

Meeting of the Northport Village Corporation Board of Overseers

9:00 am, June 14, 2020 This is a Virtual/online meeting at:

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Agenda

- Approve minutes of the May 10 Meeting of the NVC Board of Overseers
- Comments/questions by meeting attendees
- Updates from:
 - o Seawall project
 - Nordic Aquafarms project
- Report of the Treasurer
 - o Approval of the 2021 budget
- Committee Reports
 - o Infrastructure: Mike Lannan
 - o Tree: Lisa Fryer
 - o Tree Warden: Vicky Matthews
 - o Communications: Lisa Fryer
 - o Finance: Judy Metcalf
 - Appointments: Frederic Lincoln and Wendy Huntoon
 - o Governance: Judy Metcalf
 - o Personnel: Jeffrey Wilt
 - o Utility: David Crofoot
 - o Safety: Michael Tirrell
 - Waterfront Safety: Jeffrey Wilt
- Town of Northport issues
- Report of the President
 - o Appointment of new Wharfmaster
 - o Update re Treasurer's position
 - o Discussion re continuation of Zoom meetings
 - o Discussion re Annual Meeting
- Report of the Village Agent
- Report of the Office Manager
- Comments by meeting attendees on agenda items
- Adjourn

Minutes Safety Committee Meeting May 20, 2020

The Safety Committee met on May 20, 2020 via Zoom. Members present were Chair Michael Tirrell, Harry Rosenblum, Beanie Einstein, Lisa Fryer, Jim Huning, and Jeffrey Wilt. Also in attendance: Chief Michael Boucher, Village Agent Bill Paige, and Bayside resident Ed Williams.

The following agenda items were discussed:

Lifeguard coverage: The committee discussed schedule, start date, and orientation for Thomas Parker, the newly hired lifeguard for this season. Mackenzie Treadwell has agreed to work a shift or two to help orient Thomas to the Bayside waterfront. The coverage schedule and Thomas's start date are still being worked out – though Thomas likely will work Tuesday-Saturday, and perhaps also pick up a Monday shift on as many weeks as he can.

The lifeguard's chair will be moved over to the beach just north of the dock, and Bill Paige says he's got a plan for transporting it. There will be no swim float, and jumping or diving from the main wharf are prohibited due to COVID-19 concerns and the guidelines around social distancing, limitations on group size, etc. The beach will be the only supervised swimming area in the Village this summer.

Police coverage: The committee also discussed police coverage specifics, including initially thinking around schedule, start date, and other issues. Michael Boucher and Danny Ryosa will be the two officers on duty this year. Michael Boucher will provide orientation for Danny Ryosa, who is joining Bayside this summer as a new employee. Chief Boucher discussed some of the new challenges the officers will be facing this summer because of the pandemic. They will work to promote safe, legal behavior without micromanaging. Bill Paige, Michael Boucher, and Michael Tirrell are to work on final schedule and present that to the Safety Committee and Overseers at the Board's next meeting.

Safety Signage: The committee reviewed signage issues, including placement for the new digital speed signs which are being installed now. Additionally, new COVID-19 related signage is being produced and will be installed soon. Lisa Fryer and Michael Tirrell reviewed the new signs that the Overseers approved based on recommendations from the COVID-19 Task Force process over the past couple of months. The planning for new signs looks to strike a balance between clearly communicating new rules and not overdoing signage in the Village. Signs are to be posted regarding usage of main wharf, dinghy dock, beachfront, kayak area, and other areas. Some signs will be metal, others laminated paper. The hope is that the new signs will not be vandalized or destroyed – and that most of them will be unnecessary in Summer 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Cressey

Waterfront Safety Committee

Meeting Date: May 7, 2020, 11:00 a.m. via Zoom

Meeting

Recap Date: May 8, 2020

Attendees:

Committee: Craig Brigham, Jim Coughlin, Gordon Fuller, Bill Haverty, Mike Lannan,

Bill Paige, Jeffrey Wilt

Community

Members: Large group of community participants

The committee convened to discuss specific recommendations around personal waterfront (kayak, canoe, paddleboard) storage at the Ruggles Park waterfront. The group discussed a variety of options for safe convenient storage options.

Consensus was reached to recommend storage of kayaks etc. be moved up the slope from the area where they are traditionally stored to the grass bank above the Ruggles beach and across the street in lower Ruggles Park (ditch area). These temporary storage locations will be marked with new signs.

Waterfront Safety Committee

Meeting Date: May 21, 2020, 5:00 p.m. via Zoom

Meeting

Recap Date: May 27, 2020

Attendees:

Committee: Craig Brigham, Jim Coughlin, Gordon Fuller, Bill Haverty, Mike Lannan,

Bill Paige, Jeffrey Wilt

Community

Members: Steven Fein, Emerson Smith, Ed Williams, Jenae Novotny

The committee convened to discuss specific recommendations around small waterfront (kayak, canoe, paddleboard, dinghy) usage during the Summer 2020 season.

Recommendation for safe use of NVC floats – the committee consensus is that those using the floats should be directed to NVC signage and encouraged to follow posted instructions. Specifically:

Surfaces are not disinfected
Use social distancing, 6 feet apart
Masks required (if social distancing is not possible)
Disinfect your hands

<u>Public use dinghy</u> – the committee recommends using the NVC public use dinghy with signage on dinghy reflecting "dingy is not disinfected, use at own risk."

Registration Material – Jeffrey will circulate the proposed registration packet for the 2020 Season. The committee is of the view that we should not over communicate around the COVID-19 situation as those points are well documented on signage and it is a fluid situation. We should be prepared for people to inquire about registration starting in June when the NVC office opens.

<u>Dinghy Storage</u> – Published signage will reflect directions to store dinghy's with other personal watercraft – kayak, paddleboards, et. -- up the slope from the area where they are traditionally stored on the grass bank above the Ruggles beach and across the street in lower Ruggles Park (ditch area). The committee believes that dinghies were not intended to be included with other small watercraft as they are more difficult to drag up the grass bank or across the street. In addition, we do not want to drive additional dinghy use to the already overloaded floats. The WSC will ask the Overseers for flexibility in managing dinghy storage and will encourage dinghy owners to store those watercraft on the north end of the north shore wall.

Wharf Master – It was announced that Gordon Fuller has resigned as Wharfmaster. Jeffrey will share this news with the Overseers in June and recommend Craig Brigham be appointed Wharf Master for this season with Jim Coughlin and Bill Haverty remaining as Assistant Wharf Masters.

Misc. – Need to develop a tag to attach to small watercraft not following NVC rules or needing to be moved.