

INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF MALVERNE
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Regular Monthly Meeting
August 2, 2023
MINUTES

Present

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

Village Clerk/Treasurer Averil Smith
Deputy Clerk Jill Valli

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m.

The Pledge to the Flag was recited followed by a moment of silence for Donald Colwell, Walter Malak, Susan Mantel, Dino Marchese, Raymond Schmitt, and Edward Walsh, Jr.

Mayor's Update – The Mayor announced that the Board is working on updates to the Village's noise and transient housing ordinances. The Pine Stream Extension project continues as we are awaiting DEC permits and are anticipating a fall groundbreaking. The Police Headquarters project continues with framing and roofing almost complete. We are still targeting a summer opening. The Mayor has been attending Town of Hempstead hearings regarding the vacant gas station on the corner of Hempstead Avenue and Ocean Avenue. The town is currently awaiting architectural and landscaping plans from the developer. The Communications Board in Westwood Park has been well received as we continue to make parks more accessible and enjoyable for all members of the community.

Department Reports

Ambulance Corps – President Luis Lora shared that they are continuing their membership recruiting efforts. Volunteers are greatly needed for the corps to continue operating.

Building Department – Superintendent Santora reminded residents that dumpsters and pods cannot be placed in the street. They must be in driveways or on front lawns. Trustee Prizzi reminded residents that there is a lot of good information on the Village Website and the online permit application should be online in the fall.

Cable TV – Trustee Prizzi reiterated the call for volunteers.

Celebrations – Trustee Lang reviewed upcoming events including the Play in the Park, The Verge, and Cold Spring Harbor Band.

DPW – Superintendent Kevin Brady reminded residents to have their house numbers displayed on their homes. The DPW is in the process of crack sealing roads and painting the white lines. Please respect the cones and the workers. August 13 is the next STOP Program at the Town of Hempstead DPW. The Highway Division continues to beautify the parks throughout the Village.

Fire Department – Chief Garvey presented the statistical report for the month of July. Hurricane season is starting, and he reminded residents to watch out for hazardous storm conditions.

Village Historian – Dave Weinstein reported on the history of Malverne/Valley Stream/Lynbrook prior to 1925 and the origination of Westwood and Gaddis Parks.

Library – Library Director Carol Lagos thanked Assemblyman Brian Curran for securing a grant for the purchase of a new movie projector for presentations at the Library and partial funding for a water table for preschoolers. On August 22 from noon to 9:00 p.m. the library service vote for surrounding communities is being held at the Davison Avenue and Downing Schools.

Police Department – The monthly report is on file.

Police Reserve – Chief Oliva presented the monthly report for July. The Reserve is currently maintaining a roster of 33 members.

Youth Board – The Pond Ecology and Fishing Basics Program at Hempstead Lake State Park was a great learning experience, and the participants had a lot of fun. Trips to a LI Ducks game and Adventure Park are being planned for the fall.

Public Input

Malverne Chamber of Commerce – President Maria Casini updated the Board on the success of the Art Walk. She thanked PSEG for the pole banners which help advertising in the business district. The Chamber has a new member “Double Fish” who is off to a great start. She congratulated Sara DeGennaro from Tap to Pointe on publishing her first book. She acknowledged Long standing businesses Newman Realty (80 years), Charles Krull (100 years), Crossroads Farm (100 years), and Tiffanys Deli on Franklin Avenue (+100 years). The Chamber’s next general meeting is September 13th. The annual Fall Festival and Car Show will be on October 15th. They are looking for bands to perform. She wished her mother a Happy 91st Birthday!

Ms. Polo-McKenna –Malverne Avenue expressed her concerns regarding student safety before and after school. Children in surrounding areas are being approached by people in vehicles and on foot. She encouraged the Village to continue to patrol and have a presence at consistent locations so children know where they can get help.

The Mayor made the following announcements.

1. The Summer Concerts Series continues:

The Verge.....Saturday, August 12th at 7:00 pm
Crossroads Farm
Cold Spring Harbor.....Saturday, September 2nd at 7:00 pm
Westwood Park

2. The Children's Play in the Park will be on Wednesday, August 9th at 7:00pm at Westwood Park. This year the Plaza Theatrical Players will perform Willy Wonka! This event is co-sponsored by the Village and the Chamber of Commerce.
3. Village Hall and DPW will be closed on Monday, September 4th in observance of Labor Day.
4. The Village Wide Garage Sale will be held on Saturday, October 7th. Sign up is available through the village website and at Village Hall until October 1st.

The Mayor wished his father a Happy Birthday.

At 8:23pm 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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Kevin Walsh, Village Attorney

At 8:30 p.m. a motion was made by Deputy Mayor Edwards, seconded by Trustee Lang and carried to open Work Session.

Temporary Sign Permit – A motion was made by Trustee Lang, seconded by Trustee Prizzi and carried approving the OLL Parish Bazaar on the LIRR Fence waiving the fee for this non-profit.

Resolution #230802 – A motion was made by Trustee Cuocci, seconded by Deputy Mayor Edwards and carried, accepting bids through Municibid for the following DPW items: 2000 GMC 3500 Pickup, Giant Leaf Vacuum, Exmark Mower, TORO 72" Groundmaster.

Resolution #230802A – A motion was made by Trustee Prizzi seconded by Deputy Mayor Edwards and carried, approving the attached changes to the Building Department Fee Schedule.

Resolution #230802B – A motion was made by Trustee Lang, seconded by Deputy Mayor Edwards and carried, authorizing the Mayor to enter into a retainer agreement with Spellman Gibbons Polizzi Truncale & Trentacoste LLP for legal services for the village and library for a term beginning September 1, 2023, and ending May 31, 2024, for an amount not to exceed \$33,000/yr.

Board Discussion of matters in which no action with financial implications was taken.

- Noise and Transient Housing codes
 - The draft will be sent to Chief Aresta to review.
 - Public Hearing will be scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on September 21st.
 - The Village attorney will submit 2 laws in final draft form for the Public Hearing.
- Building Department online permit education was discussed.
 - Trustee Prizzi proposed an online education series on social media.

- Waste Management
 - One year recycling contract with Omni would save the Village \$20,000.
 - Reeducation of residents regarding the recycling rules is suggested.
 - Rockville Center recycling capacity is being sought from the Village.

RESOLUTION #230802C – A motion was made by Trustee Cuocci, seconded by Deputy Mayor Edwards and carried, authorizing the village to enter into a one-year agreement with OMNI recycling of Westbury for recycling of cardboard, newspaper and comingled items.

Subject to the Mayor confirming there is no capacity at RVC by August 31, 2023. If the Mayor confirms that RVC has capacity, the vote will not be effective.

At 10:00 p.m. a motion was made by Trustee Cuocci, seconded by Trustee Prizzi and carried to open Executive Session.