

VILLAGE OF BREWSTER
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
1 October 2014
REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster held a Regular Meeting 1 October 2014 at 7:30 PM at Village Hall, 50 Main Street, Brewster, NY 10509.

Attendees:

Mayor: James Schoenig

Deputy Mayor and Trustee:

Trustees; Mary Bryde, Tom Boissonnault, Terri Stockburger

Village Engineer: John Folchetti

Village Counsel: Anthony Molé

Clerk & Treasurer: Peter Hansen

Absent:

Christine Piccini

Pledge to flag.

Notation of Exits

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Mayor Schoenig motions to open the regular meeting, Trustee Bryde 2nd all in favor 4 to 0.

1. Water & Sewer connections at Center Street

1.1. Review and establish permit fees for Road Opening, Sewer Connection, Water Connection

1.2. Establish Escrow requirements

1.3. Establish Insurance requirements

Mayor Schoenig motions to approve the permit applications, insurance requirements and escrow fees as written, Trustee Stockburger 2nd all in favor 4 to 0.

Mayor Schoenig motions to approve the water connection, Trustee Boissonnault 2nd all in favor 4 to 0.

2. Waste Water Treatment Plant Operator Evaluation

2.1. Recommendation to award contract

Trustee Bryde asks about the Village approval of a change in personnel clause and to what extent does the Village have oversight control. Village Engineer John Folchetti says the entire team, as written in the contract, is required to remain in effect and any change in personnel must be approved. Mr. Folchetti says that after careful consideration, interviews with the finalists and contract details, either company would be acceptable to do the work but we did recommend VRI over Veolia because of slight advantages but the Board can award to either one as they wish. Mayor Schoenig motions to award the Wastewater Treatment Plant O&M contract to VRI, Trustee Bryde 2nd all in favor 4 to 0.

3. Local Law discussion

3.1. Zoning for Annexation – Counsel Molé discusses the various options for a new zoning district and asks for direction from the board as some of the other sections of the zoning code may have to be amended in addition to creating the new zoning district. Counsel will find definitions for various medical uses including medical laboratory, pharmacy, and diagnostic testing in an office park district and provide a draft amendment to the zoning code that encompasses all changes to any sections.

3.2. Pedestrians & Bicycles – Safety – Mayor Schoenig motions to set a public hearing for Local Law 3 of 2014 on October 15, 2014 at Village Hall 50 Main Street, Brewster, NY 10509, at 7:30 PM, , Trustee Stockburger 2nd, discussion; Trustee Bryde asks if 14 years is too old to have the requirement to be accompanied by a parent, Trustee Boissonnault is concerned about residential streets having the same requirements as Main Street and does not think this law should apply to those streets. Counsel says the draft local law can be modified before adoption as the Board of Trustees sees fit. Trustee Bryde asks about enforcement for those who rely on bicycles as a primary mode of transportation and is concerned that proper notice be disseminated before the law becomes effective. Trustee Bryde asks about the police exemption for riding on the sidewalks, Mayor Schoenig proposes to discuss all these issues and any others that may come up in the public hearing on October 15th, all in favor 4 to 0.

4. Waiver of Moratorium Requests

4.1. 121 Marvin Ave. – Mayor Schoenig asks what the Planning Board recommended for this waiver request. Trustee Bryde said the Planning Board recommendation is negative. Mayor Schoenig asks Mr. Vasquez if

he could build the garage without the apartment above. Mayor Schoenig motions to deny the building moratorium, Trustee Bryde 2nd discussion; Mr. Vasquez is willing to modify his application and remove the apartment from the plans. Mayor Schoenig motions to approve the waiver as modified and any upstairs space will be dry-use with electric only, no heat, no water or sewer, and refer to code enforcement officer for next steps, Trustee Boissonnault 2nd all in favor 4 to 0.

4.2. 66 Marvin Ave. – Mayor Schoenig notes the Planning Board recommendation was positive for this application, Mayor Schoenig motions to grant the waiver of moratorium, Trustee Stockburger 2nd all in favor 4 to 0.

