

Meeting #5

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ON 2021-2022 TENTATIVE BUDGET
AND
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF ATLANTIC BEACH
65 THE PLAZA, ATLANTIC BEACH, NY 11509

APRIL 19, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pappas called the meeting to order at 7:50 PM and thanked everyone for logging in – stay safe.

ROLL CALL

Present were: Mayor George J. Pappas
Trustees Linda L. Baessler
Patricia Beaumont
Andrew J. Rubin - ZOOM
Edward A. Sullivan
Village Attorney Dominick Minerva
Village Clerk Emily Siniscalchi

REPORTS

- I. Police Activity Report - March 2021 – Report read by Village Clerk
Month of March - 2 parkers; 27 movers
- II. PUBLIC WORKS & BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT – Steve Cherson
report given and attached
- III. TREASURER’S REPORT – Herbert A. Klibanoff – read by Village Clerk
For the month of March, 2021 – we had a grand total of \$634,171.53 in
various bank accounts
- IV. LEGAL - Village Attorney Dominick Minerva

RESOLUTION – Adopt “Public Employer Health Emergency Plan for the Inc. Village of
Atlantic Beach

The Governor on September 7, 2020 required all government agencies to have a
Public Employer Health Emergency Plan in place by April 2021.

Village Attorney Minerva gave an overview and the following was adopted.

Trustee Baessler moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, to adopt the Public Employer Health Emergency Plan for
the Inc. Village of Atlantic Beach.

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Sullivan and by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor George J. Pappas
Trustees Linda L. Baessler
Patricia Beaumont
Andrew J. Rubin
Edward A. Sullivan
Noes: None

RESOLUTION - Village Election

Trustee Beaumont moved the adoption of the following:

WHEREAS, the next general Village Election for officers will be held on June 15, 2021 at the Village Hall, 65 The Plaza, Atlantic Beach, NY and

WHEREAS, no person shall be entitled to vote in any Village Election whose name does not appear on the Register of the Election District in which he claims to be entitled to vote, and

WHEREAS, the Village has abolished registration days - all those wanting to vote in the Village Election must be registered with the County Board of Elections.

BY ORDER OF THE VILLAGE BOARD
VILLAGE CLERK EMILY SINISCALCHI

NOTE: last day to register with the County Board of Elections to be eligible to vote in Village Elections is June 4, 2021

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Baessler and by the following vote:

- Ayes: Mayor George J. Pappas
- Trustees Linda L. Baessler
- Patricia Beaumont
- Andrew J. Rubin
- Edward A. Sullivan
- Noes: None

RESOLUTION - Appointment of Election Inspectors June 15, 2021 Election

Trustee Sullivan moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 15-116 of the Election Law, the people on the attached list are appointed as Inspectors of Election (subject to their availability) and shall be paid at the following rate: \$125.00 for Election Day for each inspector and \$175.00 for Election Day Chairlady.

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Baessler and passed by the following vote:

- Ayes: Mayor George J. Pappas
- Trustees Linda L. Baessler
- Patricia Beaumont
- Andrew J. Rubin
- Edward A. Sullivan
- Noes: None

RESOLUTION – Polling Place

Trustee Beaumont moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, that the polling place for the June 15, 2021 election be held at the Village Hall between the hours of 7:00 AM and 9:00 PM.

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Sullivan and passed by the following vote:

- Ayes: Mayor George J. Pappas
- Trustees Linda L. Baessler
- Patricia Beaumont
- Andrew J. Rubin
- Edward A. Sullivan
- Noes: None

RESOLUTION – Publish Legal Notice in the Nassau Herald to Hold Public Hearing
May 10, 2021 for the Annual Storm Water Management Report – MS-4

Trustee Sullivan moved the adoption of the following to publish legal notice in the Nassau Herald:

VILLAGE OF ATLANTIC BEACH
Public Hearing on the Annual
Storm Water Management Report – MS4

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, May 10, 2021 at 7:45 PM in the Village Hall, 65 The Plaza, Atlantic Beach, NY the Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing.

A copy of the text will be on file in the office of the Village Clerk. At such public hearing interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Emily Siniscalchi, Village Clerk

Dated: April 19, 2021

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Beaumont and passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor George J. Pappas
Trustees Linda L. Baessler
Patricia Beaumont
Andrew J. Rubin
Edward A. Sullivan

Noes: None

RESOLUTION – Publish Legal Notice in the Nassau Herald to Hold a Public Hearing on
May 10, 2021 to amend the Code of the Village of Atlantic Beach – Article II – Public
Nuisances – 159-5 Prohibited Acts

Superintendent of Public Works presented the proposed local law

Trustee Sullivan moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, to publish Legal Notice in the Nassau Herald to hold a public hearing on May 10, 2021 to amend the Code of the Village of Atlantic Beach Chapter 159-5 Prohibited Acts - Noise

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Beaumont and passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor George J. Pappas
Trustees Linda L. Baessler
Patricia Beaumont
Andrew J. Rubin
Edward A. Sullivan

