

**MINUTES OF THE WEEKLY WORK SESSION HELD BY THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF MASTIC BEACH
ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2012 AT THE TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN
SENIOR NUTRITION CENTER, 369 NEIGHBORHOOD ROAD,
MASTIC BEACH, NEW YORK AT 5:00PM**

The Work Session was called to order at 5:07 PM by Mayor Biondi with approximately 12 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 Cappiello
Trustee Morrow
Trustee Stiriz
Trustee Bissonette

Also Present: Christopher Bianco, Esq.
Village Clerk Virgilia Gross

Mayor Biondi reported on the status of the storm clean up with debris removal in most areas three times. It was discussed to have December 10th as the cut-off for storm debris clean-up, with website posting and placed in newsletter. Mr. Scully from the DEC will be coming to the Village to coordinate wetland clean up with Vector Control; including docks with all permits to be waived for same; MBPOA will also assist in saving those docks still intact.

Deputy Mayor Stiriz stated that the County has contracted with private companies for debris removal and that hundreds of tons of debris are still left within same.

Mayor Biondi gave an update regarding FEMA, with yet another version of answers. According to FEMA, they hired a lot of new people and that it is causing confusion. A discussion was held regarding a proposal to waive building permit fees for 45 – 60 days and who would be eligible for the waiver. An I.M.A. with the Town of Brookhaven for salt and sand is still pending.

Deputy Mayor Stiriz discussed the tourism grant funding still available to the Village until December 31st and announced the tree lighting at the gazebo by the Chamber of Commerce and the Cultural Arts Guild; Mayor Biondi will notify E.M.S. of same.

A press release by Congressman Bishop regarding the renaming of the Mastic Beach Post Office Building was discussed and that the Long Island Housing Partnership \$5,000 grant for residents will be placed in the newsletter.

Trustee Bissonette asked for clarification of “fixtures” as referred to in the proposed resolution setting fees for the building department from Attorney Bianco. Attorney Bianco replied that the language is drawn from the New York State Building and Fire Code and recommended mirroring the terminology to avoid confusion.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Cappiello and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Authorize a Sixty (60) day waiver of building application fees beginning on November 28, 2012.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Deputy Mayor Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Authorize a press release with Congressman Timothy Bishop regarding the renaming of the Mastic Beach Post Office building and directing the Village Clerk to prepare same.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Bissonette and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Set December 11, 2012 at 6:00 pm as the date of a Public Hearing to be held by the Board of Trustees sitting as the Planning Board regarding an application submitted by Robert Carmichael of Unicorn Motors.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Morrow and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Set Fees for the application, Renewal or Amendment of Building Permits.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Cappiello and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Reject an RFP received by Nelson, Pope and Voorhis, LLC for an Environmental Impact Study for the proposed Zoning Code.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Morrow and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Authorize the re-publication of an RFP for an Environmental Impact Study for the proposed Zoning Code and to publish the RFP in Newsday.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Bissonette and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Set January 8, 2013 as the date of a Public Hearing regarding a Local Law of 2013 proposing amendment to Chapter 330-4, Signs, of the Mastic Beach Village Code.

Attorney Bianco reported that the Zoning Commission had completed mapping and that they are awaiting a version of the Village tax map from Administrator Brojer. Mayor Biondi asked for clarification regarding public hearings and the number of hearings required. Attorney Bianco explained that the Board will accept the document at a meeting and then vote on what to present to Suffolk County. Another hearing will then be commenced after it is returned from the County with a recommendation of at least two public hearings before submission to Suffolk County. The Board can also accept the Zoning document at its Work Session.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tom Fox: Inquired as to the Code of Ethics posted on the website and if it is in force at this time; if the environmental impact study is due to zoning changes; amount of debris along waterfront and the offer to pull same by boat from water. Mayor Biondi will clear all options for debris with Mr. Scully before anyone touches the wetlands.

Jane Powers: Street signs are missing; five people are left to do all the planning for emergency situations with the recommendation to form a task force for same and a suggestion to give generators to gas stations in exchange for exclusive pumping of five-gallon containers.

Maryann Toth: Addressed the Board regarding issues and violations received by her mother for residence located on Shore Drive. Mayor Biondi responded with answers to her questions that he received the other day and stated that the inspector had permission to enter the home.

Tom Fox: Suggested that the Village institute an emergency plan for the future. Deputy Mayor Stiriz responded that the Village had an emergency plan in place days before the storm hit and that the Village was prepared, however, Suffolk County and the Town of Brookhaven changed the plan mid-stream and that the lines of communication between LIPA and the Village had been broken by the Town and the County.

Jane Powers: stated that she has heard that building inspectors are walking into homes without permission.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Deputy Mayor Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Enter Executive Session at 6:28 PM.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Bissonette and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to End Executive Session at 7:36 PM.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Deputy Mayor Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to re-open the Work Session at 7:36 PM.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Morrow and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Approve the promotion of Village employee Anne Snyder to Code Enforcement Dispatcher at a rate of \$17 per hour on a part-time basis.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Deputy Mayor Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to End the Work Session at 7:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Virgilia C. Gross
Village Clerk

December 7, 2012