

VILLAGE OF BREWSTER  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
15 February 2017  
7:30 P.M.  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster held a Regular Meeting on February 15, 2017 at 7:30 P.M. at Village Hall, 50 Main Street, Brewster, NY 10509.

Attendees:

Mayor: James Schoenig  
Deputy Mayor and Trustee: Christine Piccini  
Trustees; Mary Bryde, Erin Meagher, Tom Boissonnault  
Village Engineer: Todd Atkinson  
Village Counsel: Anthony Molé  
Clerk & Treasurer: Peter Hansen  
Police Chief: John Del Gardo

Absent:

**Pledge to flag**

Notation of Exits

**Regular Meeting**

Mayor Schoenig motions to open the regular meeting, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.

Mayor Schoenig motions to go into executive session, Trustee Bryde 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.

1. Executive Session – pending litigation, outside Village water – Jim Berg, Esq. representing the property at 58-60 Allview Avenue, Brewster, NY 10509.

Mayor Schoenig motions to come out of executive session and resume the regular meeting, Trustee Bryde 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.

2. Monthly Reports

- 2.1. January 2017 Engineer's Report – Todd Atkinson delivers the Engineer's report. Trustee Bryde asked about the VRI letter reapportioning costs for the sewer operating contract. Clerk Hansen says it is not a change in scope of work only a reassignment of cost from one structure to another. Trustee Meagher asks about the sump pump inspection status. Mr. Atkinson says we have been looking for previous records but have been unable to find them and it may become necessary to send out a letter to each property owner advising them that an inspection of the premises is required. Trustee Meagher says that the DEP may have a record of the sump pump inspections as they accompanied our Code Enforcement on the first round of inspections. Mr. Atkinson says those people have retired from DEP but he will reach out to their replacements and see if they can locate any pertinent records. Trustee Meagher asks about the open trench sign at Hoyt and Main. Mr. Atkinson said he is not aware and that question should be directed to DPW Superintendent Crawford. Mayor Schoenig motions to accept the Engineer's report, Trustee Bryde 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0. Copy of the monthly report is appended to these minutes.
- 2.2. January 2017 Police Report – Chief John Del Gardo delivers the Police report. Trustee Bryde notes that there were eighty-nine stop sign violations in January and that is amazing. Chief Del Gardo says we are staying on top of violations. Trustee Bryde asked about the seven accidents throughout the Village. Chief Del Gardo says none of the accidents were major and they were spread out at different locations in the Village. Trustee Bryde asked about the family disputes. Chief Del Gardo said our police respond promptly when called and sometimes there is still an active dispute underway which is defused without arrests if possible. Trustee Bryde asks about the criminal mischief. Chief Del Gardo says that is when someone is destroying private property. Trustee Bryde asked about the four intoxicated persons. Chief Del Gardo said there were four calls but only one intoxicated person was found. Trustee Bryde asked about the lost property. Chief Del Gardo says we get reports from time to time of lost property, we respond and report whether or not the property was found or if further actions is warranted. Trustee Bryde asks about the street sign that was down. Chief Del Gardo says this sign was on Railroad Avenue. Trustee Meagher asks about the noise complaint. Chief Del Gardo says it was on Oak Street. Trustee Bryde asked if there were any issues with the recent snow storms. Chief Del Gardo says there were none. Trustee Bryde asked about the body that was found in the Town of Southeast. Chief Del Gardo says the encampment was deep in the woods. Mayor Schoenig said that he and Chief Del Gardo have a meeting with

the Elks tomorrow, February 16, 2017. Mayor Schoenig motions to accept the Police report, Trustee Bryde 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0. Copy of the monthly report is appended to these minutes.

2.2.1. Cabaret enforcement – Chief Del Gardo says the two bars that are operating as cabarets are causing a lot of problems and greatly consuming our police resources on the weekends and many summer nights. Fines and tickets are not deterring these establishments so something else needs to be done to maintain control. Deputy Mayor Piccini suggests a Special Exception Use Permit with strict criteria including penalties to include fines, permit suspensions up to and including revocation. Counsel Molé will draft a Special Exception Use Permit for Cabarets and circulate it to the Board of Trustees for comment.

2.3. January 2017 Code Enforcement Report – Bill Scorca delivers the Code Enforcement report. Trustee Bryde asks what the assembly permit means. Mr. Scorca says the code defines it as occupancy by over 50 people. Trustee Boissonnault says he was approached by a neighbor of St. Lawrence and told that the church has not fulfilled their obligations under the site plan. Mr. Hernandez says he is aware of the situation and will try to take care of it on a Saturday or Mr. Scorca might be able to take care of it on a weekday. Trustee Meagher says the MTA walkways and the crosswalks on Main Street were obstructed more than 24 hours after the snow storm ended and asks if enforcement can be stepped up. Clerk Hansen advises Trustee Meagher to flag an MTA cop or one of our own police officers down as they can get action on MTA maintenance much faster than waiting for the Village office to reopen after a weekend. Clerk Hansen also says the crosswalks should be cleared by the plows. Main Street is plowed by NYS DOT and Railroad Avenue is either Putnam County or the Village responsibility. Mayor Schoenig motions to accept the Code Enforcement report, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0. Copy of the monthly report is appended to these minutes.

