

**Village of Huntington Bay
Minutes
Board of Trustees
November 11, 2024**

Present: Mark L. Dara, Mayor
Barbara Beuerlein
Elizabeth Richter

Also Present: Police Chief, Christopher Jack
Danielle Catanese, Village Administrator
Rachel A. Scelfo, Esq., Farrell Fritz

The meeting was held at Village Hall, 244 Vineyard Road, Huntington Bay, NY 11743.

Mayor Dara called the organizational meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Public Hearings:

William McIntosh & Janielle Viggiano, 170 Bay Road, Huntington Bay, NY 11743

Michael McCarthy, ESQ, and Steve McKean, Landscape Architect, of Main Street Nursey presented the application to the Board to construct a proposed plunge pool and patio walkway. After discussion, the Board imposed a \$5,000 road bond on the property. A motion was made by Trustee Beuerlein to approve the application. It was seconded by Trustee Richter and unanimously approved 3-0. A transcript was taken by Christa Freyersein. The hearing was closed at 7:32PM.

Public Comments

George Tomlinson, President of Wincoma Association, addressed the board with concerns of the narrow roadway on East Shore Road. As a representative for Wincoma Association, Mr. Tomlinson was in support of lowering the speed limit for to 25mph on Wincoma's private roads.

The Mayor will introduce the Local Law to reduce the speed limit to 25 mph at the next Board meeting. Trustee Doan will lead a meeting with association leaders to gather their perspectives and feedback on the proposed reduction.

Police Chief's Report

Chief Jack delivered the Police report to the Board. There were 36 summonses, and 68 incident reports filed within the past month.

The police assisted with the Bay Hills Halloween Parade, and everything went smoothly.

The LET grant was used to purchase new radar guns and computer equipment, totaling approximately \$3,500.

The Chief had an exploratory call with FEMA to discuss securing recovery funds for the August 18-19 rainstorms.

Mayor's Report

The Mayor delivered his report to the Board, noting that he attended a SCVOA meeting where he had the opportunity to meet representatives from all the villages and towns in Suffolk County.

The Mayor introduced a Local Law to reduce the speed limit to 25 mph on public Village roads, including East Shore Road, Bay Avenue, and Vineyard Road. The law will also apply to the private roads in Wincoma and Bay Hills.

In preparation for the new local law requiring all landscapers in the Village to carry insurance (effective January 1, 2025), we have contacted approximately 15 landscaping companies to inform them of the upcoming requirement.

A resolution was made to set the public hearing for December 9th at 7:00 PM to discuss reducing the speed limit to 25 mph for safety reasons, addressing speeding, and pedestrian traffic. Trustee Richter made the motion, which was seconded by Trustee Beuerlein and unanimously approved with a 3-0 vote.

Road Commissioner Report

Trustee Barbara Beuerlein presented her report to the Board, noting that Action Blacktop has completed repairs on Bay Road and Locust Lane. She also informed the Board that the asphalt companies are now closed for the season and will reopen in the spring.

The snow plow bid was awarded to Scott Cissick, our former plower. His contract is in effect through the end of 2025.

Village Administrator's Report

Mrs. Catanese delivered her report to the board.

All Village taxes have been paid.

The tax program has been upgraded with a completely new interface, and training has been successfully completed. However, the program does not import past data, so we will need to continue using the previous version for historical information. Moving forward, the new system will only work with new data

RESOLUTIONS

There are three (3) resolutions before the Board.

Resolution Approving the return of the Road Bond for Della Penna at 21 Heckscher Drive
A motion was made by Mayor Dara to approve the release of the Road Bond. It was seconded by Trustee Beuerlein and unanimously approved 3-0.

Resolution Authorizing to Refund Tax Assessment Roll to include 24-25 (previously we only amended 23/24 refund)
A motion was made by Mayor Dara to approve the tax assessment refunds. It was seconded by Trustee Beuerlein and unanimously approved 3-0.

Resolution to Support State increase funding and for Villages and Towns

A motion was made by Trustee Richter to approve the tax assessment refunds. It was seconded by Trustee Beuerlein and unanimously approved 3-0.

Grants:

Submitted to CHIPS for \$13,600 for road paving on Bay Avenue and Kane's Lane.

Submitted to EWR for \$7,500 for gabion cleaning, tree removal and road storm clean up on Bay Avenue and Kane's Lane.

R&L Lawn Care donated the Village Hall landscaping facelift.

We are hosting our Annual Food Drive until Nov 22nd for Long Island Cares.

Financials

The financial reports have been made available to the Board.

After review, questions, and discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Richter to approve the October 2024 list of bills, it was seconded by Trustee Beuerlein and unanimously approved 3-0.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Trustee Beuerlein to approve the October 2024, minutes, it was seconded by Trustee Richter and unanimously approved 3-0.

On motion made by Trustee Beuerlein and seconded by Mayor Dara, the meeting was closed at 8:37PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Danielle Catanese

Attendees:

Judy Jorge	25 Sydney Road, Huntington Bay
Catherine Vandrei	90 High Street, Huntington Bay
Michael McCarthy	444 New York Avenue, Huntington
Janielle Viggiano	170 Bay Road, Huntington Bay
William McIntosh	170 Bay Road, Huntington Bay
George Tomlinson	348 Bay Ave., Huntington Bay
Stephen Meehan	14 George Drive, Syosset