

CLERKS REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE NORTHPORT VILLAGE CORPORATION

ANNUAL MEETING
AUGUST 9, 2011

The Annual Meeting of the Northport Village Corporation was held on Tuesday, August 9, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. in the Bayside Community Hall with 61 voters present. The Clerk opened the meeting by reading the Call and Return on the Warrant. The Annual Warrant had been posted in five locations within the Village, and in the newspapers. The Warrant and Clerk's report of the Annual Meeting, 2010, had been included in the Annual Report which was published more than two weeks before the meeting.

Article 1: To choose a Moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting. Heidi Von Bergen, representing the Nominating Committee, nominated Timothy Samway. There were no nominations from the floor. J. Timothy Samway was elected Moderator of the Annual Meeting.

Before reading the Rules of Procedure, the Moderator asked that we take a moment of reflection to remember our friends and neighbors who passed since the last meeting. Voters were asked if there were any names that should be added so that the Clerk can include those names in her report.

Hester Abbuhl
Martha Borgeson
David Ebitz
John Hay Rabb
Marilyn Rosenblum
Diane Whitten
Mary Wiecha

In his opening remarks, Samway introduced the Officers of the Village Corporation, members of the Board of Overseers, and Office Manager for the Village, Paul Bartels. He then went over the requirements for voter eligibility and read the Rules of Procedure for the meeting.

Samway thanked Paul Bartels for doing a great job producing this year's Annual Report, and acting as the village photographer and Steve Trenholm and Billy Haverty for putting up the patriotic bunting on the Community Hall. He also thanked Dick and Marge Brockway for getting the Community Hall ready for the meeting. Samway acknowledged Jim Dean as the oldest resident attending this year's Annual Meeting.

Samway introduced Jeanette Tardiff, former Clerk of the Northport Village Corporation, and asked her to begin with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Article 2: President’s Report

Josiah Huntoon recognized the Overseers and Officers and thanked them for their generous time and contributions to the village. He also recognized Fernie Barton and Dick McElhaney for all their work with the Utilities Department and Tree Warden, Jane Phillips for her continued efforts.

Article 3: Bill Cressey noted that copies of the Annual Report, Treasurer’s Report and sets of the Audited Financials for the year were available for anyone to take on a table at the front door. His written Treasurer’s Report is on page 14 of this years Annual Report. Anyone with questions can email him at wcessey@gmail.com and they will receive a detailed response to their questions.

Article 4: To see what sums of money the Northport Village Corporation will raise and appropriate for the following accounts for the fiscal year 2012.

OVERSEERS PROPOSED BUDGET

Total Income:	\$204,332
Expenses:	
General Government	\$62,110
Roads and Storm Drains	\$10,000
Protection and Safety	\$22,050
Community	\$33,667
Debt Service	\$44,505
Transfer to Sewer	\$10,000
Contingency Reserve	<u>\$22,000</u>
Total expenses:	\$204,332

This money will get raised as follows: \$25,000 will be requested from the Town of Northport on the warrant of its Annual Town Meeting, and the balance is to be raised from the Village Tax. If the warrant is not approved by the Town of Northport, the budget amount will be raised entirely from the Village Tax.

Bill Cressey explained the Budget in detail.

Steve Kazilionis moved that NVC will raise and appropriate \$204, 332 for the fiscal year 2012; seconded by Judy Metcalf. Questions were taken from the floor. Dan Webster asked what percentage of the Town of Northport taxes does Bayside pay. Judy Metcalf responded that the percentage is approximately thirty percent. Judy Metcalf noted that a detailed explanation of the \$25,000 request from the Village to the Town of Northport is in the Annual Report on page 12.

The Moderator called for a vote on Article 4. **VOTED** – carried by the majority.

Article 5: To see if the Northport Village Corporation will vote to appropriate and authorize a majority of the overseers of the Corporation to borrow on behalf of the Northport Village Corporation, a principal amount not to exceed \$75,000 in anticipation of 2012 taxes and to issue and sell for that purpose general obligation bonds or notes of the Northport Village Corporation, the proceeds to be used for the purpose of providing working capital for governmental activities of the Corporation, such bonds and notes to be issued upon such further terms or conditions as may be determined by a majority at least of the overseers of the Northport Village Corporation.

Judy Metcalf moved the Article to be accepted as written; seconded by Marge Brockway.

The Moderator called for a vote on Article 5. **VOTED** – carried by the majority.

Article 6: To see if the Northport Village Corporation will vote to appropriate and authorize a majority of the overseers of the Corporation to borrow on behalf of the Northport Village Corporation, a principal amount not to exceed \$100,000 and to issue and sell for that purpose, general obligation bonds or notes of the Northport Village Corporation, the proceeds to be used for the purpose of replacement and repair of the Community Hall and Wharf as needed, repairs to utilities operated by the Village Corporation, for reconstruction of shoreline damage to property owned by the Northport Village Corporation or repairs of roads owned by the Corporation, such bonds and notes to be issued upon such further terms or conditions as may be determined by a majority, at least of the overseers of the Northport Village Corporation, and further to authorize the overseers to accept and expend federal or state grants, execute any and all contracts and documents and take any and all actions necessary or convenient to issue the bonds or notes of the Northport Village Corporation and accomplish the Project.

