

Meeting #

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL ORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE VILLAGE OF ATLANTIC BEACH  
65 THE PLAZA, ATLANTIC BEACH, NY 11509

July 7, 2025

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

OATHS OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS

The Oath of Office was administered to the newly elected officials by Village Clerk Emily Siniscalchi:

- Trustee Laura Heller
- Trustee Joseph B. Pierantoni
- Village Justice Michael C. Meyerson

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustee Barry M. Frohlinger  
Trustee Laura Heller  
Trustee Joseph B. Pierantoni

STATEMENT BY BOARD OF TRUSTEES - TO APPOINT INTERIM DEPUTY MAYOR

Normally, the Mayor presides over our meetings, or in the Mayor's absence, the Deputy Mayor. Given the current circumstances, Barry, Joey, and I are tasked with selecting an interim Deputy Mayor from among us, who will act as Deputy Mayor until such time as we appoint a Mayor.

As the three of us constitute a quorum, all actions we take must be made unanimously. In the short time we've worked together, we have approached every decision with care and thoughtfulness, grounded in mutual respect—for each other, for the residents, employees, and officers of this village, and for the Village of Atlantic Beach as a whole.

It is with that spirit of collaboration and commitment that we begin our new term. I now make a motion to pass a Resolution as follows:

WHEREAS, the offices of Mayor and Deputy Mayor of the Village of Atlantic Beach are currently vacant and unfilled as a result of the resignation of George Pappas and Charles Hammerman on July 2, 2025;

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Atlantic Beach is authorized and empowered to appoint one of the Village Trustees to serve as Deputy Mayor, pursuant to § 4-400(2) of the Village Law if the Mayor and Deputy Mayor are both absent or unable to perform the duties of the office;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Trustees of Village of Atlantic Beach, do hereby appoint Village Trustee Joseph B. Pierantoni, to the public office of Deputy Mayor of the Village of Atlantic Beach during the absence of the mayor and deputy mayor appointed by the mayor; and

FURTHERMORE, the Board of Trustees further direct the Village Clerk to notify Joseph B. Pierantoni of his appointment in accordance with § 3-312(6) of the Village Law.

GRANTED

MOTION BY: Trustee Heller                      SECONDED BY: Trustee Frohlinger  
AYES: Deputy Mayor Pierantoni, Trustees Heller and Frohlinger

ROLL CALL

Present were: Deputy Mayor Joseph B. Pierantoni  
Trustee Laura Heller  
Trustee Barry M. Frohlinger  
Village Attorney Jared Kasschau  
Village Treasurer Herbert A. Klibanoff  
Village Clerk Emily Siniscalchi

REPORTS

- I. A. Police Activity Report – June 2025 - PO Biondo  
Movers: 45 Parkers: 1 Aided Cases: 11
- B. Atlantic Beach Rescue – Commissioner Nat Etrog  
Report given and attached
- C. Park & Beach Commission Report – Chairman Nat Etrog
- D. Chief Lifeguard – Dan Majikas
- E. Beach Manager – Mike Sorrentino –  
Report given and attached
- F. The Village Garden – Chairperson Suzy Schneider  
Report given and attached
- G. AB Cats – Beth Brenner  
Report given and attached
- H. Beautification Report – Chairperson Dolores Friedel  
Very good sale – we have almost run out of items but  
have reordered; hope to develop beach ends
- I. Sanitation – Alan Jacobs - Absent
- II. Public Works and Building Department Report – Vincent Amoroso  
Report given and attached
- III. Code Enforcement Report – Vincent Amoroso  
Report given and attached
- IV. Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Herbert A. Klibanoff  
For the month of June 2025 – we had \$3,587,295.11  
Capital checking \$254,113.87  
BZA Escrow \$45,883.01  
General Fund \$3,287,298.23

STATEMENT BY THE DEPUTY MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

This is a unique opportunity to begin a new era in Atlantic Beach. During these transitional times, the residents of the Village of Atlantic Beach deserve strong, steady leadership. Rest assured, this transition is being managed with professionalism, transparency, and a shared focus on the well-being of our community. The three of us are committed to deliberate and thoughtful process, following the law and explaining the pros and cons of our decisions and identifying risks along the way. We will work in the best interest of the Village while always sharing our reasoning. We are committed to listen, learn and act. We are committed to better governance; doing the business of the Village in an open and transparent way. Regarding the position of mayor, New York State Law provides that in the event of the resignation of a Mayor, the position of Mayor shall be filled by the board of trustees. Given that Laura, Barry and I represent a Quorum of the Board, it is our duty to select the mayor by unanimous decision. We will make this decision in a timely manner, with the goal to select the best choice for our village. Once this

STATEMENT BY THE DEPUTY MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES (Continued)

position is filled, New York State Law provides that vacancies in the board of trustees shall be filled by the mayor.

This incoming leadership team is working diligently to ensure a seamless transfer of responsibilities.

