

**VILLAGE OF SHOREHAM
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF SHOREHAM HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, 80 WOODVILLE ROAD, SHOREHAM, NY ON DECEMBER 10th, 2019 AT 7:30 O’CLOCK PM.

PRESENT:

Brian C. Vail	MAYOR
Sherry Neff	TRUSTEE
Mariann Coogan	TRUSTEE
Laura Baisch	TRUSTEE
Edward Brickley	TRUSTEE
Cathy Donahue Spier	TREASURER
Cathy Silverstein	CLERK’S ASSISTANT

Commissioners, Officials, and Residents present: Neil Baggett & Nancy Delagi, Judy Buyar, John Caramihas, Joe Falco & Mimi Oberdorf, Bob Kavanaugh, Ruth & Larry Kogel, John & Laura DeTemple, BJ Richter, Donna Smith and others.

OPEN MEETING

Mayor Brian Vail opened the Regular meeting at 7:30 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Vail stated we would hear comments from residents before he made his comments. Neil Baggett thanked the Board for their support of TSVA events, especially the commemoration for veterans held immediately after TSVA’s annual meeting last month. Mimi Oberdorf also thanked everyone involved for such a great turnout for the November 10th event “Honoring Shoreham’s Veterans.”

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT TRUSTEE

Mayor Vail read the following Resolution:

WHEREAS there exists a vacancy on the Board of Trustees due to the retirement of Deputy Mayor & Trustee Leonard Emma, and

WHEREAS Trustee Emma has hereby resigned his position of Trustee, and

WHEREAS Mayor Vail has appointed Edward Brickley to fulfill Trustee Emma’s unexpired term of office,

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the appointment of Edward Brickley to the position of Trustee and that this appointment will take place immediately.

Approved
(Vail – Neff 5-0)

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS / CLERK/TREASURER REPORT

Record of Resident Communications: The Baio’s called in mid-November to say thank you for following up on their request to trim the overgrown corner of their street. Dawn Madigan emailed a thank you for clarifying the status of leaf bag pick-up. A resident called to ask why there isn’t a search engine for the Shoreham Village zoning codes.

Minutes: Approval of November 12, 2019 Board meeting minutes.

Approved
(Vail – Neff 5-0)

Financials/Approval of Expenditures:

Treasurer Cathy Donahue Spier reported that PSEG was charging the Village a fee of \$225 to create an estimate to bury the electrical lines by the bridge. This fee will be charged to the bridge exchange fund and the Village will be reimbursed by the bridge donors.

Treasurer Spier will make a formal financial report to the Board regarding the Capital Fund once all the road expenses are calculated. Treasurer Spier reported that she purchased \$510,000 in Certificates of Deposits to take advantage of the interest rate which is higher than the money market accounts..

ABSTRACT/INVOICE & PAYROLL APPROVAL

OPERATING FUND

2019012 - \$3,869.70 (Nov. 14th payroll)

2019013 - \$2,630.50 (Corrected checks which had been issued to wrong vendor in abstract number 2019011 approved at Nov. Board meeting)

2019014 - \$27,200.39 (bills received since Nov. board meeting)

2019015 - \$225.00 (PSEG engineering design fee)

Payroll Nov. 29 Paychex and Fed. & State Taxes - \$4,881.95

TOTAL: \$38,807.54

Motion to approve expenditures:

Approved

(Vail – Neff 5-0)

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO SIGN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN FOR THE REMOVAL OF ICE AND SNOW

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees desires to enter into an agreement with the Town of Brookhaven for the removal of ice and snow from Village streets for the calendar year of 2020;

WHEREAS the existing contract between the Village and the Town of Brookhaven for such services expires on December 31, 2019, and;

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees has received an updated Agreement from the Town of Brookhaven with the same terms as the existing Agreement except that the duration of this Agreement is from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Shoreham will approve the renewed Agreement for the removal of snow and ice between the Village and the town of Brookhaven and authorize the Mayor to sign said Agreement

Approved
(Vail – Baisch 5-0)

RENTALS / USE OF VILLAGE HALL:

Resident Jannie Van Steenbergen – Saturday, October 3, 2020 – UL – Wedding - \$2,000.00
Resident Val Naso – Saturday, June 19, 2021 – UL – Wedding - \$2,000 (or prevailing rate)

Approved
(Vail – Neff 5-0)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REPORT FROM TRUSTEE SHERRY NEFF:

Fire District Update: Trustee Neff reported that the plan to enlarge the fire district is on the Town of Brookhaven’s docket and sometime in January they will extend the boundaries of the Rocky Point Fire District to include the Inc. Village of Shoreham.

Landscaping: Trustee Neff reported that we are in good shape. The landscapers have been working on the area behind Briarcliff. There is a lot of debris to tackle there.

Rebuilt Paddle Tennis Path: Trustee Neff reported it's much easier to get to paddle tennis now that the path has been reconstructed.

