

MINUTES
MARCH 20, 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 Pucillo, Trustee Sabia, Attorney John Bennett, Chief Hughes, Treasurer Siobhan Costello, Village Clerk Georgina Cavagnaro

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

ZOOM ATTENDANTS: Cynthia Mack, David Ambro, Jason Stillwagon, Joanne Kountourakis, Chrissy Ruggeri, Trustee Dave Weber, Jr., Jennifer Birden, B H, David Berg, Joseph Cavagnaro, Thomas Demaio, J Daniels, Shawn Garttner, Deborah Frueh, Ben Meyburg, Don Blixt

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

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Village has received a donation from the Asharoken Garden Club in the amount of \$1000.00 to be used for trees on Main Street.

Pursuant to Election Law §15-126 Sub 44 the Village Clerk announced the newly elected members of the Village Board of Trustees to wit:

Village Trustees (four-year term):

Candidate:	Votes:
Dave Weber, Jr.	859
Ernest Pucillo	376
Richard F. Boziwick	1018

Write In:	
Chris Hughes	1
Joe Sabia	1
Mercy Smith	1
Henry Tobin	1
Frederick Piercey	1

Brian Morrissey	1
Dahlia M. Roemer	1
Donald Trump	1

PRESENTATION: No Presentations

PUBLIC HEARINGS: No Public Hearings

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 3/12/24 in the amount of \$23,286.70

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

Fire bills 3/12/24 Fiscal Year 2023-2024 in the amount of \$56,347.73

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

Fire bills 3/12/24 Fiscal Year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$34,267.97

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

Governmental Funds 3/20/24 Fiscal Year 2023-2024 in the amount of \$132,993.01

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

Governmental Funds 3/20/24 Fiscal Year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$333,089.31

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

Payroll week 3/8/24 General Fund \$274,084.39

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

Payroll week 3/8/24 Sewer Fund \$16,520.53

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

TREASURER REPORT: No report

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT: No report

CORRESPONDENCE: No correspondences

The board approved the following requests;

REQUESTS:

Northport Middle School Community Service Club is requesting permission to conduct a beach clean-up at Scudder Park on Saturday, May 18th from 9:00am – 12:00pm.

Visiting Nurse Service and Hospice of Suffolk is requesting road closures from the intersection of Main Street and Norwood Avenue ending at Cherry Street for the annual Candle Lighting Memorial Service scheduled for Sunday, May 5, 2024 from 7:00pm – 8:00pm.

RESOLUTIONS:

Mayor Koch made the following appointment; Daslin Castillo is hereby appointed to the position of Deputy Court Clerk of Northport Village Court to commence on or about April 8, 2024 and as with all applicants, Daslin Castillo will be subject to a background check to hold said position. Ms. Castillo will receive an annual salary of \$55,000.00 plus a stipend of \$125.00 per Monday night court attendance. Ms. Castillo will contribute \$5000.00 annually towards health care benefits. Justice Trodden has consented to such appointment. This is Type II Action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. Section 617.5 (c) 26, 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 2024 – 42 ~ APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED, the minutes of the March 5, 2024 meeting are hereby accepted.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 - 43 ~ OFFER OF EMPLOYMENT TO PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHER

WHEREAS, The Northport Police Department is in need of a replacement for a vacant Public Safety Dispatcher Position;

WHEREAS, after deliberation and due diligence and upon the recommendation of Chief Hughes;

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Village Board of Trustees hereby authorizes an offer of employment to Jonathan Torres who has been certified by Suffolk County Civil Service and the Suffolk County Police Department applicant investigation unit to the position of Public Safety Dispatcher, and that upon completion of a background investigation, Jonathan Torres shall receive all compensation and benefits associated with said position pursuant to the agreement between the Village and the Local 342 effective on or about March 21, 2024.

WHEREAS, the offer of employment to the Northport Village Police Department 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.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 – 44 ~ FIRE BOAT REPLACEMENT GENERATOR

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees authorizes the purchase of a Westerbeke 7.5 MCGA Generator including 30' Wiring Harness, remote start/stop panel and controls from Hansen Marine Engineering, 32 Tioga Way, Marblehead, MA and

WHEREAS, the village has solicited (5) written comparative quotes and the lowest qualified quotation with immediate availability was submitted by Hansen Marine Engineering Inc. and

WHEREAS, the purchase amount shall not exceed \$18,500.00, vendor requested wire transfer or certified check upon placement of order and

WHEREAS, such appropriation shall be made from the 2023-2024 budget and

BE IT RESOLVED, the treasurer is authorized to make all necessary budget adjustments.