As we navigate this transition in municipal government, we want to assure every resident that our commitment to essential services and safety remains unwavering. The two new trustees have been in their positions for 6 ½ hours, but we have already reached out to or have spoken with:

- County Executive Bruce Blakeman and his chief of staff
- Representative Laura Gillen's office
- Town of Hempstead Supervisor Donald Clavin Jr.'s office
- Ari Brown
- Patrick Mullaly
- The Nassau County Bridge Authority
- The AB Fire District
- The Greater Atlantic Beach Water Reclamation District

Our priority is continuity and improvement for all our services—ensuring the office works, the taxes and other fees are collected, bills are paid, our Public Works are maintained, and the beach is open.

Over the coming days and weeks, we will reach out to all six dining establishments, every business along Park Street and the Plaza, The Valet Parking Company, the Tennis Center, the Nautilus and every Beach Club.

Key steps we are taking include:

- **Immediate briefings** with Village staff to ensure full situational awareness.
- **Continued monitoring of the Chabad Settlement.**
- **Clear communication** with you as decisions are contemplated and made, ensuring accountability at every step.
- **Seamless service delivery** – No disruption to critical services (beach, security, Village Office, etc.).
- **Collaboration** – Close coordination with County and Town of Hempstead and New York State to address our Village needs.
- **Organizational Review** of all Committees

The strength of Atlantic Beach lies in its people, and we are committed to earning your trust every day. Updates will be provided regularly through the Village website and email/text, which we are also working to improve.

To the people of Atlantic Beach. We will navigate this transition together—with dedication, professionalism and transparency.

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION

Certificate of Election for the Village election held on June 17, 2025 showed the following votes cast:

Trustee Joseph B. Pierantoni	Total votes 372
Trustee Laura Heller	Total votes 257
Village Justice Michael C. Meyerson	Total votes 377

RESOLUTION – DESIGNATE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER

RESOLVED, that the Nassau Herald is hereby designated the official newspaper of the Village of Atlantic Beach.

GRANTED  
MOTION BY: Trustee Heller                      SECONDED BY: Trustee Frohlinger  
AYES: Deputy Mayor Pierantoni, Trustees Heller and Frohlinger

RESOLUTION – PAYMENTS MADE IN ADVANCE OF AUDIT

RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk and Village Treasurer to make payments In advance of audit of claims for utilities, insurances, sanitation, postage, freight and express charges, replenishment of petty cash. All such claims are to be presented at the next Regular meeting for audit.

GRANTED  
MOTION BY: Trustee Heller                      SECONDED BY: Trustee Frohlinger  
AYES: Deputy Mayor Pierantoni, Trustees Heller and Frohlinger

RESOLUTION – TO DESIGNATE 2026 ANNUAL MEETING DATE

RESOLVED, that July 13, 2026 is hereby designated as the Annual Organizational meeting of the Village Board of Trustees

GRANTED  
MOTION BY: Trustee Heller                      SECONDED BY: Trustee Frohlinger  
AYES: Deputy Mayor Pierantoni, Trustees Heller and Frohlinger

RESOLUTION – TO DESIGNATE REGULAR MEETING DATES

RESOLVED, that monthly meetings of the Board be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month during the current fiscal year.

GRANTED  
MOTION BY: Trustee Heller                      SECONDED BY: Trustee Frohlinger  
AYES: Deputy Mayor Pierantoni, Trustees Heller and Frohlinger

RESOLUTION – GRANT APPLICATION – JUSTICE COURT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – 2024-2025 GRANT CYCLE UP TO \$30,000 – INSTALL NEW CARPETING IN THE COURT ROOM

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GRANTED  
MOTION BY: Trustee Heller                      SECONDED BY: Trustee Frohlinger  
AYES: Deputy Mayor Pierantoni, Trustees Heller and Frohlinger

## RESOLUTION – SIDEWALK CAFES

RESOLUTION WAS TABLED

GRANTED

MOTION BY: Trustee Heller

SECONDED BY: Trustee Frohlinger

AYES: Deputy Mayor Pierantoni, Trustees Heller and Frohlinger

## APPROVAL OF BILLS

Bills approved in the amount of \$378,637.15

GRANTED

MOTION BY: Trustee Heller

SECONDED BY: Trustee Frohlinger

AYES: Deputy Mayor Pierantoni, Trustees Heller and Frohlinger

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 12, June 9 and July 1, 2025 minutes accepted as written by the Village Clerk

GRANTED

MOTION BY: Trustee Heller

SECONDED BY: Trustee Frohlinger

AYES: Deputy Mayor Pierantoni, Trustees Heller and Frohlinger

GOOD AND WELFARE

Discussion was had in relation to the following topics:

- Speed Bumps on streets that head toward Ocean Boulevard
- Trees planted dying
- Speeders on Park Street
- Parking for veterans in the village
- Boardwalk
- Wind turbines

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - August 4, 2025 (from August 11, 2025)

GRANTED

MOTION BY: Trustee Frohlinger

SECONDED BY: Trustee Heller

AYES: Deputy Mayor Pierantoni, Trustees Heller and Frohlinger

## ADJOURNMENT

At 9:05 PM Deputy Mayor Pierantoni made a motion to adjourn.

SECONDED BY: Trustee Frohlinger

AYES: Deputy Mayor Pierantoni, Trustees Heller and Frohlinger

Emily Siniscalchi

Emily Siniscalchi, Village Clerk