

**MINUTES**  
**JANUARY 16, 2024 – 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 Dolan, Trustee Weber, Trustee Sabia, Trustee Pucillo, Attorney John Bennett, Chief Hughes, Treasurer Siobhan Costello, Deputy Treasurer Janine D'Orio, Village Clerk Georgina Cavagnaro

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

**ZOOM ATTENDANTS:** Eileen Gorman, J W, Joanne Kountourakis, Joseph Cavagnaro, Kathryn Llewellyn, B H, Chrissy Ruggeri, Jennifer Borden, Mike Rizzoni, Vince Madlinger, David Berg, Susan Suvall, Blair Beaudet, Brett Jones, Ralph Notaristefano, Cindy Mack, Phyllis Weber

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

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

Board approved the following;

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The Board of Trustees meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> has been changed to Thursday, February 15, 2024.

**PRESENTATION:** No Presentation

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

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** Continuation of public hearing of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Northport held on Tuesday, January 2, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in Village Hall, 224 Main Street, Northport, NY, to consider the tentative budget for fiscal year March 1, 2024 to February 28, 2025.

A copy of the Tentative Budget is available at the office of the Village Clerk where it can be inspected by any interested person during normal business hours.

The proposed compensation to each Board member shall be as follows:

Mayor \$22,739.00 annually  
Trustee \$11,370.00 annually

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

Prepay Governmental Funds Utility bills 1/4/24 in the amount of \$79,796.74

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

Fire bills 1/9/24 in the amount of \$55,421.80

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

Governmental Funds bills 1/16/24 in the amount of \$ 266,015.72

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

December 2023 ACH in the amount of \$11,445.36

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

Payroll week 1/12/24 General Fund \$268,012.82

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

Payroll week 1/12/24 Sewer Fund \$15,673.30

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

**TREASURER REPORT:** Recording available on Village website; Northportny.gov

**CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT:** No Report

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

The following requests were approved by the Board.

**REQUESTS:**

Northport Arts Coalition is requesting permission to hold the annual Art Walk on Sunday, May 5, 2024 from 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM with a rain date on Sunday, May 19, 2024.

Visiting Nurse Service & Hospice of Suffolk is requesting permission to hold the 24<sup>th</sup> annual Run for Health of It 5K run/walk to benefit Hospice House on Saturday, May 11, 2024 from 8:00 AM – 10:30 AM.

Northport-East Northport School District is requesting permission to use Village Park on Sunday, June 2, 2024 from 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM for the 63<sup>rd</sup> annual Art and Music Festival.

Northport High School is requesting to hold Pre-Prom in Village Park on Thursday, June 27, 2024 from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM.

Northport Arts Coalition is requesting to hold Happenings Concerts in Village Park on Friday evenings from June 28 – September 30, 2024 from 5:30 PM - 10:00PM. **Excluding Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> for Cow Harbor events.**

Northport Arts Coalition is requesting to hold the annual Art in the Park on Sunday, August 11, 2024 from 6:00 AM – 6:00 PM.

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

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

#### **RESOLUTION 2024 – 5 ~ APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the minutes of the January 2, 2024 meeting are hereby accepted.

On the motion of Trustee Dolan and seconded by Trustee Weber, the following resolution was approved by a 3 to 2 vote. Trustee Sabia and Trustee Pucillo opposed.

#### **RESOLUTION 2024 - 6 ~ APPROVAL OF 2024 - 2025 BUDGET**

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Trustees has met at the time and place specified in the notice of hearing on the tentative budget and heard all persons desiring to be heard therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the tentative budget for the fiscal year March 1, 2024 to February 28, 2025, as hereinafter set forth is hereby adopted and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that there is hereby levied a tax of \$13,637,520.00 for said fiscal year, to which said budget is applicable upon the last completed assessment roll, and,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Clerk is authorized to extend and carry out upon the tax roll the amount to be collected from each of the persons named thereon.

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

#### **RESOLUTION 2024 – 7 ~ ELECTION INSPECTORS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Northport hereby appoints, pursuant to Section 15-116 of the Election Law, the following certified Inspectors of Election for each of the three Village Election Districts and as

clerical support to preside at all Village Elections until their successors are appointed at a rate of \$16.03 per hour;

Election Check-in /Clerical: Francesca Catalanotto, Emily Serrao

Election District No. 1: Pat Naples (Chairperson), Stephanie Bernhardt

Election District No. 2: Dorothea Walsh (Chairperson), Janet Hayes

Election District No. 3: Trudy Ziegler (Chairperson), William Ciesla

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Northport hereby appoints Janet Price and Brian Pernice to serve as alternates as successors to the Inspectors of Election, and will receive their regular day's pay and an additional five (5) hours in compensation time, if called upon to serve, and

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, The Village Clerk and Deputy Village Clerk shall act as Chief Election officer and Deputy Election officer and receive nine (9) hours of compensatory time for hours worked in the March 19, 2024 village election, and said compensatory time will be given in the next payroll cycle.

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

**RESOLUTION 2024 – 8 ~ AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SUBSCRIPTION SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GO Gov**

**WHEREAS**, GO Gov has established a municipal notification system APP (Application) to advise of road closures, weather delays and general issues of interest to the public and Municipal Officials and employees and offers these services to the Village of Northport;

**WHEREAS**, the services offered by way of the Application would be of interest and beneficial to Employees and Officials of the Village and to Village residents at a cost of \$4,260.00 per annum; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Northport desires to enter into the Terms and Conditions of the Proposed Agreement with GO Gov and utilize the services of their application, and

**WHEREAS**, the acceptance of the foregoing payments is a Type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.5 (c) 26 and no further SEQRA review is required,

**NOW, THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED**, that the Mayor or in her absence the Deputy Mayor is authorized to enter into agreements with GO Gov to subscribe to the APP for the cost of \$4260.00 per annum.

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

**RESOLUTION 2024 – 9 ~ COW HARBOR PARK BASKETBALL COURT RENOVATION**

**WHEREAS**, The Village of Northport seeks to improve Cow Harbor Park and renovate the existing basketball court; and

**WHEREAS**, the renovation will include the basketball court and fence improvements;

**WHEREAS**, the Village accepts the Eatons Neck Youth Club Inc. project donation of \$25,493.13.

**WHEREAS**, a DASNY Grant Award for \$75,000 has been secured for submission and reimbursement of capital cost associated with this project agreement.

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Trustees has considered this contribution, and has determined that that the acceptance of such gift(s) is in the best interest of the village, now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Village of Northport gratefully accepts the generous donation by Eatons Neck Youth Club Inc.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, this is a type II action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. section 617.5 (c) 26, and, therefore, no further SEQRA review is required.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Weber, and approved by all, a motion was made at 7:08 PM for an executive session with Judge Trodden for a personnel matter.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan, and approved by all, a motion was made at 7:34 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 7:34 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 7:34 PM to close the public meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Georgina Cavagnaro  
Village Clerk