FURTHER RESOLVED, 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 2024 – 45 ~ MEMORIAL BENCH DONATIONS

WHEREAS, the donations of memorial benches in Village Park is a continuing program, the following families have expressed interest in making a donation to the Village of Northport to cover the cost a memorial bench in Village Park in memory of a Village Resident: The McConnell Family, The Cutrone Family, The Desmond family, The Abbatecola Family;

WHEREAS, the Village of Northport has historically accepted such donations in memorial to Village Residents when space and resources permits as the benches are built by the Village Highway Department;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Northport accepts the donations from the above families towards the building of a memorial bench by the Village of Northport.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 - 46 ~ LARKFIELD-NORTHPORT LITTLE LEAGUE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, The Village of Northport has had a licensing agreement with the Larkfield-Northport Little League Inc; and

WHEREAS, the agreement has expired, and;

WHEREAS, the village desires to renew and continue the terms and conditions of the agreement for the 2024 Little League season, and;

WHEREAS, the agreement is a Type II action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. Section 617.5 (c) 26 and therefore, further environmental review is not required.

NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, the Village Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the mayor to execute a licensing agreement with Larkfield-Northport Little League Inc.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 – 47 ~ BUDGET TRANSFERS

BE IT RESOLVED, The Village Treasurer is hereby authorized to make the following budget transfers for fiscal year 2023-2024; see attached General Ledger Budget Adjustment Proof List.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 – 48 ~ PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLVED, That a public hearing will be held before the Village Board of Trustees, at Northport Village Hall, 224 Main Street, Northport, NY 11768, on April 16, 2024, at 6:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as practicable, to consider the condemnation of real property known as Suffolk County Tax Map District 0404 Section 009.00 Block 02.00 Lot 085.001, consisting of approximately 20,107.78± square feet, or 0.462 ± acres, commonly known as Ackerly Terrace, Northport, NY 11768 (“Subject Property”), for the public purpose of providing ingress and egress over the Subject Property to access those properties located proximate to the Subject Property, including to the public and the owners of property adjacent to the Subject Property, prior to any acquisition of the Subject Property; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Village Clerk shall publish a notice of the said Village Board of Trustees meeting and hearing in the newspaper(s) of general circulation in the Village of Northport pursuant to the provisions of the law.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 – 49 ~ SEASONAL HIRING

BE IT RESOLVED, Quinlan Finnegan is hereby hired for the seasonal position of Highway/Parks Department worker for the Incorporated Village of Northport.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Quinlan Finnegan will work no more than 40 hours a week at a rate of pay of \$18.00 per hour, from April 1st till September 30th and

FURTHER RESOLVED, this is an unlisted Action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. Section 617.5(c)(26), 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: 2024 – 50 ~ PURCHASE OF BACKHOE

WHEREAS, The Village Board hereby authorized the purchase of a new 2023 Caterpillar Backhoe Loader Model 450-07ESTK from H.O. Penn Inc., NYS Contract #PC69406 as per Quote #135985-01 in the amount of \$237,455.00, and

WHEREAS, The Village Board hereby accepts the trade-in value for the 2018 Caterpillar Model #430F2 IT, of \$58,000.00, and

WHEREAS, The Village Board hereby authorized the appropriation of Fund Balance not to exceed \$30,000.00 and authorizes allocation of the current years CHIPS Grant funding in the amount of \$150,000.00 to the purchase of this vehicle, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Village Board hereby authorizes the reallocation of CHIPS funding in the amount of \$150,000.00 for the Caterpillar Backhoe Loader Model 450-07ESTK from CHIPS funding in the 2024-2025 fiscal year, and accepts the trade-in amount of \$58,000.00, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, this is an unlisted Action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. Section 617.5(c)(31), and, therefore, no further SEQRA review is required.

The annual organizational meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Wednesday, April 3, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 6:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Georgina Cavagnaro
Village Clerk