starting with check number F2836, and |
| Sewer Fund, in the amount of | \$ 24,409.50, starting with check number G5709, and |
| Sewer Capital Fund, in the amount of | \$ 127,870.00, starting with check number 1132, and |
| Ferry Basin Capital Fund, in the amount of | \$ 224,659.81, starting with check number 1042, and |
| Waterwell/Safe House Capital Fund, in the amount of | \$ 184,341.62, starting with check number 1038, and |
| Concrete Capital Fund, in the amount of | \$ 4,500.00, starting with check number 1002, and |
| Windswept Capital Fund, in the amount of | \$ 301,485.14, starting with check number 1032 |

Trustee Norris seconded the motion. Upon call, the following voted:

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| Deputy Mayor Blake | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Bendicksen | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Norris | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Power | Voted Aye |
| Mayor Mallott | Voted Aye |

MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. Resident ferry tickets are sold out. Payments to FI Ferries due this week.
2. Project updates: freight dock – cement being ripped up surrounding, it is going to be repoured and replaced.
3. Connections being done this week around Mermaid Market.
4. Chesterfield is continuing with Safehouse project. Well is being installed this week, piles to be installed on top of well head. When the work is done, poles will be returning to Seasonal and Transient Marinas. Boats will then be able to return to their slips. Ferry Boat Basin project is ahead of schedule.
5. This concrete contract may allow for a few more jobs to be taken care of in town, if time allows.
6. The Windswept building is moving along, although behind schedule. Correspondence to push it along further going on. Doors this week, shingling this week. Rough plumbing and rough electrical, as well.
7. Maintenance department on a tight schedule.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Sewer: Electrical transfer continues from temporary power to new panels.
Computer systems have been activated.
Plant is fully operational.

Sewer Jet has been repaired and in operation. The bidding for new unit opening Thursday, April 27th.
New fencing is being installed around the plant.

Water: Wells #2 and #3 are operational.
Well #4 (concrete base paved this week).
Well #5 new water connection installed.
New electrical power lines to tower site from Sewer Plant.

Marina: Open and water is activated. Some deck boards have been replaced.

Buildings: New roof installed on Maintenance Building.
Ferry Terminal Rehabilitation completed with new deck for restrooms
Community House restrooms are now open. The floor has been cleaned in the Community House and will reopen May 1st.
Wagon Park is now open.
Lighting is fully installed at the Ferry Terminal.
Lighting has been replaced in Village Office (Clerk's Office).
New lumber rack on Maintenance site.
All Garbage Containers have been placed out for use.
Senior Cart is now available at the Police Station.

Upcoming: Marina Building has been moved to the Wagon Park (Electric and Phone).
Garage Doors are fixed at Community House/Fire House/Sewer Plant/Lifeguards.
New signage for Village to be installed.
Concrete repairs (multiple sites around the Village).
Interconnection to be installed for Well #4.

O. B. VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Ian Levine, Chief, spoke about the Fire Dept. report as follows: We had a Town of Islip Meeting Monday night. The Budget did not pass. Particularly of concern is a line item for a fire suppression system in the Atlantique Marina. 7 Alarms to date in this location – 5 or 6 of them at end of the dock. (recording has details of fire suppression system). As per Matthew Blake, the majority of calls are false alarms in the commercial district. The Chief stated the final determination is left to the Judge. It is necessary to follow procedure and follow up with the Building Inspector.

O.B. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Hesse spoke to expand on fire alarms, businesses are accruing False Alarms tickets in multiple locations and attempting to plea them separately. However, each are paying thousands of dollars per entity. The question was raised, is paying the fine less expensive than updating the system? Fixing it seems like a cheaper alternative. In the event that the false alarms continue, we will pull their Dining/Dancing License and close their business.

We will be holding a Memorial Fundraiser at Lily Flannigan’s on Sunday, April 23rd for late Officer, Mark Mkwanazi, with entertainment provided by Tradewinds at 2:00 PM.

