

Annual Report
of the
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS
of the
Northport Village
Corporation

2003

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NORTHPORT VILLAGE CORPORATION

Telephone: 338-0751
Address: 813 Shore Road,
Northport, ME 04849

- The Board of Overseers meets one Sunday a month, at 10:00 A.M. in the meeting room in the Bayside Community Hall.
 - The Northport Village Corporation Annual Meeting is held the 2nd Tuesday of August.

Town of Northport Transfer Station Hours
Summer: Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday:--9:00-4:00
Friday-- 3:00-5:00
Winter: Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday 9:00-4:00

**Northport Volunteer Fire Department
and First Responders:**
For Emergency, Dial 911.
For Meetings: 338-6200

**Burn permits are available at the Northport
Town office, Bayside Store, Nealey's Store, and the Fire Chief.**

Town Officers

President

January 1-August 13, 2003: Kenneth Vloddek
August 13-August 2004: Josiah Huntoon

Treasurer

January 1-August 13, 2003: Russell Handler
August 13-August 2004: Daniel Doucette

Clerk

Eleanor Lagner

Board of Overseers

January 1-August 13, 2003
David Crofoot, Greg Closter, Dan Doucette, Joe Krulis, Douglas
Mayer, Judy Rohweder, Elaine Smith

August 13, 2003- August, 2004
Peter Allen, Margaret Brockway, David Crofoot, Mary Hanrahan,
Judy Metcalf, Michael Robbins, Peter Spollett

Wharfmaster

January-February: Al Keith
March-April: Steve Trenholm
May-Present: Gordon Fuller

Utility Superintendent

John Fancy

Police Chief

Sal DeMeo
Joan DeMeo, Police Officer

State Representative	State Senator
Walter Ash	Carol Weston
Belfast, Maine	Montville, ME
338-3485	588-4481

Dedication

The fall of 2003 saw the completion in less than two months of office space and a meeting room in the basement of the Community Hall. The basement area is now insulated behind sheet-rock walls and ceiling, painted, and heated by an oil-fired furnace, while the upgraded electrical service allows for adequate lighting and plentiful outlets. Led by Alden Badershall and Dick Brockway, the project was built completely by hard-working volunteers, who finished well ahead of the proposed schedule and below budget! We dedicate this report to these people who proved again that the community spirit in Bayside makes it a special place.

Bob Aebersold, Jane and Alden Badershall, Marge and Dick Brockway, Beverly Crofoot, John Crowe, Sue and John Fleming, Larry Gibbs, Harold Hede, Ted Kavage, Dick Lagner, Bill Paige, Carl Rand, Dick Tardif, Pam and Ed Williams, Heidi von Bergen.

**Clerk's Report of the Annual Meeting
Of the Northport Village Corporation**

**Annual Meeting
August 12, 2003**

The Annual Meeting of the Northport Village Corporation was held on Tuesday, August 12, 2003, at 6:30 PM in the Bayside Community Hall with approximately 167 voters attending. The Clerk opened the meeting by reading the Call and Return on the Warrant. The Village Warrant and Clerk's report had been made available in the 2002 Report which was published more than 2 weeks before the Annual Meeting.

The Treasurer's Report as of December 31, 2002, follows:

General Government	
Checking	\$46,391.20
Community Hall	462.94
Money Market	<u>42,843.86</u>
Total	\$89,698.00

Water Department	
Checking	<u>\$30,088.84</u>
Total	\$30,088.84

Sewer Department	
Checking	\$18,373.76
CD721053	1,927.79
Money Market	<u>3,852.31</u>
Total	\$24,153.86

The following is the Treasurer's Report of July 31, 2003:

General Government	
Checking	\$62,954.12
Community Hall	470.57
Money Market	<u>42,974.41</u>
Total	\$106,399.10

Water Department	
Checking	<u>\$44,573.15</u>
Total	\$44,573.15

Sewer Department	
Checking	\$54,138.33
Money Market	<u>23,749.96</u>
Total	\$77,888.29

(Article 1) J. Timothy Samway was elected Moderator of the meeting.

