

MINUTES
MAY 3, 2022 – 6:00 PM.
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT
REGULAR MEETING

Meeting was held live at Village Hall, 224 Main Street Northport, NY 11768 and also available via Zoom:

Present: Mayor Koch, Deputy Mayor/Trustee Sabia, Trustee Weber, Trustee Pucillo, Trustee Dolan, Attorney John Bennett, Treasurer Len Marchese, Police Chief Hughes, Village Administrator Roland Buzard, Assistant to the Mayor Don Tesoriero, Village Clerk Georgina Cavagnaro

Zoom participants: Elaine Meyburg, Deborah Frueh, Bernhard Meyburg, Jacqueline Weber, Susan Suvall, Thomas Radman, Don Blixt, Joseph Cavagnaro, Kevin Cogan, Spencer Rumsey, Ed Gathman, David Weber, Blair Beaudet, Salvatore Manno, John Stillwagon, Phyllis Weber

OPEN MEETING: Meeting called to order @ 6:00 pm

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

PRESENTATION:

95 Tigers on proposed basketball court in Cow Harbor Park presented by Chris Wiebke and Douglas Trani. Funds of \$65,000 were raised (surpassing the organizers' \$50,000 goal in less than 30 days) through the combined efforts of 232 individual donors - made up of Northport locals and businesses in financing the project. The project organizers were put into contact with New York State Senator Gaughran with the help of Trustee Weber to ensure that the state of New York would match the donated funds up to \$75,000. The new basketball court, dedicated to John Kennedy of Northport who positively influenced the project organizers growing up and who continues to do so for the youth today through various community service outreaches, will take on a new and larger design with state-of-the-art equipment. New fencing, paving, seating, and landscaping will accompany the construction of the proposed court. Representatives from the Northport Native Gardens Initiative (Nicole Tamaro, Sara Abbass, Matt Gorman) spoke of their cooperation with the 95 Tigers in introducing native plants surrounding the project area that will aid in not only the beautification, but the overall ecology as well. A rain garden composed of deep-rooted native plants in culmination with modernized water management infrastructure will work to control water runoff and nitrogen rich pollution from contaminating the harbor. Following the conclusion of the presentation, vocalized support from the public was made and questions were proposed

to the board surrounding the board members' support and the timeliness of proceedings going forward. The board expressed their unanimous support and Mayor Koch went into details of what is currently underway. Mayor Koch has asked Assistant to the Mayor Don Tesoriero to put together a package for Town Supervisor Ed Smyth to make a formal request with the Town of Huntington for the project. The basketball court in Cow Harbor Park is leased by the Village of Northport from the Town of Huntington which requires the board to gain approval from respective Huntington officials on areas including engineering and water management. The public as well as presenter Douglas Trani expressed their shared sense of urgency in calling for the board's commitment to acting swiftly upon the Town of Huntington's decisions. The board acknowledged the community's expressed passion and Time and Action calendar will be put together.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Effie Huber vocalized praise for the police officer(s) responsible for issuing parking tickets for the multiple parking violations she witnessed on Scudder Avenue the previous weekend and early week. Gratitude was also given to Village Administrator Roland Buzard in enforcing a Stop Work Order on 174 Bayview Avenue. Major construction had been underway in violation of the town ordinances with little consideration for neighboring houses. Effie Huber went on to talk about concerns over truck traffic into the main village park. The previous administration had refused to have the farmers market take place in the main village park over village concerns with having heavy delivery/setup vehicles drive on the path infrastructure meant for foot traffic. According to Effie Huber, a large Kellogg's delivery truck makes a delivery on this path to supply Seymour's Boatyard every morning. Effie Huber suggests closing the gate and having the delivery made from Bayview Avenue. Mayor Koch agrees that she does not want large trucks going through the parks. Effie Huber also vocalized a stipulation from the Willens (neighbors to Seymour's Boatyard) concerning food allegedly being sold at Seymour's Boatyard when in fact the establishment should only be selling marine related products. Trustee Weber asked for the definition of food in this context after Mayor Koch expressed knowing that Seymour's Boatyard sells frozen ice cream. After Effie Huber gave a definition of food, being something to be ingested and not something like oil for your boat, Trustee Weber asked Village Administrator Roland Buzard to send down code compliance to investigate.

