

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

MINUTES OF: July 16, 2019 MEETING

PRESENT:

Mayor: Bob Sandak

Deputy Mayor: Sheila Knapp

Trustees: Jacquelyn Gernaey, Richard Musto, Caroline Engelhardt

Others present: Village Attorney Eileen Powers, Clerk Treasurer Joanne Raso, Deputy Clerk Treasurer, Louise Smit

MEETING CONVENED AT 8:05 pm

I. MINUTES of June were accepted as read, with one abstention.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT for June was accepted, with one abstention

III. CORRESPONDENCE:

No correspondence.

IV. MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Appointments: As this is our annual organizational meeting, we will be appointing our commissioners, associate justices, attorneys as well as establishing our depositories and regular meeting schedule.
- State budget: Extreme Winter Recovery funds which are usually included in the State budget to be dispersed to Villages, will this year be coming from the County's sales tax revenue. It seems the State is no longer going to include these funds in their budget and may not be available next year at all.
- Trees: A new study emphasizes the importance of trees to air quality and encourages everyone to plant more trees.
- Code updates: There will be a notice of public hearing next month to revise our codes regarding trees and solicitation in the Village.
- State Aid: In the past Senator LaValle has been very helpful in our getting state grants for various projects in the Village, especially road repairs. Now that the House and Senate are controlled by Democrats, these funds will probably not be available.
- Stop signs: A survey done by our Constables shows some stop signs in locations not listed in our code and some that are missing from intersections where they should be. New stop signs are being ordered with reflective posts and all of the stop signs in the Village will be replaced.
- Seaside Drive has been repaved and new drains have been installed in several areas of the Village. Potholes have also been sawcut and repaired.

V. LAW REPORT: No report.

VI. COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

- 1. BEACH:** All cabanas are up; boardwalks are in and the stairs have been repaired.
- 2. BUILDINGS:** No report.
- 3. PARKS:** No report.

4. ROADS: No report.

5. YOUTH PROGRAM: A new raft, with a ladder, has been placed. Y/P Director Samantha Abelson, thanked all of the Board members, Commissioners and office staff for their help in getting the program running. They passed inspection by the Health Dept. Activities this year include paddleboard instruction, canoeing, personal trainer and visits from the Coastal Steward and Fire Department. The Mayor and Board are invited to the annual awards picnic on Wednesday, August 7 at 6 pm.

6. CABLE/TECHNOLOGY: No report.

7. HARBOR MANAGEMENT: The Town has hired more bay constables so there are two to a boat. They are also permitted to carry firearms.

8. COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION: Thanks to Ted, Ken, Frank and Mark for their work at the July 4th picnic. The annual beach party is scheduled for next month.

9. CONSERVATION: No report.

10. DEER COMMITTEE: No report.

11. CODE REVIEW: No report.

12. CONSTABULARY: June had 56 calls for service, 20 of which were emergencies. There were 86 summonses issued and 700 house watches.

VII: MOTIONS:

- 1. Motion** by Trustee Gernaey, seconded by Trustee Knapp to approve abstract of audited vouchers #'s 255, 257, 258 & 259 for a total amount of \$295,182.51 for payment. Motion carried.
- 2. Motion** by Trustee Musto, seconded by Trustee Engelhardt to pass a resolution acknowledging the required examination of Justice Court records. Motion carried.
- 3. Motion** by Trustee Gernaey, seconded by Trustee Knapp to approve the list of appointments as attached. Motion carried.

MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:

Topics of discussion were:

- A resident's complaint of a neighbor's code violations
- Progress of installation of security cameras at the park
- Abandoned concrete structure at the end of Anchorage Road
- Advertising signs on resident's property
- Drainage problems on Buena Vista Road
- Overflow parking from events held at the Community Center
- Speeding on Crooked Oak Road

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 pm.

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ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING: APPOINTMENTS

Associate Justices	Michael Devine	unsalaried – 1 year
	Jack Reilly	unsalaried – 1 year
Attorney	Eileen A. Powers	per budget – 1 year
Village Prosecutor	Richard Harris	per budget - 1 year
Deputy Mayor	Sheila Knapp	unsalaried – 1 year
Fiscal Officer	Jacquelyn Gernaey	unsalaried – 1 year
Planning Board Chair	Anthony Gitto	unsalaried – 1 year
Planning Board Member	Anthony Gitto	unsalaried – 5 years
Zoning Board of Appeals Chair	Dave McAnaney	unsalaried – 1 year
Zoning Board of Appeals Member	Sandy Schachner	unsalaried – 5 years
Assessor	Frank Aragona	per budget – 1 year
Board of Review	Full Board of Trustees	unsalaried
Building Inspector	Christopher Harding	per budget – 1 year
Fire Marshall	Robert Andersen	per budget – 1 year
Road Commissioner	William Raso	unsalaried – 1 year
Beach Commissioner	Sheila Knapp	unsalaried – 1 year
Building Commissioner	Dennis Statuch	unsalaried – 1 year
Constable Commissioner	Bob Sandak	unsalaried – 1 year
Safety Coordinator – NYMIR	Bob Sandak	unsalaried – 1 year
Conservation/Environment	Dave McAnaney	unsalaried – 1 year
Technology Advisor	Ken Weiss	unsalaried – 1 year
Harbor Management Commissioner	Sheila Knapp	unsalaried – 1 year
Historian	John Hiz	unsalaried – 1 year
Ethics Committee	Jim Altebrando	unsalaried – 1 year
Park Commissioner	Judy Zaino	unsalaried – 1 year
Youth Program Commissioner	Francoise Schachner	unsalaried – 1 year
Official Newspapers:	The Port Times Record, Newsday	
Official Depositories:	Empire National Bank People's United Bank First National Bank of Long Island	

Regular Meetings to take place on the **Third Tuesday** of the month at 8 pm (Work Session at 7 pm). **Work Sessions** on the **First Tuesday** of the month at 6 pm.