# CLERKS REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NORTHPORT VILLAGE CORPORATION

## ANNUAL MEETING AUGUST 9, 2016

The Annual Meeting of the Northport Village Corporation was held on Tuesday, August 9, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in the Bayside Community Hall with approximately 74 voters present. The Clerk opened the meeting by reading the Call and Return on the Warrant. The Annual Warrant had been posted in five locations within the Village, and in the newspapers. The Warrant and Clerk's report of the Annual Meeting, 2015, had been included in the Annual Report which was published more than two weeks before the meeting.

**Article 1:** To choose a Moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting. Blair Einstein, representing the Nominating Committee, nominated Timothy Samway. There were no nominations from the floor. Timothy Samway was elected Moderator, by written ballot, of the Annual Meeting.

Samway welcomed everyone to the 101th Annual Meeting of the Northport Village Corporation. He then recognized Nadim El-Jaroudi, whose great, great grandfather was Ralph Flanders, one of the founding members of the Northport Golf Club, which celebrated its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year, and grandson of Josiah Huntoon, and asked him to lead those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Moderator Tim Samway recognized Judy Metcalf who thanked outgoing President Josiah Huntoon for his many, many years of service as President and Overseer of the Northport Village Corporation.

Moderator Samway recognized Bill Cressey who wanted to remind the community that a Celebration of Life was going to be held for long time beloved resident and Tree Warden, Jane Phillips, at the Community Hall the following Saturday, August 13 at 11:00 a.m.

Before reading the Rules of Procedure, the Moderator asked that we take a moment of reflection to remember our friends and neighbors who passed away since the last meeting. Samway said a few words about three of the names that were listed...Jeanette Tardif, served as Village Clerk for many years, Ed Lovejoy was an Overseer for over 20 years, and Jerry Savitz was elected as an Overseer, and also served five years as President of the Village Corporation. Voters were asked if there were any names that should be added so that the Clerk can include those names in her report.

Nathaniel J. Crowley John Facey Ed Lovejoy Fleta Frazier Metcalf Jane Phillips
Carl Rand
Jim Santerre
Jerry Savitz
Bob Stein
Jeanette Tardif

In his opening remarks, Samway introduced the Officers of the Village Corporation, members of the Board of Overseers, and Office Manager for the Village, Paul Bartels.

He then went over the requirements for voter eligibility and read the Rules of Procedure for the meeting. Samway emphasized that this was an open town meeting of the Northport Village Corporation and not a meeting of the Overseers and the Officers.

Samway stated that everyone who is a voter should feel they have the right and the privilege to speak, ask questions, make motions and at any time ask for clarification. The Moderator's job is to make sure all voters have their say and to be fair in all rulings. An additional reminder is that the Moderator will be the one to Call the Question and will do so after all voters have had their opportunity to speak. The Moderator will also be the one to ask for the Motion to adjourn and do so after the business of this meeting has been completed.

Samway thanked Paul Bartels for doing a great job producing this year's Annual Report, Bill Paige and crew for getting the Community Hall ready for the meeting, Joe Reilly and Steve Trenholm for the flags and patriotic bunting and Ned Lightner for setting up the sound system.

#### **Article 2:** President's Report

President Huntoon thanked all the Overseers' for their service. He recognized Dick Brockway for his hard work on the Infrastructure Committee. He noted that the President's Report was on page 13 of the Annual Report.

#### **Article 3:** Treasurer's Report

Prior to his report, Kazilionis recognized and thanked Paul Bartels for his ten years of service to the Village and presented him with a miniature replica of the Community Hall made by Dick Brockway.

Steve Kazilionis noted that copies of the Annual Report, Audited Financials and some supplementary reports for the year were available for anyone to take on a table at the front door. If needed, additional copies can be obtained from Paul Bartels in the office. His written Treasurer's Report is on page 14 of the Annual Report.

Prior to Article 4, Moderator Samway recognized Cynthia Stuen, grandmother of Anabelle & Wyatt, a 33 year resident at 17 Maple Street. She wanted to thank the Board

of Overseers and the community for the long awaited paving of Maple Street, with a special call-out to the Infrastructure Committee. No one has fallen or a truck, bike or car has skidded into the middle of Bay Street now that the gravel is gone.

**Article 4:** To see what sums of money the Northport Village Corporation will raise and appropriate for the following accounts for the fiscal year 2017.

