

# NORTHPORT VILLAGE CORPORATION

## Annual Report

August 11, 2020



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**Bayside**  
**Town of Northport, Maine**

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Municipal Officers of the  
Northport Village Corporation  
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Dedication: Steve Kazilionis

Steve and his family discovered Bayside in 1998, renting for a brief family vacation. They soon purchased the Oriental Cottage and Steve has been a key volunteer and contributor to the Village ever since. He volunteered at the Northport Yacht Club, serving on the Board, helping with the sailing program and helping to prepare and maintain the Yacht Club Sailing School Fleet. His contributions were recognized in 2008 when he was named the NYC's Member of the Year.

Now, twelve years later, it's time to honor Steve again. This year's Annual Report is dedicated to his contributions to the governance of Bayside through his service as an Overseer and Treasurer. Steve was elected to the Board of Overseers in 2008 and he later became the treasurer when Bill Cressey retired from that role. Steve has ably served in each capacity, elevating the systems and analysis of our finances with a professionalism that organizations ten times the size of Bayside would envy. Steve introduced discipline to how we identify and manage our capital projects, resisting the impulse to postpone decisions to avoid complex matters. He implemented a vigorous budget review and preparation process so that thoughtful decisions about the Village's spending and needs could be made.

The talent, vision, and philosophy he has brought to the governance of Bayside share much with his commitment to training sailors. As a consequence, Bayside enjoys the safety of protective ports even when storms threaten (financial downturns; changes in staffing and bookkeepers; multiple construction projects; and now a pandemic) because Steve has been willing to lead and has led well.

An example of Steve's thoughtfulness in leadership lies in how he has transitioned from Treasurer. Steve advised the Overseers over a year ago that this term ending August 2020 would be his last. He wanted to give us plenty of time to absorb that information and find a successor. He gently reminded us throughout the year that a plan for next steps needed to be in place. And, when a seawall and a pandemic each presented themselves as tasks that needed continued strength at the tiller, he helped us adjust, developing a transition role for himself so that a new treasurer does not find herself at sea without assistance.

In short, Steve has always been the grownup in the room. His leadership has made lasting, permanent improvements to life in Bayside. We are grateful to Steve for all he has done and for his continued commitment to Bayside.



**Northport Village Information 2020**

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Police, Fire, Medical	911
Waldo County Sheriff	207-338-6786

NON-EMERGENCY

Village Office	813 Shore Road Northport, Maine 04849 207.338.0751 <a href="mailto:NVCMaine@gmail.com">NVCMaine@gmail.com</a>
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Summer Office Hours	Monday 9:00 – 3:00 Wednesday 9:00 – 3:00 Friday 9:00 – 3:00 Sunday 9:00 – 12:00 Noon
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Village Agent	Bill Paige, 207.338.0751
Office Manager	Nina Richardson, 207.338.0751
Utilities Superintendent	Richard McElhaney, 207.338.0751
Wharfmaster	Craig Brigham, 207.624.2769

Please direct all questions and concerns to the Northport Village Corporation’s office. Meetings of the Board of Overseers are posted on the Village bulletin boards.

The NVC annual meeting is the 2nd Tuesday in August. NVC owns and operates the water and sewer utilities infrastructure and operates its own water and sewer services. Utilities Committee meetings are typically held the Friday prior to scheduled overseers meetings and are posted in advance accordingly.



**Village Officers and Board of Overseers**

**NVC Officers**

John Spritz, President	Term ends 2021
Steve Kazilionis, Treasurer	Term ends 2020
Maureen Einstein, Clerk	Term ends 2022

**NVC Officers**

Lisa Fryer	Term ends 2022
Jeffrey Wilt	Term ends 2022
Michael Tirrell	Term ends 2020
Miles Frieden	Term ends 2020
Michael Lannan	Term ends 2021
Victoria Matthews	Term ends 2021
Judy Metcalf	Term ends 2021

**Committees and Chairs**

Please call the office at 207.338.0751 or email [NVCMaine@gmail.com](mailto:NVCMaine@gmail.com) if you have a message or concern for a particular committee.

Governance and Finance	Chair Judy Metcalf
Communications and Tree	Chair Lisa Fryer
Infrastructure	Chair Michael Lannan
Safety	Chair Michael Tirrell
Utilities Department	Chair Dr. David Crofoot
Waterfront Safety and Personnel	Chair Jeffrey Wilt
Tree Warden	Chair Victoria Matthews



Public Notice  
Northport Village Corporation  
Annual Meeting  
August 11, 2020  
5:30 PM

To Michael Boucher, Chief of Police for Northport Village Corporation in the County of Waldo, State of Maine.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Northport Village Corporation in Waldo County, Maine, qualified by law to vote in Village affairs, to meet at the basketball court in Bayside on Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 2020, at 5:30 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act upon the following articles:

**Article 1:** To choose a Moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting.

**Article 2:** President's Report.

**Article 3:** Treasurer's Report.

**Article 4:** To see what sums of money the Northport Village Corporation will raise and appropriate for the following accounts for the fiscal year 2021.

### OVERSEERS PROPOSED BUDGET

Expenses	
Total 6000 - Administration	\$ 24,138
Total 6199 - Employee Wages and Benefits	\$ 34,059
Total 6200 - Building and Utilities	\$ 11,800
Total 6200 - Roads	\$ 22,800
Total 6400 - Community	\$ 62,470
Total 6500 - Protection and Safety	\$ 36,117
Total 6900 - Long Term Debt Service	\$ 65,554
Total 8200 - Capital Expense and Contingencies	\$ 9,800
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 266,738</b>
<b>Total Funds to be Raised</b>	<b>\$ 266,738</b>

*The money will be raised as follows: \$25,000 will be requested from the Town of Northport as part of the warrants of the Town's Annual Meeting. The NVC expects to raise \$5,800 other revenue (\$3,000 Utility rent, \$2,800 interest). the balance (\$232,238) is to be raised from the Village property tax.*



If the \$25,000 warrant is not approved by the voters of the Town of Northport, \$263,038 will be raised from the Village property tax.

**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 and/or expend funds from accumulated surpluses, a principal amount not to exceed \$232,238 in anticipation of 2020 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.

**Financial Statement**

**1. Total Village Indebtedness**

A. Total bonds outstanding and unpaid as of 12/31/2019	\$1,173,406
B. Total bonds authorized and unissued.	\$ 952,000
C. Bonds to be issued if this article is approved	\$ 232,238
[NOTE: This bond would replace \$216,599 of the sum included in line B]	(\$ 216,599)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,141,045</b>

**2. Costs**

At an estimated rate of 1.0% for a term of one year, the estimated costs of this bond issue will be

Principal:	\$ 232,599
Interest:	<u>\$ 2,236</u>
Total Debt Service:	\$ 234,835

**3. Validity**

The validity of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not by reason of the variance.

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Treasurer, Northport Village Corporation

**Article 6:** To see if the Northport Village Corporation will vote to authorize a majority of the Overseers of the Corporation to borrow on behalf of the Northport Village Corporation a principal amount not to exceed \$500,000, and to issue and sell general obligation bonds or notes





of the Northport Village Corporation for that purpose and/or to expend funds from accumulated surpluses (the combined borrowing and use of surplus funds not to exceed \$500,000), for replacement and repair of Community Hall and Wharf as needed, repairs to utilities operated by the Village Corporation for reconstruction of shoreline damage to property owned by 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 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.

**Financial Statement**

**1. Total Village Indebtedness**

A. Total bonds outstanding and unpaid as of 12/31/2018	\$1,173,406
B. Total bonds authorized and unissued	\$ 952,000
C. Bonds to be issued if this article is approved	\$ 500,000
[NOTE: This bond would replace \$500,000 of the sum included in line B.]	<u>(\$500,000)</u>

**TOTAL** **\$2,125,406**

**2. Costs**

At an estimated rate of 4.0% for a term of 20 years, the estimated costs of this bond issue will be

Principal:	\$ 500,000
Interest:	<u>\$ 235,813</u>
Total Debt Service:	\$ 735,813

**3. Validity**

The validity of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue differs from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

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/s/  
Treasurer, Northport Village Corporation

**Article 7:** To see if the Village will vote to use reserves to fund the 2021 interest payment on the \$1.6MM Seawall bond in an amount not to exceed \$25,000. This bond was authorized at the 2019 annual meeting.



**Article 8:** To see if the Village will vote to authorize the use of up to \$43,000 of the proceeds of the \$1.6 million Bond Anticipation Note and Bond of the Village approved by the Village in Article 7 of the 2019 Village Meeting (the “Seawall Bond”) to improve drainage at the end of North Avenue per specifications in Bayside Seawall Improvements, (the “Contract”), a copy of which is on file with the Village Clerk.

**Article 9:** To see if the Village will vote to authorize the use of up to \$211,000 of the proceeds of the Seawall Bond to repair the North Seawall per specifications in the Contract.

**Article 10:** To see if the Northport Village Corporation will vote to appropriate an amount not to exceed \$50,000, to be used for the purpose of purchasing a new Village Truck, and for the accomplishment of that purpose, to authorize a majority of the overseers of the Corporation to (a) expend funds from accumulated surpluses of the Village, (b) borrow on behalf of the Northport Village Corporation a principal amount not to exceed \$50,000 and to issue and sell for that purpose general obligation bonds or notes of the Northport Village Corporation, such bonds and notes to be issued upon such further terms or conditions, including as to callability, as may be determined by a majority at least of the Overseers of the Northport Village Corporation, or (c) undertake a combination of spending from accumulated surpluses and borrowing to complete the purchase, provided that the total amount of spending and borrowing pursuant to this Article shall not exceed \$50,000.

**Financial Statement**

**3. Total Village Indebtedness**

A. Total bonds outstanding and unpaid as of 12/31/2019	\$1,173,406
B. Total bonds authorized and unissued.	\$ 952,000
C. Bonds to be issued if this article is approved	\$ 232,238
[NOTE: This bond would replace \$216,599 of the sum included in line B]	(\$ 216,599)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,141,045</b>

**4. Costs**

At an estimated rate of zero % for a term of five years, the estimated costs of this bond issue will be

Principal:	\$ 50,000
Interest:	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Debt Service:	\$50,000

**3.Validity**



The validity of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not by reason of the variance.

/S/

Treasurer, Northport Village Corporation

**Article 11:** To fix a rate of interest on taxes delinquent after September 1, 2020 equal to that charged by the Town of Northport.

**Article 12:** To elect by written ballot a Treasurer for the NVC for a term of 3 years.

**Article 13:** To elect by written ballot two (2) Overseers for the NVC for terms of 3 years.

**Article 14:** Reports of Committees.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**NOTICE OF OVERSEERS MEETING:**

The newly elected Board of Overseers will meet to be sworn in and attend to village business immediately upon the conclusion of the Annual Meeting.