REPORT FROM TRUSTEE MARIANN COOGAN:

Paddle Tennis Court Lighting Project Update:

Trustee Coogan reported the project has been completed. The lights were purchased based upon a lot of research. The same electrician who installed the parking lot lights installed the platform tennis lights. Mike Coogan, B J Richter, Brian Richter and Nancy Delagi spent a lot of time that day helping the electrician with the installation.

Mayor Vail thanked Trustee Coogan and asked her to investigate the blower system underneath the court and review the old invoices because the system will have to be redone soon.

REPORT FROM TRUSTEE LAURA BAISCH:

Handicap Lift Update: Trustee Baisch reported that the lift is nearing completion. They are working on the interior shaft and hope to have it up and running by the end of the month.

Hot Water Heater Update: The Village has received three proposals for the hot water heater. No decision has been made yet regarding the scope of the project including whether to consider updating the whole heating system. However, the fire suppression panel which has been displaying a low battery signal will be replaced in early January.

REPORT FROM TRUSTEE EDWARD BRICKLEY: Trustee Brickley acknowledged that he's "very new" at this but has been diligently at work making phone calls to find a new building inspector to work with Building Commissioner Joe Aretz. "I'll take any help I can get," he encouraged the attendees.

REPORT FROM MAYOR BRIAN VAIL:

Bridge Update: Mayor Vail reported Ed Weiss is still receiving pricing to bury the utility lines (electric, cable and telephone) around the bridge. This is the last piece of business to complete before the bridge renovation begins. To that end, former Mayor Weiss is reaching out to Suffolk County Legislator Sarah Anker to explore whether the county can give us any assistance.

Winter Village Hall Hours: Mayor Vail announced the Village Hall will be on winter hours until mid-spring and the Village Clerk's office will be open to the public Tuesday through Thursday from 10 to 2 and by appointment. The staff will continue with their regular working hours.

Assessment Update: Mayor Vail met with Assessor Leroy Barnes on November 22nd. Fifteen properties were appraised last year. The goal for the next two years is to have all properties assessed to establish a new tax base.

Snow Removal Contracts: The snow removal contract with the Town of Brookhaven was approved earlier in this meeting and the snow removal contract with S & S Landscaping will be on the agenda of January's meeting.

Search for New Clerk/Treasurer: Mayor Vail reported that we are putting notices in local publications and contacting local villages. The goal is to find a new clerk/treasurer by February.

Roads Update: Commissioner Larry Kogel reported that the project has been completed and we are waiting for the proper paperwork from the paving contractor.

RESIDENTS' COMMENTS/CONCERNS

Resident Laura DeTemple commented that cars are racing up and down her street (Dickerson Drive) and requested installation of a SLOW sign since seven children under the age of eight live on that street.

Resident Judy Buyar asked if there was any resolution regarding the water issue and the electrical panel. After the sprinkler system was shut off the basement stayed dry. Trustee Neff stated when we are doing the beds around the front of the building in early spring, we will move the box to the other side, noting "now that we have an irrigation specialist on the Board" indicating Ed Brickley.

Resident Donna Smith mentioned that the new Little Library has a steady rotation of books. Judy Buyar added that the kids getting off the school bus by the playground were enthusiastic patrons, but she wondered as to the appropriateness of the books available. Donna Smith reassured her stating she checks it all the time.

Resident John DeTemple asked who will be doing updated inspections on the new construction across the street from him. Mayor Vail assured him Building Commissioner Joe Aretz is speaking to the architects involved in Village home renovation projects and the architects will sign off on the completed construction.

Resident Joe Falco (who volunteers as Village Webmaster) responded to a resident's comment at the beginning of the meeting regarding a search engine for Village files noting there is a Table of Contents in the beginning of the Codes of the Village of Shoreham.

Resident Mimi Falco asked if there was any news about the old Briarcliff School, commenting they are asking a ridiculous price for it. Judy Buyar asked if all the asbestos had been removed. Larry Kogel stated it was.

Neil Baggett announced TSVA is holding an event at the Village Hall on Saturday, January 25th at 7 p.m.

Mayor Vail concluded the evening informing attendees that his monthly meetings with Village Attorney Anthony Tohill, Building Commissioner Joe Aretz, and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

Adrienne Kessel are productive since they discuss specific housing issues in the Village. He summarized their progress stating that the house on Dickerson has started construction, the Towerhill dumpsters have been removed, progress has been made with the dumpster problem at another house, notice was sent to board up the former Brumbaugh house, and a fence removal notice was sent to another homeowner.

MAYOR'S CONCLUDING REMARKS:

Have a good Christmas!

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn 8:35 PM

Approved

(Neff – Coogan 5-0)

Next meeting scheduled Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 7:30 pm.

Submitted,

Cathy Silverstein, Village Clerk's Assistant