Blair Beaudet asked about the hiring of an administrative assistant along with two other women to which Mayor Koch said would be addressed later in the meeting.

Ralph Notaristefano thanked Dave Ambro from the Observer for placing an ad for the village wide garage sale occurring on May 14th. Mayor Koch added that on the same day the fire department's Jolt Tournament at the fairgrounds where the Jaws of Life Competition will start at 9:00 AM.

Gina Paveglio questioned the policies and procedures for FOIL requests after her previous interactions with the past administration. Gina Paveglio named Trustee Dolan

as someone she is looking to in implementing new procedures to which Mayor Koch assured that policies and procedures are already in place and that she could not speak of how the past administration handled such requests. Gina Pavelgio also praised Sara Abbass from the Northport Native Gardens Initiative after meeting with her to discuss ecological solutions to the problems experienced on Paveglio and her neighbor's property.

Sherry Pavone asked about the Bluff Point Sewer Project and the house on Beach Avenue currently being used as office space. Mayor Koch addressed the Bluff Point Storm Expansion by stating it is in the engineering phase after which the project will go out to bid. Sixteen easements are being put together by Village Attorney Ed Gathman for the sixteen homeowners' sewer pumps. Ejector pumps are required for the new sewer line being put in. The easements are in the engineering phase and will soon be sent out to bid. Assistant to the Mayor Don Tesoriero expressed he talked with Holzmacher Engineering which assured that plans for the connections are in the final phases to be sent to the homeowners along with financial estimates. Trustee Weber addressed Sherry Pavone directly, citing the need to do the project right this time after encountering issues with the soil conditions the first time. Sherry Pavone questioned whether slow progress would interfere with any deadlines thus missing out on money from the state. Trustee Weber stated that he had been in contact with the Treasury Department which has been given an extension from the state in securing grant money. Mayor Koch clarified that Holzmacher is the original designer for the project. Mayor Koch then addressed the house on Beach Avenue by saying it is continuing to act as the Treasury Department. Sherry Pavone asked whether the original sewer project was covered by any insurance to which Mayor Koch said it was not. Sherry Pavone then pressed whether money then was lost from the original project. Treasurer Len Marchese assured that the original project was not a loss for new inground sewers, repavement, and upgraded generators at Bluff Point Estates had taken place/added.

Effie Huber clarified, with regard to the original Bluff Point Sewer Project, that the yacht club was the only location to be hooked up. Effie Huber also clarified that sixteen homes, including Duffy Court, would be hooked up with the expansion. Assistant to the Mayor Don Tesoriero disclosed that there is \$1.5 million left from the initial \$5 million grant in addition to the \$3 million still available as to which disbursements have been made. Village Administrator Roland Buzard stated that eight or nine test pits have been made at the depth of four to five feet for the new lines.

Doug Roberts expressed concern over the horrible conditions down at Steers Park with overgrown weeds and neglect, stating that improvements are needed. Trustee Dolan spoke of the responsible parties involved with maintaining the fields and agreed that new plans/actions need to be set in place to maintain the property as well as a new playground.

Samantha Maietta Adams inquired about new signage at the playground in Cow Harbor Park that would remind parents to keep the gates closed for the safety of the children. Samantha Maietta Adams also suggested acquiring a self-closing and self-latching

mechanism for the fence gates that poorly latch as they are now. Mayor Koch said that talks with the Parks Department will be had. Village Administrator Roland Buzard claimed to have inspected the sand, equipment and gate latching systems with the Parks Department.