Dated: July 14, 2020

**Northport Village Corporation**

John Spritz, President  
Maureen Einstein, Clerk  
Steve Kazilionis, Treasurer

**BOARD OF OVERSEERS**

Miles Frieden \_\_\_\_\_ /S/ \_\_\_\_\_

Lisa Fryer \_\_\_\_\_ /S/ \_\_\_\_\_

Michael Lannan \_\_\_\_\_ /S/ \_\_\_\_\_

Victoria Matthews \_\_\_\_\_ /S/ \_\_\_\_\_

Judy A.S. Metcalf \_\_\_\_\_ /S/ \_\_\_\_\_

Michael Tirrell \_\_\_\_\_ /S/ \_\_\_\_\_



# Northport Village Corporation

Jeffrey Wilt \_\_\_\_\_ /S/ \_\_\_\_\_

A true copy of the warrant,

Attest: Maureen Einstein, Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ /S/ \_\_\_\_\_

Northport Village Corporation

Note: Due to early publication, this warrant may be changed or amended before the August 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Current annual financials and Auditor's Report will be provided at the Annual Meeting.



## Northport Village Corporation 2021 Proposed Budget

Income	2020 Budget	Proposed 2021 Budget	Change
4000 · Operating Income			
4005 · Taxes-Real Estate	\$232,238	\$232,238	\$-
4030 · Town Reimbursement	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$-
4064 · Rent from Utilities	\$6,000	\$3,000	\$(3,000)
<b>Total 4000 · Operating Income</b>	<b>\$263,238</b>	<b>\$260,238</b>	<b>\$(3,000)</b>
4100 · Nonoperating Income			
4035 · Interest Income - Reserves	\$2,800	\$2,800	\$-
4058 · Community Hall Rental	\$700	\$-	\$(700)
<b>Total 4100 · Nonoperating Income</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$2,800</b>	<b>\$(700)</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$266,738</b>	<b>\$263,038</b>	<b>\$(3,700)</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
6000 · Administration			
6001 · Office Supplies	\$750	\$750	\$-
6002 · Postage	\$350	\$350	\$-
6041 · Property and Casualty Insurance	\$4,284	\$4,500	\$216
6042 · MMA Membership	\$234	\$234	\$-
6060 · Professional Services			
6055 · Office - Services Purchased	\$100	\$100	\$-
6061 · Financial Manager	\$2,500	\$6,000	\$3,500
6062 · Accounting	\$3,500	\$4,200	\$700
6063 · Auditors	\$2,800	\$2,800	\$-
6064 · Payroll Service	\$1,500	\$1,545	\$45
6080 · Legal Fees	\$-	\$-	\$-
<b>Total 6060 · Professional Services</b>	<b>\$10,400</b>	<b>\$14,645</b>	<b>\$4,245</b>
6125 · Tax Collection	\$4,520	\$4,520	\$-
6700 · Village Truck			
6701 · Gas-Truck	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$-
6702 · Truck Maintenance	\$600	\$600	\$-
6704 · Accrue for Truck Replacement	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$-
<b>Total 6700 · Village Truck</b>	<b>\$3,600</b>	<b>\$3,600</b>	<b>\$-</b>
<b>Total 6000 · Administration</b>	<b>\$24,138</b>	<b>\$28,599</b>	<b>\$4,461</b>
6199 · Employee Wages and Benefits			
6010 · Village Officials	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$-
6020 · Village Agent	\$20,000	\$18,000	\$(2,000)
6030 · Office Personnel	\$6,000	\$3,000	\$(3,000)
6180 · Payroll Taxes	\$2,126	\$2,650	\$524
6190 · Employee Benefits			
6094 · Company Paid Benefits	\$3,133	\$3,500	\$367
6191 · Workers Compensation Ins.	\$1,400	\$1,900	\$500
6192 · Income Protection Plan	\$300	\$300	\$-
<b>Total 6190 · Employee Benefits</b>	<b>\$4,833</b>	<b>\$5,700</b>	<b>\$867</b>
<b>Total 6199 · Employee Wages and Benefits</b>	<b>\$34,059</b>	<b>\$30,450</b>	<b>\$(3,609)</b>
6200 · Building and Utilities			
6210 · Utilities			
6201 · Electricity Expense	\$500	\$700	\$200
6202 · Telephone/ Internet	\$600	\$675	\$75



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6203 · Fuel-Oil Heat	\$500	\$360	\$(140)
6204 · Sewer/Water	\$3,200	\$2,100	\$(1,100)
6510 · Street Lights	\$6,650	\$6,650	\$-
<b>Total 6210 · Utilities</b>	<b>\$11,450</b>	<b>\$10,485</b>	<b>\$(965)</b>
6250 · Building			
6251 · Fixtures/Supplies	\$200	\$200	\$-
6252 · Repairs and Maintenance	\$6,400	\$1,500	\$(4,900)
6255 · CH Cleaning	\$400	\$400	\$-
<b>Total 6250 · Building</b>	<b>\$7,000</b>	<b>\$2,100</b>	<b>\$(4,900)</b>
<b>Total 6200 · Building and Utilities</b>	<b>\$18,450</b>	<b>\$12,585</b>	<b>\$(5,865)</b>
6290 · Roads			
6220 · Road Maintenance	\$16,800	\$10,000	\$(6,800)
6291 · Winter Roads	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$-
<b>Total 6290 · Roads</b>	<b>\$22,800</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$(6,800)</b>
6400 · Community			
6411 · Parks - General Maintenance			
6412 · Tree Removal	\$8,500	\$8,500	\$-
6414 · Parks - Contracted Services	\$12,495	\$12,992	\$497
6415 · Parks - General Maint.	\$1,500	\$2,000	\$500
6416 · Caterpillar Control	\$-	\$5,000	\$5,000
<b>Total 6411 · Parks - General Maintenance</b>	<b>\$22,495</b>	<b>\$28,492</b>	<b>\$5,997</b>
6420 · Community Events	\$750	\$400	\$(350)
6430 · Information & Notices	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$-
6440 · Library - Operations & Maintenance	\$275	\$275	\$-
6450 · Wharf & Floats Maintenance	\$16,500	\$16,500	\$-
6460 · Trash Collection	\$19,950	\$19,800	\$(150)
6600 · Village Contribution to Sewer	\$-	\$-	\$-
<b>Total 6400 · Community</b>	<b>\$62,195</b>	<b>\$67,692</b>	<b>\$5,497</b>
6500 · Protection & Safety			
6340 · Lifeguard			
6341 · Lifeguards Wages	\$8,400	\$8,400	\$-
6350 · Uniform/Supplies	\$750	\$750	\$-
<b>Total 6340 · Lifeguard</b>	<b>\$9,150</b>	<b>\$9,150</b>	<b>\$-</b>
6509 · Safety Committee Operations	\$150	\$150	\$-
6520 · Police			
6321 · Police Wages	\$13,336	\$13,000	\$(336)
6523 · Gas - Cruiser	\$500	\$500	\$-
6524 · Cruiser Maintenance	\$350	\$1,520	\$1,170
6525 · Training	\$750	\$500	\$(250)
6527 · Uniform/Supplies	\$535	\$500	\$(35)
<b>Total 6520 · Police</b>	<b>\$15,471</b>	<b>\$16,020</b>	<b>\$549</b>
6530 · Hydrant Rental	\$4,696	\$4,700	\$4
<b>Total 6500 · Protection &amp; Safety</b>	<b>\$29,467</b>	<b>\$30,020</b>	<b>\$553</b>
6900 · Long Term Debt Service			
6992 · 2013 MMBB Refi - Principal	\$5,261	\$5,387	\$126
6993 · 2013 MMBB Refi - Interest	\$3,537	\$3,412	\$(125)
7028 · 2009 MMBB Bond -Principal	\$30,260	\$31,948	\$1,688
7029 · 2009 MMBB Loan Interest	\$4,431	\$2,742	\$(1,689)
7033 · 2015 BHBT Infrastructure - Principal	\$19,573	\$19,964	\$391
7034 · 2015 BHBT Infrastructure - Interest	\$2,492	\$2,101	\$(391)
<b>Total 6900 · Long Term Debt Service</b>	<b>\$65,554</b>	<b>\$65,554</b>	<b>\$-</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$256,663</b>	<b>\$250,900</b>	<b>\$(5,763)</b>



<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>\$10,075</b>	<b>\$12,138</b>	<b>\$2,063</b>
8200 · Capital Exp. and Contingencies			
8218 · Contingencies	\$9,800	\$12,138	\$2,338
Total 8200 · Capital Exp. and Contingencies	\$9,800	\$12,138	\$2,338
Total Other Expense	\$9,800	\$12,138	\$2,338



## **President's Report**

I'm writing these few words about a month or so before this year's Annual Meeting. The plan is to hold the meeting on the basketball court. The plan is that it won't rain, the plan is that by social distancing we can keep each other safe, the plan is –

– but 2020, as we all know, has been the year when plans have been upended. Even so, one thing the coronavirus has not affected is the continuing good will of Bayside residents for one another. You're sitting on your porch and a car rolls by, then stops, then the window rolls down...and you find yourself chatting and connecting with your neighbors. Or you meet them out walking your dog, or strolling through Ruggles Park, or maybe at The Hoot. I hesitate to use the cliché "it's all good," but—it's all good.

Most of us have (at least) two worlds we inhabit: "where we live" and Bayside. For my family, "where-we-live" is Portland, about two hours south of here. For you, it may be closer (there are Baysiders who have homes in Belfast!) or farther: Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Virginia, Texas, California.... But wherever you are when you're "there," nothing can beat the feeling when you're "here."

That's why we're so passionate about this place. That's why we (sometimes) even fight with each other about how best to take care of it. It's because we have grown up in or stumbled upon a little piece of America where the clocks tick slower, the sunlight lasts longer and the smiles grow wider. We all know it's special and we want to keep it that way.

Thank you for being part of Bayside.

**John Spritz – President, Northport Village Corporation**





## **Treasurer's Report**

### **The 2021 budget**

The Village budget for 2021 is similar to 2020. We are able to fund key operating activities without an increase in taxes, and have a slightly larger contingency budget for discretionary spending. This is positive considering the income reductions in Utility rental fees (\$3,000) and Community Hall rental fees (\$700).

New for 2021 is a modest level of funding to assist with Browntail Caterpillar Control. This problem is not likely to go away anytime soon, and additional spending may be required for the next few years.

### **A look forward**

As I complete my final term as Treasurer, I want to offer my perspective on how best to manage the challenges of funding the seawall while maintaining our infrastructure.