2.4. January 2017 Planning Board Report – George Gaspar delivers the Planning Board report. Mayor Schoenig motions to accept the Planning Board Report, Trustee Meagher 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0. Copy of the monthly report is appended to these minutes.

2.4.1. Zoning District B2 Sign standard discussion – Counsel Molé, Planning Board Chair Gaspar, and Deputy Mayor Piccini will meet to discuss the B2 sign criteria in detail and draft code for the Board to review.

2.5. January 2017 Zoning Board of Appeals Report – Todd Gianguzzi submitted a report of no activity for January. Mayor Schoenig motions to accept the Zoning Board report of no activity, Trustee Bryde 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0. Copy of the monthly report is appended to these minutes.

3. Fee Schedule Proposed Revisions – Deputy Mayor Piccini motions to amend the fee schedule effective immediately as written, Trustee Boissonnault 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.

4. General Code annual update authorization to proceed. Deputy Mayor Piccini motions to authorize Mayor Schoenig to sign the annual update, Trustee Boissonnault 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.

5. Village Matters Newspaper Approval – some punctuation errors on the front page need to be fixed, Wells Park in Winter article, the last line of the bolded paragraph is a character off, The Easter Egg roll has a misspelling; Eater instead of Easter, comma before end quotation mark around Anthony’s quote, “project” should be changed to “initiative” 6<sup>th</sup> paragraph, page 4 change “represent” to “present.” Headline for cleanup day to included April 22 - 23, Deputy Mayor Piccini lauds Amber Krisch’s article in the newspaper and says all our articles should be this good. Mayor Schoenig motions to approve the newspaper with the changes noted, Trustee Boissonnault 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.

6. Correspondence Sent/Received for January, 2017 – Trustee Bryde says it is great to see Mayor Schoenig as part of the interstate sewer committee. Mayor Schoenig motions to accept correspondence sent received for January 2017, Trustee Bryde 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.

7. Minutes for approval;

7.1. February 1, 2017 Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting – Trustee Bryde motions to approve, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 4 to 0. Mayor Schoenig abstains due to absence.

8. Vouchers Payable – Deputy Mayor Piccini reviewed the vouchers and found everything in order.

8.1. A - GENERAL FUND	\$28,352.79
8.2. C - REFUSE & GARBAGE	19,065.43
8.3. EN – ESCROW FUND	4,775.00
8.4. F - WATER FUND	10,774.74
8.5. G - SEWER FUND	9,899.06
8.6. T - TRUST & AGENCY	5,968.17

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Total Vouchers Payable \$78,835.19

Mayor Schoenig motions to approve vouchers payable as written, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.

9. Other Business

- 9.1. Deputy Mayor Piccini reminds all that articles for the next volume of Village Matters are due April 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 9.2. Trustee Meagher asks if we heard anything back from Putnam County about replacing the bus shelter. Clerk Hansen says he wrote to Vinny Tamagna and heard nothing back then wrote to Joe Castellano and has not yet had a response from him.
- 9.3. Trustee Bryde thanks Clerk Hansen for contacting Suburban Carting and solving the problem with the trash cans on Stone Ridge Road and in the future will direct complaints to the Commissioner of Sanitation, Trustee Meagher.
- 9.4. Trustee Boissonnault says that Peter Arnold will be at the March 1<sup>st</sup> Board of Trustees meeting to discuss the walking trail and bulletin board at Wells Park which is his Eagle Scout project.
- 9.5. Trustee Boissonnault says he has a sponsor for at least one movie night in July and will work out details as the schedule unfolds.
- 9.6. Trustee Boissonnault says that last year the Village Board and Rick Stockburger sponsored a Village of Brewster Softball team and will do so again this year and thanks the Board for their support.

10. New Business

- 10.1. Deputy Mayor Piccini reminds all that the budget submission is due by March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 10.2. Deputy Mayor Piccini mentions that the New York Planning Association spring meeting will be coming up but no firm schedule or agenda has been released yet.
- 10.3. Deputy Mayor Piccini points out that Village Counsel Anthony Molé has been asked to sit on a panel discussion at the American Planning Association in New York City on May 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 A.M. to 9:15 A.M. highlighting the Village of Brewster Urban Renewal process along with 3 other Westchester municipalities. Deputy Mayor Piccini would like to put together a contingent to attend in support of this honor. Deputy Mayor Piccini would like to see this as an article in our next Village Matters newspaper.
- 10.4. Trustee Meagher said the sidewalks have been problematic with snow and ice accumulating and would like to see more enforcement from our Code Enforcement Officers.
- 10.5. Trustee Meagher asks if we heard from Jack Gress regarding the Farmers Market. Mayor Schoenig said Jack would have something for our next newspaper issue.
- 10.6. Trustee Meagher says something needs to be done at the MTA station and property regarding snow maintenance as it is a hazard to pedestrians.