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS 2016-2017: RESOLUTION NO. 2017-059: Mayor Mallott moved as follows:

| 2016-2017 BUDGET MODIFICATIONS | | |
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| GENERAL FUND | | |
| To: | Description: | Amount: |
| A1110.101 | Prosecutor | \$ 900.00 |
| A1110.482 | Contractual/Reporting Service | \$ 290.50 |
| A1440.449 | Professional Services | \$ 2,400.00 |
| A1925.486 | Computer support | \$ 29.87 |
| A3120.421 | Electric | \$ 79.58 |
| A3410.100 | EMT/Responder | \$ 200.00 |
| A3410.441 | Equipment Maintenance | \$ 137.14 |
| A5110.110 | Street Maintenance Overtime | \$ 235.92 |
| A7110.451 | Supplies | \$ 420.00 |
| A9055.800 | Disability Insurance | \$ 85.46 |
| | TOTAL: | \$ 4,778.47 |
| From: | GENERAL FUND | Amount: |
| A1110.415 | Postage | \$ 450.00 |
| A1325.103 | Seasonal | \$ 2,900.00 |
| A3410.443 | Gas | \$ 1,428.27 |
| | TOTAL: | \$ 4,778.47 |
| To: | WATER FUND | Amount: |
| F8340.101 | Personnel – Overtime | \$ 235.92 |
| F8340.200 | Equipment | \$ 2,704.46 |
| | TOTAL: | \$ 2,940.38 |
| From: | WATER FUND | Amount: |
| F8340.444 | Yard Maintenance | \$ 2,940.38 |
| | TOTAL: | \$ 2,940.38 |
| To: | SEWER FUND | Amount: |
| G8120.101 | Personnel – Overtime | \$ 235.96 |
| | TOTAL: | \$ 235.96 |
| From: | SEWER FUND | Amount: |
| G8120.421 | Electric | \$ 235.96 |
| | TOTAL: | \$ 235.96 |

Trustee Power seconded the motion. Upon call, the following voted:

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| Deputy Mayor Blake | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Bendicksen | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Norris | Voted Aye |

Trustee Power
Mayor Mallott

Voted Aye
Voted Aye

Mayor Mallott moved to open the Public Hearing at 11:30AM to Adopt the Budget for 2017-2018. The motion was seconded by Trustee Power. Upon call, "all voted aye."

The floor was then opened the floor to the Board for discussion, with questions and answers based on public comment. A lengthy conversation ensued regarding rental regulations in comparison to other towns and/or villages.

Commercial properties are generally assessed higher than residential properties. Have we looked at the idea of treating rentals at a higher assessment rate? If they become a business (by renting) can we charge them differently? We're already charging \$100 per week. We want to remain fair and consistent. It is a homeowners right to rent.

The topic of the water meters was talked about again. It was explained that there is a minimum of 80,000 gallons per user. There are, in fact, different multipliers for the commercial district. This time next year, we will have three (3) new wells. The new meters will be rolled out over the course of three phases. The increased supply of water will provide the Village with another income source.

The Mayor's salary was questioned again and that we should roll it back as we are now five years post-Superstorm Sandy.

Mayor Mallott moved to close the Public Hearing at 12:15PM. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Blake. Upon call, "all voted aye."

ADOPT THE PROPOSED VILLAGE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018: Resolution No. 2017-060: Mayor Mallott moved as follows:

WHEREAS, the Village of Ocean Beach held a duly noticed public hearing on April 8, 2017 concerning the 2017 – 2018 proposed Village Budget; and,

Now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED that the Village Board of Trustees hereby adopts and approves the proposed 2017 – 2018 Village Budget, Schedules and Attachments, sets the proposed Tax Levy and Tax Rate, and authorizes the collection of taxes, all consistent with 2017 – 2018 Budget.

