

**MINUTES
NOVEMBER 18, 2025 – 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 Boziwick, Attorney John Bennett, Treasurer Siobhan Costello, Village Clerk Georgina Cavagnaro

ZOOM ATTENDANTS: Jeannine Tayler-Stack, Rich Wisse, Josphe Cavagnaro, Kim Leonard, Ralph Notaristefano, Janine D'Orio, David Weber, Don Blixt, David Lindley

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

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Koch read the following:

I'd like to go on record and address some of Trustee Weber's remarks and letter to last week's Observer. Four months ago, on July 1st at a duly noticed meeting of the Board of Trustees, I brought to the Boards attention that I received a request naming the pavilion in the park after Arlene Handel and her sister Muriel Gottesman. There wasn't need for much discussion as the three other board members present were in quick agreement. It was done with the same common-sense policy that the village has used previously in naming other areas of the village after extraordinary people who have done extraordinary things for the village and surrounding community. Such as the Dottie Dugan Community Room, which we are sitting in tonight, the Dorothy Walsh parking lot, the Robert Krueger Bandshell and most recently the John Kennedy Basketball Court. All done with common sense and not a resolution. Arlene was much more than her financial contributions to the Village. She served on the Planning, Zoning and Architectural Review Board, as well as the Village Board and served as Deputy Mayor under Mayor George Doll Jr. As an integral part of this Village the Gottesman/Handel family made significant contributions to the Northport Historical Society helping them secure and preserve three historic houses on Main Street. She served at the Historical Society as a Board member and later becoming Trustee Emeritus and benefactor. Had he come to me with his concerns then, I would have been able to give him the facts, something which his letter was sorely lacking and to make sarcastic comments such as "how do I get a building named after me?" Or "here's \$25, name a building after me" shows lack of respect or empathy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Parking meters will be free of charge from November 28th – December 31st with a two-hour limit; please note meters will not be covered this year.
- A budget workshop will be held on Thursday, November 20, 2025 at 10:00 AM in Village Hall, 224 Main Street, Northport, NY 11768. The public is welcome to attend; there will be no public participation.
- Raymond Boccia has requested permission to utilize Village Hall as a drop off point for Toys for Tots from November 18 – December 19, 2025.
- A Christmas tree has been placed at Laurel Avenue and 25A; Thank you to George Suddell for supplying the electric.

PRESENTATION: No presentation

On the motion of Trustee Dolan and seconded by Trustee Sabia, a motion was made at 6:03 PM to open the public hearing.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: Please take notice a public hearing of the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Northport will be held on the 18th day of November, 2025 at 6:00pm in Northport Village Hall, 224 Main Street, Northport, NY 11768 and will also be available via zoom.

A Public Hearing to consider the following proposed local law of the code of the Village of Northport:

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW “E” OF 2025
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 Sign on Ocean Avenue at Lewis Road and
Stop Sign on Ocean Avenue at Sea Cove Road

On the motion of Trustee Boziwick and seconded by Trustee Dolan a motion was made at 6:08 PM to close the public hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: 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.

Governmental Funds 11/18/2025 Fiscal Year 2025-2026 in the amount of \$1,121,828.40

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

Fire Bills 11/12/2025 Fiscal Year 2025-2026 in the amount of \$74,241.60

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

October ACH Fiscal Year 2025-2026 in the amount of \$43,939.92

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

Payroll Week 11/14/25 General Fund \$287,353.18

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

Payroll Week 11/14/25 Sewer Fund \$16,736.20

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

TREASURER REPORT: Recording available on village website; northportny.gov

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT: Recording available on village website; northportny.gov

CORRESPONDENCE: No correspondences

REQUESTS: No requests

RESOLUTIONS:

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

RESOLUTION 2025 – 176 ~ APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED, the minutes of the November 5, 2025 meeting are hereby accepted.