5. Village Justice Court Audit – Trustee Bryde offers to conduct the audit again this year as in past years.

6. Budget report Year to Date FY 2015 – Clerk Hansen says the budget revenues and expenditures are on target.

6.1. AUD Filed before the extension deadline.

6.2. Bond rating reaffirmed by Standard and Poors at A+ rating with a stable outlook. Standard & Poors review was much more rigorous this year.

7. Minutes for approval;

7.1. September 17, 2014 Public Hearing & Regular Meeting

Trustee Bryde motions to approve the September 17, 2014 minutes, Trustee Stockburger 2nd all in favor 4 to 0.

8. Vouchers Payable – Trustee Bryde reviewed the vouchers payable and found everything in order.

8.1. A - GENERAL FUND	\$33,369.62
8.2. C - REFUSE & GARBAGE	387.30
8.3. EN - ENGINEERING FEES ESCROW	468.75
8.4. F - WATER FUND	12,387.59
8.5. G - SEWER FUND	80,140.89
8.6. T - TRUST & AGENCY	1,866.35

Total Vouchers Payable \$128,620.50

Mayor Schoenig motions to approve vouchers payable as written, Trustee Stockburger 2nd all in favor 4 to 0.

9. Other Business

9.1. Trustee Bryde asks about grading Wells Park – Clerk Hansen says an attempt was made on 9/30 but is unsure if the Southeast Highway Department made any progress.

9.2. Trustee Bryde asks about the Fire District letter request for plowing of the fire department parking lot by the Village Highway Department. The letter we received was confusing and requires further clarification. In addition Superintendent Dan Crawford will provide his view on the subject to the Board of Trustees. Currently Southeast Highway plows and is under the impression that they will continue this service. Counsel Molé notes the liability issues that need to be considered.

9.3. Mayor Schoenig discusses the outside village district. Mayor Schoenig provided information by email to Supervisor Hay. Subsequently Supervisor Hay reviewed our historical file on the creation of a water district. Supervisor Hay says he expects this to be a difficult approval process but will move forward.

10. New Business

10.1. Trustee Stockburger asks if there is money available in the budget for beautification. Clerk Hansen says there is about \$3,000 available for this budget year which would include springtime beautification as well. Trustee Stockburger will look into some holiday decorations.

10.2. Trustee Bryde attended the VFW anniversary dinner and said it was a wonderful event. Trustee Bryde asks about the Ragamuffin parade permit application. Clerk Hansen says he has not received any information as yet. Trustee Bryde asks if we will consider a John Saccardi memorialization – Mayor Schoenig says private donations can be collected and submitted to a memorial fund. Trustee Bryde notes the Columbus Day parade invitation received but all elected officials are unavailable at that time.

10.3. Mayor asks about Mayor's Roundtable. Clerk Hansen notes the group was representative of many distressed communities in the Hudson Valley Regional Economic Development area. PACE Land Use Law Center provided some preliminary information on economic development and the comprehensive plan and that material has been disseminated to the Board of Trustees, Barbara Barosa, and Gina Martini for ideas to be incorporated into our Comprehensive Plan revision currently underway. Counsel Molé adds that the attorney roundtable, of which he is a member, is working on an economic development resolution for adoption by all the communities and we could incorporate same into our revised comprehensive plan.

11. Public Comment

11.1. Rick Stockburger notes there is one new police car delivered and a second will be delivered this Friday. Lettering, radios, and electronics will be installed in the coming weeks.

12. Mayor Schoenig motions to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation with action likely after executive session, Trustee Stockburger 2nd all in favor 4 to 0.
13. Mayor Schoenig motions to come out of executive session and resume the regular meeting, Trustee Bryde 2nd all in favor 4 to 0.
14. Mayor Schoenig motions to extend the Williams Gas Station property stipulation and authorize Counsel Molé to sign, Trustee Bryde 2nd all in favor 4 to 0.
15. Mayor Schoenig motions to adjourn, Trustee Stockburger 2nd all in favor 4 to 0.