

CLERKS REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE NORTHPORT VILLAGE CORPORATION

ANNUAL MEETING
AUGUST 13, 2013

The Annual Meeting of the Northport Village Corporation was held on Tuesday, August 14, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. in the Bayside Community Hall with 69 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, 2012, 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. John Woolsey, 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.

Marie Bradley
Marilyn Butters
Ellen Hatcher
Ruth Granston Higgins
Fred McPheters
Dan Meador
Linda Nyren
Charlie Packer
Donald Patten
Sharon Satterfield
Herb Smith

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, Steve Trenholm for putting up the patriotic bunting on the Community Hall and Dick Brockway and crew for getting the Community Hall ready for the meeting, and Ned Lightner for setting up the sound system.

Samway introduced Miranda Abersold Burke. Miranda represents the 5th generation of her Bayside family. Her parents are Alicia and Lester Burke. Her grandparents are Bob and Nancy Abersold and her great grandfather was Larry Lightner, who many of us remember being very generous with his time and with his many plantings around Merrithew Square. Miranda's great, great grandparents were Allan Lightner, Sr. and Helen Lightner. Samway asked her to begin with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Prior to Article 2, Judy Metcalf thanked outgoing Overseer Ned Lightner for being an integral member of the Board for the past five years.

Article 2: President's Report

President Huntoon recognized our Tree Warden, Jane Phillips, and thanked her for being the keeper of our trees.

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, in addition to these reports is a Supplemental Report covering January through June. He noted these reports were also available online, or a paper copy can be obtained from Paul Bartels in the office. His written Treasurer's Report is on page 15 of this years Annual Report. Anyone with questions can email him at wcessey@gmail.com and he will address any issues anyone may have and get back to them with 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 2014.

OVERSEERS PROPOSED BUDGET

Total Income:	\$212,710
Expenses:	
General Government	\$60,585
Roads and Storm Drains	\$ 9,000
Protection and Safety	\$29,384
Community	\$38,250
Debt Service	\$43,959
Transfer to Sewer	\$ 5,000
Capital Expenditures	<u>\$36,000</u>
Total expenses:	\$222,178
Use of Funds from Waterfront Fund	(\$10,000)
Addition to Reserves	\$ 532
Net Expenses	\$212,710

This money will be 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.

Steve Kazilionis moved that NVC will raise and appropriate \$212, 710 for the fiscal year 2014; seconded by Marge Brockway. Bill Cressey noted that a more itemized Budget was on pages 12 & 13 of this years Annual Report.

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 Eight Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$830,000) through the issuance to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank of general obligation bonds or notes of the Corporation, which may be callable bonds or notes, the proceeds to be used to refund the outstanding amount of existing indebtedness of the following obligation bonds of the Corporation issued to the United States of America, acting through the Rural Utilities Service: 1) \$440,000 General Obligation Sewer Bond issued on March 17, 2004 for the purpose of making wastewater system improvements in the Northport Village Corporation including, but not limited to replacement of sanitary sewers and storm drains on Broadway, Main Street and Shore Road; 2) \$242,000 General Obligation Water Bond issued on March 17, 2004 for the purpose of making water line improvements in the Northport Village Corporation including, but not limited to replacement of water lines on Broadway, Main Street, Bay Street and Sea Street; and 3) \$318,000 General Obligation Water Bond issued on October 14, 2004 for the purpose of making water line improvements in the Northport Village Corporation including, but not limited to the design and construction of water lines to the southern portion of the Village 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 of the Northport Village Corporation, and further to authorize the Overseers to execute all contracts and documents and take 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 Steve Kazilionis.

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 and/or expend funds from accumulated surpluses in a principal amount not to exceed \$75,000 in anticipation of 2014 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.

Steve Kazilionis moved the article; seconded by Judy Metcalf.

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

Article 7: 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 and /or expend funds from accumulated surpluses in 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 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.

Steve Kazilionis moved the article; seconded by Judy Metcalf.

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

Article 8: To fix a rate of interest on taxes delinquent after November 30, 2014, equal to that charged by the Town of Northport.

Dennis Wang moved the article; seconded by Maureen O’Keefe.

The Moderator called for a vote on Article 8. **VOTED** – carried by the majority.

Article 9: To elect the Officers by written ballot (President, Clerk and Treasurer). The Moderator asked John Woolsey, 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 10: To elect Overseers by written ballot. The Moderator asked John Woolsey, representing the Nominating Committee, to present the slate of candidates for the seven positions for the office of Overseer. A slate of seven candidates was presented for the office of Overseer as follows: Margaret Brockway, Lee Houghton, Steve Kazilionis, Steve Flowers, Judy Metcalf, Maureen O’Keefe and Dennis Wang. Samway asked if

there were any nominations from the floor. John Dykstra nominated Cindy Bravo from the floor. There were eight nominations for seven positions of Overseer. Candidates for Overseer were asked to introduce themselves.

