# INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF MALVERNE Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Regular Monthly Meeting
November 1, 2023
Minutes

Present

Mayor Timothy Sullivan
Deputy Mayor Scott Edwards
Trustee Perry Cuocci
Trustee Carl Prizzi
Trustee Lori Lang

Clerk Treasurer Averil Smith Village Attorney Peter Trentacoste Deputy Clerk Jill Valli

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

The Pledge to the Flag was recited followed by a moment of silence in memory of Elsa Doris Bennett, Karin Longo, Elizabeth Nugent, Robin Schirmacher, and Robert Mackreth.

C. William Gaylor, Nassau County Legislator presented the Village with checks from Nassau County for Police Department initiatives.

The Mayor presented a Citation to Dr. Maria Casvikes, Malverne Chamber of Commerce Businessperson of the Year.

<u>Mayor's Update</u> Village Wide Garage Sale had a record 175 homes participating. Chamber Fall Festival was outstanding, as well as the Ragamuffin Parade, Candy Crawl and Farm Festival. He updated the community on the Motts creek flooding. The Nassau County DPW was out following to clean up the creek. The opening of new Police Station is expected to be in late spring of 2024. The Board will be selling the 1 Britton Circle Property to help fund the new station. It will be sold for the highest and best use of the property through the RFP process.

## **Department Reports**

MVAC - Carol Hassett reported that the Corps was represented at the Fall Festival. They are still looking for volunteers.

Building Department – Superintendent Louis Santora announced that the Building Department has begun taking applications electronically. He reminded residents to close any open permits by scheduling final inspections with the Building Department. The Mayor thanked Lou for his work on the new Police Headquarters.

Cable TV – Trustee Prizzi reminded the community that they are looking for volunteers. He announced that they have acquired new equipment that will allow for live coverage of events.

Celebrations – Trustee Lang reviewed the upcoming Holiday Lighting events. If you would like to volunteer with Lighting Events, please call Village Hall. The Mayor reminded everyone to come down to the Malverne Train Station on November 18<sup>th</sup> for Decorating Day.

DPW – Superintendent Kevin Brady elaborated on the Nassau County clean up of Motts Creek. Leaf collection on the streets will begin on November 13<sup>th</sup> and will continue once a week through the middle of December. There will be a village wide sanitation collection on the Friday after Thanksgiving. A communication board has been added to Carbone Park. The Civic Association is having their shredding event on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. The damaged flag on the cell phone tower by DPW will be replaced by the owner of the tower.

Fire Department – Chief Kevin Garvey reported that the company spoke to 600 children during Fire Prevention month.

Historian – Dave Weinstein spoke about the life and accomplishments of Bob Mackreth. On behalf of the Historical Society, he thanked those who attended the book signing event. The Historical Society will be holding a breakfast on Veterans Day at 9:00 a.m. at the Historical House. Pictures with Santa will be on 11/19 at 1:30 p.m. The Holiday Gala will take place on December 1<sup>st</sup> at the Knights of Columbus. Tickets are available at malvernehistory.org.

Library – Cathy W reported that there are 2 current collections: *Operation gratitude* collection of puzzle books, socks, small toys for Veterans and Brian Curran's *Food Drive* initiative. She announced the programs for adults, teens and children for the month of November.

Malverne Police Department – Chief Aresta presented the statistical highlights for the month of October. Halloween was a safe and smooth evening. Daylight saving time begins this weekend. It will get dark earlier so please look out for pedestrians. He thanked the Police Reserves for their support during a busy October.

Malverne Police Reserve – Chief Oliva presented the statistical report for the month of October.

Youth Board – Trustee Prizzi reported on the largest Ragamuffin Parade ever. He thanked the Village Departments, Chamber and Crossroads Farm for their support. The tennis program has been plagued by rain. They will be working to get make-up lessons scheduled. Hofstra basketball tickets are available at Village Hall.

## **Public Input**

Michael Dangelo – Crossroads Farm – Thanked the Village for including the Farm in the Ragamuffin event and for providing the leaves for their beds for the winter. All the fields are prepped for next season and will all be planted for the first time in 10 years. He reminded people to keep their dogs on leash when visiting the farm. Thanksgiving pies are on sale at the farm as well as apple cider. They will be open the entire week leading up to Thanksgiving. They will be open on weekends selling Christmas trees with weekly Craft Fairs will be held on Sundays.

Maria Casini – Chamber of Commerce - reported that the Fall Festival and Car Show was attended by thousands with 98 cars joining the car show. She thanked the Youth Board for their partnership for the ragamuffin and candy crawl. Monarch Jujitsu academy is the newest business in town. *Halligan Bottle Openers* has opened in the Village. Their next event is the Puppy Trot

on Thanksgiving morning beginning at the gazebo and ending at the Malverne Cinema. Remember to shop locally for the holidays.