Deputy Mayor Blake seconded the motion. Upon call, the following voted:

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| Deputy Mayor Blake | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Bendicksen | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Norris | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Power | Voted Aye |
| Mayor Mallott | Voted Aye |

RATIFICATION & APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE AND ACCEPT LOW BID TO OBTAIN SEWER JET: Resolution No. 2017-061:

Mayor Mallott moved as follows:

WHEREAS, the Village of Ocean Beach is publishing bid specifications to implement a 750 Gallon Trailer-Mounted Sewer Cleaner with Pivoting Reel at the Sewer Treatment Plant, as more fully detailed in the bid specifications prepared by H2M Architects+Engineers, PC; and,

Now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk/Treasurer, is authorized to advertise the bid, and accept the lowest responsible bidder as recommended by H2M Architects+Engineers, PC; and

It is further RESOLVED that the Supt. Of Public Works, Kevin J. Schelling, is to Oversee this Sewer Project; and

It is further RESOLVED that the Village Clerk/Treasurer and Village Mayor, following review by Village Attorney, are hereby authorized to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the bid award and to make payments consistent with this resolution.

Trustee Norris seconded the motion. Upon call, the following voted:

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| Deputy Mayor Blake | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Bendicksen | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Norris | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Power | Voted Aye |
| Mayor Mallott | Voted Aye |

RATIFICATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ATTEND NYS RETIREMENT SYTEM EMPLOYER EDUCATION SEMINAR:

Resolution No. 2017-062: Mayor Mallott moved as follows:

WHEREAS, the Village encourages its personnel to seek the opportunity to attend conferences in expansion of their practical knowledge of the New York State Retirement System; and,

Now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED that Linda Morrissey, Deputy Treasurer, is authorized and approved to attend the NYS Retirement System Employer Education Seminar held at Terryville Fire District in Port Jefferson Station, NY, on April 21, 2017, at no cost to the Village; and,

It is further RESOLVED that Steven W. Brautigam, Clerk/Treasurer, is authorized and approved to attend the NYS Retirement System Employer Education Seminar held at Mattituck Fire District in Mattituck, NY, on May 23, 2017 at no cost to the Village.

Trustee Bendicksen seconded the motion. Upon call, the following voted:

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| Deputy Mayor Blake | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Bendicksen | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Norris | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Power | Voted Aye |
| Mayor Mallott | Voted Aye |

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS:


Discussion was had searching for solutions to our flooding problems –a permeable pavers system with drains to the sewer system will help. Can we patch those locations throughout the village that need it? New concrete contract is in development throughout the next six weeks. We will be pouring concrete throughout village. The Post Office area needs repaving as well. Kevin is focused on replacing and repairing the pathways. The timing of a topographical survey is in progress. \$1.5m grant to determine a solution to our flooding problems and to come up with a plan; the goal is to reduce the flooding. OB Association asked that the community be involved in determining the solution to the problem rather than the community being advised of the solution.

Everyone should write the OB Association with ideas how to increase the revenues in the Village, thereby deferring the costs to residents via taxes. Judy Steinman plans to include the information in the Notes. Jason Bendicksen is personally offering to receive ideas for revenue sources in his Trustee e-mail box as wel: jbendicksen@villageofoceanbeach.org

The South Shore Estuary Reserve was questioned and the use of fertilizer. Grants have been researched for \$50,000 with administrative fees of \$15,000. VOBEC is a great resource for mapping of Village Green and those plants appropriate for this location. Please do not remove the Vytac in the Village Green. They are beautiful in August when they bloom and the monarchs are attracted to them. Save the Vytac!

ADJOURNMENT: At 12:32PM, Mayor Mallott made motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Power seconded the motion. Upon call, the following voted:

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| Deputy Mayor Blake | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Bendicksen | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Norris | Voted Aye |
| Trustee Power | Voted Aye |
| Mayor Mallott | Voted Aye |



Susan L. Cafuoco, Deputy Village Clerk



Steven W. Brautigam, Village Clerk/Treasurer