Cathi Josephson asked the board to end the harassment being received from a resident complaining about the renovations being made on Cathi Josephson's home. Mayor Koch and Trustee Sabia went to Cathi Josephson's home to assure the renovations were done with the proper permits and were all in compliance. Mayor Koch vocalized the authenticity of Cathi Josephson's claims. Trustee Weber, as a matter of precaution, suggested that the names of the homeowners involved to not be publicized in any form to prevent the issue from escalating.

Michele Scott Trani reiterated the issues with Steers Park and asked whether it is the fault of a party not performing their responsible duties in maintaining the fields. Mayor Koch agreed that the issues with the park need to be looked into. Sara Abbass shared information concerning the takeover of Northport Little League by Larkfield Little League and the preceding agreement in maintaining the fields which, with the takeover, such agreement went amiss. Mayor Koch expressed belief in an agreement still in existence between Northport, East Northport and Larkfield Little League - the terms of which need to be investigated. Trustee Dolan agreed with Michele Scott Trani that it is possible with the takeover Larkfield Little League overlooked the maintenance requirements of the predecessor. Village Administrator Roland Buzard went over some of the work that has already been done to improve the poor conditions of the park, showing that work has been and continues to be done on the issue. Trustee Sabia asked about the clay at the park to which the Village Administrator confirmed had been replaced. Trustee Sabia clarified Northport Soccer League is responsible for cutting the grass on the soccer fields. Mayor Koch assured that Steers Park is definitely on the board's radar and that the board is actively looking into it.

BOARD APPROVAL OF WARRANT:

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Weber the following warrant was unanimously approved.

Fiscal Year 2022/2023 General Fund bills in the amount of \$114,515.49

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Pucillo the following warrant was unanimously approved.

Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Sewer Fund bills in the amount of \$16,893.34

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Weber the following warrant was unanimously approved.

April 25, 2022 General Utility Bills in the amount of \$5,068.90

On the motion of Trustee Weber and seconded by Trustee Sabia the following warrant was unanimously approved.

April 25, 2022 Sewer Utility Bills in the amount of \$305.55

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan the following warrant was unanimously approved.

Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Payroll Week (4/22/22) General Fund \$331,456.39

On the motion of Trustee Weber and seconded by Trustee Sabia the following warrant was unanimously approved.

Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Payroll Week (4/22/22) Sewer Fund \$15,095.05

BUSINESS/COMMISSIONERS REPORTS:

Assistant to the Mayor Don Tesoriero was alerted by New York Senator Gaughran and Congressman Suozzi that funding is available for grant to go towards Main Street infrastructure, NYPA lighting conversion, James Street Pocket Park and James Street Island, and downtown revitalization initiatives. There are a number of new changes in ownerships for the commercial properties on Main Street and the Building Department supports them. The Feed and Grain, Haven Galleries, Cafe Portofino, Cow Harbor Gifts, and La Porta Pizza are all making changes in ownership and/or operations. Mayor Koch advised if La Porta Pizza, in their expansion into the adjacent vacant nail salon, would need to make an appearance in front of the Zoning Board. Assistant to the Mayor Don Tesoriero stated it would likely be a change of use but no plans have been submitted yet.

Village Administrator Roland Buzard stated everything is going well with the PSEG transmission lines from Church-Ocean-Catherine. There is a test pit on Church and Main Street to draw a sample of the pipe used to house the transmission line. There was a very small amount of moisture in the fluid requiring the freeze pit on Ocean Avenue to still be functional, which will continue to cause an inconvenience in the near future. The test pit on Church Street can be closed. Work will occur from Scudder, on Church down to Catherine, and a large amount of work will be in the Huntington area. The flag pole in Village Park will be receiving repairs. The Village Administrator is working with the electrical engineers and getting the budget established for the new lighting project. A meeting was also had with the paving contractor to set up road refurbishments. Work has begun on the pump-out station platform leading to the ramp and docks on Woodbine. Mayor Koch asked about the flag pole to which the Village Administrator clarified some of the repairs needed.

Trustee Dolan talked about the Girl Scouts planting project with the Northport Native Gardens Initiative. Mark and Mara Nolan will be donating another little free library. Signage is being looked at.

