

VILLAGE OF BREWSTER  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
September 4, 2013  
REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster held a Regular Meeting on September 4, 2013 at 7:30 PM at Village Hall, 50 Main Street, Brewster, NY 10509.

Attendees:

Mayor:

Deputy Mayor and Trustee: Christine Piccini

Trustees; Tom Boissonnault, Mary Bryde, Terri Stockburger

Village Engineer: John Folchetti

Village Counsel: Anthony Molé,

Clerk & Treasurer: Peter Hansen

Absent:

James Schoenig

Pledge to flag.

Notation of Exits

Regular Meeting

Deputy Mayor Piccini motions to open the regular meeting at 7:31, Trustee Stockburger 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 4 to 0.

1. Budget report Year to Date – Clerk says we are performing according to plan (budget). Deputy Mayor Piccini asks if we are expecting any expenses out of the ordinary. Clerk says he is not aware of any. Deputy Mayor Piccini asks if we need to accept the report or is it just informational. Clerk doesn't believe it is necessary to accept the report. The Comptroller's Office expects the Board to get regular financial updates and the reports sent to each of you prior to the first meeting of the month fulfill that requirement. The item on the agenda is to help keep the public informed.
2. Asset Disposal (2007 Impala) – Deputy Mayor Piccini asks about the bidding. Clerk says we received a high bid of \$3,800 and that is in the realm reasonableness and on a par with what we were expecting. Trustee Bryde notes that the vehicle is prone to expensive repairs of late. Trustee Bryde motions to authorize the sale of the 2007 for \$3,800 as listed by Auctions International, Trustee Boissonnault 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 4 to 0.
3. Minutes August 21, 2013 – Trustee Bryde motions to approve the minutes of August 21, 2013, Trustee Boissonnault 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 4 to 0.
4. Vouchers Payable- Trustee Bryde reviewed the vouchers and found everything in order.

4.1. A	General	\$4,205.25
4.2. C	Refuse/Garbage	200.26
4.3. EN	Professional Fees	606.25
4.4. F	Water	2,562.69
4.5. G	Sewer	37,592.66
4.6. TA	Trust & Agency	458.90
Total Vouchers Payable		\$45,626.01

of which the following are refunds:

ADC Homes	for overpayment of property registration fee	\$10.00
Axel Development	sign permit overpayment	\$60.00
The Playhouse	refund of Planning Board Application fee (\$500.00) and unused escrow (zoning variance denied)	\$1,106.25

Deputy Mayor Piccini motions to approve vouchers payable, Trustee Stockburger 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 4 to 0.

5. Other Business

- 5.1. Trustee Stockburger asked if an officer can monitor all crosswalks in the village and relates a conversation with Chief Del Gardo saying that statistically the presence of a traffic officer will not make it safer. During their conversation Trustee Stockburger asked if the officers can make themselves more visible when they are on the street and Chief Del Gardo agreed.
- 5.2. Trustee Stockburger attended the Eagle Scout presentation for Stephen G. Mengler.
- 5.3. Trustee Bryde asked about the film festival – Trustee Stockburger said it was hot, buggy but well attended and enjoyable.

- 5.4. Trustee Bryde Women of Distinction is September 8<sup>th</sup> but is unable to attend. Trustee Stockburger and Deputy Mayor Piccini will attend. Trustee Boissonnault may attend.
- 5.5. Trustee Bryde asked about the FBS letter, Counselor assured the letter was sent and has already received a voicemail from the FBS attorney.
- 5.6. Trustee Boissonnault is purchasing promotional items along with Trustee Stockburger, for Founders Day.
- 5.7. Deputy Mayor Piccini notes that Envision Brewster meeting tomorrow is cancelled.
6. New Business
  - 6.1. Trustee Stockburger asks if the Board can think about making Oak Street one way because the traffic is dangerous. Trustee Bryde asks why. Trustee Stockburger says vehicles are moving down that street too fast and the Stockburgers have been hit twice coming out of their driveway. Trustee Boissonnault suggests removable speed bumps or speed humps. Currently the speed limit is 20 on Oak Street but police cannot station a car there 24/7 and when they do put a car there people slow down because of the visibility but as soon as the car leaves traffic returns to dangerous. Jack Gress has offered to loan some removable speed bumps to try. Trustee Boissonnault suggests we check into availability of the Sherriff's radar speed warning sign. Deputy Mayor Piccini recaps; Talk to Jack about borrowing the temporary speed bumps. Talk to the Sherriff about the radar warning sign being available. Counsel will look into speed bumps legalities. Maybe by our next meeting we can have these items reported on and we can discuss addressing this further.
  - 6.2. Trustee Bryde Green Infrastructure bus tour asks the Clerk what the availability of seats is on the tour. Seats are \$10 each. So far Deputy Mayor Piccini and Domenic Consentino are signed up. Rick & Terri Stockburger are planning to sign up.
  - 6.3. Trustee Boissonnault has been doing a lot of research on the web about other municipalities who have undergone renewal. Tom says one village in particular has a "view of the village in 2030." Tom is constantly being asked for updates on our progress. Tom adds that the many of the existing websites have the ability to accept feedback. Trustee Boissonnault noticed that someone had bought the domain name Envisionbrewster.org and posted some flash pictures of "someone's vision for Brewster Village". This is not an official site and the information is not sanctioned by the Village of Brewster or Covington Properties. Tom researched the EnvisionBrewster.org website and found out the pictures are of WayPointe housing and retail development in Norwalk, CT. It appears the video was stolen and posted as if it were the vision for the future of Brewster. The actual development is quite nice and it is retail on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor and residential above. It seems to be a positive message for Norwalk. The Waypointe site does not refer to Covington Development anywhere. Deputy Mayor Piccini asks if we should expend time and money determining the source of this site. While it might have some nice pictures, the website is misrepresenting the vision for the future as that vision will not exist for another year or more. Counsel advises the genuine material when distributed by the Village of Brewster should be marked as such so there is no misunderstanding.
  - 6.4. Deputy Mayor asks Counsel if Executive Session is needed to discuss the rip-off website. Counsel says not at this time.
  - 6.5. Comprehensive Plan committee meeting needs to be set for a kick-off meeting to understand the tasks ahead and the strategy to get there. These meetings will need to be work sessions, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM as the first meeting at Village Hall 50 Main St. Brewster NY 10509, Trustee Stockburger 2<sup>nd</sup>, Trustee Boissonnault suggests we start at 7:00 instead of 7:30 so folks can get out earlier, time is amended to 7:00 PM Deputy Mayor Piccini says if adjustment is needed to days/dates then the Board will address. All in favor 4 to 0.
7. Public Comment
  - 7.1. Rick Stockburger asks for some literature defining charettes. Could use voting lists and merge lists with billing lists for notifications instead of just property owners. We will put a signup list out for Founders Day so interested parties can sign up for 'planning' notices. Rick Stockburger asks if Dan can buy another crosswalk sign for the Ellen Ave. intersection. Clerk suggests speaking with Dan Crawford before making any decisions. Have any decisions been made regarding parking spaces during construction. Town of Southeast is on board and is providing their parking spaces for handicap permit users. MTA space availability still needs to be sorted out.
8. Deputy Mayor Piccini motions to adjourn at 8:12PM, Trustee Bryde 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 4 to 0.