After being sworn in by the Clerk, Samway invited Northport boy scouts Matt Schleicher and Angus Secotte to lead the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

In his opening remarks, Samway thanked Steve Trenholm for putting up the flag bunting, and Dick Tardif for setting up chairs and the microphone system in preparation for this meeting. He introduced the Overseers and Officers of the Village, and Sal DeMeo, the Police Chief. Samway then thanked President Ken Vlodek, who is retiring from office this year, and the Overseers for their hard work. The Moderator concluded his remarks with the rules of the Town Meeting.

The Moderator appointed Stan Stalla, Jim Facey, Jeanette Tardif, and Lisa Webster as election officials. At the chalk board were Candace Williams, Annie Metcalf, and Fraser Metcalf.

(Article 2) The Moderator asked Nominating Committee Chairman Sid Block to present the slate of officers. For President, Block nominated Josiah Huntoon. As no names were presented from the floor, Huntoon was elected President of the Village Corporation for the coming year.

Block then nominated Daniel Doucette for Treasurer, and Russell Handler was nominated from the floor. Daniel Doucette was elected by a vote of 108 to 46. Eleanor Lagner was the sole nominee for Clerk, and thus was re-elected.

(Article 3) Block presented the Nominating Committee's slate for the office of Overseer as follows: Marge Brockway, Peter Spollett, Peter Allen, Mike Robbins, David Crofoot, Judy Metcalf, and Pat Lojek. Nominated from the floor were Joe Krulis, Mary Hanrahan, and Ellie Handler.

The following Overseers were elected by written ballot:

Margaret Brockway	136
Peter Spollett	134
Peter Allen	128
Mike Robbins	124
David Crofoot	113

Judy Metcalf 107
Mary Hanrahan 84

Not elected were Joe Krulis (73), Pat Lojek (55), and Ellie Handler (53).

(Article 4) President's Report. Ken Vlodek thanked the Board for their hard work this year, and closed out his term as president with the words, "Bayside is a special place."

The bids for the Phase II work were opened the morning of this annual meeting, and Sargent & Sargent will be doing the construction for Phase II, beginning on September 1 to lay 200 feet per day of water pipe down the South Shore Road.

One of Vlodek's goals was to improve communication and public information distribution. He thanked Ellie Lagner for the Annual Report, and Greg Closter for his *Sea Breeze* issues.

Vlodek led a moment of silence for those who passed away this year: Eugenia Allen, Gwendolyn Hessert, Lillian Parsloe, George Parsloe, William Parsloe, Jr.

(Article 5) Shall a Bayside Utilities District be established by vote on the following question: "Do you favor permitting the Bayside Utilities District to acquire the water-related and sewer-related assets of the Northport Village Corporation?" After discussion, Doucette proposed an amendment as follows: "Move that article 5 be tabled until a special meeting after July 1, 2004." The amended article was **Voted.**

(Article 6) Shall an Ordinance entitled "Parking Regulations for the Northport Village Corporation" be enacted. Crofoot moved, seconded by Block, the following amendment which re-worded the article as follows: Are you in favor of the Parking Ordinance for the Northport Village Corporation proposed by the Board of Overseers? **Defeated.**

(Article 7) Doucette moved, seconded by Block, that the Northport Village Corporation raise and appropriate \$116,100 for the fiscal year 2004. This money will be raised as follows: \$25,000 to be requested from the Town of Northport on the warrant of its Town Meeting, and the balance to be raised from the Village Tax. If the warrant is not approved by the Town of Northport, the budget will be raised entirely from the Village Tax. **Voted.**

(Article 8) Doucette moved, seconded by Rosenblum, to approve borrowings by the Northport Village Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for working capital purposes. Funds are to be borrowed in anticipation of the 2004 taxes. **Voted.**

(Article 9) Doucette moved, seconded by Rosenblum, to approve borrowings by the Northport Village Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$100,000. Funds are to be used towards replacement of the Community Hall and Wharf as needed, emergency repairs to utilities operated by the Village Corporation, or for reconstruction of shoreline damage to property owned by the Northport Village Corporation as a result of a storm. **Voted.**

