

**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, April 12, 2022** at 7:30 PM.

PRESENT:

Brian C. Vail	MAYOR
Sherry Neff	TRUSTEE
Edward Brickley	TRUSTEE
Laura Baisch	TRUSTEE
Laura Spillane	CLERK/TREASURER
Josephine Romano	DEPUTY CLERK/TREASURER
Brian Egan	VILLAGE ATTORNEY (arrived at 7:50pm)

ABSENT: Mariann Coogan TRUSTEE

Commissioners, Officials, and Residents present: Bob Kavanaugh, David Madigan, Roslyn Frey, Karen Yelaney, Michael McCarrick, John Miller, Laura Miller, Kate Tastrom, Tim Spier, Chris Wood, Michelle Wood, Travis Tastrom, Corinne Weinman, Donna Smith, Mark Smith, Stephen Rosario, Carol Parisi, Rob Minarik, Patty Merendino, Greg Gulia, Marcus McLeod, John Weiss, Ray Abbatiello, Donna Abbatiello, Jim Brosco, Nancy Delagi, Neil Baggett, Patricia Brosco, John Detemple, Jim Desario, Celeste Desario, Dani Grafer, Larry Kogel, Ruth Kogel, Roxane Gruenheid, Barbara Kullen, Mike Brogden

OPEN MEETING:

Mayor Vail opened the Regular meeting at 7:32 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

MOTIONS:

- Motion to approve the March 8 and March 24, 2022 meeting Minutes.
Approved.
(Baisch- Neff 4-0)

FINANCIALS:

FINANCIALS / APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES

OPERATING FUND

Unpaid Bills Audited by the Board March 22, 2022	\$ 1,014.92
Unpaid Bills Audited by the Board April 7, 2022	\$ 34,938.05
Unpaid Bills Audited by the Board April 12, 2022	\$ <u>4,215.43</u>
Total	\$ 40,168.40

Total General Fund/Capital \$ **40,168.40**

March 18th Payroll & Taxes -	\$ 5,187.70
April 1st Payroll & Taxes -	<u>\$ 4,986.64</u>
Total payroll	\$10,174.34

Total Operating Fund Expenditures \$ **50,342.74**

- Motion to approve the Financials
Approved.
(Vail – Brickley 4-0)
- Whereas the next Village Election will be held on Tuesday, June 21, 2022; and
Whereas the Board of Trustees must appoint Inspectors of Elections and designate by
resolution the polling places and method of registration for the Village Election on June
21, 2022.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- Section 1: That the Board of Trustees of the Village of Shoreham designate the
Village Hall, 80 Woodville Road, Shoreham as the polling place during the hours of 12
noon until 9 P.M. for all residents of the Village of Shoreham for the Annual Election to
be held on June 21, 2022; and
Section 2: That all residents registered with the Suffolk County Board of
Elections, Yaphank, New York will be eligible to vote at the Election, June 21, 2022, and
that the Village will not hold a separate registration day.
Section 3: That Ruth Kogel and Lucia Mazzarelli, residents of the Village of
Shoreham be appointed to serve as Inspectors of Elections for the Village of Shoreham at
the General Election to be held on June 21, 2022. Ruth Kogel shall be appointed
Chairperson and each Inspector and poll watcher (if required) will be compensated \$200.
Approved.
(Baisch- Brickley 4-0)
- Motion to approve the salary of \$28 per hour effective 4/13/22 to Josephine Romano for
exceptional service.
Approved.
(Brickley- Neff 4-0)
- Motion to approve the Longmeadow Landscaping Design & Maintenance for 2022.
Approved.
(Baisch- Brickley 4-0)

REPORT FROM MAYOR BRIAN VAIL:

Mayor Vail explained the budget process and went over both the revenue and expenditures line
by line. He also stated that the proposed budget will be posted on the Village website.

The Mayor was happy to report that 117 Briarcliff has been sold and the new owners are working there to replace and repair broken windows and damage to secure the buildings.

- Motion to close the regular meeting and open the Public Hearing for “Home Occupation” and “Home Professional Office” at 7:59 pm.

Approved.