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

RESOLUTION 2025 – 177 ~ LOCAL LAW No. 5 of 2025

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of the Village of Northport held a public hearing, Tuesday, November 18, 2025 at 6:00pm in Village Hall, 224 Main Street Northport, NY 11768 to consider Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2025. 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 stop sign on Ocean Avenue at Lewis Road and a stop sign on Ocean Avenue at Sea Cove Road.

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

RESOLUTION 2025 - 178 ~ AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE RENEWAL OF THE LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT AND THE LONG ISLAND ROWING CLUB INC.

WHEREAS, the Village of Northport has previously entered into a License Agreement and subsequent extensions with the Long Island Rowing Club, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the current Agreement is set to expire on November 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to renew and continue the terms and conditions of said Agreement; and

WHEREAS, this action constitutes a Type II action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. §617.5(c)(26), and therefore no further environmental review is required;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Northport hereby authorizes the mayor to execute the License Extension Agreement, in the form annexed hereto, with the Long Island Rowing Club, Inc.

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

RESOLUTION 2025 – 179 ~ SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING TO AMEND NORTHPORT VILLAGE CODE §239-30 SEWER RENTS

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees shall schedule a public hearing on the 16th day of December, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in Village Hall, 224 Main Street, Northport NY 11768 to consider the following revisions to proposed Local Law “F”:

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW “F” Article II, Definitions Sewer Rent §239-30
OF THE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT**

The current §239-30 is proposed to be amended as follows; deleting bracketed material and replacing with underlined addition with underline material in Article II definitions Sewer Rents §239-30 as follows:

SEWER RENTS

A scale of annual charges established and imposed by the Village of Northport for the use of the municipal sewerage system or any part or parts thereof. Such charges may be based on the consumption of water on the premises connected with and served by the sewerage system or such part or parts thereof or upon any other equitable basis determined by the Board of Trustees, including but not limited to any combination set forth in Article 14-F of the New York State General Municipal Law. The overall amount to be collected shall be determined by the Board of Trustees and included in the annual adopted budget and, except as provided for in § 239-32K, may not exceed (25%) 35% of the projected annual gross operating costs of the sewerage system, which shall include all expenses for which sewer rents may be lawfully charged.

WHEREAS, the scheduling of public hearing to consider a resolution is not an action pursuant to SEQRA, and no further SEQRA review is required at this time.

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

RESOLUTION 2025 – 180 ~ APPROVING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO COLLECT FEES TO COVER THE COST OF PROVIDING EMS AMBULANCE SERVICES FOR THE SERVICE AREA RESIDENTS OF THE NORTHPORT FIRE DEPT. WITH PROCLAIM EMS SOLUTIONS & BILLING

WHEREAS, through the operations of the Fire Department and Inc. Village of Northport employees, emergency medical and ambulance services are provided to the service area residents; and

WHEREAS, the cost of providing such services represents a significant portion of the Fire Department and Village's annual budget; and

WHEREAS, the State of New York, has recently permitted Fire Departments and jurisdictions, at their option, to charge fees for EMS Ambulance services (General Municipal Law § 209-b); and

WHEREAS, the Inc. Village of Northport has determined that it would be beneficial to the taxpayers of the Village to charge fees for EMS Ambulance services in accordance with law;

WHEREAS, unpaid balances due to the inability of a third party to reimburse the Inc. Village of Northport, will be written-off and no further collection efforts will be commenced in accordance with the EMS Cost Recovery Act in the State of New York; and in the event a resident in need of service does not have insurance that would cover the cost they would not be charged a fee and if they do have insurance that would cover the service they would not be charged a Co-Pay, and :

WHEREAS, The Inc. Village of Northport will adopt a Compassionate Billing and Financial Billing Hardship Policy that allows waiving of the ambulance fees based on established Federal and State guidelines. Co-pays can be waived through this policy.

