

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL WORK SESSION HELD BY THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF MASTIC BEACH
ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2014 AT
MASTIC BEACH VILLAGE HALL
369 NEIGHBORHOOD RD, MASTIC BEACH, NEW YORK AT 5:00PM**

The Work Session was called to order at 5:08 PM by Mayor Biondi with 7 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
Deputy Mayor Busa
Trustee Stiriz
Trustee Spery

Absent: Trustee Summa

Also Present: Attorney Christopher Bianco
Village Clerk Susan Draghi

Guest Speaker: Frank Russo – H2M Architects & Engineers

Mayor Biondi introduced Mr. Russo from H2M Architects & Engineers. Mr. Russo presented to the Board an update of the study of the sewer system. Mr. Russo explained that the map is ready to be finalized and he is here to discuss the second phase. The next phase is to have a public hearing, public referendum and then it can be submitted to the State. Mr. Russo then introduced Bonnie Francis, project manager, who explained to the Board her investigation. Ms. Francis explained the different steps that need to happen and took questions from the Board.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to prohibit parking on certain streets during the Blue Claw Crab Festival on August 24, 2014 from 9am – 9pm.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Deputy Mayor Busa and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to change the status of Village employee Kristin Gionta.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Authorize payment of presented bills as per Abstract No. H2-2014 in the amount of \$3,999.80.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Authorize payment of presented bills as per Abstract No. A3-2014(b) in the amount of \$2,117.19.

Mayor Biondi welcomed Tom Gross, chairman of the Planning Board, Chris Riccardi and Tim Brojer. Tom Gross was asked to discuss the proposed local law change. Mr. Gross specifically asked what are your concerns today that you would want changed? Mayor Biondi said that one of the main concerns is that villages are always changing laws and codes every day. Right now it's very difficult for someone to do work on their house. I would like to fine tune it so a resident can work without too many restrictions and not have to go to the Planning Board for everything. All the resident would have to do is come in to Village Hall for a permit on minor home improvements. After a lengthy discussion it has been Tabled for further discussion and to set a Public Hearing at the next Work Session on September 3, 2014.

Upon motion made by Trustee Stiriz, seconded by Trustee Spery and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to TABLE the discussion of Section 530-5-3 until September 3, 2014.

Upon motion made by Deputy Mayor Busa, seconded by Trustee Spery and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to Set a Public Hearing for September 9, 2014 at 7pm to Amend Section 530-5-3 of the Village Code to Streamline the site development plan approval process.

Upon motion made by Deputy Mayor Busa, seconded by Mayor Biondi and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to hire Stephen Colaianni as Clerk Typist, pending Civil Service approval, at \$15.00 per hour for no more than 20 hours per week effective August 29, 2014.

Mayor Biondi suggested that an RFP should be done to look for a new process server. Hopefully by the next work session we should have a name.

Trustee Spery asked if there have been any tickets issued on the blighted houses. Mayor Biondi responded by saying that there hasn't been any tickets issued.

Trustee Spery said that in 2011 bike racks were purchased and asked when the bike racks will go up. Mayor Biondi responded by saying that we have them and one of the reasons why they haven't gone up yet is because the park benches that were put up were destroyed and/or stolen.

Trustee Spery mentioned that she was never given an Employee Handbook and would like one.

Trustee Spery asked if the Village will be looking into a housing trust. Mayor Biondi said that he is working on it with Assemblyman Ed Hennessey and Town Supervisor Ed Romaine.

Tim Brojer brought up 25 Bayside. Mayor Biondi addressed this address with Attorney Bianco saying that it has been abandoned for many years. He would like to start the process of removing the house. The other location is 35 Edgewater. Mayor Biondi said that it has been condemned by the Village.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Stiriz and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED to enter Executive Session at 7:03pm.

Upon motion made by Mayor Biondi, seconded by Trustee Spery and unanimously

carried, it was RESOLVED to end Executive Session and the Work Session at 7:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Draghi
Village Clerk

Dated: August 20, 2014