(Baisch- Brickley 4-0)

Public Hearing for “Home Occupation” and “Home Professional Office”

Attorney Brian Egan gave a brief overview of the code as it stands now and how it would change if approved.

Twenty three residents spoke. Of the 23, 7 were against the current “Home Office” code and 10 spoke in favor of it. Six residents spoke about the issues and concerns but did not voice an opinion. In addition, four letters were read for residents that could not make the meeting and five additional letters were submitted by those who were present and spoke.

The Mayor and the Trustees each spoke.

Proposed Local Law No. 4 - 2022

AMENDING SECTION 31-5 OF THE VILLAGE CODE TO ELIMINATE “HOME OCCUPATION” AND “HOME PROFESSIONAL OFFICE” AS PERMITTED USES IN THE RESIDENCE DISTRICTS

Be it enacted by the Village Board of the Incorporated Village of Shoreham:

The Code of the Incorporated Village of Shoreham, County of Suffolk, New York, is amended by:

Amending Section 31-5 of Chapter 31 of the Village Code which shall read as follows:

§ 31-5. Residence Districts.

Permitted uses in either Residence District shall only include:

(1) One family dwelling.

(2) Accessory uses customarily incidental to the uses set forth above in this§ 31-5.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately.

Aye Nay

X Mayor Vail

X Trustee Neff

X Trustee Brickley

Aye Nay

X Trustee Baisch

ABSENT Trustee Coogan

Approved. 4 - 0

- Motion to close the Public Hearing for “Home Occupation” and “Home Professional Office” and open the Public Hearing to “Add Chapter 27A to the Village Code to create a partial real property tax exemption for Veterans” at 9:50 pm.

Approved.

(Neff- Brickley 4-0)

Proposed Local Law No. 5 - 2022

ADDING CHAPTER 27A TO THE VILLAGE CODE TO CREATE A PARTIAL REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR VETERANS

Be it enacted by the Village Board of the Incorporated Village of Shoreham:

The Code of the Incorporated Village of Shoreham, County of Suffolk, New York, is amended by:

Adding Chapter 27A to the Village Code which shall read as follows:

Chapter 27A TAXATION: PARTIAL EXEMPTION FOR VETERANS

§ 27A-1 Adoption of statutory provisions.

The provisions of § 458-a of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York are hereby adopted by the Village of Shoreham.

§ 27A-2 Preservation of ratio of exemption to assessment.

If the ratio between the exemption granted under this section and the total assessed value of the real property for which such exemption has been granted increases or decreases due only to a change in the manner of assessing real property in the tax district in which such property is located, the amount of the exemption heretofore or hereafter granted shall be increased or decreased in such subsequent year in the same proportion as the total assessed value has been increased or decreased.

§ 27A-3 Alternative veterans exemption.

A. The maximum exemption allowable to qualifying residential real property exempt from taxation, under § 458-a of the New York Real Property Tax Law, to the extent of 15% of the assessed value, shall be increased from \$27,000 to \$54,000.

B. The maximum exemption allowable to veterans who served in a combat theater or combat zone of operations, as documented by the award of the United States Campaign Ribbon or Service Medal, under § 458-a of the New York Real Property Tax Law, is hereby increased from \$18,000 to \$36,000.

C. The maximum exemption allowable, as an additional exemption available to a veteran who has received a compensation rating from a New York veterans organization or the United States Department of Defense because of a service-connected disability, calculated as the product of the assessed value multiplied by 50% of the veteran's disability rating under § 458-a of the New York Real Property Tax Law, is hereby increased from \$90,000 to \$180,000.

§ 27A-4 Exemption granted.

For the purposes of determining eligibility for a partial veterans exemption from real property taxes under § 458 of the New York Real Property Tax Law and for the purposes of determining eligibility for a veterans alternative exemption under § 458-a of the New York Real Property Tax Law, the following shall apply:

A. For the purpose of this section, title to that portion of real property owned by a cooperative apartment corporation in which a tenant-stockholder of such corporation resides and which is represented by his share or shares of stock in such corporation as determined by its or their proportional relationship to the total outstanding stock of the corporation, including that owned by the corporation, shall be deemed to be vested in such tenant-stockholder.