#### **OVERSEERS PROPOSED BUDGET**

## Expenses:

Total Funds to be Raised

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Total 600	00 Administration	\$ 27,529
Total 619	99 Employee Wages & Benefits	\$ 29,541
Total 620	00 Buildings & Utilities	\$ 4,900
Total 629	00 Roads	\$ 15,000
Total 640	00 Community	\$ 40,850
Total 650	00 Protection & Safety	\$ 23,287
Total Lo	ng Term Debt Service	\$ 65,553
Total 820	00 Capital Expenditures & Contingency	\$ 28,115
Total Expenses		\$234,775
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The money will be raised as follows: \$25,000 will be requested from the Town of Northport on the \$25,000 warrant of its Annual Town Meeting. The NVC expects to raise \$8,000 in other revenue (\$6,000 rent, \$2,000 misc.), the balance (\$201,775) is to be raised from the Village Tax.

\$234,775

If the \$25,000 warrant is not approved by the voters of the Town of Northport, \$226,775 will be raised from the Village Tax.

Steve Kazilionis, Treasurer, explained the Budget.

John Woolsey moved that NVC will raise and appropriate \$234,775 for the fiscal year 2017; seconded by John Spritz.

The Moderator called for a vote on Article 4

**VOTED** – carried by the majority

Article 5: To see if the Northport Village Corporation will vote to appropriate and authorize a majority of the Overseers of the Corporation to borrow on behalf of the Northport Village Corporation and/or expend funds from accumulated surpluses, a principal amount not to exceed \$202,000 in anticipation of 2017 taxes and to issue and sell for that purpose general obligation bonds or notes of the Northport Village Corporation, the proceeds to be used for the purpose of providing working capital for

governmental activities of the Corporation, such bonds and notes to be issued upon such further terms or conditions as may be determined by a majority at least of the overseers of the Northport Village Corporation.

Judy Metcalf moved the article; seconded by Jo Huntoon.

Steve Kazilionis explained the Article.

There were no questions or comments and the Moderator called for a vote on Article 5.

**VOTED**-carried by the majority.

Article 6: To see if the Northport Village Corporation will vote to appropriate and authorize a majority of the overseers of the Corporation to borrow on behalf of the Northport Village Corporation a principal amount not to exceed \$250,000 and to issue and sell for general obligation bonds or notes of the Northport Village Corporation for that purpose and/or expend funds from accumulated surpluses, (the combined borrowing and use of surplus funds not to exceed \$250,000), for replacement and repair of Community Hall and Wharf as needed, repairs to utilities operated by the Village Corporation for reconstruction of shoreline damage to property owned by Northport Village Corporation or repairs of roads owned by the Corporation, such bonds and notes to be issued upon such further terms or conditions as may be determined by a majority of the overseers of the Northport Village Corporation, and further to authorize the overseers to accept and expend federal or state grants, execute any and all contracts and documents and take any all actions necessary or convenient to issue the bonds or notes of the Northport Village Corporation and accomplish the Project.

Judy Metcalf moved the Article; seconded by Jo Huntoon.

Steve Kazilionis explained the Article.

There were no questions or comments and the Moderator called for a vote on Article 6.

**VOTED** – carried by the majority.

**Article 7:** To see if the Northport Village Corporation will vote to authorize a majority of the Overseers of the Corporation to expend funds for support of providing entertainment and cultural events and the facilities therefore in the Village by using reserves previously accrued. (\$12,450).

Bill Cressey, who resides at 4 Bayview Park spoke to the Article. Thanks to the hard work of John Woolsey and the creation of Bayside Arts.

John Woolsey moved the Article; seconded by Judy Metcalf.

Steve Kazilionis explained the article. Lee Houghton made an Amendment to the article that "one-half of the \$12,450 (\$6,225.00) be set aside for the replacement of the sea wall".

Judy Metcalf spoke in favor of Article 7 as written.

Seeing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a vote on Article 7.

**VOTED** – carried by the majority.

**Article 8:** To fix a rate of interest on taxes delinquent after November 30, 2016, equal to that charged by the Town of Northport.

Judy Metcalf moved the Article; seconded by Jo Huntoon.

**Voted** – carried by the majority.

Article 9: To elect the Officers by written ballot (President, Clerk and Treasurer).

The Moderator asked Blair Einstein, representing the Nominating Committee, to present the slate of officers.

President –John Spritz was nominated. There were no nominations from the floor. John Spritz was elected President, by written ballot, of the Village Corporation for the coming year.