Trustee Pucillo has been reviewing the contracts for sanitation and looking at the future for there are currently no problems. Trustee Pucillo meets with Chief Hughes every Friday and is looking to see what needs to be done or given to the department for safety and security. Trustee Pucillo wants to incorporate a training budget for the future to establish a more formal procedure in the officer training processes. Negotiations of the Chief's contract are underway.

Trustee Weber discussed the docks and the passing of Resolution 97. Trustee Weber is hopeful to have dock masters and pump-out boat operators ready to go by Thursday.

Trustee Sabia conveyed the hard work being done by the Highway Department - street sweeping, tree work, sidewalks etc. Trustee Sabia is working with Village Administrator Roland Buzard on getting bids for fixing Main Street and Norwood Avenue down to Goldenrod sidewalks and curbs.

Mayor Koch reported that Senator Gaughran's office gave a grant of \$100,000 to the Fire Department to offset the cost of the new ambulance. The new ambulance costs \$300,000. Mayor Koch continues to meet with town officials, department heads, the Chief and the Treasurer. Mayor Koch is honored to be the mayor.

TREASURER REPORT:

Treasurer Len Marchese filed the required American Rescue Plan reporting. The federal funds were \$350,000 last year. The next set of funding is set for the end of July in already allocated funds of \$350,000. The Treasurer is scheduled to have auditors in a few weeks and is taking the necessary steps to ensure an efficient audit. A presentation on the street lighting proposal is scheduled for the next board meeting on May 17th.

Trustee Sabia questioned if the police boat pricing is locked in. The Treasurer believes the only variable is the delivery date and will have Chief Hughes speak on it. Chief Hughes confirmed the boat will be delivered sometime in July.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT:

Chief Hughes reported that for the month of April the Police Department responded to 473 calls, issued 185 summonses, and made 6 arrests. Part time police officer Shelby Stillwagon graduated from the Suffolk County Police Academy last week and began field training. There continues to be hawk related issues with trapping efforts not being successful. Estimates and quotes for trapping have been unreasonable. There have been 20 attacks with 12 people being sent to the hospital. Chief Hughes wishes to get more aggressive in addressing the issue. A question from the public was raised concerning the area of the repeated attacks to which the Chief confirmed it is the same area. The DEC doesn't know whether it is a defense posture the hawk is taking or if it is mistakenly attacking for prey. Hawks don't typically feed much in the Summer months which is making trapping very difficult. The hawk is currently incubating in the nest.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REQUESTS: Robkes is requesting to keep the tent. Attorney Charles Steine appeared before the board on behalf of Robkes. Attorney Steine stated he has been working closely with Village Attorney Ed Gathman to identify violations. Violations are believed to have been removed/remedied, and the tent is in compliance with Village code. Letters of support for the tent have been submitted. Mayor Koch asked to have a code compliance enforcement officer to investigate. Mayor Koch raised parking concerns but attested that

if no parking stipulations exist in the village code, the tent would not be in violation. Attorney Steine stated that his clients own nearby properties that are currently not being rented which gives additional parking capabilities. Robkes also has arrangements with Lewisy, Coldwell Banker, and Giunta's Meat Farms to allow for parking. Mayor Koch asked that all parking be off the sidewalks and not block fire hydrants. Ongoing discussions will be had. Trustee Sabia restated concerns with parking on sidewalks and in front of fire hydrants. Trustee Sabia suggested placing signage out to discourage such activities.

NOTICE: None

RESOLUTIONS:

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION: 2022 – 89 ~ APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 19, 2022 MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED: The minutes of the April 19, 2022 meeting are hereby accepted.

On the motion of Trustee Dolan and seconded by Trustee Sabia the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 90 ~ NORTHPORT DRUG & ALCOHOL TASK FORCE

WHEREAS: the Northport Drug & Alcohol Task Force has provided an invaluable service to the Village of Northport, and

WHEREAS: there are significant expenses related to providing these invaluable services, and

WHEREAS: the Northport Village Board of Trustee's recognizes the time and effort of the Northport Drug & Alcohol Task Force, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Village of Northport hereby appropriates the sum of \$750.00 to the Northport Drug & Alcohol Task Force to help in its continuing services.

