

MINUTES
OCTOBER 17, 2023 – 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 via Zoom.

PRESENT: Mayor Koch, Deputy Mayor Sabia, Trustee Weber, Trustee Pucillo, Trustee Dolan, Attorney John Bennett, Chief Hughes, Deputy Treasurer Janine D’Orio, Village Clerk Georgina Cavagnaro

ABSENT: Treasurer Siobhan Costello, Assistant to the Mayor Don Tesoriero, Village Administrator Roland Buzard

ZOOM ATTENDANTS: Brett Jones, Laura Burke, David Berg, Steven Arnone, Don Blixt, Sue Stillwagon, Joanne Kountourakis, B H, J W, Mary Silberstein, Jason Stillwagon, Chrissy Ruggeri, Mike Rizzoni, Joseph Cavagnaro, Don Tesoriero, David Weber, Phyllis Weber, Kevin Lawlor, Deborah Frueh

OPEN MEETING: Meeting was called to order at 6:00PM.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Board of Trustees will be holding a budget workshop on Wednesday, October 25, 2023 at 10:00 AM.

The Northport Chamber of Commerce will be hosting its annual Halloween Hayride on Sunday, October 29th, 2023 from noon to 4:00 PM. Festivities will include hayrides, music, pumpkin patch, petting zoo, costume contest, and refreshments.

PRESENTATION: No Presentations

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Weber, a motion was made to the open public hearing.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: that a Public Hearing of the Village Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, October 17, 2023 at 6:00 PM. Meeting will be held in Village Hall, 224 Main Street, Northport, NY 11768 and also available via Zoom:

A Public Hearing to consider the following:

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW “I” OF 2023
A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND

CHAPTER 282 VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC
OF THE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT

Proposed addition to Chapter 282 "Vehicles and Traffic" Section 53, schedule V: Stop Intersections.

ADD:
Stop Signs at Ocean/Valley and
Main/June

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan, a motion was made to close the public hearing.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Recording available on Village website; Northportny.gov

BOARD APPROVAL OF WARRANTS:

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

Prepay Governmental Funds Utility bills for September in the amount of \$30,117.92

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Pucillo, the following warrant was approved. Trustee Weber abstained.

Fire bills 10/11/23 in the amount of \$49,490.15

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Pucillo, the following warrant was approved. Trustee Weber abstained.

Governmental Funds bills 10/17/23 in the amount of \$219,366.72

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

Payroll week 10/6/23 General Fund \$345,422.17

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

Payroll week 10/6/23 Sewer Fund \$15,932.95

BUSINESS/COMMISSIONERS REPORTS: Recording available on Village website; Northportny.gov

TREASURER REPORT: The auditing firm of Nawrocki Smith will present their findings of the 2023-2024 audit to the Board of Trustees at the board meeting on Tuesday, November 21, 2023 at 6:00 PM. Recording of treasurers report available on Village website; Northportny.gov

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT: Recording available on Village website; Northportny.gov

CORRESPONDENCE: None

The following requests were approved by the board.

REQUESTS:

Visiting Nurse Service is requesting road closures from the intersection of Main Street and Norwood Road ending at Cherry Street rounding the corner to Center Street for their annual Tree Lighting Memorial Service scheduled for Sunday, November 5th from 4:30 – 5:30 PM at 505 Main Street.

American Legion Post 694 is requesting permission to march on Sunday, December 3rd at 1:00 PM starting from St. Paul's United Methodist Church and continuing north to the WWII monument for a service in honor of WW II Veterans.

Northport Pridefest is requesting to hold a Pride flag raising ceremony on the front steps of Village Hall on Friday, May 31, 2024 at 12:00 Noon. Pridefest will be held in Village Park on Saturday, June 15, 2024 from 12:30 – 5:00 PM.

RESOLUTIONS:

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

RESOLUTION 2023 – 223 ~ APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED, the minutes of the October 3, 2023 meeting are hereby accepted.

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

AMENDED RESOLUTION 2023 – 224 ~ LOCAL LAW No. 9 of 2023

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of the Village of Northport held a public hearing, Tuesday, October 17, 2023 at 6:00pm in Village Hall, 224 Main Street Northport, NY 11768 to consider Proposed Local Law No. 9 of 2023. A Local Law to amend Chapter 282 Vehicle and Traffic of the Code of The Village of Northport and

WHEREAS, Proposed addition of Chapter 282," Vehicle and Traffic" Section 53, schedule V: Stop Intersections and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Trustees approves the addition of a permanent Stop Sign at the intersections of Ocean Avenue/Valley Avenue and the elimination of the portable stop sign at Main Street/June Avenue and Ocean Avenue/Highland Avenue.

