



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 December 9, 2017 at the Fire Island School at Surf Road and Midway 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 Fire Island School, at 9:00AM, 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:

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 10:30AM by Mayor Mallott. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Blake, upon call the following voted:

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

GENERAL SESSION: At 10:45AM, Trustee Mallott moved to open General Session. The meeting started slightly early due to impending inclement weather. Deputy Mayor Blake seconded this motion. Upon call, the following voted:

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:

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
	Court Reporter:	D. Leigh Chapman

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 18, 2017: Resolution No. 2017-171: Mayor Mallott moved as follows:

Be it RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting held on November 18, 2017 are accepted as presented:

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

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. 2017-172: 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 \$141,805.69, for Gross Payroll from 11/08/17 through 12/05/17, including check numbers 15224 through 15227, and

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

General Fund, in the amount of \$ 471,062.22, starting with check number A22274 and

Water Fund, in the amount of	\$ 31,461.28, starting with check number F2923, and
Sewer Fund, in the amount of	\$ 66,562.06, starting with check number G5838, and
Concrete Capital Fund, in the amount of	\$ 2,283.55, starting with check number 1015, and
New Well/Safe House Capital Fund, in the amount of	\$ 415.71, starting with check number 1061, and
Sewer Capital Fund, in the amount of	\$ 92,841.08, starting with check number 1149, and
Ferry Terminal Reno Capital Fund, in the amount of	\$ 204,487.50, starting with check number 2009, and
Village Hall Phase II , in the amount of	\$ 131,127.57, starting with check number 1341, and
Windswept Capital Fund, in the amount of	\$ 283,849.19, starting with check number 1059

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

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. Ferry Terminal is in the water hookup phase. The framing of the building will begin once that is completed. Ferry Basin project is approaching completion and we are continually being reimbursed for all projects.
2. Supt. of Public Works will be sending out letters to homeowners informing them that they will have to hook up to new water lines in order to utilize the new water meters.
3. Election News – A conversation was had between Board members. Brian Power, Jason Bendicksen and Mayor Mallott will seek re-election in the upcoming election. Trustees Norris and Blake have offered support to them in pursuit of their re- election.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Testing continues for Well #4.

Water Dept.: Wells #2 and #3 have been tested and are operational.

- There were two water leaks shut down.
- Chemicals have been ordered for the winter.
- Heating and Generator Systems are operational.
- Generator Systems are operational.
- Plant is fully operational.

Sewer Dept.: Both Settling Tanks (all hardware and motors are certified and replaced.)

- Sludge Tank is pumping complete 32,000 gallons.
- Personnel are trained in new electronics.
- All pumps tuned up, repaired and ready.

Streets: Tractors and sanding equipment are ready for snow removal.

- Streets were trimmed back for vehicular access.
- Two streetlights are repaired.
- Installed temporary pole (electric by Mermaid Market).
- Repairs on West Marina continues.

Buildings: Fence installed around Well #4

- Door and deck installation continues on O. B. Community House
- Winterization of Village properties complete.

Events: Holiday Tree Lighting tonight 5:00-7:00PM

Garbage: Wednesday and Sunday nights, Wed. Dec. 20, No Dec. 24, Wed. Dec. 27th, no Dec. 31.

O. B. VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief, Ian Levine reported that the calls are 15 down from last year. August and September were busier than expected. Medics have been responding to calls at least once weekly and the membership respond in greater numbers knowing they have Medic support. One ambulance is out for refurbishment with new floors, body work and new lights. Deputy Mayor Blake inquired regarding LOSAP getting critical mass information by spring of 2018. Chief Levine anticipates 8-10 less members will be participating in LOSAP.

O.B. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Hesse arrived at the usual time, but the Board had already proceeded onto the two Public Hearings.

Mayor Mallott moved to open the Public Hearing at 11:10AM to consider the Local Law for the Tax Cap Override for 2018. The motion was seconded by Trustee Bendicksen. Upon call, "all voted aye."

