

VILLAGE OF BREWSTER
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 2, 2012
REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster held a Regular Meeting on May 2, 2012 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: John Folchetti
Village Counsel: Anthony Molé,
Clerk & Treasurer: Peter Hansen

Absent:

Pledge to flag.

Notation of Exits

Regular Meeting

Mayor Schoenig motions to call the meeting to order, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

1. Anti-tobacco presentation – Dianne Moore & Henry Well Middle school 6th & 8th grade students - Dianne Moore explains the tobacco marketing influences present in retail stores. The influence on children is overwhelming. As often as children are exposed to the products the pressure increases to adopt the smoking habit. The students brought numerous visual aids showing how the marketing of tobacco products is directed at children through manner & proximity. The presentation finished with an appeal to the Board of Trustees to consider enacting local ordinances regarding the placement of tobacco products in stores within the village and is willing to share their knowledge of existing local ordinances as well as offering any other assistance they can should we want to pursue this course of action.
2. Year-To-Date Budget comparison report – Revenues exceed expenses in all funds. We are performing according to plan.
3. Budget Transfers – transfer insurance reimbursements received to Police Contractual in the General Fund and fund the SE Court Security detail expense line. Mayor Schoenig motions to fund the Southeast Security court expenses from the General budget fund balance and court security revenues and fund the Police contractual line from fund budget balance from insurance reimbursement.
4. 542 N. Main St. revised sewer easement – Request to compensate the attorney’s fee who reviewed the sewer easement. Counsel does not feel \$500 is unreasonable. Mayor Schoenig motions to pay the easement fee up to \$500, Trustee Bryde 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.
5. Legislative Gazette advertisement – tabled.
6. Village of Brewster vision – Trustee Stockburger motions to set a work session on the Strategic Plan/Vision on May 9th 50 Main St. Village Hall at 7:30PM, Trustee Boissonnault 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.
7. April 18, 2012 Minutes for Approval - Trustee Bryde motions to approve the April 18th minutes, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

8. Vouchers Payable

8.1. A	General	\$2,632.42
8.2. F	Water	41,492.20
8.3. G	Sewer	40,401.00

Total Vouchers Payable**\$85,670.06**

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

9. Other Business

9.1. Deputy Mayor Piccini

9.1.1. Microenterprise exit interview attended by Mary Donnelly and Deputy Mayor Piccini. The Regional Economic Council Strategic Plan was not available when the grant was prepared. As it had not been completed as yet which put our application for funds at a distinct disadvantage since criterion from the plan were used to judge the applications.

9.1.2. Planning Federation training by Frank Fish and Michael Keene with a planning company in NYC (BFJ Planning?). It appears the training will be broad-based rather than fine-tuned to Brewster.

9.1.3. Garden Street School – phone call received about the end of the era – June 2nd there will be a country fair at the school grounds (blankets & picnic). Not sure if this is a culminating event for the school closing. Trustee Boissonnault suggests recognizing the School for its singular contribution to the identity of the village.

9.2. Trustee Stockburger –

9.2.1. Flowers for hanging baskets will be arriving around the 14th of the month.

9.2.2. Trustee Bryde asks about the reception for the art hangings. Trustee Stockburger said there was not a lot of activity. Trustee Bryde asks about the awards ceremony logistics. Trustee Stockburger will handle the award distribution from funds collected from the Trustees. The Village government will not pay any money toward these awards.

9.3. Trustee Bryde

9.3.1. Notes we received the first check for the Court Security detail from Southeast

9.3.2. Was the TOSE/VILLAGE Building Maintenance IMA signed? Yes

9.3.3. FBS meeting – any news? No. They met with the court personnel.

9.3.4. Town of Southeast's process for ticket collection? Mayor Schoenig says they are outsourcing the whole process and this is not a course we want to pursue.

9.3.5. NY Alert? Still no activity. Mayor Schoenig will contact Tom Lannon directly.

9.3.6. Any activity on the streetlight removal? It is on NYSEG's worklist.

9.3.7. Handicapped space changes? Requires local law change. Need to identify exact spaces, agree that all spots should be metered, write them into the law revision, and hold a public hearing before action can be taken.

9.3.8. Library Operating Permit waiver? None.

9.4. Mayor Schoenig –

9.4.1. Vehicle title transfer? Counsel should have more information this week.

9.4.2. Housing grant was denied; Connie Fagan attended an exit interview. The agency requires written estimates from contractors. We need to find a source to provide these written estimates if or when we submit for future grants. Mayor Schoenig suggested speaking to the Chamber of Commerce. Hansen suggested SCORE may have retired contractors willing to provide the estimates.

10. New Business

10.1. Trustee Boissonnault

10.1.1. On Earth Day cleaned from Train station to Welcome to Village sign on the other side of Carmel Avenue Bridge. The appearance of the Carmel Avenue bridge is not appealing. Contacted a local artist about painting a mural on the plywood and he was receptive if we provide the supplies. Also suggests placing flower baskets/boxes along the sidewalk/roadway barrier top. Board was supportive. Trustee Stockburger suggested taking some of the bins at 208 Main and using them at either end with flowers/greenery installed. Trustee Boissonnault will investigate alternative methods to spruce up the entrance to the village.

10.1.2. Corner of Michael Neuner & Prospect St. there is a utility pole in place that is abandoned.

Trustee Boissonnault would like to know why it is still there as all wires have been moved to the replacement pole.

10.2. Mayor Schoenig

10.2.1. Anyone available to do the MS4 meeting tomorrow? No one is available.

10.2.2. Team Brewster at Walter Brewster House 10AM tomorrow.

11. Public Comment

11.1. Rick Stockburger congratulates Superintendent Crawford for placing a crosswalk sign by the Walter Brewster House.

12. Mayor Schoenig motions to remove the parking meter in the crosswalk in front of Caché, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

13. Mayor Schoenig motions to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation, no action will be taken after executive session, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 5 to 0. Mayor Schoenig motions to come out of executive session, resume the regular meeting and adjourn, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.