(Article 10) To vote to charge interest of 10% on all unpaid taxes after November 30. Stein moved an amendment to Article 10, that the year 2004 be added to the date. **Voted.** Doucette moved the amended article, seconded by Rosenblum, that the Village charge interest of 10% on all unpaid taxes after November 30, 2004. **Voted.**

(Article 11) Committee chairpersons gave brief reports (full reports had been published in the Annual Report). Rohweder summarized the highlights of the safety committee, mentioning the acquisition of a police car for the Village. Smith, archivist, thanked Beverly Crofoot for her work, especially with the Historical Society archives. David Crofoot's Village Properties Committee had a busy year. The Code Enforcement suit was lost, so the Zoning Board of Appeals is dissolved. All Zoning issues will henceforth be taken care of through the town CEO. The Historical Society house/museum is set up and being renovated, while further plans for Cradle Park are still being discussed. Closter's Communication Committee published two *Sea Breeze* issues, the mailing lists have been updated, and the bulletin boards kept up to date. He thanked Dan Webster for keeping everyone so well informed via the website. Krulis reported that the July 4th children's games went well, with special thanks to Lisa Webster, and joined Phillips in praising the Garden Club/Parks Committee for their work in beautifying the parks. Thanks were given to Pam Williams who has kept the planters watered. From a garden party at the Crofoots' home, \$700 was raised for garden projects.

Ken Vlodek gave the Utilities Committee report update. Phase I work is drawing to a close. Lynch still has some cleanup to do in the Village, but is currently working at Birchcrest, which added 14 new water users to the lists. In addition to construction work for Phase II, one of the primary issues facing the Village now is the wastewater treatment facility, which must be modified to satisfy the DEP consent agreement.

Note: The articles of the Warrant were taken out of order by Moderator request. In order of business, Articles #1 through #3 were addressed, but then #4, #11, #8, #9, #10, were all dealt with in that order while votes for the Overseers were being counted. After Overseers' election results were announced, Articles #5, #6, and #7 were taken up.

By motion of Rosenblum, the meeting was adjourned at 9:46 PM.

Eleanor D. Lagner, Clerk

Clerk's Report

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Deaths

Arline Parker
Bill Parsloe
Matthew Stuen
Priscilla Kelly

President's Report
Josiah P. Huntoon, Jr.
Northport Village Corporation
2003

2003 was a year of change. At the Annual Meeting, the Officers and Overseers elected contained only two holdovers- the Clerk and one Overseer. One Overseer resigned and was elected Treasurer. But this is not the whole story. Three of the new Board were previous Overseers or heavily involved with the current activities of the Corporation. The other important member of the new team was a holdover also. John Fancy has continued to serve as the supervisor of the Utility Division of the Corporation.

The election allowed the Board to continue to move forward on the issues confronting the Corporation. In addition, it allowed new ideas to be presented for consideration and an ability to look into other solutions to the operations of the Corporation.

Currently, the major problem facing the Corporation is how to solve the sewer problem within the constraints set down by the DEP. The Utility Committee is studying this problem. The new committee is made up of three Overseers and two utility users, with John Fancy's help. This committee meets monthly and reports to the Overseers.

The other major problems are well on the way to being resolved. Phase I and II improvements to water, sewer, and infrastructure are scheduled for completion in 2004. These projects could not have been completed without the united efforts of the previous Board, John Fancy, and the Town of Northport. The Town has contributed generously in time and funding. Without its help, the projects could not have been completed.

Utilities Committee 2003

The Utilities Committee set up following the Annual Meeting of August 2003 consists of five members: David Crofoot, Chairman, Judy Metcalf, Peter Spollett, Richard Brockway, and Suellen Fleming. John Fancy is the Superintendent of our utilities and our licensed Operator.

