

Village of Winthrop Harbor  
President and Board of Trustees Meeting

**May 2, 2017**

Village Hall Counsel Chambers

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## **MINUTES**

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The meeting was called to order by Mayor Loy at 7:00 PM.

The following Elected Officials were present:

Mayor: Robert D. Loy

Trustees: Kimberly Braden, Buddy Hargett, Dana McCarthy, Hartmut "Fritz" Weiss

Newly Elected Mayor:

Dr. Michael A. Bruno

Newly Elected Trustee:

John Levin

Also present:

Attorney, Robert Long  
Julie Rittenhouse, Village Clerk

The Invocation was led by Father Paul Stemn from Our Lady of Humility Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1** - A motion was made by Trustee Braden and seconded by Trustee Weiss to approve the **April 18, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes** as presented. Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (4) Braden, Hargett, McCarthy, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (2) Marabella, Robards**  
**Passed: (0)**

**2** - A motion was made by Trustee Braden and seconded by Trustee Weiss to approve the **April 20, 2017 Budget Meeting Minutes** as presented. Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (4) Braden, Hargett, McCarthy, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (2) Marabella, Robards**  
**Passed: (0)**

**OUT- GOING MAYOR’S REPORT**

Mayor Loy thanked everyone in the Village that supported him all these years. He wishes the Village and Administration well.

**CLERK’S CORRESPONDENCE**

Clerk Rittenhouse thanked Trustee Braden for her 8 years of service to the Village and told her that we were looking forward to working with her in the future. She then presented her with a gift of appreciation for all of her hard work and dedication.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None Reported

**OATH OF OFFICE**

The Oath of Office was given to the following

Mayor Elect - Dr. Michael A. Bruno by: Judge George Bridges  
Trustee Elect - John Levin  
Trustee Elect - Dana McCarthy

**IN-COMING MAYOR’S REPORT**

Mayor Bruno began his speech by recognizing Mayor Robert Loy. He thanked him for his kind words and support during the transition as well as his 20 years of service to our citizens and the community. He then presented him with a gift in recognition of all of his dedication to this Village.

Mayor Bruno thanked and welcomed everyone for being there. He is honored to have been elected. He thanked the voters for challenging him. He thanked all of the community leaders who encouraged and supported his candidacy. He thanked Buddy Hargett, Kimberly Braden, Margo Nelson and Art Speakman for their candidacies. He is committed to keeping the people of this Village safe. There will be many challengers as well as opportunities over the next 4 years and only by working together, the community and their government collaborating and cooperating, we will build a better, stronger more vibrant Winthrop Harbor. He vows to remain visible, accessible and responsive. Every action he takes will be with the people’s best interest in mind.

**RESOLUTION 2017-R-9 A Resolution Appointing Julie Rittenhouse as Village Clerk**

**3** - A motion was made by Trustee Hargett and seconded by Trustee Weiss to approve **Resolution 2017-R-9** as presented. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (4) Hargett, Levin, McCarthy, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (2) Marabella, Robards**  
**Passed: (0)**

**RESOLUTION 2017-R-10 Annual Appointment Resolution**

**4** - A motion was made by Trustee McCarthy and seconded by Trustee Weiss to approve **Resolution 2017-R-10** as presented. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (4) Hargett, Levin, McCarthy, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (2) Marabella, Robards**  
**Passed: (0)**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2017-O-5 An Ordinance Rezoning Property Located at 1142 Sheridan Road and Granting a Special Use Permit.**

**5** - A motion was made by Trustee Hargett and seconded by Trustee McCarthy to set aside the rules of the President and Board of Trustees and waive the Second Reading of **Ordinance 2017-O-5** and approve as presented. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (4) Hargett, Levin, McCarthy, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (2) Marabella, Robards**  
**Passed: (0)**

**6** - A motion was made by Trustee Weiss and seconded by Trustee Hargett to approve the **2017-2018 Annual Budget** as presented. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (4) Hargett, Levin, McCarthy, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (2) Marabella, Robards**  
**Passed: (0)**

**ORDINANCE 2017-O-7 2017-2017 Annual Wage Policy**

7 - A motion was made by Trustee Weiss and seconded by Trustee McCarthy to set aside the Rules of the President and Board of Trustees and Waive the First and Second Reading of **Ordinance 2017-O-7** and approve as presented. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (4) Hargett, Levin, McCarthy, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (2) Marabella, Robards**  
**Passed: (0)**

