

**THE MINUTES  
FOR THE August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT  
REGULAR MEETING  
11:00 AM**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:** The Northport Village Board will hold a regular Board meeting July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 at 11:00 AM. Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order 103 the meeting will be held via telephone conference call only and not at Northport Village Hall. There will be no public hearings, public participation or commissioner reports. The meeting will be strictly limited to necessary Northport Village business. The public will be able to hear the meeting by dialing the following phone number (267) 930-4000. Participants will be required to enter the following access code: 405 904 676. Any questions by the public can be asked through our website: <https://northportny.gov>.

**PRESENT BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE:** Mayor McMullen, Trustees Smith, Milligan and Kehoe, Village Clerk Donna Koch, Village Attorney Stuart Besen, Village Treasurer Len Marchese, Police Chief Chris Hughes.

**ABSENT:** Assistant to the Mayor Don Tesoriero, Village Administrator Roland Buzard

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Mayor McMullen:** I have a short announcement according to the State mandate, the executive order from Governor Cuomo all Villages are required to form a Police Review Committee and as such I have formed one and we will be meeting hopefully sometime in the next week. Our first meeting. It is not scheduled at this point but I just wanted to announce the names of the committee. It will be myself and my co-chair will be Doctor Spencer, our local Legislator, Police Chief Chris Hughes, Trustee Ian Milligan because I plan on him being my new Police Commissioner, since Jerry Maline has moved on to green pastures. Sherry Pavone, Village Attorney Stu Besen, I have Reverend Betty who is the Minister at the Methodist Church, Phil Ingerman who has who has a very long background in municipal government with legislation and policy making, coming from the Town of Huntington. Ralph Notocestafano, who is a retired social worker. I also have Joe Schramm and Donna Koch will be the secretary and will be taking notes and minutes of our meeting. We will be putting out an agenda as necessary. We have until April 9<sup>th</sup>, to complete the work. My goal is that this committee will hopefully get it done a lot sooner than that We will be (later in the meeting the Mayor announced Artie Glad would also be on the committee representing the Rotary and Chamber.) I'll be letting everybody know about the date for the first meeting. That's all the announcements that I have at the moment. Actually I'd like to point out that there is a resolution , we have three new paramedics that are coming onboard and that should complete our scheduling for 24/7.

We are going to hire some additional paramedics, so that when people are sick or vacationing or hung up on some other job that we still have coverage. Roland is in the process of getting those additional paramedics but I'm glad to see we are able to fill the rooster for the month of August. Donna If you would make the announcement that I asked you earlier.

**Village Clerk:** Yes, The Village Election is scheduled for September 15<sup>th</sup>. The ballot has not changed. The hours will be from 12 noon till 9:00 PM. Any one wishing an absentee ballot needs to submit an absentee ballot application. The application has to be an original and facsimiles will not be accepted. The last day to receive an absentee ballot application when the ballot is to be mailed is September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020. After that you can submit the application in person and a ballot will be hand delivered to you at that time.

Also, just reminding everyone to please fill out your New York State Census form. The 2020 census will determine congressional representations and provide data that that will impact communities for the next decade.

**BOARD APPROVAL OF WARRANT:**

On the motion of Trustee Smith and seconded by Trustee Kehoe the following payment of bills was put to a roll call vote a roll call vote:

Trustee Smith ~ YES	Mayor McMullen ~ YES
Trustee Kehoe ~ YES	Trustee Milligan ~ YES

**Fiscal Year 2020/2021 General Fund bills in the amount of \$329,099.45**

On the motion of Trustee Milligan and seconded by Trustee Smith the following payment of bills was put to a roll call vote a roll call vote:

Trustee Smith ~ YES	Mayor McMullen ~ YES
Trustee Kehoe ~ ABSTAIN	Trustee Milligan ~ YES

**Fiscal Year 2020/2021 General Fund bills #2 in the amount of \$3487.50**

On the motion of Trustee Kehoe and seconded by Trustee Smith the following payment of bills was put to a roll call vote a roll call vote:

Trustee Smith ~ YES	Mayor McMullen ~ YES
Trustee Kehoe ~ YES	Trustee Milligan ~ YES

**Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Sewer Fund bills in the amount of \$ 13,202.90**

**BUSINESS:** no business was discussed this morning.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

On the motion of Trustee Smith and seconded by Trustee Kehoe the following resolution was put to a roll call vote:

Trustee Smith ~ YES	Trustee Milligan ~ YES
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Trustee Kehoe ~ YES

Mayor McMullen ~ YES

**RESOLUTION: 2020 – 85~ APPROVAL OF THE JULY 21, 2020 MINUTES**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** The minutes of the July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 meeting are hereby accepted.

