

**MINUTES
AUGUST 13, 2024
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 Sabia, Trustee Boziwick, Attorney John Bennett, Chief Hughes, Treasurer Siobhan Costello, Deputy Treasurer Janine D’Orio, Village Clerk Georgina Cavagnaro

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

ZOOM ATTENDANTS: Don Tesoriero, Joanne Kountourakis, Jennifer Borden, Tom McCarthy, Joseph Cavagnaro, Brett Jones, Annamarie Murphy, Lauren Feldman, Thomas Demaio

OPEN MEETING: Meeting began at 5:15 PM for an executive session with auditors. Public meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Mayor Koch began with the approval of Resolution 2024 -131 appointment of Detective. Upon board approval, Detective Sagistano was sworn in.
- Mayor Koch announced The Village of Northport will be holding a "Bayview Avenue Traffic & Parking - Public Discussion" on **Thursday, September 12, 2024 from 7:00PM-9:00PM at the American Legion Post 694 located at 7 Woodside Avenue, Northport, NY 11768.**

PRESENTATION:

- Rescheduled for September 3, 2024 Attorney Harvey Besunder – Ackerly Terrace
- Brendan Nelson of R.S. Abrams & Co. LLP – presented Fiscal year 2023-2024 Audit

PUBLIC HEARINGS: No public hearings

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Available on Village website; Northportny.gov

BOARD APPROVAL OF WARRANTS:

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

Prepay Governmental Funds Utility bills 7/23/24 Fiscal Year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$4,209.60

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

Prepay Governmental Funds Utility bills 8/2/24 Fiscal Year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$5,232.21

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

Fire Department Pumper Truck 7/29/24 in the amount of \$835,600.00

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

Governmental Funds bills 8/13/24 in the amount of \$510,752.73

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

July ACH payments Fiscal Year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$35,444.74

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

Payroll week 7/26/24 General Fund \$335,102.78

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

Payroll week 7/26/24 Sewer Fund \$15,294.22

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

Payroll week 8/8/24 General Fund \$323,270.66

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

Payroll week 8/8/24 Sewer Fund \$15,327.57

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

TREASURER REPORT: No report

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

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REQUESTS: No requests

RESOLUTIONS:

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

RESOLUTION 2024 - 131 ~ DETECTIVE APPOINTMENT

WHEREAS; after deliberation and due diligence and upon the recommendation of Chief Hughes an additional Detective position has been deemed necessary within the Northport Police Department;

BE IT RESOLVED; That the Village Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign an agreement with the Northport Police Benevolent Association (PBA) and the Incorporated Village of Northport (Village) to promote Sean Sagistano to Detective in the Northport Police Department effective immediately at the annual salary and other conditions and benefits of employment, as outlined in a memorandum of Agreement between the Village of Northport and the Northport Police Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that Sean Sagistano will not receive the additional pay and benefits he is entitled to under the collective-bargaining agreement (CBA) until the day after Stephen Kerekes vacates his current position of Detective.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that this promotion will not increase the size of the Northport Police Department and that Sean Sagistano will continue to be assigned to the patrol function.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 – 132 ~ APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED, the minutes of the July 18, 2024 meeting are hereby accepted.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 – 133 ~ SERVICE AGREEMENT/CONTRACT WITH LECSA (EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM)

BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign a two-year service agreement with LECSA (employee assistance program) not to exceed the sum of \$3,000.00 to be paid in two installments September, 2024 and September, 2026.

FURTHER RESOLVED, this is a Type II action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. §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 - 134 ~ AUDIT FINDINGS

BE IT RESOLVED, The Northport Board of Trustees hereby accepts the findings of the audit for fiscal year ending February 29, 2024 for the Village of Northport's

General Fund and the Northport Village Justice Fund performed by R.S. Abrams & Co., LLP.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 - 135 ~ COW HARBOR 10K RACE PARKING RESTRICTIONS

WHEREAS, Chief Hughes has requested the enactment of temporary parking restrictions on Saturday, September 21, 2024 from 4:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. for the Cow Harbor 10K Race and

WHEREAS, Chief Hughes has outlined the required restrictions in a memorandum to the Board of Trustees dated August 2, 2024, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That the temporary parking restrictions on the dates and times noted in the memorandum, 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.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 - 136 ~ COW HARBOR DAY PARKING RESTRICTIONS

WHEREAS, Chief Hughes has requested the enactment of temporary no-parking restrictions on Sunday, September 22, 2024 from 4:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. for the Cow Harbor Day Celebration and

WHEREAS, Chief Hughes has outlined the required restrictions in a memorandum to the Board of Trustees dated August 2, 2024, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That the temporary parking restrictions on the dates and times noted in the memorandum, 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.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 - 137 ~ IN THE MATTER OF JP MORGAN CHASE V. THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT

WHEREAS, the Village of Northport is a party respondent in certain tax certiorari proceedings commenced by the tenant responsible for taxes of property located at 54 Main Street, Northport, New York, a/k/a Tax Map #404-9-2-11 for assessment years 2016/17 through 2024/25 and,

WHEREAS, the parties to said litigation have attempted to narrow their differences, and,

