

**Northport Village Corporation  
Board of Overseers  
August 21, 2005**

**Minutes**

The August 21<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Board of Overseers was convened by President Jo Huntoon at 8:00 a.m. in the Meeting Room of the Community Hall. Present were Overseers Allen, Brockway, Cressey, Crofoot, Houghton, Metcalf and Spollett, Treasurer Sheffield, Clerk Lagner, Village Agent Paige.

Metcalf moved and Brockway seconded that Hoedtke be appointed secretary to the Board.  
**Voted.**

By motion of Metcalf, seconded by Brockway, the July 31<sup>st</sup> minutes were accepted. **Voted.**

The Treasurer's report was as follows:

General Government	
Checking	\$38,308.07
Community Hall	876.29
Petty Cash	<u>32.88</u>
Total	\$39,217.24
Water Department	
Checking	\$73,687.68
Petty Cash	<u>30.72</u>
Total	\$73,718.40
Sewer Department	
Checking	\$19,386.51
Petty Cash	<u>36.27</u>
Total	\$19,422.88

Treasurer Sheffield indicated that some of the General Government line item for Professional Services would be allocated to water and sewer, the percentages to be determined by the auditors. Brockway moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted, Metcalf seconded. **Voted.**

There were no warrants.

**Village Agent:**

Paige reported that the natural water run-off in Ruggles Park is getting worse, unable to mow because it is so swampy. He was authorized to trench and lay a pipe down to the ditch.

Blaisdell Park, above Squeezed-In, is becoming spongy with ground water. Paige to investigate and report back.

The water on Maple Street was due to a plugged and backed-up foundation drain; it was cleaned out and now working properly.

The swim float will be taken out after September 1<sup>st</sup>; Paige is to talk with Gordon Fuller about the date for taking out the boat float. In the event of inclement weather, Paige was authorized to use his own judgment and have the float removed if deemed advisable.

The swim float should be painted with some type of skid-free paint before it is put in in the spring.

**Visitor's Concerns:**

Bob Smith is concerned about the water problem on lower Main Street; as a result there are two cracks in the front wall of his foundation which he feels are due to the run-off; it is not certain they are. He believes that because the culverts were taken away the water stays in the road. Pursuant to Article 10 of the Annual Meeting Warrant, the Board will be appointing an ad hoc committee to review the situation and make recommendations.

Sheffield spoke of a conflict within the Zoning Ordinance between 3' and no elevation. The Board will resolve this issue.

Sal DeMeo (through Peter Allen) requested that the No Parking sign before Kelly's Cove on Shore Road be replaced.

**Committee Appointments:**

1. Communications – Metcalf
2. Facilities – Brockway
3. Finance – Cressey
4. Surface Run-Off – Cressey (Chmn.), Houghton. Village resident volunteers – Badershall, Crowe, Bob Smith. Cressey suggested that the Committee should have recommendations and costs for remediation ready for a meeting on Columbus Day weekend.
5. Safety – Allen
6. Tree Warden – Jane Phillips
7. Utilities – Metcalf (3 yrs), Crofoot (2 yrs), Spollett (1 yr). Jim Coughlin (1 yr) will return and Dick Brockway (or Doug Mayer) will be asked to join the committee as a 2 yr member.

**Utilities:**

Crofoot reported that Ted Berry Co. had successfully pushed a line through the sewer main and replumbed under Priscilla Granston's house on Shore Road. She has asked that the gravel in front of the house be pulled up with attendant reseeding. This may be more of a park maintenance issue than a Utility Department issue, but the work will be done.

Utility Committee meetings are scheduled for September 2<sup>nd</sup> and October 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:30.

**Old Business:**

Following the site visit to the Fuller and Smith properties in May, Metcalf wrote to Bruce and Elaine Smith regarding the walkway. The Smiths have agreed to hire Good Deeds to determine the boundaries.

**New Business:**

Meeting Rules – the Overseers meetings should last no more than 2 hours;  
Individual speakers 5 min. with chance of rebuttal;  
Overseers, following an appropriate motion, may change the rules  
The secretary will appoint the speakers.

Metcalf set the following as goals for this year:

1. Update By-Laws – Metcalf will take on the task with Cressey. This item is to be placed under Old Business on the agenda each month.
2. Zoning Ordinance – Metcalf will draft the language for the next meeting following which a public hearing will be scheduled.

Allen moved and Metcalf seconded that Crofoot be elected Chairman of the Board. **Voted.**

Metcalf nominated the Utility Committee as Board of Health; Brockway seconded. **Voted.**

The Overseers meetings are scheduled as follows: September 18, October 9, November 13, December 11, January 15, February 12, and March 19. All meetings will begin at 10:00 a.m.

Metcalf moved, Cressey seconded to go into Executive Session regarding Personnel with Huntoon and Sheffield attending.

The meeting adjourned at 10:54.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen L. Hoedtke, Secretary