

**Board of Trustees  
Minutes  
January 27, 2020**

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Siry, Deputy Mayor Kevin Smith, Trustee Bernius, Trustee O'Neill

ALSO PRESENT: Acting Chief of Police, Bryan Burton  
Superintendent, DPW Bruce Hopper  
Clerk/Treasurer Catherine Murdock  
Assistant to the Mayor, Wendy O'Neill

Mayor Siry welcomed all those in attendance to the January 27, 2020 Board of Trustees Meeting and invited Acting Chief Bryan Burton to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Deputy Mayor Smith shared upcoming dates for community events, including the Mayor's Spring Social to be held on Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., at Unqua Corinthian Yacht Club.

Mayor Siry asked residents to provide their emails on the clip board at the podium or go to Amityville.com to sign up for Mayor's emails and alerts.

Mayor Siry invited Trustees to present Committee Reports (Dec/Jan):

**Department of Public Works** (Trustee O'Neill): Set up and removed holiday decorations and prepared for the annual tree lighting, annual leaf pick up program resulted in disposal of 64.72 tons of leaves; cleaned up after an multiple car accidents; prepped the Memorial Plaza for construction, and installed a temporary light fixture to illuminate the parking lot during construction; disposed of cabinets from a construction project at the fire house; sign and meter repairs and replacement; cleaned up #118 Oak Street for an eviction and yard cleanup; removed and replaced ceiling tiles at the main fire house damaged from a roof leak; deployed staff for two snow events, streetlight replacement and repairs; tree and limb removals following storms; inspected catering truck and 2 tow trucks; sign and meter replacement and repairs; drain grate cleaning on Village storm drains; repair of damaged signs; installed 500 feet of conduit and wire and repair the lighting around Avon Lake; windscreen repairs at the beach, and installation of a chain link gate/fencing and warning sign due to erosion at west jetty.

**Court (Trustee Bernius): November report:** Village Justice \$11,553; Associate Justice \$4,274.50; Parking Violations \$7,400.00 (71 tickets processed and 64 collected on); Criminal/penal/traffic activity: 186 charges processed; 96 closed out, \$15,827.50 collected in fines/surcharges. Bail was ordered posted and processed on 5 cases, \$2,036.00. **December report:** Village Justice \$9,322.96; Associate Justice \$5,011.25; and Parking Violations \$4,840.00 (58 parking tickets processed; 47 tickets collected). Criminal/penal/traffic activity: 109 charges processed, 99 closed out and \$14,334.21 collected in fines/surcharges. Bail was ordered posted and processed on 3 cases in the amount of \$240.00. Mayor Siry noted that SCVOA and NYCOM are working to get adjustments to newly enacted Bail Reform legislation. The Village is tracking our manpower and resources to hopefully be reimbursed at a later date.

**Amityville Police Department** (Deputy Mayor Smith): In November, 13 arrests, 504 blotters, 56 cases, 155 citations, 77 medical aided and 33 traffic accidents, 33; in December, 21 arrests, 530 blotters, 78 cases, 83 citations, 3 field interviews, 84 medical aided 41 traffic accidents.

**Building Department** (Deputy Mayor Smith): December, \$34,107.00; 27 total permits issued (14 building and plumbing, 13 other rental/fence/sign etc.); 54 inspections performed, 21 violations issued, 1 clean up ordered and performed by DPW, 13 parking tickets, 12 fire inspections performed and responded to 2 fire department call outs.

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Mayor's Actions

The Mayor requested approval of the Board of Trustees Meeting minutes from January 13, 2020.

MOTION to APPROVE the minutes of January 13, 2020 was made by Deputy Mayor Smith and seconded by Trustee O'Neill

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry	aye
Deputy Mayor Smith	aye
Trustee Bernius	aye
Trustee O'Neill	aye
Motion Carried:	4 ayes      0 nays

With no further Mayor's Actions, Mayor Siry introduced the first agenda item.

Automobile License – New

Hector Guzman, 61 John St., for **Transmissions R Us of NY Corp.**

MOTION to APPROVE with stipulations was made by Deputy Mayor Smith and seconded by Trustee O'Neill

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry	aye
Deputy Mayor Smith	aye
Trustee Bernius	aye
Trustee O'Neill	aye
Motion Carried:	4 ayes      0 nays

**Joan Donnison**, Bay Village Civic Association, reported that a flatbed truck loaded with a wrecked car has been parked right in front of the business which is an eyesore. Mayor Siry said the Village would ask the owner to move the vehicle.

