

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING HELD BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF MASTIC BEACH ON TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2012 AT THE MASTIC BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT, 265 NEIGHBORHOOD ROAD, MASTIC BEACH, NEW YORK AT 7:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Mayor Biondi with approximately 50 residents in attendance.

Mayor Biondi led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

Roll Call was taken by the Village Clerk:

In attendance: Mayor Biondi, Trustee Bissonette, Trustee Cappiello, Trustee Morrow and Trustee Stiriz

Also in attendance: Village Attorney J. Lee Snead, Esq.  
Inspector Neubauer, Suffolk County Police Dept., 7<sup>th</sup> Precinct  
Sgt. Suarez, 7<sup>th</sup> Precinct

Inspector Neubauer reported to the residents several issues and incidents that had occurred in the Village. In particular, a shooting on Commack Road was addressed.

Mayor Biondi stated that a complaint that was issued at a Work Session of the Board the past week had been addressed and corrected with the help of Village Administrator Tim Brojer.

Sgt. Suarez also stated that Mr. Brojer had the ability to scrutinize home violations and that he is doing a great job. Both Village and S.C.P.D. are assisting each other in dealing with problems within the community.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried,** a Public Hearing regarding amendment of Chapter 310 of the Village Code, Closure of Public Parks was opened.

Village Attorney Snead explained the amendment regarding park closures and the necessity of having local law regarding same.

**Public Comment:**

Jean Volz: Mrs. Volz stated that she has resided across from the Legion Field since 1954 and was concerned with the problems occurring at night, especially cars parking at all hours and kids sleeping in the playground area. Mrs. Volz was also happy that the issue is being addressed. Mayor Biondi responded that the Village is working with the Town to fix everything up, including the play area and fences.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Stiriz, seconded by Trustee Cappiello and unanimously carried,** the Public Hearing was closed.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Bissonette, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to accept negative declaration for the purposes of SEQRA regarding a Local Law of 2012 amending Chapter 310, Public Parks.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Stiriz, seconded by Mayor Biondi and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to adopt a Local Law of 2012 amending Chapter 310, Public Parks.

**REGULAR MEETING**

**Upon motion made by Trustee Cappiello, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to approve and authorize the Village to enter an IMA for HAZMAT Services with the Town of Brookhaven.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Morrow, seconded by Trustee Bissonette and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to approve and authorize the Village to enter an IMA for OPTICON devices with the Town of Brookhaven.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Bissonette, seconded by Mayor Biondi and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to set a fee of \$20 per parcel to perform tax queries for searches requested by commercial entities; self-searches will continue to be at no cost.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Stiriz, seconded by Trustee Cappiello and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to authorize the expenditure of \$2,500.00 on June 1, 2012 to be designated for Village participation in the Tri-Hamlet Renaissance Project.

**Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Bissonette and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to approve a Warrant to Levy Taxes in the amount of One Million, six hundred twenty three thousand, three hundred dollars (1,623,300.) for refuse collection; and, One Million, one hundred ninety two thousand, one hundred two dollars and eighty six cents (1,192,102.86) for Real Property taxes for a total of Two million, eight hundred fifteen thousand, four hundred two dollars and eighty six cents (2,815,402.86) at a tax rate of \$12.7952 per hundred of assessed valuation.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Cappiello, seconded by Trustee Bissonette and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to approve the payment of presented bills as per Abstract #25-2011 in the amount of \$180,619.61.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Morrow, seconded by Mayor Biondi and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to approve the Meeting Minutes for April 4, 2012 Work Session.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Bissonette, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to approve the Meeting Minutes for April 10, 2012 Regular Meeting.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Stiriz, seconded by Trustee Cappiello and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to approve the Meeting Minutes for April 16, 2012 Budget Hearing.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Cappiello, seconded by Trustee Morrow and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to approve the Meeting Minutes for April 18, 2012 Special Meeting & Work Session.

**Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Cappiello and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to approve the Meeting Minutes for April 25, 2012 Work Session.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Morrow, seconded by Trustee Bissonette and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to approve the Meeting Minutes for May 2, 2012 Work Session.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Bissonette, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to cancel the May 9, 2012 Work Session.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Bissonette, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to Set a Public Hearing regarding Stop Signs within the Village on June 12, 2012.

**Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Cappiello and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED** to Set a Public Hearing on June 12, 2012 regarding Chapter 350 of the Mastic Beach Village Code, Bamboo.