Mayor Mallott explained that this is like having an extra tool in your tool box. Since the cap is a little less than 2%, we believe we will exceed that rate. 2% only amounts to \$80,000. Although the plan is to keep the tax rate as low as possible, we believe it may be more like 4%.

The floor was then opened to the public for comment. An audience member inquired if the Board had done any research on revenue producing items and tax saving ideas to offset costs.

The Mayor stated that we have increased the Marina costs to bring up income. It was stated that there was little maintenance done for many years and that we are playing catch up now. The residents are getting tired of these constant tax increases. A great deal of money has come in from FEMA with regard to the big projects. Still, we are saving money to pay the debt. By have the Triple "A" rating we have on borrowing money, we save the Village thousands of dollars.

Suffolk County Water Authority came up as a suggestion for reducing costs by developing a leasing arrangement. A Board member stated that for the increase of \$3,500 in taxes, your home has increased in value by \$85,000. There have been at least ten new homes built and more substantial properties. People are investing here more than ever. An audience member suggested a five year update Newsletter be circulated stating the Village's current state of improvements. Also, there has been great interest in several things that we can sell, exchange, etc. for example, the bus stop (ferry terminal waiting area), the building which housed the Police Station. A resident suggested we stay within the tax cap limit like Saltaire and not go beyond the 2% cap limit.

Mayor Mallott moved to close the Public Hearing at 11:39AM. The motion was seconded by Trustee Power. Upon call, "all voted aye."

LOCAL LAW ADOPTION – TAX CAP FOR 2018: Resolution No. 2017-173: Mayor Mallott moved as follows:

WHEREAS, the Incorporated Village of Ocean Beach wishes to amend the Real Property Tax Levy Limit Override (Chapter 6) of the Village Code for the purpose of allowing the Village of Ocean Beach to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2018 which may have a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law § 3-c.; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has reviewed the proposed amendment to Chapter 6 of the Code of the Village of Ocean Beach; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has received comments from the public following duly noticed Public Hearings, held on December 9, 2017,

Now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby adopts and approves proposed Local Law No. 04 of 2017, of the Code of the Village of Ocean Beach; and,

It is further RESOLVED that this local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

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

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

Mayor Mallott moved to open the Public Hearing at 11:40AM to consider the Local Law for the Water Code for updating and clarifying the use of water meters. The motion was seconded by Trustee Bendicksen. Upon call, "all voted aye."

Mayor Mallott explained that the Village will be sending out letters to all residents explaining the need to hook up the water main in front of their home and at the same time, come down to the Village Office to pick up your water meter with your plumber, who will do that installation at the same time as the hook up to the street. It makes good sense to do these jobs at the same time. The Supt. of Public Works explained that the meters are magnetic inside with no working parts. They simply transmit the information. A billing program will begin about three years from now, after we collect the data. Upon review by the engineers, the rates will be decided by the Board of Trustees with different categories for the various users. Of course, commercial rates will be higher than the residential user obviously. Outside the Village users pay 2-1/2 times. Everyone will start with 80,000 gallons of water just like before. The water systems will all be sealed. The meters will then let us know if there are any leaks and wasted water. There was extensive discussion on usage, peak times of the year for usage and a department that will study this particular area. The County gave us the money for two new wells since Sandy and as a responsible Village, it was decided that we needed to participate in this new metering system.

The floor was then opened to the public with several residents asking about how the rates will be established for a better understanding of the methodology. At this time, it looks like the cost of the meter will be about \$100 and \$150. This hearing was about the code change. It was explained there is, in fact, little code change. The actual changes are that the Village is now responsible for the meters

and exactly how they will be installed. The licensed plumbers will supply the Village with a certification that the installation was completed, as per Village requirements. The Village will then inspect and approve such installation.

Mayor Mallott moved to continue the Public Hearing at 11:30AM for the January 27th Board of Trustees meeting. . The motion was seconded by Trustee Bendicksen. Upon call, "all voted aye."

