

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING HELD BY THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF MASTIC BEACH
ON TUESDAY, JULY 8, 2014 AT
MASTIC BEACH VILLAGE HALL,
369 NEIGHBORHOOD RD, MASTIC BEACH, NEW YORK AT 7:00PM**

The Monthly Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Mayor Biondi with approximately 80 residents in attendance.

Mayor Biondi led the audience with the Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Roll Call was taken by the Village Clerk.

In attendance: Mayor Biondi

Trustee Stiriz

Trustee Summa

Absent: Deputy Mayor Busa

Trustee Sperry

Also Present: Attorney Brian Egan

Village Clerk Susan Draghi

Village Administrator Timothy Brojer

Guest Speaker: Sgt. Beran – SCPD 7th Pct.

Mayor Biondi welcomed everyone to the meeting and started the meeting with introducing Sgt. Beran of the SCPD 7th Pct. Sgt. Beran reported that crime is falling within the Village and things are pretty quiet. In the past month the precinct received a few calls regarding dirt bikes and also a lot of complaints on July 4th for fireworks. Sgt. Beran then took questions and comments from the audience.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Amending Chapter 197

John Mutt – is very happy to see it go.

Susan Alevas – supports the change

Ernie Hoffstaetter – feels it's the right thing to do.

Mary Durant – very happy to see it stopped.

Karen Rivera – will not go along with it if it continues.

Michelle Wilkinson – against the permits, it limits the choices

Donna Maurice – wasn't even aware there was a list

Ida Weitzel – would like to see the contractor permits stopped.

Thomas Cassano – complained about the different licenses in Suffolk County,

Leo Garvey – doesn't understand why people who have a Suffolk County license needs a permit in the village

Chris Riccardi – if you do the work yourself on your home you don't need the insurance. Only if you have a contractor – they need the insurance.

Mary Duran – doesn't understand why you would need someone to get a permit to do landscaping, tree trimmer, etc.

Upon motion made by Trustee Summa, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to close the Public Comments.

Upon motion made by Trustee Summa, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to amend Section 197 of the Village Code to remove the contractor registration requirement.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Amending Section 530-5-3

Ernie Hoffstaetter – very concerned, doesn't make sense. Opposed to the amendment.

Geoff Slack – is very happy that the Planning Board is getting involved. Would like the Planning Board meet with the Village Board, in public.

Anne Snyder – agreed with Mr. Slack to meet but at possibly at a special meeting where everyone can sit down and have a say. Mayor Biondi addressed Ms. Snyder and suggested that the Board would sit and discuss everything first and then have a public meeting.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Summa and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Table amending Section 530-5-3 until August 6, 2014 Work Session.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED authorizing the payment of Presented Bill as per Abstract A2-2014(a) in the amount of \$94,863.73.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to approve the exempt status for the Arthur H. Clune Post #1533 American Legion, as a Legal Veterans Organization from all Village fees.

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Trustee Stiriz – DPW

-New mowing system coming in this week.

-Still cleaning out drains with the supersucker. There have been over 2,500 damaged pipes. 3 actual catch basins damaged along the waterfront. Over 600 drains have been cleaned out. Most of the drains were damaged from SuperStorm Sandy.

Trustee Summa - Code Enforcement

After spending over \$350,000 on Code Enforcement, there is no need for 2 men per car. I find this a waste of money and don't feel that we need this over a 15 hour period of time. In my opinion, there should only be one man in one car for the day and two men in one car at night. On another issue, I called Code to an address on a complaint. I was told by the dispatcher that this was a "neighbor dispute" and no car would be dispatched.

287 – Number of Complaints Received
50 – Appearance Tickets Issued
56 – Unfounded Complaints
113 – Closed by Compliance
45 – Work Orders Issued
209 – Notice to Comply
27 – Warnings Issued

Mayor Biondi told the audience that he had a conversation with Tim Bishop in reference to the beach replenishment and it's on target for the first or second week in September, providing that Suffolk County get all of their paperwork in and to find a contractor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Maureen DiMeo – thanked everyone who works so hard for this Village and also asked for donations for the Outreach Program.

Anne Snyder – questioned about the company that we might have hired, a few months ago, regarding getting back money from LIPA and Cablevision. Did we hire that company? Mayor Biondi said that we are collecting money from Cablevision and LIPA has not been resolved yet.

Vinnie Martin and Gail Riccobono – Feral Cats Program (ARF) – addressed the audience by telling everyone that on July 17th from 9am – 10am there will be a mobile unit in the Village parking lot to accept feral cats so they can be spayed and neutered.

Susan Alevas – thanked the Mayor and DPW for clearing out the drains. Ms. Alevas asked the Board a large amount of questions and the Mayor and Attorney Egan responded to all of them.

Julie San Pietro – Apologized to the Mayor for what was said at the last meeting. Also, thanked Trustee Sperry and Trustee Summa for attending the Boy Scouts meeting.

Ernie Hoffstaetter – The parking concern, it is a concern. The Planning Board reviews this, . I believe accessory apartments should be eliminated. This should not include the existing ones. They should be phased out.

Kevin O'Donnell – Apartment renewals – are they going to be denied in the flood zone area? Attorney Egan responded by saying it the landlord would have to certify the house is in compliance with the FEMA height regulations before a rental permit would be issued.

Lorraine Rimmelin – Thanked the woman who spoke and asked the “tough” questions.

Alan Chasinov – Commented on how people stand up and question and badger the Board.

Donna Maurice – Thanked the Mayor for answering all the questions. Also, asked Trustee Summa to repeat some of his responses since he could not be heard.

Kurt Rasmussen – Voiced his opinion on different topics.

Ernie Hoffstaetter – Thanked the Board for doing such a great job.

Anne Snyder – Asked if an Ethics Board was formed. Attorney Egan said that it is on his desk to do.

Susan Alevas – Addressed Attorney Egan regarding Deputy Mayor Busa. Is Deputy Mayor Busa working in a dual capacity? Attorney Egan responded by saying no.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to close the Public Comments.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to close Public Comments and enter Executive Session for litigation issues at 10:02pm.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to close the Executive Session and to re-open the Public Meeting at 10:40pm.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to authorize the appeal of discussion of the MBPOA.

Upon motion made by Trustee Summa, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to close the Public Meeting at 10:41pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Draghi
Village Clerk

Dated: July 8, 2014