The NVC is financially sound and well positioned for the future. For several years a focus of the Overseers has been to repair and maintain Village infrastructure. This work is largely complete: there are no known critical projects demanding our attention in the near term. This has been a very intentional process, one that recognized the significant spending required to repair the Seawall and the tax increases required to fund this project.

While infrastructure upgrades were underway, we successfully increased General Government reserves; the goal was to provide a "safety net" for the Village. With that "safety net" in place, we are in a position to begin using some of those funds to reduce the impact of tax increases required to pay for the Seawall.

Our first payment on the Seawall bond will be in 2021. One of this year's warrant articles asks the voters to approve the use of reserves to make this payment, avoiding the need for a tax increase in 2021. I strongly recommend a "yes" vote on this article.

In 2022, the Village will see a marked increase in the amount of funds required for bond payments, which will require a corresponding tax increase. I have submitted a proposal to the Overseers that would use some reserves to reduce the tax increases required to meet bond obligations. The good news is that the Village will retire two existing bonds by the end of 2025, which will free up existing tax revenue to rebuild reserves and to operate the Village.

### **On a personal note**

My time as an Overseer and Treasurer the past 12 years has been a most rewarding and enjoyable experience. I want to thank all of the past and current Overseers, Utility Trustees, Officers and volunteers for making it so. It is their commitment, energy, and hard work that makes Bayside such a special place.

**Steve Kazilionis - Treasurer, Northport Village Corporation**



## **Infrastructure Committee**

The Infrastructure Committee (IC) members are Bill Cressey, Art Hall, Billy Haverty, Mike Lannan, John Lojek, Bill Paige, Mark Stelmack and Jeffrey Wilt. This year we have had to adjust our efforts due to the pandemic, but are moving forward with long-term projects for the future of Bayside.

### **Roads**

For the last couple of years, we have improved a number of the dirt roads in Bayside. Reworking becomes desirable when the roadways have deteriorated to a point where there is no crown on the roadway and drainage has been compromised. Reworking typically entails building a new crown on the road, changing the elevation of the roadway and cleaning or creating drainage ditches.

While we did not rework any dirt roadways this year, we plan to start that up again in 2021. The needs list changes at the end of each winter, but Pleasant Lane is always on it. Because it is an old pedestrian pathway that has been converted to a roadway, Pleasant Lane has some grading and drainage issues. With little room for proper drainage on either side of the roadway, any solution must be creative and may consume all of the IC budget in any given year. The IC has a subcommittee headed by Mark Stelmack to develop a long-term solution to address this Pleasant Lane concern.

This year the roadway capital improvement budget was used in large part for a survey for the end of North Avenue to determine the limits of potential regrading and paving for the North Avenue Drainage Repairs discussed below.

This winter saw much more freezing rain and ice than in previous years—nonetheless, Bill Paige was able to keep the roads clear and safe with plenty of sand and salt. However, the effect on our aging village truck was apparent, and it is the IC's recommendation that a new truck, or major repairs to address the rust from the plowing efforts, be considered as soon as possible, to help maintain our roadways at all times.

### **North Avenue Drainage Repairs**

The IC examined other potential Village projects that are critical now and/or would benefit cost-wise from bundling construction with the seawall project. Three proposed alternative bid line-items fit these criteria:

1. Extend the seawall to include rip-rap areas behind the Northport Yacht Club, which was already approved by the voters at the last annual meeting;
2. Extend the seawall work to land outside of the previous annual meeting vote (which is discussed below); and
3. Repair drainage systems on North Avenue.

Looking at the last alternative: the NVC owns a 35-foot right-of-way for North Avenue that extends down over the embankment into the tidal area. Currently, when it rains, stormwater runs down North Avenue and soaks into the ground and into a French-drain that is piped to a



discharge location about one-third of the way down the embankment. Over the years, this French-drain has filled with silt and sand running down the roadway; today, a majority of the stormwater is over-topping the embankment, creating an erosion concern. Bid package Alternative #2 (above) requested a line-item bid to replace the existing French-drain with a new single stormwater catch basin in the same approximate location.

Since the bidding, a number of residents have expressed concern that the proposed repair work wouldn't capture enough stormwater from the potential weakest link for erosion, the embankment of a private resident's property on the bay side lot of the walkway that connects North Avenue and lower Clinton Streets. The IC selected Billy Haverty to chair a subcommittee to revisit this design to best address the concerns in this area.

After Billy rolled up his sleeves and had some meetings with the engineers, IC representatives, and the neighbors, the plan was altered with minimal cost implications to accomplish the original replacement goals: lessen erosion, and provide for future expansion with additional storm drains, during true utilities replacement and repaving project. This reworked design has been discussed and conceptual plans have been approved by the IC. The IC examined the bid from the contractor for this work, and unanimously recommended that it be included in the seawall budget, pending voter approval at the 2020 annual meeting. If the article is approved, formal design plans will be altered and the work completed this fall as part of the seawall contract.

## **Seawall Repair**

The Seawall reconstruction design has been completed, the project was bid, the contractor was selected, and the contractor is under agreement to begin this work this fall. The IC is happy to report that the bid for construction and engineering of this work, the North Avenue Alternative above, and the Alternative to extend the project to North of the boat ramp all came in under the Article limit proposed and approved during the 2019 annual meeting.

The work north of the boat ramp was originally excluded from the bid package, because of the concerns for costs and funding. The IC recommended to the NVC to add a potential Alternative line-item bid request for this work, that could be considered based upon the overall bid value, and the specific costing of this alternative. Clearly based upon the cost provided, there is a real cost savings to add the required block for this area to a much larger order, and to use the extra equipment that will be available for the primary project to get this done.

As mentioned during the seawall design meetings last year, this shorter wooden wall structurally does not need to be replaced this year, but it continues to lean more and more each year. It is hard to say when the "blow out" or collapse will occur, as it will be extremely weather dependent, but it is coming; depending on when it comes and the extent of erosion, it could be a costly repair. And then we would still need a long-term replacement solution, as this approach is not effective from a life-cycle cost perspective.

Of course, minimizing life-cycle costs are not everyone's primary concern when we need to borrow for the seawall, but the IC balanced the benefit of reducing the overall cost now with:

- (1) the incremental cost savings for granite block, mobilization, and equipment rental;



- (2) the fact that it can be done within the upper limit of the current bond appropriation;
- (3) the obvious weak link on the shorefront becoming this northern seawall, and
- (4) the reality of other infrastructure needs down the road.

As a result, the IC unanimously recommended to approve the Article to complete the seawall replacement project in its entirety.

### **Long-term Infrastructure Projects**

As mentioned above, the reworking of our dirt roads must begin again soon, which will be part of our 2020-2021 IC discussions. In a hilly environment like Bayside, unpaved roads need annual maintenance and recrowning every 5 to 10 years.

Luckily our paved roads do not have the recrowning concern, but they need to be repaved. Bill Cressey is chairing the IC's long-term "repaving needs" subcommittee, and an update will be available prior to the 2021 annual meeting. The initial goal is to catalog and grade the condition of each paved roadway in the village that the NVC maintains. The ultimate goal is to combine and package repaving needs into smaller packages so that we do not need to bond money to meet these costs, while at the same time making it worthwhile for a paver to bid and give us a decent cost per linear foot.

A major consideration is the level of repair necessary prior to repaving. Just like painting a house, if one lets the process go too long it becomes much more expensive to complete the preparatory repair work prior to paving. So, the desire to maximize roadway life and to minimize the ultimate repaving costs are always in a delicate balance. Bill is not here this summer, so anyone interested in helping him catalogue remotely as his "boots on the ground" should contact him directly.

Another long-term infrastructure issue is added parking. The IC is providing comments to the Parking Ordinance Committee on the proposed revisions that were tabled for formal public comment until after this summer because of the pandemic. It is not the intent of the IC to comment on the potential effectiveness of the proposed changes, but to examine the Infrastructure impacts, and to comment on the logistics of potential alternative long-term parking sites. Mark Stelmak has volunteered to chair this subcommittee; we hope to have a report to the NVC Overseers by the 2021 meeting as well.

**Committee Chair: Mike Lannan**



**Communications Committee**

The Communications Committee is tasked with disseminating important and timely information to Baysiders. This year, regular communication included information from monthly board meetings, educational resources regarding the brown tail moth situation, as well as delivering rapidly changing notifications regarding COVID-19 that were pertinent to Bayside. In addition, the committee created safety signage for the current pandemic. Working together, the Communication Committee and the Safety Committee accomplished these time-intensive tasks. Thank you to Dan Webster for posting and maintaining documents through email and on BaysideMaine.com.

**Committee Chair: Lisa Fryer**



## **Governance Committee**

This year the Governance Committee focused its efforts on reviewing the existing Parking Ordinance adopted many year ago. We were asked to do this because of the overcrowding in the parks, the inability to assure safe vehicular passage down several roads due to congestion, and a perceived inconsistency in adhering to the parking rules set forth in the existing ordinance and in motor vehicle regulations.

The leaders in this discussion were drawn from throughout the community and many hands made the work of evaluation, consideration, and documentation pleasant and productive. The participants are Martha Beiser, Gina Cressey, Sandy Hall (who ably served as the group's scrivener), Elaine Moss, Dan Webster, Jeffrey Wilt, and Deanna Wolfire. Michael Boucher provided a critical analysis of the existing ordinance from a policing perspective. Bill Paige provided invaluable guidance on the fire lane widths, the widths of our roads, and practical considerations such as the needs of snow plows and emergency equipment. Elaine Moss and Dan Webster served as the principal editors. Other public resources were examined including Northport's own regulations and the parking ordinances of Belfast and Camden.

The Committee met no less frequently than once a month and as the drafting progressed, the meetings occurred more frequently. Community input was solicited at the outset and all throughout the process. Thanks to Dan and Lisa Webster's baysidemaine.com website, we were able to get the word out about our work regularly and we received thoughtful, helpful comments.

The result is a draft ordinance which has been posted on baysidemaine.com for public review and comment since the middle of March. A slightly revised version has been posted since the end of May. It is also available directly from the Village Office. In the ordinary course, a public hearing on the draft ordinance would be held and that was the plan. COVID-19 stopped all that. As this report is being written, the state is still in a public emergency, many businesses remain closed, and the Community Hall has been closed to public meetings. So, it is unlikely that a new ordinance will be adopted this year. Nonetheless, there is a parking ordinance in place already. Just because no public meeting can be scheduled doesn't mean we do not want your comments on the draft. Send them along to [metcalf442@myfairpoint.net](mailto:metcalf442@myfairpoint.net).