On the motion of Trustee Dolan and seconded by Trustee Sabia the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 91 ~ PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHER II

BE IT RESOLVED: Sean Sheridan is hereby promoted to the position of Public Safety Dispatcher II at the annual salary and other conditions of employment, pursuant to the collective Bargaining Agreement between the Village of Northport and Local 342, Long Island Public Service Employees.

WHEREAS: this is a type II Action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. Section 617.5, and, therefore, no further SEQRA review is required.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 92 ~ VISITING NURSE SERVICE "RUN FOR HEALTH OF IT"

WHEREAS: The Visiting Nurse Service has been authorized by the Village to hold an annual road race on May 7, 2022 and,

WHEREAS: temporary closures to vehicular traffic on the proposed race course

consisting of the following roads:

Main Street from Laurel Avenue to Fort Salonga Road

Norwood Avenue in its entirety until all the outbound participants have reached Waterside Avenue.

WHEREAS: The race committee will provide civilian traffic control assistants at the following locations:

Main Street/Burr Avenue
Oak Street/Burr Avenue
Burr Avenue/ Doris Avenue
Doris Avenue/Norwood Avenue
Oak Street/Waterside Avenue
Monroe Street/Burr Avenue
Hill Street/Burt Avenue
Laurel Street/Chestnut Circle

BE IT RESOLVED: The Village Board of Trustees hereby approves the road closures in conjunction with this race.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 93 ~ TEMPORARY NO PARKING

WHEREAS: The Annual American Legion Memorial Day Parade has been authorized for May 30, 2022 and,

BE IT RESOLVED: The Board of Trustees is hereby authorized to prohibit parking, and authorize towing (if necessary), to facilitate the movement of the parade as outlined in a memo from Chief Hughes dated April 19, 2022, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: said restrictions should be in place from 9:00am – 12:30pm on Main Street, from Union Place to Northport Harbor.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 94 ~ PRE-PROM PARKING RESTRICTIONS

WHEREAS: The Pre-prom has been authorized for June 23, 2022 and,

BE IT RESOLVED: The Board of Trustees is hereby authorized to establish temporary No Parking restrictions in Lot #1 and on Main Street from Woodbine Avenue west to its terminus with the Harbor from Noon – 6 pm during the Pre-Prom Party and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The Board authorizes the Village of Northport Police Department to remove any vehicle found to be in violation of these restriction at the expense of the vehicle’s owner.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Pucillo the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 95 ~ TEMPORARY PARKING RESTRICTIONS FOR THE

NORTHPORT FIRE DEPARTMENT FAIR

WHEREAS: The Northport Fire Department Fair has been authorized for July 11 – July 16, 2022 and,

BE IT RESOLVED: The Board of Trustees is hereby authorized to establish temporary No Parking restrictions during the hours of the Northport Fair Department Fair as outlined in a memo from Chief Hughes dated April 19, 2022 and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The Board authorizes the Village of Northport Police Department to remove any vehicle found to be in violation of these restrictions at the expense of the vehicle’s owner.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTIONS 2022 – 96 ~ NORTHPORT HARBOR FAMILY NIGHT PARKING RESTRICTIONS

WHEREAS: The Northport Harbor Family Nights has been authorized for July 19 and July 26, 2022 from 5:00pm – 10:30pm and,

BE IT RESOLVED: The Board of Trustees is hereby authorized to establish No Parking restrictions as outlined in a memo from Chief Hughes dated April 19, 2022 and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The Board authorizes the Village of Northport Police Department to remove any vehicle found to be in violation of these restrictions at the expense of the vehicle’s owner.

