

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY WORK SESSION AND PUBLIC HEARINGS HELD BY
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF MASTIC
BEACH ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2013 AT
THE MASTIC BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT,
265 NEIGHBORHOOD RD, MASTIC BEACH, NEW YORK AT 7:00PM**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Mayor Biondi with approximately 35 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, Deputy Mayor Stiriz, Trustee Morrow, Trustee Busa

Absent: Trustee Cappiello

Also Present: Brian Egan, Village Attorney
Susan Draghi, Village Clerk
Tim Brojer, Village Administrator
Inspector Neubauer – SCPD 7th Pct.
Sgt. Brasco – SCPD 7th Pct.

Mayor Biondi presented the Cahill family with a check from the Robin Hood Foundation.

Inspector Neubauer addressed the audience and introduced Sgt. Brasco. Inspector Neubauer gave a report informing everyone that there has been a rise of people stealing copper. They both took questions and comments from the audience.

Upon Motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Deputy Mayor Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Amend Section 260-1-4 of Chapter of the Village Code to include a mortgagee the definition of owner.

PUBLIC HEARING

Joe Mallia: Is mortgagee “bank” considered responsible for a property that is not being maintained? Attorney Egan replied with yes.

Dick Westhoff: When does the bank become responsible? Attorney Egan responded by saying when the bank takes possession of the property.

Victor Zeleny: What happens if there are multiple mortgages? Attorney Egan responded by saying that one bank will come forward as the primary and the court will award that bank and therefore, will become responsible.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Deputy Mayor Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Close the Public Hearing.

Upon Motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Busa and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED approving the payment of presented bills as per Abstract No. 3-2013 in the amount of \$391,864.96

Upon Motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Deputy Mayor Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED adopting the National Incident Management System (NIMS).

Upon Motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Morrow and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED referring the proposed zoning code, zoning map, FGEIS and other pertinent documents to the Suffolk County Planning Commission.

Upon Motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Busa and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED accepting the final Generic Environmental Impact Statement (FGEIS) for the proposed zoning code.

Upon Motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Busa and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to withdraw the discussion on the sewer system until the Work Session on September 4, 2013.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Mayor Biondi on behalf of Trustee Cappiello:

- Robin Hood funds are still available until the end of September. We have given out approximately \$129,000 already.
- Lake Grove Cultural Arts, Recreation and Education Society will be hosting a fundraiser on August 25th to help residents of the Village of Mastic Beach that are still recovering from Super Storm Sandy.

Trustee Morrow:

For the month of July:

- 317 Complaints received
- 106 Appearance tickets issued
- 20 Unfounded complaints
- 82 Closed by compliance
- 60 Warnings issued

Trustee Busa on behalf of Trustee Cappiello:

For the month of July:

- 50 Rental permits issued
- 16 Building permits issued
- 10 Compliance with code
- 2 Existing CO's
- 10 Certificate CO's
- 37 Property searches

Mayor Biondi mentioned that the Village receives many complaints about run down houses and to date the Village has taken down 8 houses. The Village has a list of approximately 22 houses that need to come down. Also, DPW has been taken off highway because of the complaints of high grass at vacant houses and having them cut the grass at these properties. Because of this, we can now put liens on these properties. Kate Browning's office is working with us on this problem.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Geoff Slack: Commenting on the Newsday article in today's paper. Positive comments and is very proud of what the Village has done so far.

Wayne Miranda: Asked about the rumor if the Village Code Enforcers carry side arms. Mayor Biondi addressed that by saying that no Code Enforcer will carry side arms, it's just a rumor. Mr. Miranda also asked about the bids for the cost of house demolition. Mayor Biondi responded by saying that it is very expensive to buy the equipment and we don't know how long it will last with taking houses down. Right now when we take a house down it costs between \$8,000 - \$10,000. For Suffolk County to take it down it costs \$35,000. It's easier to contract it out and it gets billed back to the property.

Ava Wolmut-Stankiewicz: Asking for more support from Code Enforcement and the Fire Dept. for all organized events.

Dick Westhoff: Wanted to know if anyone has ever inspected the houseboat in Section 5 and their sewage system. Village Administrator Tim Brojer has already met with the owner.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Morrow and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Close the Public Hearing.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Busa and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Entered Executive Session at 7:42PM for the purpose of personnel discussion.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Morrow and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to End Executive Session at 9:11pm.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Morrow and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to open Monthly Meeting at 9:11pm

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Deputy Mayor Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to accept the donation of a vehicle from MBFD.

Upon Motion made by Trustee Morrow, seconded by Deputy Mayor Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to End the Regular Meeting at 9:15PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Draghi
Village Clerk

Dated: August 13, 2013