Finally, the committee looked at options for other available parking in the community. Martha Beiser has negotiated on our behalf for the school parking lot to be used as satellite parking on a trial basis. The Infrastructure Committee no doubt will have good ideas about parking options in Cradle Row and other areas.

As you know from past reports, the Committee still wishes to modernize and clarify aspects of the land use ordinance. If you have an interest in that, please contact me as it is our hope to reinvigorate that discussion in 2020/21.

**Committee Chair: Judy Metcalf**



## Safety Committee

The Bayside Safety Committee has the following members:

Jessica Cohen  
Jim Coughlin  
Gina Cressey  
Maureen “Beanie” Einstein  
Lisa Fryer  
Jim Huning  
Harry Rosenblum  
Michael Tirrell (Chairman)  
Jeffrey Wilt

*The Safety Committee’s mission is to advise on issues, rules, regulations, and requirements associated with Bayside public safety. The committee provides the Board of Overseers with input, feedback, and advocacy around safety policy and budgetary priorities. Additionally, the committee — in coordination with the Village Agent and others — collaborates to interview, vet, and recommend candidates for police and lifeguard positions.*

### Summary of 2019 activity and an eye towards 2020:

#### Police Coverage

Police coverage was expanded to provide up to 40 hours a week of coverage during the 2019 peak summer season – and the same projected for Summer 2020. The committee worked with Chief Michael Boucher to schedule roughly 500 hours of coverage, ramping up gradually in June to a full 40 hours in the peak weeks of July and August, and then ramping down in the weeks at the end of the season. The committee forecasted the same level of coverage for 2020.

Chief Boucher and Officer Ben Kolko shared the coverage for 2019. Ben Kolko was hired elsewhere in a fulltime position over the winter of 2019; the committee conducted a search for his replacement, resulting in the hire of Officer Danny Ryosa for the 2020 season.

#### Lifeguard Coverage

Lifeguard coverage for the 2019 season was seven days a week between the hours of 10am-6pm with two Bayside veterans: Evan Amuck and Mackenzie Treadwell. The committee’s efforts to rehire both veteran lifeguards for the 2020 season were not successful, which prompted a search for new lifeguards to staff the Bayside waterfront. A tight labor market and a relative shortage of qualified candidates slowed the hiring process considerably, however the committee succeeded in hiring Thomas Parker as a new lifeguard for 2020.

#### Traffic Safety

Speeding in the Village is a major concern of the committee, as well as many residents. The committee spent much of 2019 exploring various options to address it, resulting in the recommendation to purchase additional digital signs that flash a car’s speed when approaching. The signs were purchased with funds raised from generous Village donors and funding approved



by the Overseers. Two permanent signs were installed in 2020, one in front of Community Hall and the other at the entrance to Bayside on George St near where the road forks. The third digital sign – the one the Village has owned for several years – is to be rotated among various roadside locations.

**Committee Chair: Michael Tirrell**





## Waterfront Safety Committee

The Waterfront Safety Committee was established in 2019 to address small watercraft congestion issues on Northport Village Corporation property. The NVC Board of Overseers appointed the committee, a cooperative effort between the Overseers and the Northport Yacht Club. Members include: Craig Brigham (NYC Board), Jim Coughlin (NYC Board), Gordon Fuller (Wharfmaster), Bill Haverty (NYC Board), Mike Lannan (NVC Overseer), Bill Paige (Village Agent), and Jeffrey Wilt (NVC Overseer and Chairman).

The Waterfront Safety Committee entered the fall of 2019 planning to continue efforts in managing congestion of small watercraft stored at the wharf and other Village property. In the year since the last NVC Annual Meeting, the committee met in September 2019 followed by meetings in March, April and May 2020.

In its pre-COVID-19 pandemic meetings, the committee reviewed progress achieved during the 2019 summer season. As a reminder, the committee has focused on reviewing waterfront storage rules and other guidelines for overnight storage of small watercraft. Key guidelines include:

- Dinghies tied-up at NVC boat float(s) must not exceed 12' in length and 5.5' in width. Dinghies tied overnight at the dock boat float may not have engines exceeding 9.9 horsepower. Dinghies tied overnight at the out float may not have engines exceeding 25 horsepower. Boats exceeding these limits should be kept on a mooring, tied behind their primary-use boat in the anchorage, or kept elsewhere.
- Dinghies must be conspicuously marked with the owner's name and phone number.
- No dinghy should be left at the dock boat float unattended for more than 48 hours. If the dinghy is not used regularly, it should be tied to the out float, tied behind the owner's moored boat, or beached.
- Personal watercraft users (paddle boards, kayaks, canoes, etc.) who store their craft on the waterfront are asked to refrain from leaving their vessels on the waterfront unused for long periods of time (i.e. the entire season or even a week or two).

The committee made the following updated recommendations to the Overseers (adopted March 2020):

- Registration of small watercraft to become mandatory for the 2020 boating season (consistent with the plans established at the start of the 2019 season). Updated forms are available at the Village Office.
- Implementation of a mandatory \$10 registration fee for each small watercraft stored on village property for the 2020 season. Small registration stickers to be placed on the inner transom of the watercraft will be required as proof of registration.

At the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, the committee shifted focus to the safe use of waterfront storage assets. Recommendations to the Overseers included:



Boat float installation—proceed as normally planned late in May. As of this printing the wharf float and outer float are installed

Safe use of NVC floats –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

As of this printing, signage has been installed on the wharf.

Public use dinghy – launch the NVC public use dinghy with signage reflecting “dingy is not disinfected, use at own risk.” As of this printing, the public us dinghy is in with signage.

Personal watercraft (kayak, canoe, paddleboard) storage – for the 2020 summer season, storage of these watercraft will 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 are marked with new signs.

Wharfmaster – Gordon Fuller resigned as Wharfmaster in May 2020. The committee recommended Craig Brigham be appointed Wharfmaster for the 2020 season with Jim Coughlin and Bill Haverty remaining as Assistant Wharfmasters. The committee thanks Gordon for his many years of dedicated service to the village and its boating community.

The committee hopes, with these measures and compliance by the boating community, that the future of our waterfront will be a less congested and safer environment.

**Committee Chair: Jeffrey Wilt**



## **Tree Committee**

The Bayside Tree Committee has been active this past year with numerous meetings and volunteer work around Bayside. Our focus has been to identify, preserve and replenish trees as needed. Committee members included Bette Woolsey, John Woolsey, John Hoy, Michael Tirrell, Jim Coughlin, Joel Lipman, Victoria Matthews, and Michael Robbins.

Within this process, committee members have graciously volunteered their time completing the tagging and inventory of Bayside Village trees. Villagers can now see small silver tags on each of these trees. In our master inventory, we have identified the type of tree as well as its placement. This process helps us better care for our village parks. (In addition, it greatly aided our ability to deal with the brown tail moth situation.)

This year has been another year filled with the brown tail moth. As most know, the brown tail moth is an invasive species found on the coast of Maine April through June and can cause a rash similar to poison ivy. Sadly, it is believed the brown tail moth can also create the massive destruction of trees as well. With the focus of preservation of trees, a private fundraiser was completed by Diana Eastty with the help of Steve Kazilonis. Through their efforts, numerous trees were treated and pruned to help curb the amount and effects of these pests.

Lastly, a sincere thank you to all Baysiders who have kindly supported our mission.

**Committee Chair: Lisa Fryer**



**Tree Warden**

Our village trees received a lot of attention this last year. Three dead trees were removed. Pruning was completed on trees in Ruggles and Bayview Parks. The Tree Committee completed the task of inventorying and tagging village trees in our parks and public areas.

Also, the brown tail moth caterpillar made its way into Bayside last summer, to the surprise of many of us, and promised an increased infestation for the summer of 2020. A tremendous thanks goes to Diana Easty and Steve Kazilionis for their persistence in creating a plan to help the village treat trees to prevent destruction from the BTM. Through their efforts approximately \$10,000 was raised through donations to treat many of our trees in Auditorium Park, Ruggles Park, Bayview Park and Blaisdell Park. 22 trees were treated and 6 trees in highly populated areas were clipped for the BTM cocoons. Plans for continuing treatment are in progress.

Remember that the Tree Committee is tasked with identifying areas to plant new trees. If you identify an area in the village that would be enhanced by a new tree, please let us know. A sincere thank you to all of our village residents and visitors for their efforts to keep our trees healthy.

**Tree Warden: Victoria Matthews**



## Utilities Committee

This has been a challenging year for the Utilities Committee with many difficult decisions and considerations related to the construction of a new wastewater treatment building for year-round chlorination and dechlorination of effluent from the sewer treatment plant, which was mandated by the new (2019) 5-year DEP and EPA wastewater treatment license.

The existing treatment facility (a 4.5 feet tall, unheated, and uninsulated shed) must be replaced by a weatherproof, heated, insulated building to contain a 500-gallon liquid hypochlorite tank, pumps, sampling and measuring equipment that will allow the operator to stand comfortably upright and in safety during his/her daily visits in all seasons and weathers. The Utilities Committee negotiated a consent agreement with the DEP and EPA allowing two years in which to design and build this facility, which must be completed and in operation by December 31, 2020.

At this time last year (2019), the Committee, having considered various possible sites for the building, chose to locate it adjacent to the current treatment building next to the collection tanks at the bottom of Ruggles Park. Since this site is in the flood zone, the building had to be designed to be resistant to wind and flood with the floor level one foot above the flood plain.

In September, with the help of scale models created by Dick Brockway, the Committee looked at a variety of architectural options. Their consensus was that a “tent-lot cottage” roof line (like the Library buildings) would be too tall and therefore the 9x12 shingled structure was designed with a roof pitch similar to that of the adjacent Yacht Club and the Wharf shelter.

Dirigo Engineering presented the 85% design in November 2019 and, after discussion, was instructed to prepare final designs for the Committee’s January meeting. At two meetings in January 2020, adjustments were made to the design, and on January 31, the Engineer was instructed to incorporate these design changes and prepare the project to go out for bid.

The initial bid request generated only a single bid, at nearly twice the anticipated cost. The Committee voted in May 2020 to send out a second round of bids more-widely addressed and to include local contractors. As of this writing on June 1, 2020, this bid process is ongoing. The height of the structure has been reduced by a foot (to 13.5 feet) in order to respond to citizen concerns.

The plan is that excavation and building will start in September and be completed by mid-December. However, the Committee must also anticipate that if a satisfactory bid is not obtained, there may be need to request an extension of the timetable for license compliance from the DEP and EPA.

This has been a difficult process. At the time of this writing, much is still up in the air that will hopefully be resolved by the time of the Annual Meeting.

