

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
INC. VILLAGE OF BELLE TERRE**

**MINUTES OF: December 17, 2024 MEETING**

**PRESENT:**

Mayor: Bob Sandak, Deputy Mayor: Jacquelyn Gernaey

Trustees: James J. von Oiste, Michael Solo, Leza Di Bella

Others present: Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Sakovich & Village Attorney Eileen Powers

**MEETING CONVENED AT 8:09 pm**

**I. MINUTES:** Motion was made by Jacquelyn Gernaey, seconded by Leza Di Bella to dispense with the reading of the November minutes. Minutes were accepted and motion carried.

**II. TREASURER'S REPORT:** Motion was made by Jacquelyn Gernaey, seconded by Leza Di Bella to dispense with the reading of the November Treasurer's Report. Report was accepted and motion carried.

**III. CORRESPONDENCE:**

**Letters requesting use of the Community Center:**

1. Richard Wrage for a graduation party on Saturday, Jan. 11
2. Danielle Friedman for an adoption party on Saturday, Jan 25

**IV. MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor Sandak reported that a public hearing will be set for January 21<sup>st</sup> to amend a sentence in the fence code to align with other sections of the Village of Belle Terre Zoning Code. Along with advertising in the local newspaper and on the Village website, we will also be notifying the community via email of Village public hearings. Also, there is a new law that all contractors doing public works or private projects must register with the State to comply with Department of Labor regulations. They will not be permitted to bid on a project unless they are in good standing.

**V. LAW REPORT: No report**

**VI. COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:**

**1. BEACH:** Commissioner von Oiste reported that he is working on simplifying the signs at the beach based on the County requirements.

**2. BUILDINGS:** No report

**3. PARKS:** Commissioner Solo reported that in coordination with the Beautification Committee, a memorial tree ceremony took place at the Park for Yvonne Dwyer.

**4. ROADS:** Commissioner Solo reported that with the recent rainfall it seems, with a visual inspection, that the erosion repairs seem to have performed well with the exception of some flooding on Lodge Lane. This area will be assessed for the next round of Village drainage.

**5. YOUTH PROGRAM:** No Report

**6. COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION:** Mayor Sandak reported that the recent Tree Lighting ceremony that took place at the Community Center was wonderful with hot cocoa, marshmallows and music by our school choir.

**7. HARBOR MANAGEMENT:** Commissioner von Oiste reported that the committee is disbanded until April 2025.

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**8. CODE REVIEW:** Mayor Sandak reported that there will be a public hearing on January 21 to amend a section of the fence code.

**9. CONSTABULARY:** Mayor Sandak reported there were 34 calls for service in November.

**VII: MOTIONS:**

**1. Motion** by Trustee Gernaey, seconded by Trustee Solo was passed unanimously to approve Abstract of Audited Vouchers for payment in the amount of \$58,635.44. Motion carried.

**2. Motion** by Trustee Di Bella, seconded by Trustee Gernaey to pass a Resolution setting a public hearing on January 21, 2025 to consider a local law amending chapters 140-5 (Swimming Pools & Hot Tubs; Fencing) to align with other sections of the Village of Belle Terre Zoning Code. Motion carried.

**3. Motion** by Trustee von Oiste, seconded by Trustee Solo to pass a resolution in support of continued and increased State Aid for Local Governments. Motion carried.

**MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC: No comments**

**The meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.**