Judy Metcalf moved the Article; seconded by Ned Lightner. Questions were taken from the floor.

The Moderator called for a vote on Article 6. **Voted** – carried by the majority.

Article 7: To fix a rate of interest on taxes delinquent after November 30, 2011, equal to that charged by the Town of Northport.

Steve Kazilionis moved the article; seconded by Judy Metcalf.

Judy Metcalf explained that the law requires that the interest rate set on delinquent taxes for the Northport Village Corporation be the same as the Town of Northport.

The Moderator called for a vote on Article 7. **VOTED** – carried by the majority.

Article 8: To elect the Officers by written ballot (President, Clerk and Treasurer). The Moderator asked Heidi Von Bergen, representing the Nominating Committee, to present the slate of officers.

President – Josiah Huntoon was nominated. There were no nominations from the floor.

Josiah Huntoon was elected President of the Village Corporation for the coming year.

Treasurer – William Cressey was nominated. There were no nominations from the floor.

William Cressey was elected Treasurer for the coming year.

Clerk – Maureen Einstein was nominated. There were no nominations from the floor.

Maureen Einstein was elected Clerk for the coming year.

Article 9: To elect Overseers by written ballot. The Moderator asked Heidi Von Bergen, representing the Nominating Committee, to present the slate of candidates for the office of Overseer. A slate of eight candidates was presented for seven positions by Von Bergen for the office of Overseer as follows: Cindy Bravo, Margaret Brockway, Lee Houghton, Steve Kazilionis, Ned Lightner, Judy Metcalf, Maureen O’Keefe and Dennis Wang. Samway asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor.

Candidates for Overseer were asked to introduce themselves.

Samway asked Joe & Paula Reilly, Heidi Von Bergen & Lisa Webster to be Ballot Clerks for the election of Overseers by written ballot.

A vote was taken by written ballot. Votes were cast as follows:

Cindy Bravo – 29	Ned Lightner – 44
Marge Brockway – 58	Judy Metcalf – 41
Lee Houghton – 58	Maureen O’Keefe - 58
Steve Kazilionis – 53	Dennis Wang - 59

Overseers elected to a one year term:

Margaret Brockway, Lee Houghton, Steve Kazilionis, Ned Lightner,
Judy Metcalf, Maureen O’Keefe and Dennis Wang.

Article 10: Reports of Committees. Reports of Committees were in the Annual Report. Samway asked if any of the Overseers would like to add any further information.

Communications: Maureen O’Keefe reported that the zero sort recycling is going very well with high compliance. Information on zero-sort recycling in the form of pamphlets, magnets, etc. is available at the NVC office in the Community Hall.

Safety: Ned Lightner reported that the Safety Committee had updated the “Safety & Regulations Handbook”, first published in 1999, and it is now available online at baysidemaine.com. He encouraged residents to print out a copy of the handbook for their cottages as a reference guide for renters and residents.

He also explained the Village's agreement with the Waldo County Sheriff's department to provide Bayside with police protection. Several residents expressed concern regarding this new arrangement and the lack of coverage and police presence they perceived. The concerned residents felt that speed, noise and activity on the dock afterhours was an increased problem this summer season. Ned Lightner and Dennis Wang explained that this was done as an experiment and will be reevaluated at the end of the season.

Surface Runoff: Lee Houghton reported that the Committee continues to deal with storm waster remediation. He thanked Bill Paige and Bob Smith for their continued help and invaluable input.

Utilities: David Crofoot reported that our system is doing very well and that the Village has had no violations for volume or quality in six years.

Wharfmaster: Gordon Fuller reported that overcrowding and use of inappropriate dinghies continues to be an ongoing problem. He encouraged everyone to keep their dinghies in full repair with adequate rub rails, etc. Fuller also indicated that a new rub rail for the boat float will need to be addressed in the near future.

Resident, Kara Crosby, expressed concern regarding the number of kayaks and row boats on the beach resulting in difficulty navigating the beach. Overseer Dennis Wang said that this situation should be addressed, such as the construction of a kayak rack.

Tree Warden: Jane Phillips reported that fourteen trees have been replaced in the past thirteen years. A grant from the Maine Forest Service helps defray the cost of the tree replacement.

Northport Food Pantry Auction: Samway asked Patti Wright to report on the Food Pantry Auction. She expressed her extreme gratitude to the entire Bayside community, Yacht Club and numerous volunteers for a successful Auction which raised over \$5500.00. Special thanks to Maddie Smit and Alli Webster for their help. She said Cleo Alley, on behalf of the Food Pantry, is grateful for Bayside's support which helps the Northport Food Pantry to continue its operation. She also encouraged folks to remember the Northport Food Pantry during the winter months, any donation would be welcomed.

Bayside Historical Preservation Society: Joe Reilly reported that BHPS is in good financial shape. He encouraged the community to visit the Museum. The Civil War Exhibit has been moved to Islesboro. He thanked Dick Brockway for his wonderful diorama exhibited in the lower level of the Community Hall. Reported that the Cottage Tour was successful and thanked Angela Cassidy & Joy Sherman for organizing this

Todd Howard, seconded by Jackie Facey, moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

Maureen Einstein, Clerk
Northport Village Corporation

*This year's Annual Report was dedicated to Dick Brockway