On the motion of Trustee Pucillo and seconded by Trustee Sabia the following resolution was approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 97 ~ SEASONAL EMPLOYMENT

BE IT RESOLVED: that the seasonal applicants recommended by the Village Administrator and the Village Clerk are hereby approved and

WHEREAS The Village Board of Trustees has determined that this action is a type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR Section 617.5 (c) 26 and is not subject to any further action under SEQRA;

Lifeguard Supervisor - Maggie Kiernan \$18.00 per hour

Lifeguards \$16.00 per hour

- James McKechnie
- Karl Leonard
- Jonathan Kiernan
- Eldon Smith
- Matthew Ronan
- Ruby Nolan
- Caleb Hamada
- Summer Nolan
- Paige Leonard

Gate Attendants \$15.00 per hour

- Sarah Belmonte

Luc Wagner
Dylan Pelkowski
Brendan Connolly
Liam Kost
Kathleen West
Samara Pelkowski
Ava Corea
Isabella Corea
Ava Rizzoni

Dock Supervisor – Danielle Krupka \$18.00 per hour

DockMasters \$15.00 per hour

Kiersten Pitfick
Ethan Sarisky
Jaislyn Engellis
Christi Clinton

Pump Out Boat @ \$15.00 per hour

Joseph Kiernan
Benjamin Blumberg
Kurt Wagner
Jack Pokowicz

Highway Department @ \$17.00 per hour

Quinlan Finnegan
Nicholas Stallone

Mayor Koch commented on summer help. This is the first year a waiting list has been made for every department. Nicole Carey asked if there is a policy on the number of summer help that can be hired. Mayor Koch stated that there are positions based on need and there are restrictions on the number of hires to ensure that hirees have ample number of hours filling the said need. Mayor Koch explained that the waiting list calls on those on the list for employment if a summer hire chooses to leave/no longer is employed. Additional hires can be added by resolution throughout the season. The mayor also discussed how hires are chosen; an ad is placed in the paper, any required certifications/licenses must be held prior to employment, former summer hires that are in good standing are generally rehired, and consideration for village residents. Trustee Sabia asked about past procedures as to who has the final word on employment decisions. Mayor Koch stated that in the past it was the Village Administrator and Village Clerk who made employment decisions. Trustee Dolan asked if this procedure was followed for this season's hires and Mayor Koch stated that the previous administration's Village Clerk made most of the hire decisions. Trustee Weber suggested that the Commissioners establish a policy for future hires.

On the motion of Trustee Dolan and seconded by Trustee Pucillo the following resolution was approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 98 ~ ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

BE IT RESOLVED: That Joyce Gallagher is hereby hired to serve as an Administrative Assistance to the Treasurer’s Department and Village Attorney for up to 17.5 hours a week at the rate of \$35.00 per hour.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Hiring of employees is a Type II action pursuant to SEQRA 6 NYCRR 617.5 (c) 26 and no further action is required.

Blair Beaudet asked why three more administrative assistants are needed. Mayor Koch replied Joyce Gallagher is a paralegal and will be working down in the Treasury Department as well as assisting with grant initiatives and human resources. This was a vacant position.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 99 ~ TEMPORARY OFFER OF EMPLOYMENT

BE IT RESOLVED: That Jennifer Borden is hereby hired to assist with training of the sewer tax system at the rate of \$28.00 per hour.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Hiring of employees is a Type II action pursuant to SEQRA 6 NYCRR 617.5 (c) 26 and no further action is required.

Trustee Sabia questioned if Jennifer Borden had prior knowledge of the position. Mayor Koch assured that Jennifer Borden had been working for the Village of Northport for roughly ten years and was present at the start of the sewer rent program. Sherry Pavone seconded Mayor Koch’s remarks and further expressed how complex the system is.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 100 ~ PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT OF PART-TIME ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

BE IT RESOLVED: That Catherine Lageraaen is hereby hired as part-time Administrative Assistant for up to 17.5 hours a week at the rate of \$22.50 per hour pending the confirmation of a background check.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Hiring of employees is a Type II action pursuant to SEQRA 6 NYCRR 617.5 (c) 26 and no further action is required.

