

MINUTES
Overseers Meeting
June 13, 2010

Present:

Tree Warden: Jane Phillips
Office Manager: Paul Bartels
Village Agent: Bill Paige
Village Clerk: Maureen Einstein
Treasurer: William Cressey

Overseers: Marge Brockway
Ned Lightner
Maureen Stalla
Lee Houghton
Denis Wang
Judy Metcalf

Absent: President Josiah Huntoon; Overseer Steve Kazilionis

Visitors: Dick Brockway, Gordon Fuller, Angela Field, Tracie Drinkwater, Judy Rohweder, Larry Brown, Maureen and Blair Einstein, Richard MacKinnon.

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Marge Brockway.

Minutes:

Judy Metcalf moved that the May 9, 2010 minutes be approved, seconded by Denis Wang – **Voted: unanimously approved.**

Warrants were circulated.

Treasurers Report:

Bill Cressey discussed and answered questions about the Budget worksheet to be used at the Budget/Warrant workshop on June 27, 2010.

The current P. & L. reports were reviewed, no questions regarding the reports were raised.

Bill Cressey brought up a problem discovered at the Northport Yacht Club where a possible leak was discovered in the water line going to the dock. It was noticed when they activated the water at the Club. Bill Paige will verify the leak and Bill Cressey will notify Rob Frank of the problem.

Village Agent:

Bill Paige reported:

Moore septic gave Bill an estimate of \$1,500 to clean out the reservoir. Judy Metcalf moved to have Moore Septic clean the reservoir at a cost not to exceed \$1,500.00. Bill will schedule with Moore to have the work done.

The swim float is in the water and should be attached some time next week. Bill thinks that Rob Frank should be told about the eye bolts being too low. This could cause too much tension at high tide.

Visitors Concerns:

Judy Rohweder declined to have a berm installed at the end of her driveway when the Clinton Street project is completed. Bill Paige acknowledged her wish and will comply.

Judy Metcalf on behalf of Patricia Wright and the Northport Yacht Club requested the use of Community Hall tables for their auction for the benefit of the Northport Food Pantry.. Judy Metcalf moved to waive the fee for up to five tables to be picked up July 9, 2010 and returned July 11, 2010; seconded by Ned Lightner – **Voted all in favor.**

Tracie Drinkwater and Angela Field addressed the Board about a problem with dust coming from the road on upper Main Street. Various solutions were discussed. Ned Lightner moved to have Bill Paige find possible solutions and estimate costs, seconded by Denis Wang, **Voted all in favor.**

Jane Phillips wanted to make the Overseers aware that a large amount of brush is mounting up behind the cottages.

Larry Brown wanted to know why ball playing was not allowed in Merithew Park. Ned Lightner explained the perceived dangers with ball playing there. But he is still looking for possible solutions other than a ban. Mr. Brockway suggested that the kids involved set the rules for the ball playing themselves. Everybody seemed to agree that it was a good idea because the kids that use the park are responsible. Mr. Brown and Ned will try to form a committee with the kids and come up with a mutually agreeable solution.

Gordon Fuller expressed a concern that the boulder be replaced in front of the causeway to the wharf. Rob Frank will be notified that this remains to be done.

Gordon also reported that the Northport Yacht Club ordered a new out float for a cost of \$7,800.00 and would like NVC to contribute to the cost. Judy Metcalf moved to contribute \$2,000.00 to the new out float, seconded by Denis Wang – **Voted all in favor.** Further discussion about ownership of the float and shared responsibility will be discussed at a later date.

Finance – Bill Cressey discussed the finances of the Waterfront Improvement project and noted that a mistake was made on Prock's current invoice and a check was cut for a lesser amount than due. He also reported that water is collecting on the wharf where the old post meets the new. Rob Frank will be made aware of these issues.

Communications: - Maureen Stalla said she will have to get the word out about changes in Northport single stream recycling.

Facilities: - No Report

Safety: - No Report

Surface Runoff:

Lee Houghton reported that Griffin Street is ready to be paved but residents of Griffin have been complaining for and against the paving. Judy Metcalf suggested that all the residents be invited to a meeting to discuss the pros and cons. Paul Bartels will look up the resident's addresses, below Griffin as well, and send them a letter about the meeting.

Bill Paige received a proposal from Marriners Inc. for \$35,777.88 which included three different sections. He suggested breaking it up into three jobs and postponing the Griffin Street work until fall. The other two will be the circle at the waterfront and finishing of the new catch basins. Lee Houghton moved that the projects be separated into paving the circle (\$10,866.88) and catch basin completion (\$3,000.00) to be completed now and paving Griffin Street to be done in the fall, seconded by Ned Lightner – **Voted all in favor.**

Town Liaison: - Ned Lightner reported that the Town of Northport voted to give NVC \$40,000.00 towards repairs to the wharf, which money represents a portion of the excise taxes.

Utilities:

Denis Wang reported on the undertakings of the Utilities Trustees at their meeting of June 11, 2010 and reported that once again the wastewater treatment plant is operating in full compliance with our license. Judy Metcalf said that the Sewer Department will have to secure a bridge loan for \$155,000 if we are granted the USDA-RD loan/grant we applied for. She explained that it's a temporary loan that will be paid off when we receive the funds from USDA-RD. A bond counsel will have to be engaged to secure this loan. Judy Metcalf moved that the Overseers in accordance with the recommendation of the Utilities Trustees retain Eaton Peabody to serve as bond counsel on the anticipated bridge loan and USDA-RD funding for a total fee not to exceed \$2,500.00, seconded by Ned Lightner - **Voted all in favor.**

Discussion:

Bill Cressey reported that Heidi Von Bergen and John Woolsey have again volunteered to be on the Nominating for the Annual Meeting. They asked to let them know who will be willing to serve as Overseer again. All present said they would.

Future Meetings:

Budget and Warrant Workshop June 27, 2010 9:00 AM.

Overseers Meeting: July 11, 2010 9:00 AM.

Executive Session:

Marge Brockway moved to go into executive session at 10:40 AM - **Voted: unanimous.**

All voted to leave executive session at 11:00 AM.

Motion carried to increase Michelle Nealey's salary by \$.50 per hour.

Adjourn:

Judy Metcalf moved to adjourn at 11:05 AM, seconded by Maureen Stalla – **Voted all in favor.**

Respectfully submitted by Paul E. Bartels