Cabaret License – Renewal

Michael Z. Marin, 299 S. Ketcham Ave., Amityville for **Breezy Point Yacht Club**

MOTION to APPROVE with stipulations (approved events: May 30<sup>th</sup> flag raising, July 11, Lobster Bake; July 25, All White; Aug. 15 Crab Boil; and 9/12 fish Fry, hours 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.) was made by Trustee O'Neill and seconded by Deputy Mayor Smith

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry	aye
Deputy Mayor Smith	aye
Trustee Bernius	aye
Trustee O'Neill	aye
Motion Carried:	4 ayes      0 nays

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Steven Damiani, 140 Merrick Rd., for **Revolution**

MOTION to APPROVE with stipulations was made by Trustee O'Neill and seconded by Trustee Bernius

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry	aye
Deputy Mayor Smith	aye
Trustee Bernius	aye
Trustee O'Neill	aye
Motion Carried:	4 ayes      0 nays

George R. Romano, 139 Merrick Rd., Amityville for **JJ's Tavern**

MOTION to APPROVE with stipulations was made by Deputy Mayor Smith and seconded by Trustee O'Neill

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry	aye
Deputy Mayor Smith	aye
Trustee Bernius	aye
Trustee O'Neill	aye
Motion Carried:	4 ayes      0 nays

Landscaper License – Renewal

Patrick LaPersonerie, 20 Chichester Ave., Amityville for **Care Landscaping, Inc.**

MOTION to APPROVE with stipulations was made by Trustee Bernius and seconded by Deputy Mayor Smith

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry	aye
Deputy Mayor Smith	aye
Trustee Bernius	aye
Trustee O'Neill	aye
Motion Carried:	4 ayes      0 nays

License to Peddle or Hawk – Ice Cream Vendor - Renewal

Kevin Metzger, 60 Smith St., Farmingdale, NY for **Nicole Fallon Enterprises, Inc.**

MOTION to APPROVE was made by Trustee O'Neill and seconded by Deputy Mayor Smith

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry	aye
Deputy Mayor Smith	aye
Trustee Bernius	aye
Trustee O'Neill	aye
Motion Carried:	4 ayes      0 nays

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Sign, Banner, Canopy, Marquee or Fixture

Emilio Pareja, 48 E. Grove St., Massapequa, NY for **Esperanza's Deli Café**, 528-530 Broadway, Amityville

MOTION to APPROVE with stipulations (no feather flags/pennants must be affixed to building) was made by Trustee O'Neill and seconded by Trustee Bernius

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry	nay
Deputy Mayor Smith	aye
Trustee Bernius	aye
Trustee O'Neill	aye
Motion Carried:	3 ayes 1 nay

**Janet Colletti**, 17 Wellington Pl., commented that the exterior paint job is an eyesore.

Taxicab Driver's License-Renewal

Nathaniel Adams, 10 Miller Ave., Amityville, for **Lindy's Taxi**

MOTION to APPROVE was made by Trustee Bernius and seconded by Trustee O'Neill

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry	aye
Deputy Mayor Smith	aye
Trustee Bernius	aye
Trustee O'Neill	aye
Motion Carried:	4 ayes 0 nays

Taxicab Driver's License – Renewal

Frederick Cox Jr., 18 Woodlawn Ave., Central Islip, NY 11722 for **Lindy's Taxi**

Henry Blum, 163 South Broadway, Lindenhurst, NY 11757 for **Lindy's Taxi**

MOTION to APPROVE the above applications was made by Trustee O'Neill and seconded by Deputy Mayor Smith

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry	aye
Deputy Mayor Smith	aye
Trustee Bernius	aye
Trustee O'Neill	aye
Motion Carried:	4 ayes 0 nays

Tow Truck License – Renewal

Joseph Garguilo, 622A Route 109, Lindenhurst, NY for JDG Repairs DBA **All Town Towing**

MOTION to APPROVE Trustee Bernius and seconded by Trustee O'Neill

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry	aye
Deputy Mayor Smith	aye
Trustee Bernius	aye
Trustee O'Neill	aye
Motion Carried:	4 ayes 0 nays

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Request from Deputy Treasurer

Request to approve abstract from Jan. 9, 2020 – Jan. 22, 2020

MOTION to APPROVE was made by Trustee Bernius and seconded by Deputy Mayor Smith

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry	aye
Deputy Mayor Smith	aye
Trustee Bernius	aye
Trustee O'Neill	aye
Motion Carried:	4 ayes      0 nays

Request from Clerk/Treasurer

Request from **Courtney Newman**, 55 Robbins Ave., Amityville for on-street parking

MOTION to APPROVE for a period of six months was made by Trustee O'Neill and seconded by Trustee Bernius

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry	aye
Deputy Mayor Smith	aye
Trustee Bernius	aye
Trustee O'Neill	aye
Motion Carried:	4 ayes      0 nays

After discussion about the family's parking needs, the Board limited approval to six months.