Another painful impact of the new license requirements is a 30% increase in the sewer utility’s costs for labor and chemicals for year-round decontamination, and for year-round effluent



testing. This change was reflected in the March Utility billing by an increase in the sewer rates of \$55/trimester (\$165 annual) that must be borne by the 240 sewer users.

During the spring pump-out of the septic tanks, a large amount of kerosene was found in the first of the train of tanks, requiring specialized pumping by Safe Harbors. Just when this was completed, there was another kerosene leak into the sewer system, traced to a house in Auditorium Park where the kerosene tank had leaked into the ground. The DEP has been on-site to direct the clean-up around the house and Safe Harbors again had to pump out the sewer tanks. No direct link has yet been identified between the ground where the leak occurred and our sewer collection system. Fortunately, the Maine DEP will take on the costs of this clean-up.

Sewer customers are reminded that both Federal and State regulations make it illegal to have basement sump pumps, drains, or gutters connected to the sewer and that discharge of paint or petrochemicals into the system is forbidden.

## **Water Utility**

As usual, the water utility operations were relatively painless, with good quality water and plentiful supply.

The Cobe Road water main project was completed in September by Farley and Company. Several water line leaks were identified, located, and repaired under the direction of Bill Paige.

Because of the COVID-19 epidemic this year, many cottage owners requested that their seasonal water be turned on in March or April. The risks of freezing and also the Maine Governor's orders forbidding people moving to secondary homes from endemic areas meant that many of these requests could not be honored. However, water was turned on by May 1<sup>st</sup> as in other years.

Since April, Utilities Committee meeting have been held by Zoom teleconferencing. This has some disadvantages but it does allow for wider participation by citizens not normally in the village throughout the year.

The addition of Nina Richards to the NVC team should improve communications; utility billing has been restored to working order with Amy Eldridge's help. Fernie Barton and Bill Paige have worked long and hard to keep this system running and our Superintendent, Dick McElhaney, was heavily involved in the new building design, the kerosene clean-up and all aspects of both sewer and water utilities.

Gordon Fuller resigned from the Utilities Committee in April and the Village President has named Janae Novotny to replace this position. Michael Lannan resigned from the Utilities Committee in May.

**Committee Chair: David Crofoot**  
**Judy Metcalf, Miles Frieden, Janae Novotny**



## **Village Agent**

I hope that everyone had a great 2019. It appears that 2020 is a big pain for everyone, it's been a big challenge for all of us who work for the village but we're all moving forward. Meanwhile, the village is in good shape and we have been working on a lot of things:

- Continue working on upgrading of dirt roads
- Continue working on repairs of already paved roads
- Rebuilding the fence at the library in the late fall
- Working on the seawall project: meeting with geotec drillers and going to many meetings
- Working with the water department doing "all things water"
- Working with the sewer department: fixing things, taking sewer samples to the testing lab in Waterville every week (sometimes two times a week), and more
- Working with the police staff to help make the village a safe place
- Getting and installing two solar-powered speed signs
- Working with all of the Committees: Governance, Communications, Safety, Waterfront Safety, Tree, the Tree Warden, etc.
- Working with the trash collector and parks mowing contractor

AND trying to just keep the office running, plus plowing and sanding the roads in winter and keeping an eye on everything happening in the village.

I would like to thank Rob Sherman for all he does around the village, plus all of the other volunteers we have; without them, it would not be a community. Please be safe, enjoy all of the Zoom meetings—and watch out for those brown tail moths: they're everywhere!

**Village Agent: William Paige**



## Wharfmaster Annual Report

Many thanks again to those involved, including Art and Sandy Hall and Lisa Webster, with the spectacular plantings down along the waterfront area and over at the Northport Yacht Club (NYC) this year!

Activity around the wharf area in 2019 was pretty much business as usual except for the addition of a new watercraft safety registration plan/program developed in the offseason and approved for implementation in 2019 by the NVC Overseers. It requests that all who use village public lands and facilities register their boats with the village office, which should result in developing a good database of who is using the lands/facilities for watercraft for short term storage and for what types of watercraft. It is also the hope that participant cooperation in the plan will result in greater safety for users and less congestion of the dinghies at the boat floats and kayaks on the north shore banking area.

That said, it is up to the users of the facilities to follow the rules and work together to help improve safety and alleviate the congestion problem. We hope that most all will participate in the program each year and be good citizens to make the most of the facilities we now have. Waterfront rules were slightly modified in 2019 and additional assistants (Craig Brigham, Jim Coughlin, and Bill Haverty) to the Wharfmaster have been designated to help ensure that the rules are followed.

Bottom line:

- Keep dinghies bailed within 48 hours, well maintained and if not in regular use, move them off the boat float or we will.
- Larger boats with motors over 9.9 hp must now go off the main boat float at night—the outfloat is one alternative.
- If you use the north shore area, if you are not using your boats/kayaks regularly, please remove them until you need them next. Do not park them on the north shore area all season long. Space is at a premium, please take them home.

Basically, it all comes down to recognizing that we have limited facilities and many users. Please be thoughtful of the needs of others. Let's pull together to make this work. If not, additional regulatory steps may be taken.

No major incidents/mishaps/accidents were reported in 2019 and we hope for the same result each ensuing year. During the summer of 2019 we had the services of Evan and Mackenzie as our lifeguards, and both performed their jobs admirably. Thanks to both for their service to the village. Please be supportive and helpful to whomever is our lifeguard in 2020, as they keep an eye out on our swimmers! Parents, please provide assistance and supervision over your children down at the dock and waterfront beach area; the lifeguards are not there to babysit, they are there primarily to watch over swimmers to ensure their safety!

Last year, the anchorage had well over one hundred fifty boats moored and as usual the boat float was occasionally packed to capacity with dinghies in July and August. Some complaints were voiced last summer, as usual about horsing around on the dock, the boat float dinghy overcrowding situation, fishing related issues, and boat float water use. We simply do not have enough space for everyone's dinghy at the main boat float, and the out float and other designated dinghy storage





areas tend to be underutilized. Once again, it is hoped, that more dinghies will be tied to the out float this summer.

Please review the modified and Overseer-ratified 2019 rules and find the option that works both for you and others in the community. Keep in mind that dinghies are stored at the owner's risk and some damage may occur to dinghies again this summer. This is a matter between the parties involved and not the Northport Village Corporation. Store your dinghy elsewhere or take it home if possible, especially if it is not going to be used for several days. Tie it behind your boat, at the out float, or put it at other designated storage areas.

Boat float dinghy storage rules reminders: the maximum length of a dinghy is 12'. If you are not going to use your dinghy or are not in town for a couple of days or more, please remove it from the main boat float. As mentioned previously, please bail your boat out within 48 hours of a rainfall—the additional weight on the float is significant. Finally, maintain your dinghy well, make sure you have a good rubrail with no screws or nails sticking out. If your dinghy damages another boat, it is solely your responsibility. It is time for all of us to step to the plate and follow the rules!!!! The Wharfmaster and his assistants will be taking measures including removing your boat from the boat float for owners who don't abide by the 2019 revised rules. All we ask is for your cooperation with this matter. If you have other ideas as how we resolve our overcrowding dinghy situation, we encourage you to contact the Overseers.

Recent improvements have been made to the north shore area to make the banking more accessible and user-friendly for kayak and other small watercraft storage. People who wish to store kayaks and other small boats here are asked to store them up on the upper grassy banking area or other designated kayak storage areas. We encourage people to bring boats down, use them and take them home whenever possible, especially if frequent use is not anticipated. Small sailboats and larger watercraft should also be brought down, used, and then taken home, or stored on moorings. The idea is to make this whole north shore waterfront area more user-friendly for boat owners, beach walkers, and beach users. Once again, your cooperation would be appreciated.

With regard to fishing in 2019, there was still the occasional problem with fishermen and boaters. People using the boat float need to realize that boating takes priority. Speaking of appropriate use of the floats and wharf, boaters using the boat float must keep in mind that it is our only boat float that services the needs of many. The float is available for short term tie-ups only (loading and unloading of gear and people, 10 minutes or so), and someone should always be on board or the dock area. Please be considerate of the needs of others when using the float.

As for use of the village-provided water hose on the boat float, too often the water is left running and is sometimes used inappropriately. Water should be used only to fill boat water tanks, occasionally rinse off boats, and clean the float, as needed. In 2019, the NVC provided a general use dinghy for boat owners to get to and from their boats and the out float. This dinghy is intended to be used only for short periods of time (15 mins +/-) and then it must be returned to the boat float. In 2019, the Northport Yacht Club also kept a dinghy at the float, limited to use by members—again for short periods of time.



Posting signs and getting the word out has been the approach taken by the NVC to try and deal with the problems described above—that and appealing to the common sense of those involved (vs. more formal enforcement attempts). If we all work together and attempt to cooperate with existing rules and regulations, we can solve these problems, but it is up to each and every one of us to take some responsibility for our actions!

Finally, relative to Cradle Park, aka “the Cradle Yard,” it’s in much better shape now than in past years, and was thoroughly raked and cleaned out again this spring. Let’s work together to keep it that way. Historically, we have had trouble with the dumping of leaves, brush, and debris there, and that is prohibited. We encourage and request village residents to comply with NVC rules, clearly posted at the entrances to the yard. In a nutshell, this area is to be used for short term boat/trailer/cradle storage and/or overflow parking—not for brush/leaves disposal.

If you use the wharf area and cradle yard, please read and follow the applicable rules that are published and posted. It is hoped that everyone will be safe, use common sense, and be courteous and considerate of others.

## **2019 Wharfmaster Gordon Fuller**

Assistant Wharfmasters:  
Craig Brigham  
Jim Coughlin  
Billy Haverty



## **Bayside Arts**

Bayside Arts cancelled our 2020 summer season due to the COVID-19 pandemic. But looking back at 2019, we can report that our eight programs, organized by Sharon McCulloch and John Woolsey, were selected from a list compiled from suggestions by Belfast's Mary Mortier and Belfast Summer Nights organizers, plus valuable input from Bayside's Fritz Homans. In 2019 Bayside Arts hosted a night of ballet and ballroom dance with the Robinson Ballet, Swing and Sway and Alma Cubana Dance, another offering by the Bar Harbor Music Festival, the Ardelia Chamber Players, a concert of eclectic folk music from Belfast musical polymath, Noah Fishman, the Ellington/Strayhorn big band, Novel Jazz, and blues band, Erin Harpe and the Delta Swingers. Baysider Sheila Allen conducted six art classes for kids. A third presentation by nationally-known cheese expert and Baysider, Liz Thorpe (sponsored by Bistrot La Minette in Philadelphia, Baysider Peter Woolsey's French bistro) was sold out as usual.

