

Village of Winthrop Harbor  
President and Board of Trustees Meeting  
**February 6, 2018**  
Village Hall Counsel Chambers

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## **MINUTES**

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

The following Elected Officials were present:

Mayor: Dr. Michael Bruno

Trustees: Buddy Hargett, John Levin, Robert Marabella, Dana McCarthy, Richard Robards,  
Hartmut "Fritz" Weiss

Also present:

Attorney, Robert Long  
Julie Rittenhouse, Village Clerk

The Invocation was led by Doug Rendall from North Point Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1** - A motion was made by Trustee Robards and seconded by Trustee Marabella to approve the **January 16, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes** as presented. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (6) Hargett, Levin, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss**

**Nays: (0)**

**Absent: (0)**

**Passed: (0)**

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None Reported

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

**RESOLUTION–2018-R-5 A Resolution Adopting the 2017 Lake County All Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan**

**2** - A motion was made by Trustee Robards and seconded by Trustee Hargett to approve the **Resolution 2018-R-5** as presented. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (6) Hargett, Levin, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (0)**  
**Passed: (0)**

**RESOLUTION–2018-R-6 A Resolution Returning Ownership of a Specialty Public Safety Vehicle to Augie Fabela**

**3** - A motion was made by Trustee Marabella and seconded by Trustee Weiss to approve the **Resolution 2018-R-6** as presented. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (6) Hargett, Levin, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (0)**  
**Passed: (0)**

**RESOLUTION-2018-R-7 A Resolution Honoring and Thanking Michael Bitton for his Years of Service to the Village and Wishing him well in Retirement**

**4** - A motion was made by Trustee Levin and seconded by Trustee Weiss to approve the **Resolution 2018-R-7** as presented. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (6) Hargett, Levin, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (0)**  
**Passed: (0)**

**CLERK’S CORRESPONDENCE**

None Reported

**NEW BUSINESS**

**5** - A motion was made by Trustee Weiss and seconded by Trustee Marabella to approve **Accounts Payable Warrant W2017-16** in the amount of **\$86,397.20**. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (6) Hargett, Levin, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (0)**  
**Passed: (0)**

**RESOLUTION-2018-R-8 A Resolution Ratifying the Police Union Contracts**

6 - A motion was made by Trustee McCarthy and seconded by Trustee Marabella to approve the **Resolution 2018-R-8** as presented. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (6) Hargett, Levin, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (0)**  
**Passed: (0)**

**Approval for Final Payout of Retainer for the 2017 MFT Project in the Amount of \$28,302.72 to Payne & Dolan, Inc.**

7 - A motion was made by Trustee Marabella and seconded by Trustee Robards to approve the **Final Payout to Payne & Dolan, Inc. for 2017 MFT Project in the Amount of \$28,302.72**. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

**Ayes: (6) Hargett, Levin, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (0)**  
**Passed: (0)**

**A Plaque Dedicated to Trentin Heiny for the Village Park Shelter – TABLED until next meeting.**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Eric Mollahan – 514 Kirkwood – just moved into the Village last year and wanted to see what city government was all about. He’s looking forward to calling Winthrop Harbor his home.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Trustee Marabella – Public Works Department

- Public Works has been busy plowing. They tried a different kind of salt and found out it didn’t work as well so they will be going back to the old kind.
- Rex is back to work and Phil will be back soon.
- They guys in Public Works are doing a great job for the guys they have.

Trustee Levin– Recreation Department

- Friday is the Teen Dance for 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade from 7-9pm
- Baseball/Softball sign-up is until March 4<sup>th</sup>. You can pay on-line at [Winthropharbor.com](http://Winthropharbor.com)

Trustee Weiss – Finance Department

- The COW meeting for February 12<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled. The next COW meeting is scheduled for February 27<sup>th</sup> at 6pm and the others are in March

Trustee Hargett – Community Development

- The Hotel Feasibility (RFP) study has gone out. We have received a list of consultants from the hotel that we have been in touch with and have sent it out to that group.

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We've heard back from 2 on that list. A company out of Chicago heard that we had the RFP out and reached out with some questions and will be submitting a bid this week. February 13<sup>th</sup> is the deadline.

- Harbor Foods has closed. We are working with Bobby to try and get that spot filled.
- We issued 2 Liquor Licenses a while back and Harbor Brewing has called for their final inspection. It will be opening in a few weeks. The Wild Crab Boil has been delayed with other projects and the sale of the building but are planning on moving forward.
- Harbor Fitness should be ready in a couple of weeks. They are putting in floors.
- Second mailings went out regarding the 101 Sheridan Road property. We are targeting Senior Housing Developers. I talked to a guy back in 2015 but they weren't looking to develop in this area. They got the new mailing and contacted me wanting more information. They will be coming out to look at this property as well as others.

Trustee McCarthy – Police Department

- Thanked Public Works for the work that they've been doing, keeping the roads safe. Also, the Police and Fire Department.
- The Police Commission as selected Laura Yost, who has been a Part-time Officer, to fill the vacancy we had on the Full-time roster. Taking effect next week. She will be a Full-time commissioned officer. Congratulations to her and the Police Department.
- Winthrop Harbor School District has hired a new Superintendent. You can go on line to find out more information about him and Hopefully when Pat Goodwin gets closer to retiring the new Superintendent will come in and say hello to everybody.

Trustee Robards – Fire Department

- Rookie Class is going along. Unfortunately, 3 have dropped out because they have moved on. Justin is doing a good job.
- It's nice to see Ms. Jamisko here tonight.

Mayor Bruno

- Last week Pat, Greg Jackson and I went to a Mayor's Breakfast that was put on by Congressman Schneider. Afterwards we sat down with him and told him what we have been doing in town. He's going to be involved with several things that we're looking into.
- A letter of Recognition from Chief Brumlik for the great job Michael Falasco did on December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017. It was read out loud.

**ADJOURNMENT**

8 - A motion was made by Trustee Robards and seconded by Trustee Weiss to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Bruno declared the meeting adjourned at 7:20pm on the following roll call vote:

**Ayes: (6) Hargett, Levin, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss**  
**Nays: (0)**  
**Absent: (0)**  
**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.**