

VILLAGE OF BREWSTER  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
February 1, 2011  
REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

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

Attendees:

Mayor: James Schoenig  
Deputy Mayor and Trustee: Christine Piccini  
Trustees; Tom Boissonnault, Mary Bryde, Terri Stockburger  
Village Engineer:  
Village Counsel: Anthony Molé,  
Clerk & Treasurer:

Absent:

John Folchetti  
Peter Hansen

Pledge to flag.

Notation of Exits

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

1. Little League Parade Permit – Representative from Little League in attendance, Mayor Schoenig motions to approve the Little League Parade Permit for April 21<sup>st</sup> for 9:15 to 11:00 with a rain date of April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.
2. Bob Dumont Artbeat Parade Permit – Mr. Dumont walked the routes with Chief Del Gardo and they shared their thoughts with each other. Insurance will be through Chamber of Commerce, waivers will be signed. Looking for cooperation with local property owners for parking so as to minimize traffic congestion. Mayor Schoenig motions to approve the parade permit for Artbeat on May 5<sup>th</sup>, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, July 7<sup>th</sup>, and August 4<sup>th</sup>, starting time is 9:00AM, ending time is 4:30PM on the sidewalk between the Train Station and Walter Brewster House, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0. Mayor Schoenig motions to approve the film Festival on September 2<sup>nd</sup> on Oak Street from Merritt to Brewster Coop (about a block off Progress, street to be blocked for food vendors from 2:30PM to 7:00PM, Trustee Stockburger 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.
3. K9-1 Proclamation of Appreciation & Recognition – Mayor Schoenig motions to approve the K9-1 proclamation, Trustee Stockburger 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.
4. Women of Distinction – Deputy Mayor Piccini mentions the Garden Club contributes a lot of time and energy to the beautification of the village and there are several women there who make those contributions. The criteria for nomination are to either live or work in the Village of Brewster. Trustee Bryde agrees with Deputy Mayor Piccini's comments. Tabled until the end of the meeting.
5. Peaceable Hill Water – Mayor Schoenig notes that the cost of the Peaceable Hill water investigations is mounting. The Village has hammered out a framework of an agreement in lieu of their continuing expending monies on development of their own water source. The Village of Brewster is looking at various rate linkages between the Village & Town that would reduce the cost to Peaceable Hill residents. The idea is to create an agreement that outlives this board and provides security for the Peaceable Hill water consumers. Deputy Mayor Piccini asks how we would secure the rate linkage should we change our rate structures. Mayor Schoenig says the agreement would allow for that and ensure we do not single out Peaceable Hill for rate increases. The intention is for all water rates would be raised or lowered mutually between the Village & Town. Ms. Berman suggests the Village consider using a tiered rate the same as the inside village users for Peaceable Hill.

Mayor Schoenig motions to go into Executive Session with Judge O'Rourke, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0. Mayor Schoenig motions to come out of executive session and resume the regular meeting at 8:50 PM, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.

6. Unpaid taxes to County – Mayor Schoenig motions to approve the wholly unpaid taxes to be sent to the County as of February 1, 2012, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.
7. Year-To-Date Budget comparison report – tabled until 2-15-12
8. Declaration for 450 North Main Street – Counsel Mole advises that the declaration is to validate for deed restriction filing the conditions upon which the rezoning was granted. Deputy Mayor Piccini motions to approve, Trustee Stockburger 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 4 to 0. Mayor Schoenig Abstains.
9. January 18<sup>th</sup> Minutes for Approval - Trustee Bryde motions to approve the January 18<sup>th</sup> minutes, Trustee Boissonnault 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 4 to 0. Trustee Stockburger Abstains.

10. Vouchers Payable

10.1. A	General	\$69,427.00
10.2. F	Water	28,221.78
10.3. G	Sewer	46,513.44

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**Total Vouchers Payable** **\$144,162.22**

Mayor Schoenig motions to approve Vouchers Payable, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.

11. Other Business

11.1. Deputy Mayor Piccini

- 11.1.1. Correspondence with NY Planning Federation with training quote. Suggests the Board should review this in more detail and discuss again on February 15<sup>th</sup> other business.
- 11.1.2. Still pursuing an exit interview for the grant application rejection. Probably in or after April.

11.2. Trustee Stockburger

- 11.2.1. Holiday streetscape discussion. Trying to determine if the merchants can take the lead on the streetscape improvements to decorate the village. Mayor Schoenig suggests bringing Bob Dumont into that discussion.

11.3. Trustee Bryde

- 11.3.1. Requests clarification on the Liquor application notifications. Counsel provides an explanation that these notices are informational but we can provide written opinion to the State Liquor Authority. The SLA has final say.
- 11.3.2. Communication program status? June Offerman, President of the Seniors Group is thrilled with the initiative and plans to review village & town forms at their next meeting.
- 11.3.3. Carmel Ave Bridge update? Counsel provides there has been no update.
- 11.3.4. Lab Maintenance IMA status? Rest of board has not reviewed in detail as yet.
- 11.3.5. Connecticut DMV status? Postpone until next meeting
- 11.3.6. Any responses to the Blight Study – deferred as Clerk is not in attendance.

11.4. Trustee Boissonnault

- 11.4.1. Resolution for Water & Sewer capital reserves. Why are these limited to Water and Sewer? What about Street signs? We don't want people to think only water & sewer capital reserves are being accumulated for all capital expenditures. Mayor Schoenig says the specific Fund reserves must be used for that purpose only.
- 11.4.2. Temporary repair of sidewalks. Superintendent Crawford will do some measurements and advise. Probably won't happen until warmer weather when our usual provider asphalt plants reopen.
- 11.4.3. Bridge shoveling? Looks like it has gone by the wayside.

11.5. Trustee Bryde – IMA date needs to be changed.

12. New Business

12.1. Trustee Bryde

- 12.1.1. Eagle Scout project. 1<sup>st</sup> UMC sign is coming before the Zoning Board of Appeals for review.
  - 12.2. Deputy Mayor Piccini – return to discussion of Women of Distinction. Trustee Stockburger motions to nominate the Brewster-Carmel Garden Club as our Women of Distinction, Trustee Boissonnault 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.
13. Public Comment
  - 13.1. Rick Stockburger says one of our crossing signs on Wilkes St. is missing and he will inform Superintendent Crawford.
14. Mayor Schoenig motion to adjourn, Trustee Bryde 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor 5 to 0.