Moderator Samway asked Cynthia Stuen and Joe Reilly to be Ballot Clerks for the election of Overseers by written ballot. A vote was taken by written ballot. Samway explained that you could vote for up to seven, you don't have to vote for seven. However, if you vote for 8, your ballot would not be counted.

A vote was taken by written ballot.

Overseers elected to a one year term:

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

Prior to the Reports of the Committees, Moderator Samway asked Patti Wright to report on the Food Pantry Auction. She expressed her extreme gratitude to the entire Bayside community, Yacht Club and the many incredible volunteers for another very successful Auction. Any donations are welcome and can be sent to: P. O. Box 27, Lincolnville, ME 04849. There is also a bin for donations at the post office in Lincolnville. Patti also noted that the Northport Redemption Center will take bottles & cans, designated for the Food Pantry, and they will donate the proceeds to NFP. If the Redemption Center is not open, please mark your bags "Northport Food Pantry" as the Redemption Center provides this service to several charities.

Article 13: 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.

Utilities: David Crofoot reported that our system continues to do well without violations for volume or quality. He thanked Billy Paige for identifying, locating, and repairing water leaks this year. Billy Paige, Distribution and Collection System Operator, is being trained to perform in-house water testing which could result in significant cost savings.

Safety: Ned Lightner thanked the Overseers and stated what a pleasure it had been working with such a great team. He reported that it had been a quiet summer without incident in large part due to the presence of our officer Kevan Fortier and his community policing and our lifeguard, Michele Nealey.

Facilities: Marge Brockway reported that mildew and mold have been removed from the Library, along with a new coat of paint to the interior. A group of volunteers, led by Betty Wilson, sorted through books and disposed of those that were damaged by water. She also thanked Betty Wilson, who is retiring as our librarian, for her many years of service.

Wharfmaster: Gordon Fuller reported that overcrowding and use of inappropriate dinghies continues to be an issue on the dock. He encouraged everyone to keep their dinghies in full repair with adequate rub rails, etc. and to remove their dinghy off the main float if they are not using it. He thanked Michelle Nealey for keeping order on the dock. He also reported, as Commodore of the Yacht Club, that the Yacht Club turns 75 years old next year. He thanked all the volunteers who help run the many activities the Yacht Club offers and Ali Webster for another successful sailing program.

Tree Warden: Jane Phillips added that with Maureen O'Keefe acting as the village liaison with the Town of Northport, communication with the Town has never been better. She thanked Maureen for helping to make this happen.

Garden Club: Lisa Webster reported that the Garden Party this year was a success and thanked the many volunteers who donated food and their time.

Bayside Historical Preservation Society: Joe Reilly encouraged everyone to visit the downstairs meeting room with Dick Brockway's incredible scale models. This summer there was an exhibit in honor of the sesquicentennial of the Civil War with uniforms, a scale model ambulance and Winslow Homer prints. The museum and Community Hall space have been visited by many this summer. He thanked all the volunteers who help keep the museum maintained.

Centennial Committee: Dennis Wang reported that the Committee has been meeting and any who wish to join are welcome. They are still looking for a volunteer to coordinate the child and youth activities. The Committee has been working closely with the Bayside Historical Preservation Society and Yacht Club. A calendar of activities has been put into place which will include the following: Every Wednesday evening June 24 – August 12, 2015 will include a presentation of historical lectures, slide shows, movies, etc. The Robinson Ballet will be among the participants. July 17 will be "Illumination Night" when residents will be asked to purchase (at cost) traditional Chinese lanterns to be lit in the evening. Culmination of the summer events will be a celebration after the Annual Meeting, Tuesday, August 11, 2015.

The next meeting of the Centennial Planning Committee is Saturday, September 1, 2014 downstairs in the Community Hall at 7:30 a.m. All are welcome.

Moderator Samway introduced and thanked Drexel White as one of the Northport Selectmen and resident of Bayside.

John Woolsey, seconded by Jane Phillips, moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Maureen Einstein, Clerk
Northport Village Corporation

*This year's Annual Report was dedicated to Michele Nealey who has been Bayside's lifeguard for seven years. This summer will be Michele's last year with us. "Clearly she

has raised the bar for Bayside lifeguards. We wish her well, and want to express our gratitude by dedicating this year's report to her."