Village Infrastructure Project ("Phase I")

Lynch Construction continued on the last parts of this major construction project to upgrade water pipes, to separate out storm drainage, and to replace leaky sewer connector pipes along Broadway, Main Street, Sea Street, Merrithew Square, and Ruggles Park, and down Shore Road from Cobe Road to the pump station. By year's end, all the major digging parts of this project had been completed. Cleanup work remains to be done in 2004. The cost of this project was \$1,560,000; \$418,000 in grants from Rural Development and \$567,000 in loans. The Village General Fund contributed \$115,000 and the Town of Northport also contributed \$295,000 to the rebuilding of roads.

Water users will pay interest and principal on \$242,000 over 28 years.

Sewer users will pay interest and principal on \$325,000 over 28 years.

The wastewater portion of this project was meant to decrease the infiltration of groundwater into our century-old collector pipes; inflow and infiltration (I&I) vastly increases the amount of sewer flowage which must be treated and in turn makes it difficult for the Village to operate within the constraints of our overboard discharge license from DEP. Results remain to be fully assessed, but so far it appears that the flows seen by the treatment plant are significantly decreased during heavy rainfall events.

Phase I was so-named because in the original study, several other areas with old and leaky sewer pipes had been identified (Griffin Street, Clinton Street, Auditorium Park) which we intended to address as a 2nd Phase. When and whether this further infrastructure upgrade will take place depends on the results achieved so far with Phase I.

Drinking Water Extension to South Shore and Bluff Road ("Phase II")

As a result of arsenic contamination of wells along the South Shore and Bluff Road, the Village agreed to look into extending deep water service to the south end of the Village along Shore Road, and

for a limited distance along Bluff Road to service houses with contaminated water both inside and outside the Village. Funding through Rural Development Grants and Loans and from a Community Development Block Grant were obtained in the Fall of 2003; final planning proceeded through the Spring of 2004. There was bitter debate in both the Utility Committee and at the Board level about whether new users should put a capital contribution into this project (which will bring all users a significant increase in water bills due to debt service) and whether the Shore Road part of the project was an "upgrade" or an "extension." In the end, no capital contribution from new customers was required. There are, so far, eight new users on Bluff Road and nine new users on Shore Road. Thirteen new water customers were added with an extension of water mains to Birch Crest; this project was paid for entirely by the new users.

The bid for Phase II was awarded to Sargent & Sargent. Work began in mid-September and coincided with the last parts of Phase I work on Shore Road. Shore Road was dug up on one side for water, on the other for new sewer lines, and a third time for storm drainage work done for the Town of Northport. A first layer of asphalt paving was laid just before the snow fell. As of March 2004, all major Shore Road work is completed except for minor clean-up and service connections. Sargent & Sargent will start the Bluff Road work in Spring 2004 so the Village is not yet done with heavy construction.

The work has been overseen by Dirigo Engineering and by John Fancy our Utilities Superintendent.

The total cost of this project will be \$1,057,520. Rural Development provided grants of \$260,000 and loans of \$318,000. CDBG provided a grant of \$400,000. The Town of Northport is once again contributing to road rebuilding. The impact of this will be long term debt amounting to \$318,000 payable over 28 years.

Consent Decree with the DEP

The Village's wastewater treatment system, built in 1989 as a primary treatment plant, collects Village sewerage, allows settling of solids which are pumped out twice a year, and treats effluent with chlorination, then dechlorination, before discharge into the ocean through an outfall pipe from the bottom of Ruggles Park. From the moment this plant was designed, it has never been able to operate within the constraints of its license. The Village was allowed an average of 60,000 gallons of discharge a day in the summer, but only 10,000 gallons a day in the winter. Our collection pipes are old and leaky with much groundwater infiltration. Our highest flows are

in the months of spring runoff when actual sewage flow is low, but the volumes of wastewater treated and discharged vastly exceed our license limits. In the summer of 2002, the DEP found malfunction of a chlorinator pump; this sparked an in-depth regulatory investigation. The outcome of this was significant fines of \$25,000; the Village negotiated an agreement with the DEP by consent decree to build a new secondary treatment plant with design to be on-going and construction to begin by 2007 if funding is available. With only 230 sewer users to fund this project and to pay maintenance on a new plant, it is evident that, even with increases in sewer user fees, we cannot afford to pay to build such a plant with sewer user fees alone.