Noes: None

RESOLUTION – Publish Legal Notice in the Nassau Herald to Hold a Public Hearing on
May 10, 2021 to amend the Code of the Village of Atlantic Beach Food Trucks

Superintendent of Public Works gave an overview of the proposed local law

Trustee Sullivan moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, to publish Legal Notice in the Nassau Herald to hold a public hearing on May 10, 2021 to amend the Code of the Village of Atlantic Beach – Add Chapter 117 – Food Trucks

RESOLUTION – Publish Legal Notice in the Nassau Herald to Hold a Public Hearing on
May 10, 2021 to amend the Code of the Village of Atlantic Beach Food Trucks

(Continued)

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Beaumont and passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor George J. Pappas
Trustees Linda L. Baessler
Patricia Beaumont
Andrew J. Rubin
Edward A. Sullivan

Noes: None

TRAFFIC DIRECTION CHANGES 2021 SUMMER SEASON Coronado & Daytona Streets

Trustee Baessler moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, to change the direction on Coronado and Daytona Streets from one way South to one way north between Atlantic and Pacific Boulevards from Memorial Day to Labor Day and notify residents prior to change.

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Beaumont and passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor George J. Pappas
Trustees Linda L. Baessler
Patricia Beaumont
Andrew J. Rubin
Edward A. Sullivan

Noes: None

RESOLUTION – Putnam Boulevard between Park Street and Bay Boulevard –
15 minute parking on east side

Trustee Sullivan moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, to add 15 minute parking on Putnam Boulevard between Park Street and Bay Boulevard

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Baessler and passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor George J. Pappas
Trustees Linda L. Baessler
Patricia Beaumont
Andrew J. Rubin
Edward A. Sullivan

Noes: None

RESOLUTION – Publish Legal Notice in the Nassau Herald to Consider Cannabis= Opting
Out of Retail Sales and On-Site Consumption Establishments

Village Attorney Minerva gave an overview of the proposed local law.

Trustee Rubin moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, to publish Legal Notice in the Nassau Herald to hold a public hearing on May 10, 2021 to amend the Code of the

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RESOLUTION – Publish Legal Notice in the Nassau Herald to Consider Cannabis= Opting
Out of Retail Sales and On-Site Consumption Establishments (Continued)

Village of Atlantic Beach – Cannabis – Opting Out of Retail Sales and

On-Site Consumption Establishments

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Beaumont and passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor George J. Pappas
Trustees Linda L. Baessler
Patricia Beaumont
Andrew J. Rubin
Edward A. Sullivan
Noes: None

RESOLUTION – SPEED BUMPS

Trustee Baessler moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, to install speed bumps at the following locations:
– 2 on Atlantic Boulevard
– 2 on Bay Boulevard

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Beaumont and passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor George J. Pappas
Trustees Linda L. Baessler
Patricia Beaumont
Andrew J. Rubin
Edward A. Sullivan
Noes: None

RESOLUTION – Sunny Atlantic Partners, LLC – Lease 2021 Season – Parking Lot Rental

Trustee Baessler moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, to grant parking lot rental southeast corner Ocean Boulevard and The Plaza to Sunny Atlantic Partners, LLC for the 2021 Season in the amount of \$25,000 - \$1,000 payable by June 2, 2021 and balance on or before July 1, 2021

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Beaumont and passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor George J. Pappas
Trustees Linda L. Baessler
Patricia Beaumont
Andrew J. Rubin
Edward A. Sullivan
Noes: None

GOOGLE QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS

Residents were able to submit questions/concerns/comments on the Village Google form. The Google form allows residents to have an equal opportunity to have a voice and have the questions/concerns answered and shared with the community.

Mayor Pappas read and answered the following from the residents

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GOOGLE QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS (Continued)

QUESTION: Any chance of installing a stop sign on Putnam Street and Bay Boulevard (for cars that will be turning right onto Bay)? With the traffic now one way, there is more traffic going onto Bay so it is more of a safety hazard for cars, bicyclists and pedestrians on Bay.

ANSWER: Think it is a good idea and its something the Board will be discussing.

QUESTION: When will the work on the boardwalk near NY Beach Club be completed?

ANSWER: Before the season

QUESTION: Will speed bumps be installed on Atlantic Boulevard prior to the start of the beach club season? Will traffic-calming measures be put in place on Park Street which remains a dangerous speedway?

ANSWER: Yes – it will be voted on tonight

QUESTION: Why has it taken so long for a railing to be installed at the entrance to the tennis center? Who is liable the Village of Atlantic Beach or Morales Tennis should a child or senior citizen be injured due to negligence?

ANSWER: The railing was delivered last week and will be installed

QUESTION: Any idea when the boardwalk repairs will be finished?

ANSWER: We are working on it now, the rough winter months slowed the work down – will be done before the season

QUESTION: What is the status of designated a dog run area on beaches or public village spaces for residents?