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

RESOLUTION 2023 – 225 ~ BUDGET TRANSFERS

BE IT RESOLVED, The Village Treasurer is hereby authorized to make the following budget transfers; see attached General Ledger Budget Adjustment Proof List.

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

RESOLUTION 2023 – 226 ~ PROMOTION

WHEREAS, Jason Stillwagon has applied for promotion to be a Full-Time, Heavy Equipment Operator for the Inc. Village of Northport,

WHEREAS, Heavy Equipment Operator is a union position, and will be full-time, at a pay rate of \$36.34 per hour, with the possibility of overtime. This position requires that a CDL Class A License be maintained, as well as completion of a 6-month probationary period. A job performance review will be conducted after 4 months of Full-Time employment. Heavy Equipment Operators are bound by the Union Local 342/LISPSE Collective Bargaining Agreement, and therefore

WHEREAS, hiring of employees is a Type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.5(c)(26), and, therefore no further SEQRA review is required.

BE IT RESOLVED, Jason Stillwagon is hereby promoted to the position of Heavy Equipment Operator for the Incorporated Village of Northport, Highway Department.

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

RESOLUTION 2023 – 227 ~ HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT LABORER

WHEREAS, Jameson Klis has applied to be a Full-Time Highway/Parks Dept Laborer for the Inc. Village of Northport,

WHEREAS, Highway/Parks Laborer is a full-time position at a rate of pay of \$27.33 per hour, with the possibility of overtime. This position will be subject to a background check, as well as completion of a 6-month probationary period. A job performance review will be conducted after 4 months of Full-Time employment. Laborers are bound by the Union Local 342/LISPSE Collective Bargaining Agreement, and therefore

WHEREAS, hiring of employees is a Type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.5(c)(26), and, therefore no further SEQRA review is required.

BE IT RESOLVED, Jameson Klis is hereby hired for the position of Laborer for the Incorporated Village of Northport, Highway Department.

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

RESOLUTION 2023 – 228 ~ HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT LABORER

WHEREAS, Steven Arnone has applied to be a Full Time Highway/Parks Dept Laborer for the Inc. Village of Northport,

WHEREAS, Highway/Parks Laborer is a full-time position at a rate of pay of \$27.33 per hour, with the possibility of overtime. This position will be subject to a background check, as well as completion of a 6-month probationary period. A job performance review will be conducted after 4 months of Full-Time employment. Laborers are bound by the Union Local 342/LISPSE Collective Bargaining Agreement, and therefore

WHEREAS, hiring of employees is a Type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.5(c)(26), and, therefore no further SEQRA review is required.

BE IT RESOLVED, Steven Arnone is hereby hired for the position of Laborer for the Incorporated Village of Northport.

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

RESOLUTION 2023 – 229 ~ PAVING OF VILLAGE ROADS

BE IT RESOLVED, The Inc. Village of Northport hereby authorizes an expenditure not to exceed \$48,000 at the recommendation of Northport Village Administrator, the following road is approved for milling and paving by Posillico Civil under NYSOGS Contract, Group #31502, funded by the balance in the CHIPS Grant funding appropriation: Lisa Drive - (Reservoir Ave to Loop)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this is a type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.5(c) and is not subject to any further action under SEQRA.

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

RESOLUTION 2023 – 230 ~ TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES

WHEREAS, Chief Hughes has requested the enactment of temporary road closures from the intersection of Main Street and Norwood Road ending at Cherry Street rounding the corner to Center Street from 4:30 – 5:30pm on November 5, 2023 for the Visiting Nurse Tree Lighting Memorial Service.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the restrictions on the date and times noted, which is annexed to this agenda and incorporated herein, are hereby approved and the Police Department is hereby authorized to take actions necessary to enforce said restrictions.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Wednesday, November 8, 2023 at 6:00 PM.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Weber and approved by all a motion was made at 6:42 PM for an executive session for a real estate acquisition, litigation matter and a personnel issue; no action will be taken.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan and approved by all, a motion was made at 7:22 PM to exit out of executive session.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan and approved by all, a motion was made at 7:22 PM to enter into public meeting.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Pucillo and approved by all, a motion was made at 7:22 PM to close the public meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Georgina Cavagnaro
Village Clerk