WHEREAS, this collection and management services 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, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, and by virtue of the power and authority conferred by the laws of the State of New York, the parties hereto agree as follows:

FIRST: Inc. Village of Northport shall, at its earliest convenience, commence charging for EMS ambulance services in a manner which is compliant with the law.

SECOND: Upon the commencement of receipt of fees for EMS ambulance services the Village shall keep a separate account of all such fees collected, along with the costs of fee collection.

THIRD: The Village shall, on an annual basis, review the amount of net fees collected and endeavor to use such fees as follows: To improve the provision of EMS services to the community by the purchase of equipment, the payment of salaries and for EMS training. The Village shall make such determinations as part of its annual budget preparation, but shall not be bound by any particular formula.

FOURTH: The Fire Department agrees and consents to the use of fees and charges as set forth above.

FIFTH: The term of this agreement shall be for three (3) years and shall be extended automatically for an additional term unless either party hereto shall file a written objection at least 60 Days before the end of a term.

SIXTH: No amendment of this agreement shall be effective unless in writing and duly executed by the parties hereto, their successors, or duly authorized officers.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Mayor is authorized by the Board of Trustees, the Board of Fire Commissioners; and by the membership of the Northport Fire Department, to enter into an agreement with a ProClaim EMS Solutions & Billing, Tarrytown, NY for a 9% contingency fee of the NET collections for collecting said fees for EMS Ambulance Services, 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 2025 – 181 ~ REASSIGNMENT OF DUTIES

WHEREAS, Chris Evers has been a Paramedic for the Village of Northport at a current pay rate of \$37.89 per hour and,

WHEREAS, Chris Evers will be filling the vacancy left by the loss of paramedic Joe Themann, and will be responsible for additional duties within the Paramedic Department, and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees has determined that the action is a Type II action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. §617.5 (c) 26 and not subject to any further action under SEQRA;

BE IT RESOLVED, Chris Evers salary is hereby increased, to an hourly rate of \$39.02 per hour.

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

RESOLUTION 2025 – 182 ~ LOCAL 342 CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the Incorporated Village of Northport and the Long Island Public Service Employees, Local 342, have reached an agreement on the terms and conditions of employment for the period March 1, 2026 through February 28, 2030; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Village to execute said agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the Collective Bargaining Agreement dated March 1, 2026 through February 28, 2030 between the Incorporated Village of Northport and the Long Island Public Service Employees, Local 342.

FURTHER RESOLVED: This is a Type II action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. §617.5(c), and therefore no further SEQRA review is required.

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

RESOLUTION 2025 - 183 ~ AUTHORIZING WWTP TO PURCHASE A REPLACEMENT FLYGT SUBMERSIBLE PUMP

WHEREAS, the purchase of a new submersible pump to replace the existing

submersible pump is required to operate the WWTP; and

WHEREAS, this is a specialized FLYGT replacement part; and

WHEREAS, the vendor is Fleet Pump and Service Group, 6 International Drive, STE 210, Rye Brook, NY 10573. At a cost that will not exceed Fifteen Thousand Two Hundred and Two Dollars (\$15,202.00) for the specialized replacement equipment, a Flygt submersible pump, this equipment is of critical importance to the Village WWTP; and

WHEREAS, the replacement part purchase 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 Administrator is hereby authorized to purchase a replacement part from Fleet Pump and Service Group, 6 International Drive, STE 210, Rye Brook, NY 10573. At a cost that will not exceed Fifteen Thousand Two Hundred and Two Dollars (\$15,202.00), and further authorizes the Treasurer's office to make necessary fund transfers.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, December 2, 2025 at 6:00PM.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan, a motion was made at 6:48 PM for an executive session for a contractual matter.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan, a motion was made at 7:18 PM to exit out of executive session.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Boziwick, a motion was made at 7:18 PM to enter into public meeting.

On the motion of Trustee Sabia and seconded by Trustee Dolan, a motion was made at 7:19 PM to adjourn public meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Georgina Cavagnaro
Village Clerk