

**VILLAGE OF SHOREHAM
BOX 389
SHOREHAM, NEW YORK 11786**

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INCORPORATED
VILLAGE OF SHOREHAM HELD IN THE VILLAGE, 80 WOODVILLE ROAD,
SHOREHAM, NY ON MARCH 9, 2021 AT 7:30 O'CLOCK PM via Zoom

PRESENT:

Brian C. Vail	MAYOR
Sherry Neff	TRUSTEE
Mariann Coogan	TRUSTEE
Edward Brickley	TRUSTEE
Laura Baisch	TRUSTEE
Laura Spillane	CLERK/TREASURER

Commissioners, Officials, and Residents present: Larry Kogel, Rob Minarik, Roxane Gruenheid, Laura Miller, John Miller, Brian Adams, Nancy Delagi, Barbara Kullen, Ute Thoennessen, Joe Falco, Mimi Oberdorf, Elizabeth Larson, Lorraine Maddalena, Bob Kavanaugh, David Madigan, Judy Baker, Walter Stockton, Donna Smith, Neil Baggett, Chris Mahoney, Samantha Schembri, Jeannie Lieber, Kerry Mirabella, Ruth Kogel, Len Emma

OPEN MEETING

Mayor Brian Vail opened the Regular meeting at 7:31 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

RESIDENTS' COMMENTS / Concerns / Communications

- A resident called to say they found a kayak washed up on the beach
- Calls and emails were received about reopening the playground
- Laura Miller apologized- her email has been hacked. Please be cautious.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS / CLERK/TREASURER REPORT

MOTION to approve Minutes from the February 9, 2021 Board of Trustees meeting.

Approved.
(Neff – Baisch 5-0)

MOTION to approve the change of dates for the following Board of Trustees meetings:

- From April 13 to April 20, 2021
- From July 13 to July 20, 2021

Approved.
(Neff – Baisch 5-0)

MOTION to approve change of times and venue for the May to August Board of Trustees meetings:

- Meetings to be held at 6:30 pm
- Meetings to be held outside Village Hall on the North lawn (if inclement weather Zoom meetings will be held)

Approved.
(Baisch – Coogan 5-0)

FINANCIALS:

FINANCIALS / APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES

OPERATING FUND

Unpaid Bills Audited by the Board 2/24/2021	\$ 871.18
Unpaid Bills Audited by the Board 3/9/2021	155.80
Unpaid Bills Audited by the Board 3/9/2021	<u>20,676.23</u>
Total=	\$21,703.21

February 19th Payroll & Taxes -	\$ 5,522.33
March 5 th Payroll & Taxes -	<u>\$ 6,889.76</u>
	\$ 12,412.09

Total Operating Expenditures **\$34,115.30**

Approved.
(Vail – Brickley 5-0)

RESOLUTIONS

MOTION to approve the part time salary of \$9,000 per year to Brad Hammond as Building Inspector.

Approved.
(Brickley – Baisch 5-0)

MOTION to accept the resignation of Ray Brenkert from his position as Lead Code Enforcement Officer effective 3/3/21.

Approved.
(Coogan – Neff 5-0)

MOTION to name George Romano as the “Lead Code Enforcement Officer” at the rate of \$25.00 per hour effective March 1, 2021.

Approved.

(Coogan – Brickley 5-0)

Motion to accept Public Health Emergency Action Plan as per NYS guidelines.

Approved.

(Baisch – Vail 5-0)

REPORTS FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REPORT FROM TRUSTEE LAURA BAISCH:

Dr. Falco shared a presentation showing COVID-19 cases have decreased. Shoreham Village has had 31 cases. Beginning April 2nd in NY State commercial gathering will be at 33% and residential can have up to 25 outdoors and up to 10 indoors. There are concerns about the variants of the virus and how they are spreading. The number of cases, deaths and hospitalizations have decreased in the last 14 days. In NY State 19.4% of the population has had at least one dose and 9.6% has had two doses of the vaccine. At this time those 60 and over are eligible as well as essential workers, public facing workers and those with underlining medical conditions are eligible to receive the vaccine.

Trustee Baisch thanked handyman Rich Schuler for all of his hard work. He is working on many projects and doing a great job. She also thanked Laura Spillane and Rob Minarik who have been working on the building’s problems with heat and alarm problems.

Rob Minarik reported that Rich Schuler is going through the building to start the process of repairing all the odds and ends that need to be done. He is doing a great job with tile work, trim work and painting.

The hot water heater project is moving closer. We received a third quote and will be able to sit down and compare them all. This project will be split into two sections- Rich Schuler will install the monitoring devices used for hand washing stations. We have an estimate for supplies needed and will get them from Ferguson (they are on the County Bid list).

MOTION to approve the expenditure of up to \$3,000 to Ferguson Enterprises LLC for supplies to upgrade our hand washing/faucet water temperature systems.