B. The proportion of the assessment of such real property owned by such cooperative apartment corporation determined by the relationship of such real property vested in such tenant-stockholder to such entire parcel and the building thereon owned by such cooperative apartment corporation in which such tenant-stockholder resides shall be subject to exemption from taxation pursuant to this section, and any exemption so granted shall be credited by the appropriate taxing authority against the assessed valuation of such real property; the reduction in real property taxes realized thereby shall be credited by the cooperative apartment against the amount of such taxes otherwise payable by or chargeable to such tenant-stockholder.

C. Notwithstanding Subsection B of this section, a tenant-stockholder who resides in a dwelling that is subject to the provision of Articles 2, 4, 5 or 11 of the New York Private Housing Financing Law shall not be eligible for an exemption pursuant to this section.

§ 27A-5. Severability.

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this chapter or the application thereof to any person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity or circumstance shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, partnership, entity or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such order or judgment shall be rendered.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately.

Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

Aye Nay

Aye Nay

X ___ Mayor Vail

X ___ Trustee Baisch

X ___ Trustee Neff

ABSENT Trustee Coogan

X ___ Trustee Brickley

- Motion to close the Public Hearing to “Add Chapter 27A to the Village Code to create a partial real property tax exemption for Veterans” and open the regular meeting at 9:55 pm.

Approved.

(Neff- Brickley 4-0)

REPORT FROM TRUSTEE SHERRY NEFF:

Trustee Neff explained the tree problem at the tennis courts. The tree roots are damaging the hard courts and will be removed this week. The courts will be repaired after getting all necessary quotes and paperwork in order.

A new Beach Commissioner and Head Lifeguard and new lifeguard are being appointed in anticipation of beach opening.

- Motion to approve “up to” \$19,000 for tennis hard court repairs.

Approved.

(Neff- Brickley 4-0)

- Motion to appoint Maurizio Milana as Beach Commissioner effective immediately.

Approved.

(Brickley - Baisch 4-0)

- Motion to appoint Daniel Paesano as Head Lifeguard at the rate of \$18 per hour.

Approved.

(Neff- Brickley 4-0)

- Motion to appoint Jack D’Andrea as a lifeguard at the rate of \$15 per hour.

Approved.

(Neff- Baisch 4-0)

REPORT FROM TRUSTEE LAURA BAISCH:

Trustee Baisch spoke about the building condition study in progress. H2M is listing all necessary projects for immediate need, short term and long term repairs. Although almost complete, the firm found cracks in the foundation of Village Hall that need further investigation.

- Motion to approve “up to” \$5,000 to H2M Engineering and Architects to investigate foundation cracks in Village Hall building.

Approved.

(Neff- Baisch 4-0)

Trustee Baisch said that the office is now accepting applications for Hall rentals and is interviewing and looking for a new Steward. Applications for rentals can be sent to Josephine in the office.

Special thank you to Erin Lipani for sending us COVID tests for residents. They will be given out at TSVA Earth Day on April 23rd or email the office to arrange pickup.

Updates on the building include electrical work completed, research for air conditioning split units for lower level of building which will be partly paid by the court grant we received and a new ice machine was delivered and will be hooked up soon. There is some emergency repair work needed on the outside railings and steps. Retrofit is the company that is on the Suffolk County Bid list and will do the work.

- Motion to approve the payment of \$2,991.60 to MD Electrical Services, Inc. for the lighting work done in the lower level and parking lot lights.

Approved.

(Baisch - Brickley 4-0)

- Motion to approve “up to” \$15,000 for emergency repairs to the railing and stairs at Village Hall by Retrofit.

Approved.

(Baisch- Vail 4-0)

REPORT FROM TRUSTEE ED BRICKLEY:

Trustee Brickley and Commissioner Larry Kogel explained that the curbing project on Dickerson Drive has been put on hold temporarily due to budgetary issues. The cost went from \$160,000 to the latest estimate of \$216,000 due to the increase cost of materials.

Trustee Brickley said that the new fire hydrant on Dickerson will be installed after the fire department picks out the best spot for it and contacts Suffolk County Water Authority to install it.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 10:11 pm.

Approved.

(Vail – Neff 4-0)

Next BOT meeting will be held Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 7:30 pm

Submitted,

Laura Spillane, Village Clerk