On the motion of Trustee Smith and seconded by Trustee Milligan the following resolution was put to a roll call vote:

Trustee Smith ~ YES

Trustee Milligan ~ YES

Trustee Kehoe ~ YES

Mayor McMullen ~ YES

**RESOLUTION 2020 –86 ~ PARAMEDIC**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** Joseph Lesnick has been approved pending the completion of background check, for hire as paid Paramedic in the Incorporated Village of Northport, and

**WHEREAS:** each Paramedic will work no more than 17.5 hours a week at a rate of pay of \$28.70 per hour.

On the motion of Trustee Milligan and seconded by Trustee Smith the following resolution was put to a roll call vote:

Trustee Smith ~ YES

Trustee Milligan ~ YES

Trustee Kehoe ~ YES

Mayor McMullen ~ YES

**RESOLUTION 2020 –87 ~ PARAMEDIC**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** Anthony Labarbera has been approved pending the completion of background check, for hire as paid Paramedic in the Incorporated Village of Northport, and

**WHEREAS:** each Paramedic will work no more than 17.5 hours a week at a rate of pay of \$28.70 per hour.

On the motion of Trustee Kehoe and seconded by Trustee Smith the following resolution was put to a roll call vote:

Trustee Smith ~ YES

Trustee Milligan ~ YES

Trustee Kehoe ~ YES

Mayor McMullen ~ YES

**RESOLUTION 2020 –88 ~ PARAMEDIC**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** Shawn Miller has been approved pending the completion of background check, for hire as paid Paramedic in the Incorporated Village of Northport, and

**WHEREAS:** each Paramedic will work no more than 17.5 hours a week at a rate of pay of \$28.70 per hour.

On the motion of Trustee Smith and seconded by Trustee Kehoe the following resolution was put to a roll call vote:

Trustee Smith ~ YES  
Trustee Kehoe ~ YES

Trustee Milligan ~ YES  
Mayor McMullen ~ YES

**RESOLUTION 2020- 89 ~ EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** The Northport Village Board hereby approves the installation of lending library, subject to approval of the Northport Village Building Department and subject to an agreement with the Village of Northport approved by the Northport Village Attorney, and

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** this is a type II action and no further action is necessary.

On the motion of Trustee Kehoe and seconded by Trustee Smith the following resolution was put to a roll call vote:

Trustee Smith ~ YES  
Trustee Kehoe ~ YES

Trustee Milligan ~ YES  
Mayor McMullen ~ YES

**RESOLUTION 2020- 90 ~ WELSBACH ELECTRIC**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** The Board hereby approves Village Administrator Roland Buzard to sign an agreement with Welsbach Electric for street lights, traffic lights and building lights maintenance as outlined in a quote dated March 13, 2020. Said agreement to expire 2/28/2023

On the motion of Trustee Kehoe and seconded by Trustee Smith the following resolution was put to a roll call vote:

Trustee Smith ~ YES  
Trustee Kehoe ~ YES

Trustee Milligan ~ YES  
Mayor McMullen ~ YES

**RESOLUTION 2020- 91 ~ TIM-A-TREE**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** The Board hereby approves Village Administrator Roland Buzard to sign an agreement with Tim - A -Tree for tree maintenance throughout the Village as outlined in a quote dated March 13, 2020. Said agreement to expire 2/28/2023

On the motion of Trustee Kehoe and seconded by Trustee Milligan the following resolution was put to a roll call vote:

Trustee Smith ~ YES  
Trustee Kehoe ~ YES

Trustee Milligan ~ YES  
Mayor McMullen ~ YES

**RESOLUTION 2020- 92 ~ UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK REMOVAL**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** The Board hereby approves an amount not to exceed \$8500.00 for the removal of an underground fuel storage tank located at the Northport Sewer Plant.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**REQUESTS:** Request from homeowner to place a POD on laurel Ave. for three days.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Blair Beaudet, Crestfield PL. I just want to mention, I commend the Mayor on the letter he wrote about the prom planners down in the Village. It is a shame they do that every year but the health and safety of the Village is much more important but I'm glad to see he is going to take a firm stand on that. Has anything come out of that so far?

**Mayor McMullen:** Right now, Chief Hughes and detective Howard are doing interviews of different individuals and doing some research. It is going to be somewhat difficult to track the people who put it together. So, it may take a little doing but we are going to pursue it as best we can.

**Blair Beaudet:** well I'm glad your doing that Mayor. You wonder where people get the nerve to just skirt around, when you say something, or when there's a code or a law. It's just a shame.

**Mayor McMullen:** we were very concerned over the fact that it cause such a traffic tie up, something as simple as that, that we could've had grandma down there in 90 degrees heat and if she had passed out, not that we could get to her but that job would have been a lot more difficult for the paramedics and the fire department to respond. A large gathering like that of 500 plus people, most of them young people not wearing the mask, which raises to me the concern, a lot of them have younger siblings who will be going back to school in a September. How does that affect them, are they spreading it around? Did they give it to grandma? So, it was very inconsiderate of the people who organized that event.

**Blair Beaudet:** Your very right on what you did and I commend you on that.

**Mayor McMullen:** Thank you, that letter is not just a representative of me but a representative of the Village Board, Police and Fire department and everyone who works here.

**Blair Beaudet:** I realize that. Also, the paramedics, I'm also glad to see we have taken some movement on that finally.

**Mayor McMullen:** we are getting it done Blair.

**Blair Beaudet:** I see that, I'm holding out. I'm taking my vitamins. The last thing I wanted to ask about is about the fire truck. That looks like it is just wasting away down there. The old hook and ladder.

**Mayor McMullen:** we put it back on the market. It is for sale. I have checked with Roland over the past week or so but I know its out there on various sites. We are trying to sell it.

**Blair Beaudet:** ok, some fire departments have donated an old truck, that might be another avenue. It would be tax.

**Mayor McMullen:** they are looking at that. Thee might be a department in a different state, that might want to take it, spend the money on upgrading it.

**Blair Beaudet:** Sure, sure, I just hate to see it go to waste. Thank you, guys, Thank you

very much.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be a regular meeting August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6:30 PM Northport Village Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

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Donna M. Koch  
Village Clerk