

Shoreham Village Monthly Meeting

Minutes

MARCH 14, 2023

VILLAGE OF SHOREHAM

BOX 389

SHOREHAM, NEW YORK 11786

Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Shoreham held for the Village at 80 Woodville Road, Shoreham, NY on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Thomas P. Spier	MAYOR
Edward Brickley	TRUSTEE
Sherry Neff	TRUSTEE
Josephine Romano	DEPUTY CLERK, TREASURER
Laura Spillane	CLERK/TREASURER
Celeste DeSario	MINUTES

Commissioners, Officials, and Residents present: Judy Buyar, Nancy Delagi, James DeSario, David Madigan, Rob Minarik, Val Naso, Stephen Rosario, Filippo Toscano, Sara Toscano, Stephen Walker, John Weiss

OPEN MEETING:

Mayor Spier opened the Regular meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Spier:

Mayor Spier greeted everyone and thanked them for coming.

Mayor Spier said the board had met with the Finance Committee which briefed them on the potential budget which is online. The Village can expect inexpensive cosmetic improvements in the Spring.

Mayor Spier also met with Tom Kramer and John Weiss and the DEC to discuss issues about storm run-off on the beach. Issues brought up previously by DEC were resolved.

Mayor Spier also met with Brian Egan, the Village Attorney about the Bridge fencing.

Mayor Spier, Marc Alessi, Sherry Neff, Stephen Rosario, and David Madigan met about bringing cellphone service to Shoreham soon. Federal legislation requires cellphone companies to put service in residential areas, and the Village is looking at different codes from both Huntington and Port Jefferson Villages. Attorney Egan is familiar with these issues and with the codes and will protect us and help us make the right choices. Better cellphone service will make a difference in our lives.

Mayor Spier thanked Val Naso, Larry Kogel, Ed Brickley, Rob Minarick and Laura Baisch for working on improvements to the Village Hall. A lot goes on in the building that we don't see and these people have helped keep the building in good shape.

Clerk Spillane:

1. Motion to approve the minutes from February 14, 2023 regular monthly meeting and March 7, 2023 Work Session Minutes

Approved: Neff/Brickley (3-0)

2. Motion to approve the Financials/Expenditures FINANCIALS:

FINANCIALS / APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES

OPERATING FUND

Unpaid Bills Audited by the Board March 2, 2023	\$ 392.13
Unpaid Bills Audited by the Board March 9, 2023	\$ 24,240.17
Unpaid Bills Audited by the Board March 14, 2023	<u>881.89</u>
Total	\$ 25,514.19

CAPITAL FUND

Unpaid Bills Audited by the Board March 9, 2023 **\$ 1,425.00**

Total **\$ 1,425.00**

Total Operating & Capital Funds **\$ 26,939.19**

February 17th Payroll & Taxes **\$7,815.70**

March 3rd Payroll & Taxes **\$6,624.56**

Total payroll **\$14,440.26**

Total Operating & Capital Fund Expenditures **\$41,379.45**

Approved: Brickley / Neff (3-0)

3. Motion to accept the return of the Tax Warrant for the 2022/23 tax year.

Approved: Neff/Brickley (3-0)

4. Motion to approve the change of date for the April BOT meeting to April 18th and the May BOT meeting to May 16, 2023.

Approved: Brickley/Spier (3-0)

5. Motion to approve the Treasurer transferring up to \$200,000 from Dime Bank to another FDIC insured Bank to diversify assets.

Approved: Brickley/Spier (3-0)

6. Motion to approve the lower level building use application by the TSVA for beach cleanup/earth day event on April 29, 2023, with a rain date of April 30, at the rate of \$150.

Approved: Neff/Spier (3-0)

7. Motion to approve the upper level building use application from Larry Kogel for dinner on May 4, 2023 at the rate of \$800.

Tabled

8. Motion to approve the estimate from Sunburst Tree Experts to remove trees before repairing the hard tennis courts in front of the water company. We are replacing with trees that will block the view but not damage the courts with roots in the amount of \$4,090.

Approved: Neff/Spier (3-0)

Trustee Neff reports that she is seeking approval for Sunburst Tree Experts to beautify the area of Joe's Field near the Southeast corner of the hard tennis courts. A number of trees were removed before repair of the hard courts, as the trees' roots had grown under the courts and contributed to some of the court damage.