Approved.

(Baisch – Vail 5-0)

The heating system continues to be a problem. Jim Desario was very helpful with advice and we had a new electrician in to repair the heat and fire panel issue.

We are still getting information from the Engineers regarding the updated ventilation system. This will be a recirculating system that exchanges the air inside and out. These are ERV units and we are waiting to discuss the Engineer’s recommendations.

REPORT FROM TRUSTEE MARIANN COOGAN:

Trustee Coogan stated that following the February BOT meeting she and Dr. Joe Falco spoke about a plan to reopen the playground. Signage has been ordered and once it is received we will install it. We will remove the fencing and poles and open it to the residents. There will be no hand sanitizing stations at the site. Parents are reminded to please sanitize their children's hands after using the playground equipment. We are hoping to reopen by April 1st. The basketball court will remain closed at this time.

MOTION to approve the reopening of the playground on or about April 1, 2021 with proper signage and contingent upon decreasing cases in Suffolk County and following Suffolk County guidelines.

Approved.
(Coogan – Baisch 5-0)

TSVA contacted Trustee Coogan. They are organizing a “solitary beach cleanup” and asked the Board for support. This will be during the first two weeks of May. Residents can clean up individually. Masks and social distancing will be in place.

MOTION to approve the “solitary beach cleanup” during the first two weeks in May.

Approved.
(Coogan – Neff 5-0)

TSVA is also hoping to host a Earth Day celebration on April 24th on Joe's Field. The Board discussed this and feels they will need more information such as type of event, anticipated number of participants and organization of event. This will be discussed further.

REPORT FROM TRUSTEE EDWARD BRICKLEY:

Trustee Brickley thanked Cathy Spier who has put in many hours for the FEMA application. We expect it to be approved with up to 75% of the funds we spent coming back. This may be about \$65,000.

Commissioner Kogel spoke about the road work. We are waiting for the drainage contractor to begin working. The Purchase Order was signed. Tomorrow the Engineer will have the documents ready for curbing work this Spring on Circle Drive. The following Spring the balance of the Slopes and Woodville west side will be done. The new drain on Dickerson will be held off for a year to see if it is still needed at that time.

MOTION to approve the expenditure to Laser Industries for up to \$250,000 for curbing and other work on Circle Drive and Slopes area for Phase III.

Approved.
(Brickley – Vail 5-0)

REPORT FROM TRUSTEE SHERRY NEFF:

Trustee Neff thanked John Bates who arranged the repairs on the flagpole. The cost was \$1,350 and we also reimbursed John Bates for the cost of the two flags. The flagpole looks great!

Two Bids were received to replace the split rail fencing- one was for \$7,100 and the other for \$6,235. S & S Landscaping was the lower Bid and will do the work while the roses are dormant.

MOTION to approve the expenditure of up to \$6,500 to S & S Landscaping for the removal and replacement of the split rail fencing in the tennis court/playground area. They will dispose of the old fencing in our dumpster to save dumping fees.

Approved.
(Neff – Brickley 5-0)

The first new street sign should be done in a few weeks and it will be placed at the corner of Ashley and Briarcliff Rd.

Marc Alessi has been communicating with a company that installs mini towers on telephone poles. The hardware is then made available to cell phone providers. We will explore this further and hopefully have more information at the next meeting.

Specials thanks to Nancy Delagi for moving the website domain. It will be up and running soon.

This Village is run by volunteers and we really appreciate all your work!

REPORT FROM MAYOR BRIAN VAIL:

Mayor Vail reported that we are in the third year of a five year assessment program. Approximately 30 residents will get a letter with their new assessment amount. There is a new tax roll as of March 1st. There will be an opportunity to grieve taxes in April. The budget set for next year is set in June. There will be 30-40 assessed next year as well. There are 204 homes in the Village we are working to have a fair market value that is equal to all. Each homeowner's assessment is equal to the market value of their home.

The Mayor spoke about the deer population. We have a significant overpopulation of deer and there is no good solution. If we do nothing there is a degradation of our landscaping. We have received more requests for deer fencing. This is a continuing discussion and we need to come together to find a solution. If we get 70% to agree that would be a success.

RESIDENTS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Gruenheid spoke about a culvert that was installed at the top of Tower Hill Road and 5-6 trees in its path of flowing water have fallen down. She also spoke about the large population of deer and some residents are feeding them. The DEC will issue a fine if this is founded.

David Madigan spoke a deer management program done by the Humane Society. They may be willing to give us a Grant. He had suggested this to the BOT in the past and would like to reintroduce the idea.

Donna Smith spoke about TSVA proposed Earth Day celebration and will get more information out. She inquired about reopening the Little Free Library.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn 8:56 pm

Approved.
(Coogan – Baisch 5 - 0)

Next meeting will be Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 7:30pm.

Submitted,

Laura Spillane, Village Clerk