Throughout this year, we have actively researched a variety of treatment alternatives (pumping to Belfast, mini-package plants, and several variations on lagoon systems with aeration and seasonal ocean discharge and/or seasonal irrigation). A complete system is likely to cost in the range of 4-5 million dollars to build and must then be maintained.

Funding grant moneys are less available now than they were for our Phase I and Phase II projects. We will be carrying wastewater debt on Phase I for the next thirty years.

Lagoon systems require more land but are cheaper to maintain than mechanical plants. We are currently leaning toward a system that can be built in manageable stages, that will not be highly expensive to operate once built. This is a difficult work-in-progress and will be so for years to come; we will continue to cooperate with DEP as best we can, while emphasizing that we cannot build what we cannot afford.

Our compliance with DEP regulations is much improved; our only violations in the last year have been flow excesses. It is hoped that the Phase I sewer replacement lines will decrease groundwater infiltration significantly and thereby avoid flow excess violations.

There will be ongoing costs for design and planning and site acquisition which will continue to strain the wastewater budget in coming years.

Village Office and Secretary

One of Doug Mayer's legacies is the position of a Village and Utilities Secretary. This has helped with communication within the Village between John Fancy, Bill Paige, Overseers, contractors, and citizens. The office is located in the basement of the Community Hall. The insulation and finishing of the basement and installation of

a furnace (ably overseen by Alden Badershall and a large crew of volunteers) has greatly improved the work environment.

Utilities District versus Utilities Department

A proposition to establish a Utilities District, which would have encompassed an area of Northern Northport beyond the Village bounds was entered as a legislative bill by Doug Mayer in January 2003. One aim of this project was to set up a stable team of experienced Utility Committee members and to allow for a steady and businesslike administration of the Water and Sewer Utilities. Some Overseers expressed strong reservation about any bill which might alter the Village Charter or dilute the NVC authority within the Village, particularly as this applied to transfer of Village assets and property, the creation of a second elected entity which was not answerable to the elected Overseers, and the lack of clarity about whether utility users would have voting rights if they were not legal voters in the Town of Northport. With many such questions still unanswered, the vote about whether to create this Utility District was tabled at the Annual Meeting.

Since that meeting, the newly elected Board of Overseers has chosen not to pursue amendments to the Legislative Document since they do not believe that the creation of a Utilities District is in the best interests of the Village.

The Utilities Committee has, instead, worked on the formal establishment of a Utilities Department. Trustees of the Department would serve the same function as the current Utilities Committee. Terms would be staggered. Three of the five members would have to be active Overseers, thus guaranteeing (more or less) continuity of experience and cooperation and an even flow of information between Overseers and the Utility Department.

The proposal for the establishment of this Utility Department will be on the agenda of the Annual Meeting.

User Fees and Billing:

Billing has been shifted to a trimester schedule in January, May, and September. It is hoped that this will lead to better cash flow and lessen the impact of the single billing.

Current water rates are a base fee of \$380 and a rate of \$2.75 per 100 cf. Metered use. Current wastewater user rates are \$405 per year in three installments. Water use has actually decreased since the installation of water meters under Phase I. It is hoped that this conservation will benefit all water users.

Non-payment of water bills may result in refusal to turn on water in the Spring for seasonal users or water shut-off after appropriate notice. Non-payment of wastewater bills may result in the placement of liens on the property.

Submitted by David Crofoot
Utilities Committee Chairman.

Facilities Committee

Community Hall:

Our Community Hall has a new meeting room in the basement, thanks to the many volunteers who gave of their time. A new electrical entry box was installed with extensive rewiring throughout the building. A few finishing touches are left to do, such as doors and final painting (ceiling and floor). The installation of a new oil furnace made it possible for the Board of overseers to hold their monthly meetings in the new room. The meeting room is available to all residents of the Village. Please contact Jeanette and/or Dick Tardiff to schedule any events for the use of the Hall.

Cradle Park:

Cradle Park has been enlarged and re-graded for the convenience of boat/trailer storage and parking. There are signs posted with rules and regulations for the use of the park.