Blair Beaudet questioned the provisional aspect of the hire. Mayor Koch clarified that the provisional clause was based on the outcome of a background check that has since come back with no abnormalities.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 - 101 ~ FREE LITTLE LIBRARY

WHEREAS: Mark and Nora Nolan desire to make a donation of a Little Free Library to the Village of Northport and its residents.

WHEREAS: The Little Free Library is a book sharing opportunity that helps build a community, inspire reading and expand book access for all.

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Village of Northport accepts the donation from Mark and Nora Nolan to cover all costs of purchasing the LFL and a starter set of reading material and will designate a spot at Scudder Beach to host the said Little Free Library at the discretion of the mayor with the assistance from the building and parks department.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 102 ~ APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT AND THE NORTHPORT POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

WHEREAS: the Northport Police Benevolent Association (NPBA) and the Village of Northport are parties to a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Village of Northport and the Northport Police Benevolent Association (NPBA), setting forth the terms, wages, hours and conditions of employment.

WHEREAS: The NPBA has requested certain modification to the Collective Bargaining Agreement with regard to Health Insurance benefits of employees who retire as currently set forth in said Collective Bargaining Agreement have been ongoing, which has resulted in a Memorandum of Agreement between the parties to modify said Agreement.

WHEREAS: The Board of Trustees authorizes the mayor to execute said Memorandum of Agreement and has reviewed the terms and conditions of the Memorandum of Agreement and has determined it is in the best interests of the Village of Northport.

WHEREAS: the execution of the Memorandum of Agreement is a type II Action pursuant to SEQRA 6 NYCRR 617.5 (c) 26 and no further review is required.

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Memorandum of Agreement between the Village of Northport and The Northport Police Benevolent Association is hereby ratified and approved and the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Memorandum of Agreement between the said parties.

Trustee Pucillo commented on retirement health care concerns.

On the motion of Trustee Weber and seconded by Trustee Sabia the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 103 ~ SUMMER EMPLOYMENT SCHEDULING SUBSCRIPTION

BE IT RESOLVED: The board hereby authorizes the treasurer's department to purchase a subscription with When I Work for scheduling and communicating with seasonal employees. Price not to exceed \$600.00 a year.

Trustee Weber explained that the resolution is for a web app used for scheduling and communicating.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 104 ~ VEHICLE USE POLICY

BE IT RESOLVED: The Village hereby accepts the updated (4/19/22) vehicle use policy and procedure. (Annexed hereunto)

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Pucillo the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 105 ~ FINAL SEPARATION PAY FOR UNUSED VACATION TIME

BE IT RESOLVED: The Treasurer is authorized to disperse \$3,679.08 on behalf of Laura Kaplan to be deposited into a newly established Bencor account on her behalf for unused vacation pay.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: This shall serve as her final separation pay.

Trustee Sabia commented that Laura Kaplan, regardless of the circumstances, was entitled to this pay.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan the following resolution was approved with Trustee Weber abstaining.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 106 ~ MARINE PATROL VESSEL OPERATOR COURSE

BE IT RESOLVED: The Board hereby authorizes Police Officer Devin Gerow and Police Officer Shelby Stillwagon to attend The Marine Patrol Vessel Operator Course conducted by New York State Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation held from May 8 through May 13 at the Surfside on the Lake Hotel & Suites, Lake George, NY.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: the training and lodging are of no cost to the Village. They are authorized to utilize a Village vehicle and will be reimbursed for any tolls and fuel costs she may incur.

On the motion of Trustee Dolan and seconded by Trustee Sabia the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION: 2022 - 107 ~ AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NELSON POPE VOORHIS

WHEREAS: The Village of Northport is desirous to identify and prioritize water quality improvement projects and secure grant funding to offset engineering and construction expenses of said projects.

