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

**MINUTES OF: October 18, 2022 MEETING** 

**PRESENT:** Mayor: Bob Sandak Deputy Mayor: Jacquelyn Gernaey

Trustees: Richard Musto, Richard Harris, James J. von Oiste

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

### **MEETING CONVENED AT 8:10 pm**

I. MINUTES of September were accepted as corrected.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT for September was accepted.

#### **III. CORRESPONDENCE:**

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

1. D. Paulus sponsoring R. Peterson for a family Christmas Eve party on 12/24.

#### IV. MAYOR'S REPORT:

- The snow removal contract will be going out to bid this week, as the current contract has expired.
- Overgrowth has been cut back at the intersections of Upper and Lower Devon Roads and Bridge Lane to allow for better visibility.
- The Community Association is having their annual pumpkin carving event on Sunday, October 30.
- **V. LAW REPORT:** Village Attorney Powers confirmed that the procedure for filing and publication of the local law subject to permissive referendum passed last month regarding terms of office, was done correctly. If no petition is filed within 30 days of the law being adopted, which would be October 30, the law takes effect by operation of law.

#### VI. COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

- **1. BUILDINGS:** Commissioner Harris reported that the generator for the community center is scheduled to be installed on January 26.
- **2. PARKS:** Commissioner Musto reported the security cameras at the gatehouse are now up and running after being disrupted due to the installation of firewall equipment for the office computers.
- **3. ROADS:** Commissioner Solo reported he is continuing to monitor the drains on Northwind Drive and they seem to be holding up well. He is also starting to assess what roads will be scheduled for repaying in the spring.
- **4. YOUTH PROGRAM:** Mayor Sandak stated that the program is self-supporting and does not rely on tax dollars. Revenue collected for application fees balances the expenses for payroll and supplies. This year there was a difference of revenues over expenses of approximately three thousand dollars.
  - **5. HARBOR MANAGEMENT:** There will be a public meeting on Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>
- **6. CONSTABULARY:** September had 46 calls for service, including a report of graffiti found on the shower walls at the beach.
- **10. APPOINTMENTS; RESIGNATIONS:** Letter of resignation from Jennifer Hoey, Administrative Assistant.

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#### VII: MOTIONS:

- **1. Motion** by Trustee Gernaey, seconded by Trustee Musto was passed unanimously to approve for payment the abstract of audited vouchers in the amount of \$39,867.21
- **2. Motion** by Trustee Harris, seconded by Trustee von Oiste to pass a resolution giving the mayor the authority, upon approval of the Village attorney, to sign the agreement with the Town of Brookhaven for highway work and supplying salt/sand through December 31, 2023.

#### MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:

- A resident complained that shrubs planted along Crooked Oak Road, approaching Cliff Road is making it difficult to see oncoming traffic when stopped at the stop sign.
- A resident asked if anyone checks to see if a tree removal permit has been issued when someone puts ribbons around trees, a sign that they are planning to take them down.
- A resident asked if anyone has complained of trespassers on their property now that hunting season has begun. The office has received no complaints.