Submitted by Marge Brockway
Village Facilities Committee

Village Agent

Bill Paige

Forms were requested to hand out to a few trash-collection customers who do not understand the schedule change from two pick-ups per week to one which takes place after Labor Day.

The swimming float should serve for another season, but the boat float should be replaced. Gordon Fuller suggested that the float be a little bigger. The Yacht Club will be approached to help toward the cost.

Northport does not want glass in the recyclables. Also, no corrugated light-weight cardboard. Copies of the Northport rules for recyclables will be posted throughout the NVC. Paige will collect recyclables on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, with items to be placed by the roadside no later than 1:00PM.

There is no plow small enough to do most of the Village roads. The Village Board of Overseers voted to buy the plow recommended by Paige for \$3,475 with the agreement Paige will plow the roads for the winter season of 2003/2004. A decision as to the plowing contract for the winter 2004/2005 will be decided upon in the fall of 2004.

Anderson Roofing has completed the roofing on one side of the Community Hall at the quoted price of \$4,000.

Paige has picked up the contract for the mowing of NVC Parks for the summer of 2004. This contract will be reviewed this coming fall for the summer of 2005.

Submitted by Marge Brockway, Facilities Chairman

Building Permits

Issued during 2003:

Houses: 2

Barn/garage: 1

Repair and level cottage: 1

Additions/decks: 6

New roof: 1

Move cottage: 1

Shed: 1

Ditches: 2

Number of shoreland zoning structures: 2

Number of plumbing installations required: 7

Number of septic systems required: 3

Total cost of materials: \$260,000

Presented by Frank Therio, Northport Code Enforcement Officer

Safety Committee

The Safety Committee is an ad hoc committee formed at the request of the Overseers. The main responsibilities of the Safety Committee are the hiring of the lifeguard and the summer safety officer(s). General safety rules are outlined in the Safety Handbook distributed in the summer of 1999. Present Committee members are Ed Williams, Judy Rohweder, Betty Wilson, and Maureen Einstein.

New lifeguard(s) were hired to insure daily coverage. A locker, large enough to store all of the equipment required by the lifeguard(s), was installed on the dock this past spring.

Police Chief Sal DeMeo was rehired. In addition, Mrs. Joan DeMeo, fully certified by the State of Maine as a Safety Officer, was hired to assist in the coverage of the village.

Submitted by Peter R. Allen, Chair.

Wharfmaster Report

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The 2003 season was another busy one at the Alfred J. Keith wharf area in Bayside. Mr. Keith himself even visited his old stomping grounds on a couple of occasions.

Flower boxes at the wharf entrance, the Lovejoy dingy—moored in the Ruggles Park Circle, planters lining the park roads to the dock, and the Yacht Club window boxes were once again filled with beautiful flowers. Many thanks to the Garden Club, NYC, and all who helped beautify this focal point area of our village—well done!

For the most part in 2003, activity around the wharf area was pretty much business as usual. No major incidents were reported. On warm summer days swimmers, sailors, and fishermen flocked to the dock area to enjoy what Penobscot Bay has to offer. We were once again fortunate to have the services of a lifeguard, and the NYC sailing program once again had a busy year. The anchorage had well over one hundred boats moored and as usual the boat float was packed to capacity with dingies.

Very few complaints were voiced and most of those that were involved the dingy situation and/or fishing. The issue with dingies is that we simply do not have enough space for everyone's dingy at the boat float. A larger float would certainly help, but even then, if people are not willing to comply with the dingy rules in place, then simply enlarging the float will not solve the issue either. The out float is under utilized and thus is of questionable value since it takes up a fairly large space in the mooring field and is costly to maintain.

With regard to fishing, there is still the problem with fishermen and boaters though I frankly did not hear of any serious incidents. One complaint that is heard from year to year regards the mess that is sometimes left behind on both floats and the dock itself, by fishermen who do not clean up their area when they are done fishing. Some people feel that the swim float should be off limits to fishing no matter the time, weather, day etc. I do not share this opinion and believe it would be very difficult to enforce.

