

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

**MINUTES OF: June 16, 2020 MEETING Meeting held virtually via RingCentral Zoom**

**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

**MEETING CONVENED AT 8 pm.**

**I. MINUTES:** Motion was made and carried to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

**II. TREASURER'S REPORT** for May was accepted as read.

**III. CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**IV. MAYOR'S REPORT:**

- Parking fines are being raised from \$75 to \$100 and we have contracted with a company to collect delinquent fines.
- Legislator Kara Hahn has been sent a letter from a resident about the damage being done to the dunes at McAllister Park and the litter that is being left by visitors. There was a park ranger stationed there one day last week just before sunset, blocking the road and access to the limited parking area and notifying people the park closes at dusk and they would not be allowed access. Residents are encouraged to write to Legislator Hahn or the Suffolk County Parks Commissioner to let them know the damage being done to the dunes.
- Additional No Parking signs have been installed along Anchorage Road, but people are still parking between the signs. So many have parked in some areas that the vegetation is destroyed, making it look like parking is permitted. We are considering placing logs along the side of the road to discourage parking.
- Constable patrols have been increased to 2 constables on duty when the weather is nice, so that regular patrol of the Village can be done, as well as monitoring the parking on Anchorage.
- There will not be a summer youth program this year. State restrictions on day camps are too difficult to comply with to be sure everyone would be safe.
- We have received approval for our grant application to stabilize the bluff at the end of Cliff Road and are proceeding with the project.
- The purchase of our No Soliciting/No Trespassing signs has been put on hold due to the pandemic closing businesses. Now that things are opening up, we will proceed with the order.

**VII: MOTIONS:**

1. **Motion** by Trustee Gernaey, seconded by Trustee Musto to approve abstract of audited vouchers #'s 287 & 288 for a total amount of \$133,300.51 for payment. Motion carried.

**MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:**

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- Resident complained about the location of the dumpster at Knapp Beach as it spoils the view. Sheila said it will be moved.
- Resident asked if there were any plans of updating the signs at the entrances to the Village, such as at Fairway Dr. and Nonowantuc Trail. Discussion
- Sign at the park regarding dogs should be updated to say dogs need to be on a leash and to clean up after your dog. It currently says “no dogs on the grass”
- Trees at the park need to be trimmed back from the path
- There was a suggestion to make Anchorage Road a tow away zone
- Some intersections need to have vegetation cut back for better visibility
- There was a suggestion to replace the wooden boardwalks behind the cabanas with special matting made for beach access.