LOCAL LAW ADOPTION – WATER: Resolution No. 2017-174: Mayor Mallott moved to table the matter after lengthy discussion, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Incorporated Village of Ocean Beach wishes to amend Chapter 160, entitled Water, of the Village Code for the purpose of updating and clarifying the use of water meters; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has reviewed the proposed amendments to Chapter 160 of the Code of the Village of Ocean Beach; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has received comments from the public following duly noticed Public Hearings, held on December 9, 2017,

Now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby adopts and approves proposed Local Law No. 05 of 2017, of the Code of the Village of Ocean Beach; and,

It is further RESOLVED that this local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

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

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

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS 2017-2018: Resolution No. 2017-175: Mayor Mallott moved as follows:

2017-2018 BUDGET MODIFICATIONS		
GENERAL FUND		
To:	Description:	Amount:
A1110.411	Supplies/Printing	\$ 100.00
A1325.493	Meetings, Training	\$ 500.00
A1621.441	Bldg. Maint. & Repair	\$ 133,687.10
A3410.494	Uniforms	\$ 56.20
A5110.110	St. Maintenance Overtime	\$ 6,000.00
A7110.451	Supplies	\$ 524.80
	TOTAL:	\$ 140,868.10
From:	GENERAL FUND	Amount:
A1110.472	Conferences	\$ 100.00
A1325.103	Seasonal	\$ 500.00
A1910.FLOD	Flood Insurance	\$ 15,000.00
A1925.482	Ferry Terminal/Dock Maintenance	\$ 10,000.00
A1990.499	Contingency Account	\$ 50,000.00
A5110.200	Equipment	\$ 10,000.00
A5110.451	Hardware/Masonry Supplies	\$ 20,000.00
A7110.421	Bathrooms	\$ 15,000.00
A8745.483	Dune Maintenance	\$ 10,000.00
A9060.800	Medical, Dental Insurance	\$ 10,268.10
	TOTAL:	\$ 140,868.10
To:	WATER FUND	Amount:
F8340.101	Personnel – Overtime	\$ 6,000.00
	TOTAL:	\$ 6,000.00
From:	WATER FUND	Amount:
F8340.200	Equipment/Meters	\$ 6,000.00

	TOTAL:	\$ 6,000.00
To:	SEWER FUND	Amount:
G8120.101	Personnel – Overtime	\$ 6,000.00
G8120.446	Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 1,860.50
G8120.445	Motor Repair	\$ 7,300.00
	TOTAL:	\$ 15,160.50
From:	SEWER FUND	Amount:
G8120.465	Engineering	\$ 9,160.50
G8120.100	Personnel	\$ 6,000.00
	TOTAL:	\$ 15,160.50

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

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

ATTEND 2018 VILLAGE ELECTION WORKSHOP: Resolution No. 2017-176: Mayor Mallott moved as follows:

WHEREAS, it is the Village’s desire to give encouragement to its employees in an effort to gain knowledge and improve proficiency in their village’s municipal work with regard to the upcoming Village Election in 2018; and

Now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED that Steven W. Brautigam, Village Clerk/Treasurer, is authorized to attend the 2018 Village Elections Workshop, sponsored by NYCOM, to be held on Thursday, January 11, 2018, from 1PM-4PM, at the Long Island Marriott Residence Inn, Plainview, NY, for \$50 per person, to be paid from line item A1230.472.

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

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

ATTEND NYCOM VILLAGE ELECTION WEBINAR WORKSHOP: Resolution No. 2017-177: Mayor Mallott moved as follows:

WHEREAS, it is the Village’s desire to give encouragement to its employees in an effort to gain knowledge and improve proficiency in their village’s municipal work with regard to the upcoming Village Election in 2018; and

Now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED that Susan L. Cafuoco is authorized to participate in the NYCOM Webinar, to be held on Tuesday, December 12, 2017 from 10:30AM to 11:30AM and Thursday, December 14, 2017 from 10:30AM to 11:30AM, for \$25 per person, to be paid from line item A1230.472.