We thank all the great volunteers who helped to make for a successful season. In particular, I would like to recognize Nan Thorpe for heading up publicity, Emily Stetser for design of all our posters, Dan Webster for sending out our announcements to the subscribers of BaysideMaine.com and listing our events on the community calendar, Christy Weisenbach for taking over writing and distributing our press releases, Cynthia Stuen for organizing our event hosts, Bill Cressey for managing our lights and set, Colleen Oberg for managing our annual membership campaign and fund raising and Carl Oberg for keeping our finances in order.

We also thank Lisa Webster and the Northport Yacht Club for the use of their clubhouse for Pairing Wine and Cheese. We thank Dick Brockway for constructing a storage facility for our set and other equipment under the Community Hall stage. I would like to single out Steve Nelson for designing our new website, BaysideArts.org, where you can also join our organization and make contributions.

Our annual membership drive in May 2019 resulted in renewals of most of our members (a nominal \$25/year membership fee) as well as many additional contributions from members who sponsored some of our events. A successful grant application to the Maine Community Foundation, written by Bill Cressey and Nan Thorpe, enabled the purchase of new stage lighting, a lighting control board and wiring of community hall outlets capable of handling the high wattage of the lights.

Bayside Arts is grateful to the Northport Village Corporation for the use of the Community Hall for our events. This enables us to contribute to one of the mandates articulated in NVC's charter: "to contribute features of an entertaining ... nature during the months of June, July, and August ... [and] to license entertainments of a character not forbidden by law...".

We welcome the participation of community members in many ways and are actively seeking people who would like to help out with future programs. With your help, we hope to be an active contributor to the Bayside summer experience for many future seasons. To participate, please contact John Woolsey: [john@jbwoolsey.com](mailto:john@jbwoolsey.com).

**President: John Woolsey**



## **Bayside Historical Preservation Society**

With the arrival of the COVID-19 virus this spring virtually all public activities in Bayside were cancelled. The BHPS was no exception. After cancelling our activities, we searched for ways to connect to Baysiders via the web and through other means. We decided that the museum on Pleasant Street would be open by appointment only. Wendy Huntoon worked to get our fledgling website up and running with our newsletter and other historical items, including a membership page where visitors can sign up and contribute online to become members. The site can be found at: [www.baysidehps.org/](http://www.baysidehps.org/). It also contains oral histories and copies of the original *Sea Breeze* newspaper as well as lots of photographs.

The BHPS has had a terrific year. This is our 25<sup>th</sup> year of existence, as Dick Brockway pointed out to me in last winter. Our planning for a celebration was put on hold as the coronavirus epidemic grew. Due to the tireless efforts of Wendy Huntoon, we have our website up and running and this is our last year of mailing out the print version of our newsletter, as voted on at our general meeting (assuming County Copy opens during the summer).

Our current board members and officers are: Wendy Huntoon, Harry Rosenblum, Cathy Ross, Marjorie Crowley, Joy Sherman, Fred Lincoln, Lisa Webster, Beverly Crofoot (vice president) Heidi Von Bergen (treasurer), Pam Williams (secretary) and Joe Reilly (president).

This winter, the shrubs were removed from behind the mailbox row in Merrithew Square. without prior notification to anyone in the neighborhood. BHPS and Judy Metcalf have donated monies to replace the shrubs as they were planted years ago, by longtime resident Bob Aebersole. The larger issue is, should there be a protocol in place for any nonstructural/cosmetic/repair work in our neighborhoods? If you have ideas about this, please contact Joe Reilly or Beverly Crofoot. We will then submit suggestions to the Overseers for possible adoption.

The BHPS has some exciting new acquisitions! Two paintings that forever hung in the Cobe estate were purchased for BHPS this fall. During the winter, Harry Rosenblum found five copies (a whole summer's issue) of the Wesleyan Grove/ Campground newspaper, the *Sea Breeze*, from 1884. We have continued receiving donations of postcards from John Dykstra and we have found multiple 19<sup>th</sup> Century Albumen Photographs of the Campground and environs. Many of these items will be on display in the Community Hall, until the end of July, in an exhibit of the Town of Northport, curated by Beverly Crofoot, to celebrate the town's 150-year anniversary.

Although saddened by the cancellation of our activities, we are excited about hiring Cameron Anderson to continue the job of listing and cataloging our extensive collections of Bayside/Northport and Wesleyan Grove Camp Ground artifacts and materials. We are also excited that Aaron Cohen has decided to edit and publish a 21<sup>st</sup> century edition of the Wesleyan Grove Camp Ground's historic newspaper, the *Sea Breeze*. Thanks to Dan Webster and his Bayside site for helping us find and hire Cameron Anderson and for putting out the call for writers for Aaron's *Sea Breeze* editions. Aaron hopes to have an issue published in both July and August of this year. We are very excited about working with these two young men.



Like the NYC and Bayside Arts, the BHPS continues to support the Northport Food Pantry and we continue to quietly support improvement projects around the village. We also have added to our fabulous historical collection by purchasing various photographs, manuscripts and paintings. BHPS is extremely thankful for the support of the community, the Overseers, worthy board of directors and especially Billy Paige. We look forward to a more traditional and healthy 2021 season!

**President: Joe Reilly**



**Bayside Library**

The Bayside library, located on the corner of George and Griffin Streets, has both a children's room and an adult room. Although closed this year because of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is typically open seasonally from around Memorial Day to Columbus Day and daily from around 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Books circulate on an honor-system basis.

Donations of books by members of the Bayside community make the library possible, and the community continues to give the library its enthusiastic support and use. On Wednesdays, Jen Lannan provides a regular children's story hour.

The library is managed by volunteers who open and close, sort and shelve, garden and maintain. Members of the 2019 team were: Dick Brockway, Marge Brockway, Suellyn Fleming, Jen Lannan, Jennika Lundy, and Heidi Von Bergen.

A special thank you to the Samway family, whose generous contributions keep the library full of current titles and the gardens looking beautiful.

**Jennika Lundy**



## Northport Yacht Club Annual Report

The Northport Yacht Club was founded in 1939 and, to this day, acts as a hub for more than 200 families where friends reconnect after the winter, social responsibility is embraced through charitable and educational activities, and generations learn boating and seamanship. The Northport Yacht Club is all about its many volunteers. In our 81st year, we look forward to continuing our partnership with other community organizations to perpetuate what Bayside is: a community that is beyond special.

### Summer 2019 Activities

- Throughout spring, work crews prepared the fleet of nine Daysailors, three 420s, the Sonar and several motor boats and brought the clubhouse back to life.
- The sailing school developed seamanship capabilities for over 100 students. We take pride that the school is run by talented young adults who are homegrown sailors. This year Ethan Ekberg and Wyatt Hickman took on the roles of co-head instructors and we were at capacity each day.
- The Junior Yacht Club, led by adult volunteer Lisa Berry, offered a full range of activities and events including their annual Warren Island trip.
- Perennial NYC activities including The Pancake Breakfast, The July 4th Games and Bonfire, the Annual Cocktail Party, the Sunday Coffee and Donut Gatherings, and the Raft-Ups were well attended. Many thanks to Art Hall, Tamra Wilt, Gordon Fuller, Eric Ekberg, Jim Ross, Jackie Facey, Sally Trenholm, Jim Facey, and all the volunteers for their help in making these events successful.
- The club cruise in August, a perennial hit, was held the first full week of August.
- The Mother of All Yard Sales was another success last year, chaired by Laura Tubio and Deanna Wolfire. Many thanks to all who donated items for the sale, to those who helped organize and clean-up, and to our customers!
- Sailboat racing is a central NYC feature for kids of all ages. We ran two Walter Downs regattas and the series of Thursday night races and potlucks that were open to all youths of Bayside.
- The John Short series was held on weekend days for 'big boats,' racing and cruising, and some good-hearted competition. Food and camaraderie follow each event.
- Although the 2019 AIR was cancelled due to severe weather, we thank Lindsay Huntoon and her crew for all the work involved in organizing this event.

The club recognizes one member each year for exceptional contribution to the club. The 2019 recipient of the *Fred T. Martin Member of the Year* award was Emerson Smith. Emerson spent the better part of his summer working with the instructors and students of the NYC Sailing School for many weeks, instructing on land and at sea. His enthusiasm, knowledge, and dedication to our sailing program is greatly appreciated by all.



From time to time, the club recognizes a long-serving member with the *Kathy Crowley Fuller Unsung Hero* award. Jim Facey, with Gordon Fuller, presented the 2019 award to Walter Hickman for his tireless efforts over the past years as our “Grill Master” on Thursday Night Dinners. Walter is a member who fully embodies the spirit of the award and can always be counted on to pitch in for the yacht club and its activities.

After much thoughtful discussion and research, the Northport Yacht Club Board of Directors regrettably decided to cancel all 2020 events and will not operate the Sailing School for the summer of 2020. We made this difficult decision after considering state and local restrictions and CDC recommendations on social-distancing and safety, coverage under our insurance policies, the size of our clubhouse, the closing of the Community Hall, our small volunteer base, and, above all, the health, safety, and well-being of our community. This was disappointing news for many, but we believe this was the right choice during this unprecedented pandemic, for the sake of keeping our friends and families safe.

The Bayside community will come together again, stronger than ever, in 2021, and we will all have learned to never take a moment with each other for granted.

**Commodore: Lisa Webster**

#### **Northport Yacht Club Board of Directors 2019-2020**

Lisa Webster - Commodore  
Jim Facey - Rear Commodore  
Emerson Smith - Vice Commodore  
Karen Trasatti - Secretary  
Craig Brigham - Treasurer  
Gordon Fuller - Fleet Captain  
Elaine Smith - Director  
Deanna Wolfire - Director  
Laura Tubio - Director  
Jim Coughlin - Director  
John Lojek - Director





## CLERK'S REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NORTHPORT VILLAGE CORPORATION

AUGUST 13, 2019

The Annual Meeting of the Northport Village Corporation was held on Tuesday, August 13, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. in the Bayside Community Hall, with 103 registered 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, 2018, 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. Blair Einstein, representing the Nominating Committee, nominated Timothy Samway. There were no nominations from the floor. Timothy Samway was elected Moderator, by written ballot, of the Annual Meeting. The Moderator took the Oath of Office from the Clerk.

Samway welcomed everyone to the 104<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Northport Village Corporation. Samway asked Jo Huntoon, who has been coming to Bayside for 91 years, to lead those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. During Jo's time in Bayside, he's always given back to the community. For many years Jo was the Treasurer of the Yacht Club and also served as its Commodore. In the 1980s he was elected to numerous terms to the Board of Overseers and in 2003 Jo was elected as President of the Village Corporation twice and served in that office for 19 years.

