

Village of Winthrop Harbor
President and Board of Trustees Meeting

March 6, 2018

Village Hall Counsel Chambers

MINUTES

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:

Robert Long, Attorney
Julie Rittenhouse, Village Clerk

The Invocation was led by Mayor Bruno, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1 - A motion was made by Trustee Marabella and seconded by Trustee Weiss to approve the **February 20 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)

2 - A motion was made by Trustee Weiss and seconded by Trustee Marabella to approve the **February 28 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes** as presented. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (5) Hargett, Levin, Marabella, McCarthy, Weiss
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (1) Robards

OLD BUSINESS

None Reported

MAYOR'S REPORT

A Plaque Dedicated to Trentin Heiny for the Village Park Shelter.

The Mayor presented Trentin with a plaque to take home, thanking him for all of his hard work and dedication for building a beautiful shelter at 38 Acre Park. The Mayor then showed him, and everyone else, the Plaque dedicating the shelter to Trentin that will be hung on the shelter. The Mayor thanked Trentin.

Trentin thanked the Village Board for letting him build the shelter for his Eagle Scout Project.

CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE

None Reported

NEW BUSINESS

Hotel Feasibility Study – Consultant Selection Recommendation

3 - A motion was made by Trustee Hargett and seconded by Trustee McCarthy to **move forward with the Feasibility Study and Select Hunden Strategic Partners**. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Trustee Hargett explained that we went out to bid and based on the cost and their experience, Hunden Strategic Partners is their recommendation. They work specifically with tourism driven projects. They also talked about projects both in town and the lake front.

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

Circulation Pump Replacement at Village Hall (quote #18-134)

4 - A motion was made by Trustee Hargett and seconded by Trustee Weiss to approve the **Recommendation to Replace the Pump at Village Hall**. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Trustee Hargett explained that there are two pumps and one is not working. It needs to be replaced. Pat said that he has \$3,000.00 in his budget but needs an additional \$1,600.00 approved.

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

Passed: (0)

5 - A motion was made by Trustee Weiss and seconded by Trustee Robards to approve **Accounts Payable Warrant W2017-18** in the amount of **\$51,949.42**. 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)

2018 Health Insurance Renewal

6 - A motion was made by Trustee Weiss and seconded by Trustee McCarthy to approve the **2018 Employees Health Insurance Renewal with ICOP**. Mayor Bruno declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Finance Director Shaw explained that we went out for quotes and ICOP's came back much better offer. She said that the Police Officers use them and really like them. They are comparable to what the Unions are getting and the deductibles are way better for our employees. The coverage is good.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Eric Mollahan – 514 Kirkwood – just here to observe.

Meredith Jumisko- 3102 11th Street – wanted to know about the garbage and yard waste contract with Groot.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Trustee Marabella – Public Works Department

- He talked about the Groot Contract and didn't realize how it would affect the seniors. Their bill tripled while everyone else's went down. He said he only uses garbage and recycling and his bill went way down. He said that he would like to revisit the contract and see if we could amend it to help the seniors. He asked Tim to explain the new Groot Contract. Tim gave everyone a handout that showed the difference between what the residents were paying and the services they had and what they would be paying with this new contract. Tim asked what, if anything, the board wanted him to do next. He will be going back to meet with Josh from Groot to see what they can do to help the seniors and maybe add yard waste back in. He should have something in place by the next board meeting. It will mean an increase in cost but it should still be less than it was. Trustee Hargett said he was fine with the contract the way it is. He said the failure here

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is the communication. Groot should have gotten the information out immediately. We need to get the message out right away.

- Basketball Championship is this weekend. This is the last basketball weekend. Saturday 9am-1pm and Sunday 1-5pm.

Trustee Levin – Recreation Department

- Friday is the Teen Dance for 5th – 8th graders from 7-9pm.
- March 16th is Gym Night for K – 4th from 7-9pm

Trustee Weiss– Finance Department

- Thursday, March 15th Committee of the Whole Meeting at 6pm to discuss Wage Policy.

Trustee Hargett – Community Development

- A Senior Housing Developer came and met with Pat and toured the Village. He provided a lot of information and we hope to hear back from him.
- Pat will be giving everyone a handout about Harbor Brewing’s Grand Opening. It’s April 7th from 3pm-Midnight.

Trustee Robards – Fire Department

- Extra thanks to Trentin Heiny. He’s been fighting cancer for months and had chemo today and seems to be doing pretty good. He’s an upstanding young man!
- March 10th and the 17th, the Pipe Band that I’m with will be having their pub krawl in Kenosha. You can go on their web-site at KAPDA.org and get their schedule.

Mayor Bruno

- Thanked Trustee Hargett for getting the Senior Housing Developer to come here to see our Village.
- Our Queens participated in the Lake County Illinois State Pageant. Little Miss Skylar was first runner up. They did an outstanding job.

ADJOURNMENT

7 - A motion was made by Trustee Weiss and seconded by Trustee Robards to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Bruno declared the meeting adjourned at 7:49pm on the following roll call vote:

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

APPROVED:

DR. MICHAEL BRUNO, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JULIE RITTENHOUSE, VILLAGE CLERK

Note: This is not a verbatim record.