

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

Annual Meeting  
August 10, 2004

The Annual Meeting of the Northport Village Corporation was held on Tuesday, August 10, 2003, at 6:30 PM in the Bayside Community Hall with approximately 104 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 2003 Annual Report which was published more than 2 weeks before the Annual Meeting.

The Treasurer's Report as of December 17, 2003, follows:

General Government	\$74,724.68
Water Department	\$12,630.01
Sewer Department	\$30,567.79

The following is the Treasurer's Report of July 31, 2004:

General Government	
Checking	\$7,553.74
Community Hall	707.88
Money Market	<u>58,252.01</u>
Total	\$ 66,513.63
 Water Department	
Checking	\$43,240.34
Petty Cash	<u>100.00</u>
	\$43,340.34
 Sewer Department	
Checking	\$22,506.60
Petty Cash	<u>100.00</u>
Total	\$22,606.60

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

After being sworn in by the Clerk, Samway invited Betty Wilson, the Village librarian, to honor us by leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

In his opening remarks, Samway thanked Steve Trenholm for putting up the flag bunting, and Dick Tardif and Dick Brockway for setting up chairs and the microphone system in preparation for this meeting. He introduced the Overseers and Officers of the Village, then read a letter from Bill Paige, thanking the community for their support after the fire in his home. The Moderator concluded his remarks with the rules of the Town Meeting.

The Moderator appointed Stan Stalla, Joe Krulis, Jeanette Tardif, and Lisa Webster as ballot clerks. Registrars were Pam and Ed Williams.

(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 Julian Sheffield for treasurer, who was elected unopposed. Eleanor Lagner was the sole nominee for Clerk, and thus was re-elected.

(Article 3) Sid Block presented the Nominating Committee's slate for the office of Overseer. No nominations were made from the floor.

The following Overseers were elected by written ballot:

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

(Article 4) President's Report. After showing an aerial view of Bayside, Huntoon stated "This is what it is all about." He challenged people to thoughtfully consider how to progress forward in solving the problems facing Bayside.

(Article 5) Shall an Ordinance entitled "Northport Village Corporation Utility Ordinance" be enacted? Crofoot moved, seconded by Robbins, to move Article 5. Crofoot explained how the decision to ask for a Utilities Department was reached, and outlined the proposed Utility Department structure.

**Voted: yes: 38; no: 26.**

(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	54,400
Roads and Storm Drains	14,250
Protection & Safety	18,400
Community	14,500
Debt Service & Reserve	<u>39,300</u>
Total expenses	\$142,850

Doucette moved, seconded by Metcalf, that the Northport Village Corporation raise and appropriate \$142,850 for the fiscal year 2005. This money will be raised as follows: \$27,500 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.

A discussion followed about the new proposed "reserve account" which is set up to fund planning costs for the Phase III wastewater treatment project. Galen Plummer moved, seconded by Ken Vlodek, that the budget be amended to reduce the figure appropriated to \$122,850. **Defeated.**

Also expressed was a wish that more financial information be made available at the Annual Meeting.

The original motion to raise \$142,850 was **Voted.**

(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. So moved by Doucette, seconded by Allen. **Voted.**

(Article 8) Doucette moved, seconded by Metcalf, 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 9) To fix a rate of interest on taxes delinquent after November 30, 2005. Doucette moved, seconded by Crofoot, to charge the rate of interest that the Town of Northport charges. **Voted.**

(Article 10) Committee Reports:

Safety: Peter Allen presented the phone number to be called when a Bayside police presence was needed. Call 1-800-660-3398.

Utility Committee: Crofoot reported on the status of the infrastructure projects. Utility Superintendent John Fancy has submitted his resignation as of the end of August.

Crofoot also reviewed the final Parking Ordinance as adopted by the Overseers.

Facility Committee: Spollett reported an issue pending about a mailbox put up in Ruggles Park without permission.

Robbins explained how appeals may be made to the assessors about the new property assessments.

By motion of Jim Coughlin, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Eleanor D. Lagner, Clerk

Note: After the meeting adjourned, the new Board of Overseers and Officers were sworn in by the clerk.