Samway recognized the elected officers of the Village Corporation and the Overseers, as well as Bill Paige, the Village Agent, Office Manager Mandy Everett (who put together this year's Annual Report) and Michel Boucher and Ben Kolko, the law enforcement officers for the Village. He thanked Ned Lightner for setting up the video and sound for the meeting. He also thanked Jim and Kathy Ross and Craig Brigham who had volunteered to be Ballot Clerks for the meeting.

The Moderator said copies of the Annual Report were on the table at the entrance.

Samway reminded everyone to turn off their phones, etc., and "please no texting...let's keep distractions to a minimum."

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

Bayside Deaths 2018-2019

Roberta M. Albbert



Norman Allen  
Adele Ames  
Pamela J. Flanders  
Kenneth R. Jones  
Janet Thelma Lum  
Herman M. Meisner  
Florence Y. Munson  
Michael Richardson  
Robert-Farnsworth-Whiteley  
Roger Ira Nealey

Samway recognized Overseer Judy Metcalf, who noted that there are two retiring Overseers this year, including Dick Brockway (“the grumpy man at the table”). This year’s Annual Report is dedicated to Dick and Judy thanked him for his great, great contributions to the Village. He will be missed...but the good news is he has committed to being an informal advisor to the Utilities Trustees at a time when we really need his talent.

Lee Houghton, the second retiring Overseer, was unable to attend this Annual Meeting due to health concerns. Judy stated that Lee has been the fiscal voice for everyone in the community. He was always reminding the Overseers about “every single penny spent by the Board.” Lee has been a conservative, practical and logical voice and he will be missed. Whoever is elected to fill his term has huge shoes to fill. The Board will present Lee with a miniature bulletin board, made by Dick Brockway. One of the first jobs Lee took on as Overseer was maintaining the bulletin boards around the village. The miniature Bulletin Board reads: “NVC News, Overseer Houghton retires 2019. Fiscally conservative voice for all the residents of Bayside. Bayside thanks Lee.”

Samway went over the requirements for voter eligibility and read the rules of Procedure for the meeting. He emphasized that this was an open town meeting of the Northport Village Corporation and not a meeting of the Overseers and Officers. Everyone who is a voter should feel they have the right and the privilege to speak, ask questions, make motions and at any time ask for clarification. The Moderator’s job is to make sure all voters have their say and to be fair in all rulings. An additional reminder is that the Moderator will be the one to “Call the Question” and will do so after all voters have had their opportunity to speak. The Moderator will also be the one to ask for the “motion to adjourn” and do so after all the business off the meeting has been completed. Rulings by the Moderator can be overturned by a majority vote and anyone can ask for clarification at any time. The speakers must first be recognized by the Moderator and the speaker should address all remarks to the Moderator. All speakers should use the microphone and should clearly state their name for the Clerk to record. He recognized Leo Lundy, son of Jennika and Jason Lundy and brother of Liv Lundy, who will be helping with the microphone.

Samway stated that there is one seating section here tonight, but only those who have been handed voting cards should be voting. If someone does not have a voting card, please go back to see if your name is on the checklist. If someone thinks they deserve a voting card and had been turned down they can appeal that decision at this meeting. If anyone was mistakenly given a voting card, please either return the card or refrain from using it to vote.



## Article 2: President's Report

John's Spritz's President's Report is on Page 14 of the Annual Report. At President Spritz's request, Article 2 will be inserted after Article 15.

## Article 3: Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer's Report is on Page 15 of the Annual Report. Treasurer Kazilionis noted that on Page 6 of the Annual Report is the proposed Budget put together by the Overseers. He pointed out that we have spent more on police and lifeguard coverage, with what the Overseers felt were very good results. The Contingency Fund is at the lowest it has been in years. The village is up to \$10,000 in uncommitted reserves. The Board is going to actively seek grants and appealed to volunteers for any thoughts on this topic; any help we can get from the community will make a difference.

**Article 4:** To see what sums of money the Northport Village Corporation will raise and appropriate for the following accounts for the fiscal year 2020.

### OVERSEERS PROPOSED BUDGET

#### Expenses

Total 6000 - Administration	\$ 24,138
Total 6199 - Employee Wages and Benefits	\$ 34,059
Total 6200 - Building and utilities	\$ 11,800
Total 6200 - Roads	\$ 22,800
Total 6400 - Community	\$ 62,470
Total 6500 - Protection and Safety	\$ 36,117
Total 6900 - Long Term Debt Service	\$ 65,554
Total 8200 - Capital Expense and Contingencies	<u>\$ 9,800</u>

**Total Expenses** \$266,738

**Total Funds to be Raised** \$266,738

The money will be raised as follows: \$25,000 will be requested from the Town of Northport as part of the warrants of the Town's Annual Meeting. The NVC expects to raise \$9,500 in other revenue (\$6,000 Utility rent, \$2,800 interest, \$700 Community Hall rental), the balance (\$232,238) to be raised from the Village property tax.

If the \$25,000 warrant is not approved by the voters of the Town of Northport, \$266,738 will be raised from the Village property tax.

Vicki Matthews moved that Northport Village Corporation raise and appropriate \$266,738 for the fiscal year 2019, seconded by Judy Metcalf. Treasurer Kazilionis explained the article.



Hearing no further questions on Article 4, the Moderator called for a vote.

**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 and/or expend funds from accumulated surpluses, a principal amount not to exceed \$232,238 in anticipation of 2019 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.

**Financial Statement**

**Total Village Indebtedness**

A. Total bonds outstanding and unpaid as of 12/31/19	\$ 1,173,406
B. Total bonds authorized and unissued	\$ 952,000
C. Bonds to be issued if this article is approved	\$ 232,238
D. (NOTE: This bond would replace \$216,599 of the sum Included in line B)	<u>\$ (216,599)</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,142,045</b>

**COSTS**

At an estimated rate of 1.0% for a term of one year, the estimated costs of this bond issue will be:

Principal:	\$ 232,599
Interest	<u>\$ 1,625</u>

**Total Debt Service** \$ 234,835

**Validity**

The validity of the voters’ ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not by reason of the variance.

Judy Metcalf moved that the article be approved as read, seconded by John Spritz. Steve Kazilionis explained Article 5.

Hearing no questions on Article 5, the Moderator called for a vote.

**VOTED** – Carried by the majority.



**Article 6:** To see if the Northport Village Corporation will vote to authorize a majority of the Overseers of the Corporation to borrow on behalf of the Northport Village Corporation a principal amount not to exceed \$500,000, and to issue and sell general obligation bonds or notes of the Northport Village Corporation for that purpose and/or to expend funds from accumulated surpluses (the combined borrowing and use of surplus funds not to exceed \$500,000), for 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 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 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.

Michael Tirrell moved that Article 6 be approved as written; seconded by Judy Metcalf.

Hearing no questions on Article 6, the Moderator called for a vote.

**VOTED** – Carried by the majority.

**Article 7:** To see if the Northport Village Corporation will vote to authorize a majority of the Overseers of the Corporation to borrow on behalf of the Northport Village Corporation a principal amount not to exceed \$1,600,000, and to issue and sell general obligation bonds or notes of the Northport Village Corporation for that purpose to fund the repair/replacement of the seawalls extending from the boat ramp to the far side of the yacht club which protect the shoreline, causeway, and sewer treatment building and related site work. Such bonds and notes to be issued upon such further terms or conditions as may be determined by a majority of the Overseers of the Northport Village Corporation, and further to authorize the overseers to accept and expend federal or state grants, 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 Trenholm called a “Point of Order” and asked if it would be possible to have a vote on Article 7 by written ballot. The Moderator said after the discussion on Article 7 the voters would be asked if they wanted to go to a written ballot. Moderator Samway thanked Steve Trenholm for the “Point of Order”.

Michael Lannan moved that Article 7 be accepted as read, seconded by Dick Brockway.

Lannan summarized Article 7. Lengthy discussion ensued. Paul Nyren opposed the project at \$1.6 million; he felt the seawall could be replaced at a much smaller cost.

Dan Webster moved an Amendment to the Article. “...a principal amount not to exceed \$300,000 protecting the sewage treatment facilities and related site work and further engineering



work to determine the design and estimated cost of additional seawall repair/replacement at the shoreline and causeway.” Seconded by Rachel Rosa (Auditorium Park).

The Moderator explained that asking for further engineering work is not an acceptable Amendment. You can only amend what is there: you can't add anything additional to the existing Article. Dan Webster moved a new Amendment to "...change the dollar amount in Article 7 from \$1.6 million to \$300,000 protecting the sewage treatment facilities..." It was seconded by Paul Nyren.

The Moderator called for a vote on the Amendment to Article 7. The Amendment was defeated by a voice vote.

Several residents were concerned about their increase in property taxes. Treasurer Kazilionis explained if a property is assessed at \$250,000 the tax increase would be \$0.77 x assessed value per thousand which would amount to a \$192.50 tax increase.

Several Bayside residents spoke to Article 7: Bill Weisenbach (Bay Street), Doug Wolfire (Auditorium Park), David Crofoot (Shore Road), Bill Talbot (North Avenue), Francesca Sinnott (Shore Road), Jen Lannan (Main Street), Alma Homola (Park Row), Craig Brigham (Shore Road), John Spritz (Clinton Avenue), Janet Duggan (Park Row), Sid Block (Broadway), Josiah Huntoon (Broadway), Rachel Rosa (Auditorium Park), Judy Metcalf (Maple Street), Wendy Huntoon (Broadway), Jeffrey Wilt (Main Street), Bill Cressey (Bayview Park) and Miles Frieden (Clinton Avenue).

The Moderator asked if there were any objection to calling for a written ballot. Hearing no objection, the Moderator called for a vote on Article 7, by written ballot. The ballots were passed out by the Ballot Clerks (Craig Brigham and Jim and Kathy Ross). The Moderator instructed the voters to vote "Yes" or "No".

**VOTED** - Article 7 passed, with no Amendments, 92-11.

**Article 8:** To fix a rate of interest on taxes delinquent after September 1, 2019 equal to that charged by the Town of Northport.

Judy Metcalf moved that Article 8 be adopted as written; seconded by Michael Tirrell.

Judy Metcalf reminded everyone that if their taxes are not paid on time, they would be subjected to a rate of interest set by the Town of Northport.

Hearing no further questions, the Moderator called for a vote on Article 8.

**VOTED** - carried by the majority.

**Article 9:** To see if the Village will vote to authorize the Overseers to establish rules and regulations, from time to time, addressing the use, protection and preservation of Village owned



assets in the interest of the Village and public safety of its residents, after public hearings on any such rules and regulations.

Judy Metcalf moved that Article 9 be adopted as written; seconded by Michael Tirrell.