#### **TRUSTEE REPORTS:**

Trustee Morrow thanked Mayor Biondi for appointing him as the liaison to Code Enforcement. Trustee Morrow reported the following for the month of April:

- 160 complaints were received
- 54 warnings issued
- 49 Appearance Tickets issued
- 54 Complaints were unfounded
- 3 Complaints are pending outcome of investigation

Trustee Cappiello, liaison to the Building Department, reported the following:

- 17 Building permits issued
- 28 Rental permits issues
- 9 Certificate of Occupancy issued
- 3 Certificates of Existing Use issued
- 2 Certificates of Compliance issued
- 22 Property searches completed
- 4 Stop Work Orders issued
- 4 Residences referred to the Zoning Board of Appeals
- 6 homes closed due to unfit for occupancy

Trustee Stiriz, liaison to the Highway and Public Works reported that \$195,000 has been secured via CHIPS funding for road repairs within the Village. A new truck was purchased, and a vac system for storm drains, pot hole patching equipment is also being investigated as possible purchases. Trustee Stiriz commended Frank Perino Sr. and Frank Perino Jr. for their hard work in cleaning up the Village streets.

Trustee Stiriz also reported that DEC permits are still pending for waterfront road repairs and that engineer drawings are also being compiled for Cranberry Dock. The Village is looking into receiving 75% of funding from the Federal government, with the remaining 25% from New York State.

Mayor Biondi reported that clean-up crews were working along Neighborhood Road, grass cutting and weed whacking along the roadways.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Bruce Summa: Asked the Board why 2 Code Enforcement officers in the same car. Trustee Morrow responded that one was to observe and the other to act and that the safety of the officers is priority.

Jeff Proctor: Stated that Public Safety should not be viewed as a money making endeavor.

Maureen DeMaio: Stated that Neighborhood Road looks beautiful with positive comment regarding the newly planted flowers.

Mayor Biondi thanked Nick and Rae Busa and the other volunteers for their help in organizing and handling the beautification along Neighborhood Road.

Kitty Hennessey: Asked what the Tri- Hamlet Day was about. Trustee Stiriz explained the events scheduled for June 9<sup>th</sup> and encouraged the residents to enjoy the festivities. Senator Lee Zeldin is looking to secure funding for our area regarding infrastructure, such as sewers, for our area.

Marsha Faison: Inquired as to the status of the tear-down on Hemlock. The Board explained that Hemlock is being addressed.

Mary Rose Feeney: Stated to the Board certain concerns with neighbors regarding safety and security and asked the Board to pull rental permits from some.

Jane Powers: Section 8 housing with 3 police visits can lose right of Section 8 forever and can the Village write similar law into code. Also, skateboard prohibition is an issue. Mayor Biondi explained that after review of the code, there is no prohibition.

Tony D'Amico: Is the Village considering creating a Housing Authority? Trustee Stiriz stated that it is not an easy process and other villages have not provided positive feedback.

Anne Leonardi: Is over-occupancy a reason to pull a rental permit? Attorney Snead explained that proof is needed, the renter would have to admit, etc. Village would also have to gain access into the home to prove. Trustee Morrow also added that yearly inspections for the issuance of rental permits will help Village in addressing problems.

Jennifer Griffin: Asked if it were possible for the Village to acquire Violet's Cove.

Lucille Hynes: Stated to the Board that yard sales confined in the rear yard of residences is an issue.

Marsha Faison: Thanked Mayor Biondi for giving children a tour of the fire department and that it was very much appreciated.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Stiriz, seconded by Trustee Cappiello and unanimously carried,** the Board entered Executive Session at 8:42 p.m.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Stiriz, seconded by Trustee Morrow and unanimously carried,** the Board ended Executive Session at 9:50 p.m.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Stiriz, seconded by Trustee Morrow and unanimously carried,** the Board re-convened the Regular Meeting at 9:50 p.m.

Trustee Bissonette left at 9:50 p.m. due to illness.

Mayor Biondi stated that a second newsletter is in the process of completion by ECM, Inc.

**Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Cappiello and unanimously carried,** the Board Authorized the expenditure of \$3,975.00 for the second newsletter, to be paid to ECM, Inc., subject to review and approval of the Board of Trustees.

**Upon motion made by Trustee Stiriz, seconded by Trustee Morrow and unanimously carried,** the meeting was closed at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Virgilia C. Gross  
Village Clerk

May 22, 2012