WHEREAS, after a review of the relative merits of the petitioners' claims, the parties have agreed to settle the above tax certiorari claims on terms set forth on the annexed Stipulation of Settlement,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby approves of and has no objection to the settlement of the claims of the petitioner (JP Morgan Chase) on the terms as set forth on the annexed Stipulation of Settlement, as in the best interests of the Village and its taxpayers, and, it is,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Attorney or Special Counsel is authorized and directed to execute the appropriate Stipulations of Settlement, and consent to the entry of an Order or Judgment, if any, implementing the aforesaid settlement, and be it,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with the agreement, and as consented to by the Village Assessor, the 2025/26 assessment and Village tax bill shall be adjusted to reflect a new assessment of 14,240 and be it,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village administrators, if needed, are hereby authorized and directed to make the necessary arrangements, pursuant to the Local Finance Law or otherwise, for payment as agreed in the amount of \$7,300, and be it,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk provide the Village's Legal Counsel with a copy of this resolution upon adoption.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 – 138 ~ CHANGE ORDER No. 1 TO CONTRACT FOR REPAIRS TO MAIN VILLAGE PIER (PHASE II)

WHEREAS, A contract was issued for the repair of the north/south section of the Main Village Pier (Phase II) located at the west side of Northport Village Park, for repairs to the Main Pier which have been confirmed to be required by J. Pontieri PE Engineers.

WHEREAS, A contract was awarded to Brandt Marine Inc. located at 15 Electric St, Patchogue, NY 11722, for \$396,820.00 and during the execution of this contract it was determined that an additional 12'-0" of pier required replacement due to the existing conditions. Change order No.1 has been submitted for this additional work in the amount of \$12,528.00

WHEREAS, this is a Type II action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. §617.5(c) 31 and, therefore, no further SEQRA review is required.

BE IT RESOLVED, The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute a change-order in the amount of \$12,528.00 with Brandt Marine Inc. for the supply and installation of all materials necessary for the additional repair/replacement of the Main Pier (Phase II).

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

RESOLUTION 2024 - 139 ~ AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE OF FORD F-550 2024 WHEELED COACH AS PER SPECIFICATIONS CONTAINED IN ESTIMATE 716 ON BEHALF OF THE NORTHPORT FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Northport Village Fire Department has sufficient funds on hand to acquire a 2024 Ford F-550 Wheeled Coach as per estimate from LI Proliner Inc. Estimate # 716 in the amount of \$470,343.00 to facilitate delivery of efficient services to the Village residents; and

WHEREAS, purchase will be made through Sourcewell contract #110921-RV0

WHEREAS, LI Proliner Inc. has represented that they can make prompt delivery of the vehicle which is of critical importance to the Village; and

WHEREAS, the purchase contract is a Type II action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. §617.5(c) (26) and therefore no further SEQRA review is required.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Village Board hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute any necessary contract or documents for the purchase of the vehicle and all other relevant documents as deemed necessary by the Village Attorney.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 - 140 ~ VILLAGE COW HARBOR PARK BASKETBALL COURT PERIMETER FENCING AT THE EASTERMOST SECTION OF THE BASKETBALL COURT

WHEREAS, it has become apparent that the current four-foot-high section of chain link fencing at the easternmost section of the basketball court is not sufficiently high to prevent a basketball going over the fence from entering the adjacent roadway and causing a potential danger to health and safety of pedestrians and motorists; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Northport has received an estimate to replace that single run of fencing only with a fence eight feet in height for a cost of \$3,800.00; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition is a Type II action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. §617.5(c) requiring no further action under SEQRA; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Village Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute a purchase order or such required documents to arrange for the installation of the fencing in question.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 – 141 ~ DONATION OF SICK TIME

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes Highway Superintendent, Bryan Hartt to donate 40 hours of employee’s accrued sick time to, Laborer, Steven Arnone, for use as Steven may determine.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 – 142 ~ AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF A PARTITION AND DOOR LOCATED AT NORTHPORT VILLAGE CLERK’S OFFICE

WHEREAS, the need for additional security measures to be put in place has been determined by the Village Administrator. Proposals were requested and a qualified low bidder was selected.

WHEREAS, New York Glass and Storefronts, 505 E. Jericho Tpke, Huntington Station NY 11746. At a cost of Sixty-Five Hundred Dollars (\$6,500.00) for the supply and installation of a safety partition and door for the Clerk’s office, which is of critical importance to the Village staff; and

WHEREAS, the Partition and Door contract is a Type II action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. §617.5(c) (26) and therefore no further SEQRA review is required.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a contract with New York Glass and Storefronts for this work at Village Hall, 224 Main Street in the amount of \$6,500.00 and further authorizes the Mayor and/or her

designee to enforce the provisions of the contract and all other relevant documents as deemed necessary by the Village Attorney.

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

RESOLUTION 2024 – 143 ~ BUDGET TRANSFERS

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

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, September 3, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

On the motion of Trustee Boziwick and seconded by Trustee Sabia, and approved by all, a motion was made at 6:52 PM for an executive session regarding a claim. No action will be taken.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Boziwick, and approved by all, a motion was made at 7:25 PM to exit out of executive session.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Boziwick, and approved by all, a motion was made at 7:25 PM to enter into public meeting.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan, and approved by all, a motion was made at 7:26 PM to close the public meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Georgina Cavagnaro
Village Clerk