ANSWER: We have had meetings with a group of residents that are interested in a dog park, the difficulty is finding village space away from residential areas.

QUESTION: When will the village budget and minutes of the prior meetings be posted on village website for public access

ANSWER: They will be put on the website – the budget is up now

QUESTION: What's the policy/procedures for village office staff returning phone calls/ email inquiries from residents?

ANSWER: They should be answered in a timely manner – if they are not you can reach out to a board member

QUESTION: Who is responsible for cleaning the sidewalk on Plaza Blvd? The sidewalk opposite the village office is from the basketball courts to Ocean Boulevard is covered in pine needles sand and garbage

ANSWER: The tennis center is responsible – I spoke to them over the weekend about maintenance

QUESTION: What is the status of key or code locks for village beach entrances?

ANSWER: We have received proposals and are making appointments to see what each product looks like and has its functions

QUESTION: Who is responsible for maintaining Tennis Center court fencing on Plaza and Ocean Boulevard and rear wood parking lot fencing on Albany Boulevard? Both areas are dangerously deteriorated and several sections have either already collapsed or are about to collapse onto public sidewalks. Who is liable the Village of Atlantic Beach or Morales Tennis should anyone be injured due to negligence?

ANSWER: The tennis center is responsible and they will be making necessary repairs

QUESTION: Who is responsible for cleaning village owner area parking lot behind the Tennis Center? It would offer dozens of additional parking spots for residents and club members if it was cleaned and minimally maintained

ANSWER: The tennis center is responsible for all of the maintenance

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GOOGLE QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS (Continued)

QUESTION: When will the 2 tennis courts adjacent to the basketball court on Plaza Boulevard be available for resident use?

ANSWER: They will be repaired for both tennis and pickleball and be available to village residents for a small fee without taking a membership to the tennis center

QUESTION: When will we be returning to in-person Village Board meetings?

ANSWER: It is something the board can and will consider – right now we are at 50% occupancy

QUESTION: Will garbage and recycling bins sufficient for summer weekend use be placed on beaches and bay areas this year

ANSWER: Yes, it's a good idea to add recycling bins

QUESTION: Light on boardwalk don't go on

ANSWER: We are removing some of the lights and there is a short – we are working on it

QUESTION: What outreach has the Board of Trustees done to bring revitalize non-occupied commercial spaces? Bring new restaurants and businesses to the neighborhood?

ANSWER: We have two new stores coming in and we would love more - as a board we are very much in favor of more local businesses. It seems we have less occupancy as the only open space in the strip mall is the old nail salon and I have spoken to someone that might be interested in putting another salon.

QUESTION: When was PPE was received by the village and why wasn't it distributed to residents prior to this weekend?

ANSWER: The PPE was received a few months ago, but was for local business and village office use – we received a large amount and reached out to to the Town of Hempstead to see if we had to return or if we can give to residents

QUESTION: How come the little patch of triangle when you come over the bridge into AB is neglected? Usually when entering a village there are some plantings that make it look welcoming. Ours is just dirt which doesn't give it a feeling of charm or care?

ANSWER: It is bridge authority property, we can ask them to plant or we can have resident volunteers to plant and we can ask for permission from the Bridge Authority

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of March 8, 2021 Regular Meeting and April 1, 2021 Tax Lien Sale accepted as written by the Village Clerk.

Motion by: Trustee Baessler Seconded by: Trustee Sullivan All Ayes

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Trustee Sullivan moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, that all bills be paid in the amount of \$137,870.09.

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Beaumont and passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor George J. Pappas
 Trustees Linda L. Baessler
 Patricia Beaumont

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APPROVAL OF BILLS (Continued)

Trustees Andrew J. Rubin
 Edward A. Sullivan

Noes: None

PUBLIC HEARING ON 2021-2022 TENTATIVE BUDGET

Mayor Pappas called the public hearing to order

Trustee Rubin presented the tentative budget – he welcomed everyone that joined the meeting.

GENERAL FUND

GENERAL FUND BUDGET

APPROPRIATIONS (Schedule A)	3,796,957
Less: Estimated Revenue Other Than Real Property Taxes (Schedule 2A)	1,130,054
Less: Capital Cash Surplus	100,000
Balance of Appropriations to be Raised By Real Property Tax Levy	2,566,903
Total Taxable Assessed Valuation (Entire Village Less Exempt Properties)	1,490,149
Tax Rate per \$100 of Assessed Valuation	1.722581
<u>TENNIS FUND</u>	
Estimated Revenue	37,000
Estimated Expenditures	22,000

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – May 10, 2021

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:25 PM Mayor Pappas made a motion adjourn.

The foregoing was seconded by Trustee Sullivan and passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor George J. Pappas
Trustees Linda L. Baessler
Patricia Beaumont
Andrew J. Rubin
Edward A. Sullivan

Noes: None

Emily Siniscalchi, Village Clerk