The Parks Commissioner, Brian Mahoney, has proposed planting 6 Eastern Red Cedars and 8 American Hollies, which are both deer resistant. These plantings will beautify the area and block the view of the Water Company building and fence. The trees will not develop an extensive root system that will damage the hard tennis courts.

Trustee Laura Baisch (read by Trustee Brickley)

Trustee Baisch reported that as cognizant Trustee for the Village Hall, and as it relates to the 5-year budget planning process the Village is undertaking, the following information will help to explain and clarify our process.

This Village Hall, built in 1990 and now 32 years old, is our most valuable asset and must be maintained to preserve its value and functionality.

Laws and guidelines as they relate to health, safety, accessibility (ADA guidelines) and insurance requirements must be followed.

Over the past 5 years, Rob Minarik, our Village Hall Commissioner, and I have worked to prioritize building maintenance projects. In agreement with the Board, we approach all projects from a professional level to assure compliance with all laws and guidelines.

To that end, we did a walk- through Risk Assessment of the building and grounds with our insurance provider and also engaged the engineering firm, H2M who completed The Building Conditions Survey in February of 2022.

That survey has been made available on our website and includes the building envelope, HVAC, plumbing, electrical and fire protection systems.

All systems are rated by condition and life expectancy. Good = 10 years. Adequate = 2 to 5 years, Inadequate = 1 year, Code Violation = Immediate Action, Potential Risk/Imminent Loss = Lack of immediate action could cause irreparable damage.

Emergency repairs have already been completed such as replacement of the hot water heater, repairs to the electrical panel and HVAC, and upgrades to the fire suppression system in the kitchen.

Many smaller and not –so- small projects have been completed by our handyman, Rich Schuler. As an employee of this Village, he can provide services without our need to seek 3 bids and pay prevailing wages as required by municipal law.

As previously stated, this Village Hall is now 32 years old. Our northerly exposure and salt environment has great impact on our building. Rather than be reactionary to emergency failures, usually at greater cost, we are working with our finance committee to establish a 5-year proactive and prioritized plan of maintenance for our Village Hall.

It is a work in progress for which we appreciate your constructive input. As we go through this process, please first refer to the Building Conditions Survey on our website and refer any questions via email to me and Rob Minarik. (Ibaisch@shorehamvillage.org).

Trustee Sherry Neff

Trustee Neff reports that there is nothing new to report concerning IT

Landscape: We are working on getting the Landscape Contract ready to go out to bid. This should hopefully happen before the end of March. The Village has about 30 acres of parkland. We have an obligation to be good stewards of these public spaces so that their natural beauty enhances our daily lives and continues to do so for future generations.

Trustee Ed Brickley

Trustee Brickley reported that on Monday of the week March 5, 2023, Laser Industries began the physical work of the Phase 4 Curbing Project. The project has been in the planning stage for some time. The mark outs were done in advance by Larry Kogel and Val Naso with the help of a representative of our engineering firm, LKMA. There has been great progress with only one week completed. Willow Court and Dickerson are well under way and some work has been done on Woodville Road. I want to thank Val Naso for the work and time he has put in. He has made an effort to reach out to every resident who is directly affected by the project. In most cases, he has been able to meet personally with each resident and address their concerns. Please reach out to Val at VCNASO@gmail.com if you have any concerns.

Mayor Thomas Spier

Mayor Spier reported that the fencing around the bridge was being discussed with Attorney Egan.

The Cell phone service, which is hopefully coming soon to the Village, should not be unsightly.

RESIDENTS' COMMENTS:

Stephen Walker asked who owns the Verizon Property on Woodville and why PSEG was named on bills.

John Weiss asked when the milling and paving on the curbing in the slopes will be done. He also asked if road repairs would be done.

David Madigan asked where the curbs on Woodville are going to be placed.

Val Naso responded to questions citing streets and property owners' names. Val pointed out the future curb cuts had been spray painted orange so people can see the exact placement.

Stephen Rosario asked if the curbs on Woodville were going to be on the east or west side of the road.

Val responded that the curbs would be placed only on the west side of the road and reiterated which streets and resident houses would make up the boundaries.

Filippo and Sara Toscano asked if the potholes and road surface on Briarcliff south of Ashley was going to be repaired.

They were informed that section of the road belonged to Brookhaven Town but the Village would look into it.

MOTION to close the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Approved Neff/Brickley (3-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Celeste DeSario

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, April 18 at 7:30 p.m.