Sally Schutta and Mrs. Zullo – announced the Annual Blood Drive in honor of Peter Zullo will be held this Sunday November 5<sup>th</sup> in the OLL basement from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Mrs. Zullo encouraged our first responders to participate as well.

Eliza Thom – Malverne Kiwanis - reported that the Kiwanis Day of service had 9 Malverne High School Key Club members in attendance. Kiwanis will have a table at the Decorating Day – to write letters to veterans for the holidays. The Malverne Kiwanis is participating in the Carols Kitchen/Kiwanis meal drive. They will take on the families in need from Malverne.

Jan Kasal – MEFF 5K – Thanked the Village Departments for their assistance in helping the event run smoothly.

American Legion – Carol Hassett presented the Board with poppies. The Legion will be participating in parades throughout Nassau County. She thanked those who contributed to the military baby shower. They will be holding their annual holiday glove, hat and sock drive once again. The Mayor reminded the residents that the banners will come down for the winter and will be re-hung for Memorial Day. The Board attended the retirement party for Patrick LaVoie from the Marine Corps that was held at the Legion.

## Announcements

- The annual Lighting of Malverne will take place on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Registration for Breakfast with Santa, Cookie Workshop, Bowling with Santa, and the Ornament Workshop will be held online beginning this Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. through Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>.
- 2. Holiday Lighting Decorating Day is Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Sign up on the Village website beginning this Saturday.
- 3. The Malverne Civic Association will sponsor Mobile Document Shredding on November 4<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the Malverne Train Station lot.
- 4. The 2023 Tree Planting initiative is underway. Trees may be planted on the curb strip or front lawn at a substantial savings to residents. Tree selections and planting applications are available on the Village website. This is your last chance to register to have tree planted this year. Applications are due back to Village Hall by November 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- 5. The annual Veteran's Day Ceremony will take place on Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. at Reese Veterans Memorial Park. Thank you to all our Veteran's for serving America and keeping our country safe.

- 6. The Department of Public Works will be closed on Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> in observance of Thanksgiving.
- 7. Village Hall will be closed on Election Day, Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> and on Veteran's Day Observed, Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, as well as November 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> for the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- 8. Election Day is Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. If you previously voted at the Fire Department or Our Lady of Lourdes, your new polling place is the American Legion Hall on Franklin Avenue. If you have any questions, call the Board of Elections at 516-571-2411.

Best Wishes for a safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

At 9:20 p.m. a motion was made by Deputy Mayor Edwards seconded by Trustee Lang and carried to adjourn to go into Executive Session to discuss a particular person or persons, followed by Work Session to discuss matters listed on the agenda and transact such other business as may properly come before the Board.

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Meeting of the Board of Trustees November 1, 2023 Work Session Minutes

Present

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At 9:30pm a motion was made by Trustee Prizzi, seconded by Trustee Lang and carried to open work session.

The Board approved the closing of Village Hall at 1:00 p.m. on Thanksgiving Eve, Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**RESOLUTION #231101** – A motion was made by Trustee Cuocci, seconded by Deputy Mayor Edwards and carried, acknowledging that warrants C-2319, A-2320 have received necessary approvals.

**RESOLUTION #231101A** – A motion was made by Trustee Cuocci, seconded by Trustee Lang and carried approving the Series 2016 Serial Bond interest payment due December 1, 2023.

The Board discussed the following items with no action with financial implications taken:

The appraisal report for 1 Britton Circle was reviewed. The village attorney will draft an RFP for review at the next meeting.

LiRo is preparing updates to the plan and change orders should be presented for approval at the next meeting.

Trustee Lang spoke about the Malverne Fire Department vehicles and apparatus requests. The phone system at Headquarters was damaged last month as a result of the flooding. A claim has been filed with the insurance company. The Board reviewed the proposal for a new phone system.

**RESOLUTION 231101B** – A motion was made by Trustee Lang, seconded by Trustee Cuocci and carried, approving the proposal from TBS Telephone Business Systems (State Contract Prices) for replacement of phone system at a cost of \$12,140.00. Any amount not recovered from insurance will be financed from the \$15,000 budgeted this year in the capital plan for technology.

**RESOLUTION 231101C** – A motion was made by Trustee Prizzi, seconded by Trustee Cuocci and carried authorizing the Mayor to sign the Television Production Agreements for the Studio Manager and Studio Producer of Malverne TV.

At 10:15 p.m. a motion was made by Trustee Lang, seconded by Trustee Prizzi and carried to Close Work session.

At 11:10 p.m. a motion was made by Trustee Cuocci, seconded by Trustee Lang and carried to adjourn.