

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

MINUTES OF: July 20, 2021 MEETING

PRESENT: Mayor: Bob Sandak; Deputy Mayor: Jacquelyn Gernaey
Trustees: Richard Musto, Richard Harris and Jim von Oiste
Others present: Clerk Treasurer Joanne Raso
Absent with prior notice: Village Attorney Eileen Powers

MEETING CONVENED AT 8:10 pm

I. MINUTES of June were accepted as read.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT for June was accepted.

III. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter from NYS Division of Budget acknowledging receipt of our request for ARPA Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.

Letters requesting use of the Community Center:

1. Danielle Friedman, Thursday, July 29 for a birthday party
2. Lynn Bohlen, Saturday & Sunday, August 14 & 15 in case of rain, for a wedding

IV. MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Tonight is our annual organizational meeting where we appoint the commissioners who will serve for this fiscal year. We acknowledge the loss of Trustee Sheila Knapp and have appointed Jim von Oiste to replace her as Trustee and Beach Commissioner. Trustee Jackie Gernaey will take her position of Deputy Mayor. We also welcome newly elected Trustee Richard Harris.
- We are moving ahead with plans to make our Village more handicap assessable, especially at the beach.

V. COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

1. **BEACH:** Commissioner von Oiste thanked Youth Program Samantha Abelson for her help in getting the beach up and running. A recent storm caused some damage to the cabana area, but everything has been repaired.
2. **BUILDINGS:** Commissioner Harris took a tour of the Village barn and will work with Beach Commissioner von Oiste to better organize the cabana storage. He also notice repairs are needed to the roof and siding.
3. **PARKS:** Commissioner Musto reported our handyman is taking care of replacing the broken Plexiglas dome on the playground equipment. He will also be ordering more mulch for the equipment area.
4. **ROADS:** Commissioner Solo reported the paving of three roads, Nonowantuc, Arbutus and Intervale, is complete. Recent heavy rains took out a portion of Northwind Drive making it dangerous for residents or emergency vehicles. Mayor Sandak declared a state of emergency, and repairs were made to make the road stable, while work can be scheduled to repair the damaged drain, install a new drain and make permanent repairs to the road. We are still waiting for quotes to repair potholes.
5. **YOUTH PROGRAM:** Commissioner Schachner thanked new Beach Commissioner von Oiste and Youth Program Director Samantha Abelson for getting the program up and running.

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9. CONSTABULARY: Commissioner Sandak reported there were 36 calls for service in June.

10. APPOINTMENTS; RESIGNATIONS: Jim von Oiste resigned as alternate member of the Planning Board and was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Sheila Knapp as Trustee and Beach Commissioner. Richard Harris resigned his position as Village Prosecutor as he was elected as a Village Trustee.

VI: MOTIONS:

- 1. Motion** by Trustee Gernaey, seconded by Trustee Musto to approve abstract of audited vouchers #'s 330, 331 & 332 for a total amount of \$173,004.68 for payment. Motion carried.
- 2. Motion** by Trustee Musto, seconded by Trustee Harris to approve the list of appointments as attached. Motion carried.
- 3. Motion** by Trustee von Oiste, seconded by Trustee Harris to remove Sheila Knapp as authorized signer on People's United Bank accounts and designate Jacquelyn Gernaey as authorized signer in her place. Motion carried.
- 4. Motion** by Trustee Gernaey, seconded by Trustee Musto to transfer \$9,999 from the Capital Fund to the General Fund for the purchase of the lifeguard trailer. Motion carried.

MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:

Topics discussed:

- ADA committee is waiting to get samples of matts to be used at the beach both for the parking lot and beach ramp
- The storage trailer brought to the beach to be used as the lifeguard station will be finished with siding to match the new beach pavilion. A suggestion to move the gazebo further away from the pavilion will be taken into consideration.
- A resident complained that the right of way path from Lost Meadow Lane down to Nonowantuc and Seaside Drive has an obstruction, possibly placed there by the new property owner on Lost Meadow Lane.
- A resident of Bell Circle requested to meet with the road commissioner to address an ongoing flooding problem

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ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING: APPOINTMENTS

Associate Justices	Michael Devine	unsalaried – 1 year
Attorney	Jack Reilly	unsalaried – 1 year
Village Prosecutor	Eileen A. Powers	per budget – 1 year
Deputy Mayor	Sean Cambridge	per budget - 1 year
Fiscal Officer	Jacquelyn Gernaey	unsalaried – 1 year
Planning Board Chair	Jacquelyn Gernaey	unsalaried – 1 year
Planning Board Member	Anthony Gitto	unsalaried – 1 year
Alternate Planning Board Member	Terri Elkowitz	unsalaried – 5 years
Zoning Board of Appeals Chair	Dave McAnaney	unsalaried – 5 years
Zoning Board of Appeals Member	Lou Bove	unsalaried – 1 year
Assessor	Frank Aragona	unsalaried – 5 years
Board of Review	Full Board of Trustees	per budget – 1 year
Fire Marshall	Todd Stumpf	unsalaried
Road Commissioner	Mike Solo	per budget – 1 year
Beach Commissioner	Jim von Oiste	unsalaried – 1 year
Building Commissioner	Richard Harris	unsalaried – 1 year
Constable Commissioner	Bob Sandak	unsalaried – 1 year
Safety Coordinator – NYMIR	Bob Sandak	unsalaried – 1 year
Technology Advisor	Ken Weiss	unsalaried – 1 year
Harbor Management Commissioner	Jim von Oiste	unsalaried – 1 year
Historian	John Hiz	unsalaried – 1 year
Ethics Committee		unsalaried – 1 year
Park Commissioner	Richard Musto	unsalaried – 1 year
Youth Program Commissioner	Francoise Schachner	unsalaried – 1 year
Official Newspapers:	The Port Times Record, Newsday	
Official Depositories:	Flushing 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.