In an unrelated matter, residents of Marion Rd. spoke in opposition to the storage of commercial vehicles, trailers and equipment in the yard of 32 Marion Rd. where a side yard is being used illegally for storage. They also are concerned that the home will be converted to a two family, potentially even a three family. Mayor Siry advised that the owner is in the process of applying for vehicle storage, which will be heard at the 2/10/2020 Board of Trustees meeting. The Mayor assured residents that the Board is concerned about any improper use of the property in a residential neighborhood.

Request to pay **Nelson & Pope** for professional services - pavement management 2019 for Asphalt Requirements Contract in the amount of \$6,750.00 (HR5110.5)

MOTION to APPROVE was made by Trustee O'Neill and seconded by Deputy Mayor Smith

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry	aye
Deputy Mayor Smith	aye
Trustee Bernius	aye
Trustee O'Neill	aye
Motion Carried:	4 ayes      0 nays

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Request to pay **Nelson & Pope** for professional services – construction services for James Caples Parking Lot Reconstruction Construction Services in the amount of \$15,000 (A1625.440)

MOTION to APPROVE was made by Trustee O’Neill and seconded by Deputy Mayor Smith

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry aye

Deputy Mayor Smith aye

Trustee Bernius aye

Trustee O’Neill aye

Motion Carried: 4 ayes 0 nays

Request from Building Department

Request from **Richard and Corinne Budde**, 1 Washington Pl., Amityville to waive the renewal fee for a building permit in the amount of \$3,190.00

MOTION to APPROVE was made by Trustee Bernius and seconded by Trustee O’Neill

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry aye

Deputy Mayor Smith aye

Trustee Bernius aye

Trustee O’Neill aye

Motion Carried: 4 ayes 0 nays

Request from Police Department

Request to pay **Total Technology Solutions** for February Service with DATTO in the amount of \$3,106.25 (A3120.261)

MOTION to approve was made by Trustee Bernius and seconded by Trustee O’Neill

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry aye

Deputy Mayor Smith aye

Trustee Bernius aye

Trustee O’Neill aye

Motion Carried: 4 ayes 0 nays

Request from Fire Department

Request to pay **Motorola Solutions** for portable radios in the amount of \$64,416.00 (A3410.250)

MOTION to APPROVE was made by Trustee O’Neill and seconded by Deputy Mayor Smith

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry aye

Deputy Mayor Smith aye

Trustee Bernius aye

Trustee O’Neill aye

Motion Carried: 4 ayes 0 nays

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Request from Department of Public Works

Request to pay **Omni Recycling of Babylon** for dumped 55.25 Tons in the amount of \$4,973.87 (A8160.442)

MOTION to APPROVE was made by Trustee Bernius and seconded by Trustee O'Neill

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry aye

Deputy Mayor Smith aye

Trustee Bernius aye

Trustee O'Neill aye

Motion Carried: 4 ayes 0 nays

Request to pay **Sprague** for 2000 gallons of gas in the amount of \$3,983.80 (A1625.410)

MOTION to APPROVE was made by Trustee Bernius and seconded by Deputy Mayor Smith

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry aye

Deputy Mayor Smith aye

Trustee Bernius aye

Trustee O'Neill aye

Motion Carried: 4 ayes 0 nays

Resolutions

Resolution No. 20-01-27-01 appointing **Bryan Burton as Provisional Chief of the Amityville Police Department** at a base salary of \$194,513.80 effective January 4th, 2020

MOTION to APPROVE was made by Deputy Mayor Smith and seconded by Trustee Bernius

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry aye

Deputy Mayor Smith aye

Trustee Bernius aye

Trustee O'Neill aye

Motion Carried: 4 ayes 0 nays

**Skip Wade**, 15 Bingham Ave., provided the Trustees with information that can be shared with residents and landscapers to reduce the effects of nitrogen leaching into our Bays to preserve quality of water for our children. These include leaving lawn clippings on lawns for compost, using organic fertilizer (12 % nitrogen) and limiting the amount of nitrogen used. He also suggests analyzing the microbiology of soils, recycling kitchen scraps in self-contained units compost systems, limiting plastic utensils at our Beach Pavilion as a requirement of pavilion rental, and using rain sensors for sprinkler systems instead of watering lawns when it is raining out.

Mayor Siry reminded everyone that all landscapers licensed in the Village are required to have a Suffolk County license and training in applying fertilizers.

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MOTION to ADJOURN was made by Trustee Bernius and seconded by Trustee O'Neill

Vote on Motion:

Mayor Siry	aye
Deputy Mayor Smith	aye
Trustee Bernius	aye
Trustee O'Neill	aye
Motion Carried:	4 ayes 0 nays

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

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Catherine Murdock, Clerk/Treasurer