Getting the word out and posting signs seems like the best way to try and deal with both of the problems described above----and appealing to the common sense of those involved. Signs need to be specific and posted in prominent locations.

Finally, the Cradle Yard located between Clinton and Pleasant Streets underwent renovations last fall. A major cleanup and enlargement project was undertaken. The area is now much better

suited for parking and short term storage of boats, trailers, and cradles.

It is asked that all users of the wharf area and cradle yard, please read and follow the applicable rules that are posted. It is hoped that everyone will use common sense, and will be courteous, safe, and considerate of others.

Contributed by Gordon Fuller Wharfmaster.

Parks/Tree Warden

Once again registered arborist John Tooley of Northeast Tree Service in Camden inspected our park trees for decaying limbs which needed pruning. Most were in good condition but some work was necessary on Clinton Street. A Village resident requested an opinion about a tree on a Village right-of-way and this was also completed.

The diminutive flowering crabapple tree by the basketball court is thriving and adds to the beauty of the area. Two additional replacement trees (an ash and an oak) were placed in Blaisdale Park. Once again Morrill Nursery and Landscape discounted and planted the trees. This work was part of the tree ordinance adopted by the Village as part of the grant we received from the Maine Forestry program. This is an ongoing obligation we have to protect the trees we have in our parks and to replace them when necessary to preserve the character of the Village.

Submitted by Jane Phillips, Tree Warden

Bayside Garden Club

The second season of the Bayside Garden Club began with a June planning session at White Rock Cottage with officers Jane Phillips, Alice Stein, Joe Krulis, and Pam Williams in attendance. Plans were made for a trip to Connelly's Greenhouse in Thorndike to select plans for the dinghy, eight wooden planters, hanging baskets for the bulletin board, and flowers on the wharf. The group had a workday to distribute the plants. Pam Williams, assisted by Beanie Einstein, cared for the flowers throughout the season.

A number of meetings were held to make extensive plans for the Garden Party. Beverly and David Crofoot graciously donated their beautiful shorefront home "Bohemia" for this event, which once again is becoming a Bayside tradition. Much planning, many volunteers, delicious donations of hors d'oeuvres and lovely flowers helped make this fundraiser a success. Young people donating their services included Candace Williams, Annie Metcalf, Stephen Wright, and Monique Grenier.

Responding to many who have asked for recipes from the last two parties, we are collecting all of them for an eventual cookbook. Garden Club members are asked to contribute.

To enhance the holiday season, winter elves decked the dinghy and Yacht Club window boxes with boughs of evergreens, and placed wreaths on the bulletin board and Community Hall.

We are a growing organization hoping to make a difference in our community. All are welcome.

Submitted by Jane Phillips, Chairman

Bayside Historical Preservation Society

The Bayside Historical Preservation Society was established in 1995 "to bring together and educate people interested in preserving the history of Bayside or NVC and preserving the features which give Bayside its unique historical character." To meet those goals the Society has over the past eight years initiated an oral history project, organized a house tour, sponsored speakers on such diverse topics as the campground auditorium, cottage architecture and puffins, held choral and instrumental concerts, supported the production of "Steamboat Fever" and a reunion of the Maine Sailing School, published postcards and encouraged the writing of a history of the community.

Columbus Day weekend an Open House was held at the newly restored cottage on Pleasant Street. The community has watched the progress made in the restoration of this building since its donation in September 2002. However, seeing the "finished Product" without scaffolding or paint cans was gratifying. Those present enjoyed refreshments and lively conversation. As with all Bayside cottages, the question foremost in mind is "What next?" With the help of volunteers, the Directors hope to finish the interior in the Summer of 2004 and install a display of Bayside memorabilia. This is YOUR chance to participate - membership is open to all.

Submitted by Beverly Crofoot, President

Northport Yacht Club

The Northport Yacht Club is celebrating its 66th year as part of the Bayside community. The clubhouse is located in Ruggles Park. The Club averages about 140 members per year, with half being social members who do not own a boat.