8 - A motion was made by Trustee Weiss and seconded by Trustee Hargett to approve **Accounts Payable Warrant W2017-1** in the amount of **\$58,282.01**. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (4) Hargett, Levin, McCarthy, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (2) Marabella, Robards**  
**Passed: (0)**

**ORDINANCE 2017-O-6 An Ordinance Authorizing the Donation of Personal Property Owned by the Village of Winthrop Harbor**

9 - A motion was made by Trustee Weiss and seconded by Trustee McCarthy to set aside the Rules of the President and Board of Trustees and Waive the First and Second Reading of **Ordinance 2017-O-7** and approve as presented. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (4) Hargett, Levin, McCarthy, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (2) Marabella, Robards**  
**Passed: (0)**

**Request to Approve 2017 Street Improvement Program**

10 - A motion was made by Trustee McCarthy and seconded by Trustee Weiss to **Approve 2017 Street Improvement Program** as presented. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (4) Hargett, Levin, McCarthy, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (2) Marabella, Robards**  
**Passed: (0)**

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Richard Coombe was here on behalf of the V.F.W. located at 1112 Sheridan. He wanted to know if there was anything the board could do to have the property rezoned. Part of the property is zoned commercial and part is zoned residential. He did not want to go before the Planning and Zoning Board because of how he was treated in the past. He was told that that is the only way this can be taken care of. First, he would go to the Planning and Zoning Board then the Village Board.

Mike Gleeson, a former resident of the Village, now a Gurnee resident, would like the board to write a letter to the Lake County Forest Preserve saying they are in favor of an archery park somewhere in Lake County.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Trustee Hargett – Community Development

- Welcome John to the board and congratulations to Trustees Marabella and McCarthy on their re-election. Welcome Mayor Bruno and he looks forward to working with him.
- Kim Braden and Mayor Loy will leave legacies that will be felt for years to come. Thank you for your service. Friendship and mutual respect remain.

Trustee McCarthy– Recreation Department

- Congratulations to John on his election and Trustee Marabella on his re-election.
- Thanks to Kim and everything she has done. She has done so much and he looks forward to seeing her and working with her still.
- Every campaign in Winthrop Harbor was focused on the Village and was never about one person. We had a great group of people. It was unique and great to see.
- Thanked Rich Coombe for everything that he has done and continues to do for the Village.
- Thanked Scott and the Recreation Department volunteers for the Park clean-up that was on April 22, 2017.

Trustee Levin – Police Department

- Thanked everyone and is looking forward to working with everybody. A special thanks to his family and their support.

Trustee Weiss – Finance Department

- Congratulations to Trustee Levin, Trustee McCarthy and welcome Mayor Bruno. He looks forward to working with them all.
- I'm going to miss Kimberly. She really cares about the community. She will be doing the luncheon for the Veterans on Memorial Day and Harbor-Que. I look forward to that.
- SSEEO walk/ run is this weekend.

Attorney Robert Long

- For 16 out of the last 20 years I had the honor of sitting next to and advising Mayor Loy. I found him always to be one of, if not the very, best politicians I have ever met. That was because he was not a politician. Never once did he suggest that it was about him. It was always about the Village and its people. I compare him to the ancient Roman Cincinnatus and Daniel Boone. These were men who found their services sorely needed by their people, who left their homes and dedicated themselves tirelessly to the greater

good, finished their jobs and returned home with no fanfare. Mayor Loy leaves behind big shoes to fill. I pledge all my support and that of the entire Village staff to Mayor Bruno to ensure that he has everything he needs to continue that legacy and make his administration a complete success. I wish him well in every possible way and wish Mayor Loy peace, prosperity and privacy in his retirement.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**11** - A motion was made by Trustee Weiss and seconded by Trustee Levin to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Bruno declared the meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm on the following roll call vote:

**Ayes: (4) Hargett, Levin, McCarthy, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (2) Marabella, Robards**  
**Passed: (0)**

**APPROVED:**

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**DR. MICHAEL BRUNO, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**JULIE RITTENHOUSE, VILLAGE CLERK**

**Note: This is not a verbatim record.**