Treasurer – Steve Kazilionis was nominated. There were no nominations from the floor. Steve Kazilionis was elected Treasurer, by written ballot, for the coming year. Clerk – Maureen Einstein was nominated. There were no nominations from the floor. Maureen Einstein was elected Clerk, by written ballot, for the coming year.

**Article 10:** To elect Overseers by written ballot.

The Moderator asked Blair Einstein, representing the Nominating Committee, to present the slate of candidates for the seven positions for the office of Overseer. A slate of seven candidates was presented for the office of Overseer as follows: Richard Brockway, Lee Houghton, Wendy Huntoon, Victoria Matthews, Judy Metcalf, Paul Nyren, and John Woolsey. Samway asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor.

Overseers elected, by written ballot, to a one year term:

Richard Brockway, Lee Houghton, Wendy Huntoon, Victoria Matthews, Judy Metcalf, Paul Nyren and John Woolsey

Prior to the Reports of Committees, Tim Samway thanked Dan Webster for his web site and for "keeping all of us in touch".

### Article 11: Reports of Committees.

Reports of Committees were in the Annual Report. Samway asked if any of the Overseers would like to add any further information.

Communications: John Spritz will be working closely with Dan Webster to help make the community aware of what the Overseers are working on throughout the year. They have also had a trial run with videotaping the Overseer Meetings, thanks to Ned Lightner.

Facilities and Infrastructure Committee: Dick Brockway stated that the Maple Street Project was finished and successful mostly due to the efforts of Bill Paige. "We all owe thanks to Village Agent Paige for overseeing this complex project and getting it completed in a timely fashion. Bill Paige does more for this Village than anyone ever thinks of." He then presented Bill Paige with a miniature model of the Community Hall as gratitude for his many years of service.

Billy Paige thanked everyone and stated he loves the Bayside Community "he loves everyone to come for the summer, enjoy the summer, have and good time, and go home....." followed by much laughter. Gordon Fuller wanted everyone to recognize Bill's terrific assistant, Bill's wife Carla. Ned Lightner thanked Billy for keeping him informed with the progress on the Maple Street Project.

Dick Brockway thanked the "library ladies" for doing such a great job with the Library. The 2015 team were: Nancy Aebersold, Marge Brockway, Suellyn Fleming, Jayne Haverty, Dorrie Lloyd-Still, Joy Sherman, Carlton Smith, and Heidi Von Bergen.

Utilities: David Crofoot reported that our system continues to do well without violations for volume or quality. It was a quiet year and the Utilities Committee uses careful oversight so our license is not violated. He noted the success of the Maple Street Project in the replacement of utilities. Judy Metcalf said "we have had an incredibly dry summer and the key is dilution, so flush and flush often!"

Bayside Historical Preservation Society: Joe Reilly, President of BHPS, thanked Dick Brockway and all the work he does around the village. His work has touched all of Bayside and its residents.

Wharfmaster: Gordon Fuller stated "it was pretty much business as usual." He reminded us that overcrowding of dinghies on the boat float continues to be a problem. He encouraged everyone to keep their dinghies in full repair and remove their dinghy off the main float if they are not using it.

Tree Warden: Jane Strauss said it has been a pleasure working and coordinating with Billy Paige. Her report is on page 30 of the Annual Report.

The Moderator, Tim Samway, reminded everyone that anyone closing up their cottages at the end of the season, should keep the Northport Food Pantry in mind. Unopened cans, cereal, etc. can be used by the Food Pantry over the winter. The easiest thing to do is put them in a bag and place them on the porch at the Yacht Club. Or buy some raffle tickets to several auction items. The Food Pantry continues to need our support. This effort was begun by Patti Wright and taken over by Cathie Ross.

The Moderator recognized Bill Cressey, 4 Bayview Park. He reminded everyone to be aware of our Fire Ordinance. The Ordinance governs any and all outdoor fires within the limits of the Northport Village Corporation. A couple of fires were held on the beach in the Bayview Park area this summer. Some of these fires caused a great deal of smoke, consideration should be given to people with respiratory problems, etc. and the damage it can do to their health.

A copy of Fire Ordinance, adopted August 14, 2007, is attached to these minutes

#### **Adjournment:**

The Moderator, Tim Samway, asked Steve Trenholm to make a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Diane Melone. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Einstein, Clerk Northport Village Corporation