Judy Metcalf addressed the Article. Dan Webster asked whether the Overseers could pass an Ordinance without public vote. Judy Metcalf explained that the Overseers could create an Ordinance but it could not be passed without a public vote.

Hearing no further questions, the Moderator called for a vote on Article 9.

**VOTED** – carried by the majority.

**Article 10:** To see if the Village will vote to move money reserved in the assigned police cruiser fund in the amount of \$6,109.59 to the restricted village truck fund.

Steve Kazilionis moved that Article 10 be accepted as written; seconded by Blair Einstein.

Hearing no questions, the Moderator called for a vote on Article 10.

**VOTED** – carried by the majority.

**Article 11:** To see if the Village will vote to move the money reserved in the assigned Infrastructure fund in the amount of \$2,815.38 to the restricted village truck fund.

Steve Kazilionis moved that Article 11 be accepted as written; seconded by Blair Einstein

Hearing no questions, the Moderator called for a vote on Article 11.

**VOTED** – carried by the majority.

**Article 12:** To see if the Village will vote to use the reserves from the restricted truck fund to purchase a new vehicle for Village use.

Steve Kazilionis moved that Article 12 be approved as written; seconded by Blair Einstein;

Hearing no questions, the Moderator called for a vote on Article 12.

**VOTED** – carried by the majority.

**Article 13:** To elect by written ballot a Clerk for the NVC for a term of 3 years.

Moderator Samway asked if the Nominating Committee had a nominee for Clerk for a three-year term. Bill Weisenbach, representing the Nominating Committee, nominated Maureen Einstein. There were no nominations from the floor. The Moderator asked the Committee to cast three written ballots for Clerk for a three-year term.



**Article 14:** To elect, by written ballot, two Overseers for the NVC for a term of tree years.

Moderator Samway asked if the Nominating Committee had 2 nominees for Overseer for 3-year terms.

Bill Weisenbach, representing the Nominating Committee, nominated Lisa Fryer and Jeffrey Wilt. There were no nominations from the floor. The Moderator asked the Committee to cast three written ballots for Lisa Fryer and three written ballots for Jeffrey Wilt.

**Article 15:** To elect, by written ballot, one Overseer for the NVC for a term of 1 year.

Moderator Samway asked if the Nominating Committee had a nominee for Overseer for a 1-year term.

Blair Einstein, representing the Nominating Committee, nominated Miles Frieden. There were no nominations from the floor. The Moderator asked the Committee to cast a written ballot for Overseer for a one-year term.

Moderator Samway congratulated the newly elected Officer and Overseers.

## **Article 2: Presidents Report**

John Spritz asked the new Overseers, Miles Frieden and Lisa Fryer, to please introduce themselves and welcomed them to the Board. He also noted that “In terms of the President’s report, the only thing I have to say is that I have never been more proud of being a resident of Bayside, because of the extraordinary lesson in collegial democracy tonight. Thank you all very much.”

## **Article 15: Committee Reports**

The Moderator stated Committee Reports were in the Annual Report. He asked if any of the Overseers would like to add any further information to their reports, which start on Page 16 of the Annual Report.

**Infrastructure Committee:** Mike Lannan thanked retiring members Dick Brockway and Lee Houghton. John Lojek & Billy Haverty have agreed to become members of the Committee. Infrastructure Report is on page 16 of the Annual Report.

**Governance and Communication Committees Report:** The report of these Committees is on Page 17 of the Annual Report.

**Waterfront Safety Committee:** Jeffrey Wilt thanked all the members for their help over the winter, spring and into the summer. The waterfront safety report is on page 18 of the annual report.





**Safety Committee:** Safety Committee Chairman Michael Tirrell offered some context around the 2020 budget for safety related expenses, specifically the budget allocation for police wages. Bayside’s police duties are handled in a job-sharing arrangement between Michael Boucher and Ben Kolko. The budget provides for roughly 500 hours of police coverage, structured to ramp-up in the pre-season of June thru early July; to go to full coverage (40-hours/week) during peak season (July 4 through August); and to wind down in early September. Additionally, Tirrell focused on the issue of traffic safety, including speeding, given its high priority among Safety Committee members — and he shared some data to provide context around police attention to speeding concerns.

As of mid-August, a total of 78 motorists were stopped by the Bayside police and 9 of those were issued citations for traffic offenses (11.53%). Breaking that down, in the pre-season period, 43 vehicles were stopped, and 7 drivers were issued tickets (16.27%). That compares to the peak season period, when 35 motorists were stopped and 4 drivers were issued tickets (11.42%). The decrease from pre-season to peak-season can be attributed to what police call “voluntary compliance”: as the summer season progresses, motorists increasingly get the message that speed limits in Bayside are enforced by the police.

**Utilities:** Utilities Report, by David Crofoot, is on page 21 of the Annual Report. Dan Webster thanked David Crofoot and the Utility committee members for their hard work.

**Bayside Tree Committee:** Acting Tree Warden & Chairman Vicki Matthews reported: “We have completed the removal of 5 trees that had been determined to be dying and hazardous in their surroundings. At this time I am hopeful that all trees in our public spaces are healthy. This allows us to move in to a maintenance and prevention phase with our public trees.

We have done some pruning and currently have a pruning schedule for Blaisdell Park and Bayview Park along with scheduled cabling maintenance for our beautiful large trees in Ruggles Park and one tree in Bayview Park.

The Tree Committee is currently tasked with identifying areas to plant replacement trees as well as the best trees to plant. We are hoping to have input from people with the State of Maine Urban Forestry Program and work with the Infrastructure Committee to identify appropriate areas for planting new trees. We are hoping that our consultation with SMUFP will also provide guidance about best practices for dealing with the Emerald Ash bore which has found its way to Maine and is devastating to ash trees.

I feel confident that we are moving in a positive direction of being proactive with regards to our trees and green spaces. The committee members bring a wealth of experience, knowledge, interest and enthusiasm. I am very lucky to have such a fine group of people to work with. Committee members are: Bette Woolsey, Jim Coughlin, Michael Tirrell, John Woolsey, Joel Lipman & Michael Robbins.”

**Village Agent:** Bill Paige thanked Dick Brockway for all his help and support over the years and that it has been a pleasure working with Brock.



The Moderator recognized Dick Brockway, retiring Overseer. Brockway said he has been coming to Bayside for sixty years and the Paige family has always been an important part of the village, Bill's dad and now Billy. In his words, "Billy is a real, real treasure. I come here in the winter and see just how much Billy does. He goes around the village to check on things every day. If there is a broken water pipe, he's the guy who can fix it. Billy's heart and soul are all about taking care of this village."

**Wharfmaster:** Gordon Fuller's report is on page 25-27 of this year's Annual Report.

**Bayside Arts:** John Woolsey said it was another successful year and thanked the numerous volunteers. There were five successful performances in Community Hall and six art classes, run by Sheila Allen. Membership is now greater than 100. Bill Cressey headed up a special grant application. Steve Nelson designed and built the new website. John Woolsey's report is on Page 28 of the Annual Report.

**Bayside Historical Preservation Society:** Joe Reilly's report is on page 29 of the Annual Report. The second annual "Collectors Day" was held in the Community Hall and was a great success.

**Bayside Library:** Jennika Lundy's report is on page 30 of the Annual Report.

**Northport Yacht Club:** Lisa Webster's report is on page 32 of the Annual Report.

**Food Pantry:** Patti Wright thanked members of the Bayside Community for their support. This year we have asked for the gifts of time and talents rather than a large fundraising event. Last year donations totaling 700 pounds of food were given to the Food Pantry.

- a. Painting Project – Tim Samway's brainchild...he solicited the participants. Volunteers: Jim and Jimmy Bartlett Painting; Jason Lundy supervising young people: Leo Lundy, Mason Field, Tim and Andrew Trasatti, Michael Tubio and a big thank you to the Bayside Store for providing lunch for the crew.
- b. Handicapped Ramp Project: Steve Wickenden, Dick Brokway, Rob Sherman, Don Webster
- c. Regular Bayside-related volunteers: Liv and Leo Lundy, Jean and Jim Coughlin, Gordon Fuller, Ned Lightner, Jamie Sapoch, Jim Ross and Joe Reilly.
- d. 2019 Food Drive Sunday, August 18, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. – looking for nutritious, useful, easy to store and cook products which must be unopened.
- e. Borrow a Bag: Reusable bags are available to "borrow" and transport donated goods. Bags will be donated to Pantry Clients

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "FILL THE COMMUNITY HALL" – SUNDAY AUGUST 18  
10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m**

Samway said it is called Community Hall for a reason so "let's fill the hall on Sunday"!



**ADJOURNMENT:** Moderator Samway reminded the Overseers that they will be sworn in downstairs in the Community Hall following this meeting. Given that there were two former Presidents of the Northport Village Corporation in attendance, the Moderator asked Sidney Block to make a motion to adjourn the meeting and Josiah Huntoon to second the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Einstein  
Clerk, Northport Village Corporation



**Northport Village Corporation Outstanding Taxes**

*As of May 31, 2020*

**Tax year 2019**

Arocho, Steven A.	\$338.23
Butters, James as Trustee 50%	\$476.19
Chaples, Nancy	\$43.97
Desmarais, Stephen M. & Linda S.	\$634.92
Drinkwater, George & Charleen	\$219.85
Fischer, Sharon	\$552.29
Hoikala, Karen A.	\$451.06
Peter V. Sampo, Trustee Sampo	\$13.35
Rand, Shirley T.	\$436.32
Smit, Robert P.*	\$9.46
Wilt, Jeffrey L. & Tamra M.*	\$496.48
Zittle, Susan M.*	\$578.87

*\* Denotes full or partial payment received after 05-31-2020*

**Tax year 2018**

Arocho, Steven A.	\$394.46
Butters, James as Trustee 50%	\$533.40
Chaples, Nancy	\$98.11
Drinkwater, George & Charleen	\$152.96
Rand, Shirley T.	\$486.43



**NVC Building and Plumbing Permits 2019**

Here are the permits issued in 2019 for the Northport Village Corporation in the Town of Northport:

11 Building permits:

- 2 new houses
- 3 additions
- 3 seawalls
- 1 garage
- 1 foundation
- 1 other

11 Plumbing Permits:

- 8 internal permits
- 3 subsurface wastewater disposal systems

**Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Northport: C. Toupie Rooney**



**In Memory of those who have passed in the last year...**

Robert N. Aebersold

James E. Dean

Jimmy L. Dixon

James K. Kelly

Richard H. LaHaye Jr.

Richard C. MacKinnon

Shirley T. Rand

Peter V. Sampo

David S. Sinnott

Stephen V. Smith

William Talbott

Robert Witherill