11. Public Comment – none.

12. Mayor Schoenig motions to adjourn Trustee Boissonnault 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.





**VILLAGE OF  
BREWSTER POLICE  
DEPARTMENT  
MONTHLY REPORT**

**JANUARY 2017**

**POLICE CHIEF  
John Del Gardo**

# VILLAGE OF BREWSTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

## MONTHLY REPORT

TO: Mayor James Schoenig - Board of Trustees  
 FROM: Police Chief John Del Gardo  
 RE: Monthly Report January 2017

<b>TICKETS</b>		
Uniform Traffic Tickets:		165
Parking Tickets:		86
Local Ordinance:		1
<b>TOTAL TICKETS</b>		<b>252</b>
<b>ARRESTS</b>		
PEIFFER		ROW
<b>TOTAL ARRESTS</b>		<b>1</b>
<b>SECURITY VISITS</b>		
Sewer Plant		293
Water Tank		282
Wells Park		280
<b>TOTAL VISITS</b>		<b>876</b>
<b>FOOT PATROL</b>		
Main Street:		56
M.T.A Station:		103
Residential:		29
<b>TOTAL HOURS</b>		<b>188</b>
<b>911 CALLS</b>		
Walk in Complaints		38
<b>Total</b>		<b>110</b>
Court Hours	Village	16
Court Hours	S.E.	77

<b>VEHICLE</b>	<b>REPAIRS</b>
	\$744
<b>MILEAGE</b>	6462

<b>Fuel:</b>	<b>805</b>
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PEO Stockburger	Tickets	0
	Hours	0
PEO Gianguzzi	Tickets	0
	Hours	0

(Security Detail)2 Officers

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## **911 DISPATCHED CALLS – 72**

**AIDED – 14**  
**VEHICLE ACCIDENT – 7**  
**DISPUTE - 7**  
**FAMILY DISPUTE - 6**  
**911 HANGUP - 5**  
**ASSAULT - 1**  
**DISORDERLY PERSON - 1**  
**BURGLAR ALARM - 3**  
**FIRE ALARM - 3**  
**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF - 2**  
**TRESPASS - 1**  
**HARASSMENT - 2**  
**INTOXICATED PERSON - 4**  
**SUSPICIOUS PERSON - 1**  
**WELFARE CHECK - 2**  
**NOISE COMPLAINT - 1**  
**LOST PROPERTY - 5**  
**FOUND WALLET - 1**  
**VEHICLE LOCK OUT - 3**  
**HOME LOCK OUT - 1**  
**LOST DOG - 1**  
**STREET SIGN DOWN - 1**



**VILLAGE OF BREWSTER POLICE**

**SELECTIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT**

**JANUARY 2017**

**CELL PHONE - 6**

**SPEEDS - 45**

**STOP SIGN - 89**

**RED LIGHT - 4**

**INTOX - 1**

**TOTAL - 145**

# January, 2017 Code Enforcement Report

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50 MAIN STREET  
BREWSTER, NY 10509  
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## JANUARY 2017 SUMMARY REPORT

BUILDING FEES =	\$1,365
SAFETY INSPECTION =	920
TOTAL FOR JANUARY =	\$2,285
PERMITS:	4
TOTAL COs, CCs:	10
TENANT CO	1
VIOLATIONS	2
INSPECTIONS	5
PROPERTY REGISTRATION PENDING:	2

**Village of Brewster Planning Board**

**George J. Gaspar, AIA**

**Chair**

**To:** James Schoenig, *Mayor*                      Christine Piccini, *Trustee, Deputy Mayor*  
Tom Boissonnault, *Trustee*                      Mary Bryde, *Trustee*  
Erin Meagher, *Trustee*  
Peter Hansen, *Clerk & Treasurer*              Anthony Mole, *Council*

**Regular Meeting – February 15, 2017**

**Planning Board Meeting – January 31, 2017**

**Board Members;**

George Gaspar, AIA, Chair      Rick Stockburger, Assist. *Chair (absent)*  
Tyler Murello                      David Kulo                      Rick Lowell

**Board Member Absent;      All Present**

**Consultant in Attendance:**

Todd W. Atkinson, *VoB Engineer*              Greg Folchetti, *Council*

**New Business:**

- a. **Brewster Honda:** Site Plan approval granted, final approval on awaiting new site plan documents to be signed and placed on file
- b. **Search for Change:** Site Plan approval granted, awaiting final documents for signing

02-01-2017

Attention: Peter Hansen & Village Trustees

Reference: January ZBA Activity

Please be advised that in the month of January we had no ZBA activity.

Best Regards,

Todd Gianguzzi ZBA, Chairman