

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF ATLANTIC BEACH
65 THE PLAZA, ATLANTIC BEACH, NY 11509

MARCH 13, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pappas called the meeting to order at 7:50 PM

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Present were:

Mayor George J. Pappas
Trustees Edward A. Sullivan
Linda L. Baessler
Patricia Beaumont
Village Treasurer Herbert A. Klibanoff
Village Attorney Dominick Minerva
Village Clerk Emily Siniscalchi

Absent: Trustee Andrew J. Rubin EXCUSED

REPORTS

I.

- A. Police Activity Report – February 2023
Report given by Officer Civorelli
Movers: 65 Parkers: 4 Aided: 11
Larceny (other than auto) 1 incident
- B. Atlantic Beach Rescue Report - Commissioner Nat Etrog
Report given and attached
- C. Park Commission Report - Chairman Nat Etrog
Report given and attached
- D. The Village Garden – Chairperson Suzy Schneider
Report given and attached
- E. AB Cats – Linda Baessler
There is a nationwide shortage of dry cat food due to production/
transportation issues. We use Friskees Dry and it is hard to find.
Some of the other brands available the cats won't eat. Prices
have skyrocketed as a result. Donations are always appreciated.
- F. Beautification Report – Susan Jaffe
Working on spring sale and ready to work with anyone who
wants to help develop beach ends or any plantings

II. PUBLIC WORKS & BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT – Vincent Amoroso
Report given and attached

III. TREASURER'S REPORT – Treasurer Herbert A. Klibanoff
For the month of February 2023 – we had \$1,296,431.47 total cash available
Capital checking \$325,770.55; BZA Escrow \$28,942.06
General Fund \$941,718.86

IV. LEGAL – Village Attorney Dominick Minerva – requested executive session
to discuss legal matters

RESOLUTION: Authorize Mayor George Pappas to certify the answers to second set of Interrogatories on behalf of the Incorporated Village of Atlantic Beach in the action entitled Chabad Lubavitch of the Beaches, Inc. v. Incorporated Village of Atlantic Beach, et.al. under index number 2:22-cv-04141

Village Attorney Minerva presented this resolution.

Trustee Baessler moved the adoption of the above resolution, seconded by Trustee Beaumont

Ayes: Mayor George J. Pappas, Trustee Edward A. Sullivan, Linda L. Baessler, Patricia Beaumont.

RESOLUTION – Coastal Erosion Hazard Area Law Fee

Per Chapter 90 of the Code of the Village of Atlantic Beach – Coastal Erosion Hazard Area Law – all beach clubs and beach front property owners shall pay an application fee to the village of \$500.00 for a permit to conduct any grading, excavation or other soil disturbance exceeding normal beach maintenance as determined by the Commission of Conservation and Waterways of the Inc. Village of Atlantic Beach.

Trustee Sullivan moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, the village application fee remain at \$500.00.

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

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

Noes: None

RESOLUTION – Publish Legal Notice in the Nassau Herald – Public Hearing on the Tentative Budget – April 10, 2023

Trustee Baessler moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, to publish legal notice in the Nassau Herald to hold a Public Hearing on the Tentative 2023/2024 budget to be held on April 10, 2023 and regular meeting to follow.

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

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

Noes: None

RESOLUTION – Surf rake/grading of the beaches at ocean front properties by Public Works for 2023 beach season

Trustee Baessler moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, that Pubic Works is permitted to grade/surf rake the beaches for the 2023 beach season at the following rates:

- Beach Grading - \$2,150 per day; Surf Rake - \$275 per hour

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

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

Noes: None

RESOLUTION – Increase Building Department Permit Fees

Superintendent of Public Works/ Building Inspector Vincent Amoroso said he reviewed our building permit fees and those of the surrounding communities. Most of our fees have not been raised since the Village obtained zoning in 1997 and others not changed since 2017.

Trustee Sullivan moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, to increase building department fees per attached list.

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

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

Noes: None

RESOLUTION – Spring mailing to residents

Trustee Beaumont moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, that the spring mailing to be done by May 1, 2023.
Mailing will be on the website and copies will be in the village office.

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

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

Noes: None

Empire Wind Project meeting

Mayor Pappas said March 22, 2023 at 7:00 PM the Village and Equinor will have a community meeting about the Empire Wind Project

Good and Welfare Residents had various questions/concerns:

- Signs at Petrey building – Supt. of Public Works said he will look at the signs and believes the signed were approved.
- Tobacco shop on Park Street – Supt. of Public Works said they will mainly be selling everything under County law
- Building next to post office being gutted – permit has been issued for the renovation

Approval of Bills

Trustee Sullivan moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, that all bills are approved in the amount of \$62,667.13.

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

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

Noes: None

Approval/Correction of Minutes – February 13, 2023

Motion made by Trustee Beaumont and seconded by Trustee Sullivan that the Minutes of February 13, 2023 were accepted as written by the Village Clerk --- All Ayes

Date of Next Meeting – April 10, 2023

At 8:20 PM Trustee Beaumont made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting and to go into Executive Session to discuss legal matters – seconded by Trustee Baessler – all ayes

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present were: Mayor George J. Pappas
Trustees Edward A. Sullivan
Linda L. Baessler
Patricia Beaumont
Village Attorney Dominick Minerva

At 9:10 PM Mayor Pappas made a motion to adjourn the Executive Session and go back to the regular meeting. Seconded by Trustee Sullivan - all ayes

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:10 PM Mayor Pappas made a motion to adjourn

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

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

Noes: None

Emily Siniscalchi

Emily Siniscalchi, Village Clerk