WHEREAS: Proposed projects were identified in the 2017 Village of Northport Subwatershed Assessment by Nelson Pope Voorhis. Nelson Pope Voorhis will be engaged to support the Village of Northport prepare technical documents for the West Main Street Parking Lot Green Infrastructure Project for grant submission.

WHEREAS: the execution of a professional service agreement for the Village is a Type II action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. Section 617.5 (c) (24), and therefore no further SEQRA review is required.

BE IT RESOLVED: The Northport Village Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to sign an agreement with Nelson Pope Voorhis for services to prepare grant application technical documents and said agreement is subject to attorney review for form and content.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The cost of said services is not to exceed \$6,000.00, and the Board authorizes the treasurer to make all appropriations for the purpose of funding the work contained in the agreement.

On the motion of Trustee Dolan and seconded by Trustee Pucillo the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION: 2022 - 108 ~ AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CITIZENS CAMPAIGN FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

WHEREAS: The Village of Northport is desirous to identify and prioritize water quality improvement projects and secure grant funding to offset engineering and construction expenses of said projects.

WHEREAS: Proposed projects were identified in the 2017 Village of Northport Subwatershed Assessment by Nelson Pope Voorhis. Citizens Campaign for the Environment will be engaged to support the Village of Northport to create and gather information for the Long Island Sound Futures Fund grant application submission.

WHEREAS: the execution of a professional service agreement for the Village is a Type II action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. Section 617.5 (c) (24), and therefore no further SEQRA review is required.

BE IT RESOLVED: The Northport Village Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor to sign an agreement with Citizens Campaign for the Environment for services to prepare the grant application package for submission and said agreement is subject to attorney review for form and content.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Only after the grant fund award of \$142,000 is achieved and distributed will Citizens Campaign for the Environment receive a fee not to exceed \$35,000.00 for said services, and the Board authorizes the treasurer to make all appropriations for the purpose of funding the work contained in the agreement.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION: 2022 – 109 ~ AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OF SUFFOLK COUNTY FOR THE VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT SHELLFISH ENHANCEMENT AND AQUACULTURE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Village of Northport is desirous to enter into a professional service contract to operate a shellfish enhancement, restoration and management program. Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County, which is a quasi-government organization as defined by County Law 224, will provide high school interns,

supervision, shellfish seed, equipment and technical support to the Northport Village oyster FLUPSY and aquaculture program;

WHEREAS: Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County possess the qualifications and specialized skills training and expertise that are required to perform this professional service agreement; and

WHEREAS: the execution of a professional service agreement for the Village of Northport shellfish enhancement program is a Type II action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. Section 617.5(c) (18) and (21), and therefore no further SEQRA review is required.

BE IT RESOLVED: The Northport Village Board hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute a professional services Agreement for one year with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County at a cost not to exceed \$35,000.00 and authorizes the treasurer to make all appropriations for the purpose of funding the Shellfish Enhancement and Aquaculture program and the agreement is subject to attorney review for form and content.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan the following resolution was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2022 – 110 ~ PERMISSION TO DISCONTINUE LAWSUIT - FISH MARKET LITIGATION

WHEREAS: The Village of Northport had commenced an action on or about June 9, 2021 in Suffolk County Supreme Court Index# 611039/2021 under the caption:
Incorporated Village of Northport, Plaintiff

vs.

A.E.G. Associates et al

WHEREAS: The defendant has achieved substantial compliance with the relief sought and is in compliance with the Code and the violations have been cured as advised by defense counsel;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Village of Northport Board of Trustee hereby authorizes defense counsel to execute a Stipulation of Discontinuance to discontinue the action.

Attorney Bennett commented that Attorney Besen advised that the Defendant is in compliance with code and current complaints. Trustee Sabia asked whether this decision would have any bearing on the money owed to the court by the Defendant and Attorney Bennett stated it would not.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Tuesday May 17, 2022 at 6:00 PM.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan and approved by all, a motion was made for an executive session with no action for personnel, contractual and litigation matters.

On the Motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan and approved by all The meeting was closed at 8:24pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Georgina Cavagnaro, Village Clerk