We offer a variety of events. The season is launched with our annual kickoff dinner on Memorial Day weekend. From June 1st through July 4th we are busy opening the club house and preparing six Daysailers, two motor boats, and a Rhodes 19 for launching. These boats are used for our sailing school for kids. The classes start around July 4th, and go through the third week of August.

Another tradition is the kids' games which are held on the July 4th weekend. We help with hosting a band concert in the park, a bonfire, and a water slide for the kids.

We wouldn't be a yacht club without racing. The Club offers the John Short series for adults. For the kids we have the two Walter Downs Regattas. Thursday night races are held throughout the summer. After every race a post race social is held, often including hotdogs, hamburgers, and soda, in addition to other snacks.

Social events are a big part of the Club. Included are a chicken barbecue, pancake breakfast, yard sale, cocktail party at the clubhouse, and a potluck supper. All of these events are organized by volunteers.

During the summer we hold two meetings to keep the members abreast of club news. We also publish two issues of the *Telltale*, our news letter.

Each year the season is rounded out with "The Around Isleboro Race". All profits from this race go to a local charity.

Presented by Bill Haverty, Commodore

Public Notice
Northport Village Corporation
Annual Meeting
August 10, 2004, at 6:30 PM

To Sal Demeo, Police Chief of the Northport Village Corporation in the County of Waldo, State of Maine.

GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Northport Village Corporation in Waldo County, Maine, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Community Hall in Bayside on Tuesday, the 10th day of August A.D. 2004, at 6:30 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act upon the following articles:

Article 1: To choose a Moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting.

Article 2: To elect the Officers by written ballot. (President, Clerk, and Treasurer)

Article 3: To elect Overseers by written ballot.

Article 4: President's Report.

Article 5: Shall an Ordinance entitled "Northport Village Corporation Utility Ordinance" be enacted.

Article 6: To see what sums of money the Northport Village Corporation will raise and appropriate for the following accounts for the fiscal year 2005:

Overseers' Proposed Budget

Total Income	\$142,850
Expenses	
General Government	\$56,400
Roads & Storm Drains	
14,250	
Protection & Safety	18,400
Community	14,500
Debt Service & Reserve	
<u>39,300</u>	
Total Expenses	
\$142,850	

This money will be raised as follows: \$27,500 to be requested from the Town of Northport on the warrant of its Annual Town Meeting, and the balance to be raised from the Village Tax. If the warrant is not approved by the Town of Northport, the budget will be raised entirely from the Village Tax.

Article 7: To approve borrowings by the Northport Village Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for working capital purposes. Funds are to be borrowed in anticipation of the 2005 taxes.

Article 8: To approve borrowings by the Northport Village Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$100,000. Funds are to be used towards replacement of the Community Hall and Wharf as needed, emergency repairs to utilities operated by the Village Corporation, or for reconstruction of shoreline damage to property owned by the Northport Village Corporation as a result of a storm.

Article 9: To fix a rate of interest on taxes delinquent after November 30, 2004. (The Town of Northport charges 6.5 %).

Article 10: Reports of Committees.

ADJOURNMENT

Dated: July 11, 2004.

Josiah Huntoon, President
Northport

Village Corporation
BOARD OF OVERSEERS

Peter Allen
Margaret Brockway
David Crofoot
Mary Hanrahan
Judy Metcalf
Michael Robbins
Peter Spollett

Eleanor D. Lagner, Clerk
Northport Village Corporation

Daniel Doucette, Treasurer
Northport Village Corporation

A true copy of the warrant,
Attest: Eleanor D. Lagner, Clerk
Northport Village Corporation

Note: Due to early publication, this warrant may be changed or amended before the August 10 Annual Meeting.

Property Tax Liens

7/07/04

Richard & Sharon Bowen
George and Charlene Drinkwater
Thomas & Janet Duggan
James Fielden
Sharon Fischer
Mrs. Thomas Gerrity
Claire Godholm
Harold & Julie Gray
Russel Handler Living Trust
Liane Hellerich
Gloria Seavey
Joann Simon & Ian Bruce
Madalena & Elaine Smith
Jefferson, James & John Spady

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