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

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

AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT CHANGE ORDERS FOR WINDSWEPT REHABILITATION PROJECT: Resolution No. 2017-178: Mayor Mallott moved as follows:

WHEREAS, the Village currently has a contract with L. K. McLean Associates /G. Construction Enterprises, LLC regarding Windswept; and

WHEREAS, G Construction Ent., LLC, has requested Construction Change Orders #5 in an amount not to exceed \$11,675.62 to be paid from line item H01-1621210; and

WHEREAS, Carter-Melence, Inc., has requested Electrical Change Order #2 in an amount not to exceed \$4,876.00 to be paid from line item H01-1621210; and

WHEREAS, Carter-Melence, Inc. has requested Plumbing Change Order #3 in an amount not to exceed \$5,360.00 to be paid from line item H01-1621210; and

Therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED that the Village accepts and approves the above change order, copies of which are on file in the Village Office, dated November 13, 2017; and

It is further RESOLVED that the Village Clerk/Treasurer and Village Mayor are hereby authorized and directed to execute the documents necessary to effectuate this resolution.

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

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

AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT CHANGE ORDERS FOR VILLAGE HALL: Resolution No. 2017-179: Mayor Mallott moved as follows:

WHEREAS, the Village currently has a contract with H2M Architects+Engineers, PC and LoDuca Associates, Inc. regarding the Village Hall Construction; and

WHEREAS, LoDuca Associates, Inc., has requested Change Orders #G-01 for fire sprinklers in an amount not to exceed \$79,294.00 to be paid from line item H04-1621250; and

WHEREAS, LoDuca Associates, Inc. has requested Change Order #G-02 for miscellaneous construction in an amount not to exceed \$5,996.00 to be paid from line item H04-1621250; and

WHEREAS, LoDuca Associates, Inc. has requested General Allowance Authorization No. 3 for evaporators, washer/dryer laundry closet and miscellaneous framing and 2nd floor renovation of headers, in an amount not to exceed \$21,337.00 to be paid from line item H04-1621240; and

Therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED that the Village accepts and approves the above change order, copies of which are on file in the Village Office, dated December 4, 2017; and

It is further RESOLVED that the Village Clerk/Treasurer and Village Mayor are hereby authorized and directed to execute the documents necessary to effectuate this resolution.

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

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

AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT LOW BID RECOMMENDATION FROM H2M WATER FOR WATER METERS: Resolution No. 2017-180: Mayor Mallott moved as follows:

WHEREAS, the Village of Ocean Beach has published bid specifications for new Water Meters, fully detailed in the bid specifications prepared by H2M Water; and,

Now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk/Treasurer is authorized to accept the lowest responsible bidder, as recommended by H2M Water; and

It is further RESOLVED that the Village Clerk/Treasurer and Village Mayor are hereby authorized and directed to execute the documents necessary to effectuate this resolution.

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

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:

There was discussion regarding the Shared Sources cooperation at both the Town and County levels. The Village is very small in the scheme of things for things like gasoline. We are searching for ideas that we can call "out of the box." For example, going forward we will not need the bus stop and the Police Station and bathroom will also become obsolete. We are offering these buildings as an exchange in the shared services to try and get one thing we might need. Our initiative for the sewer plant following Sandy (FIST) has been successful. We have been working on this and it seems the Governor's Office - DEC is interested. The cesspools on Fire Island need work and it's possible our sewer plant with improvements can manage Fire Island wide.

The water meter conversation continued with questions by the residents.

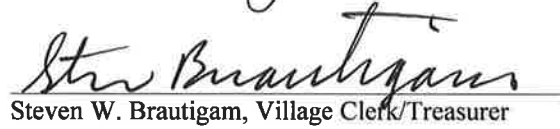
ADJOURNMENT: At 12:06PM, Mayor Malott made motion to adjourn the meeting. Deputy Mayor Blake seconded the motion.

Upon call, the following voted:

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