

**VILLAGE OF MANORHAVEN  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2012**

The Board held its regular monthly meeting on November 15, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Giovanna Giunta, with the following in attendance:

Giovanna Giunta	Mayor
Mark Lazarovic	Deputy Mayor
Rita DiLucia	Trustee
Lucretia Steele	Trustee
Dorit Zeevi-Farrington	Trustee
Charles J. Casolaro	Village Attorney
Patrick Michael Abramski	Superintendent of Buildings Department
Liz Gaynor	Village Clerk-Treasurer

40 members of the public were in attendance. The Mayor asked Commander Chaulker to lead the assembly in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Giunta and the Board of Trustees on November 11, Veterans Day gave special thanks to all of our Veterans for their selfless dedication and service to our country. Recently, our Veterans of VFW Post 1819 in Manorhaven were instrumental in providing a special service to our community. As LIPA crews and volunteers from across the North4eas and as far as Florida came to Village Hall to meet with us, we became aware that these hard-working, caring crew members had nowhere to sleep but in their trucks. In addition, the crews from Florida lacked adequate warm clothing for the upcoming Nor'easter and our colder temperatures. An impromptu clothing drive was organized at Village Hall and jackets, sweatshirts, sweaters and jeans were quickly donated. Special thanks to Claire and Billy Dinapoli; Johnny and Patty Davis; Commander John Chaulker and Richard Carey; and Superintendent Mike Abramski for their most welcome clothing donations. Mayor Giunta contacted VFW Commander Chaulker of the Manorhaven VFW who agreed to open their building to house the Florida LIPA crew members and provide cots and blankets. VFW member Richard Carey provided pillows, towels and laundry facilities. The LIPA crew has expressed their heartfelt appreciation not only to the VFW but to Manorhaven as a whole for all of their caring and concern. Mayor Giunta presented Manorhaven FVW Post 1819 with a Citation of Appreciation.

The Mayor and Board of Trustees considered proposed minutes of the regular meeting held on October 25, 2012. The Mayor and the Board of Trustees reviewed these proposed minutes. Deputy Mayor Lazarovic made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Trustee Steele seconded the motion.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Zeevi-Farrington	Aye
Trustee Steele	Aye
Trustee DiLucia	Aye
Deputy Mayor Lazarovic	Aye
Mayor Giunta	Aye

Mayor Giunta made the following appointment:

- 1) I hereby appoint Mario Gomez as the Liaison to the Board of Trustees for Community Outreach for a term of one (1) year commencing on November 15, 2012.

Deputy Mayor Lazarovic made a motion to approve the appointment as presented. Trustee Steele seconded the motion.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Zeevi-Farrington	Aye
Trustee Steele	Aye
Trustee DiLucia	Aye
Deputy Mayor Lazarovic	Aye
Mayor Giunta	Aye

The Mayor and Board of Trustees reviewed and considered the departmental reports. Deputy Mayor Lazarovic made a motion to accept the departmental reports, seconded by Trustee Steele.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Zeevi-Farrington	Aye
Trustee Steele	Aye
Trustee DiLucia	Aye
Deputy Mayor Lazarovic	Aye
Mayor Giunta	Aye

The Mayor and Board of Trustees reviewed and considered the Abstract of Claims. Trustee Steele made a motion to accept the Abstract of Claims report, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lazarovic.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Zeevi-Farrington	Aye
Trustee Steele	Aye
Trustee DiLucia	Aye
Deputy Mayor Lazarovic	Aye
Mayor Giunta	Aye

The Mayor and the Board of Trustees then considered the resolution calendar.

Mayor Giunta offered the following resolutions:

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES, INC. VILLAGE OF MANORHAVEN**  
**RESOLUTION #58 – NOVEMBER 15, 2012**

**A RESOLUTION PERMITTING THE INSTALLATION OF A STOP SIGN**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Department of Public Works is authorized to install a Stop Sign at the location of the corner of Mohegan Avenue and Sintsink Drive West.

; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the provisions of this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Deputy Mayor Lazarovic made a motion to adopt the Resolution #58, seconded by Trustee Steele.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Zeevi-Farrington	Aye
Trustee Steele	Aye
Trustee DiLucia	Aye
Deputy Mayor Lazarovic	Aye
Mayor Giunta	Aye

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES - INC. VILLAGE OF MANORHAVEN**  
**RESOLUTION #59 – NOVEMBER 15, 2012**

**A RESOLUTION PERMITTING THE INSTALLATION OF A STOP SIGN**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Department of Public Works is authorized to install a Stop Sign at the location of the corner of West Drive and Orchard Beach Blvd.

; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the provisions of this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the provisions of this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Trustee DiLucia made a motion to adopt the Resolution #59, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lazarovic.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Zeevi-Farrington	Aye
Trustee Steele	Aye
Trustee DiLucia	Aye
Deputy Mayor Lazarovic	Aye
Mayor Giunta	Aye

Mayor Giunta thanked everyone for their cooperation during the Hurricane and proudly read the Storm Report to the residents.

I would like to give our residents an update as to what was done in our Village before during and after Hurricane Sandy:

In preparation:

- Superintendent Patrick M. Abramski inspected and secured all construction sites

- Our Village Highway Crew cleared all drains
- We arranged for contractors with Merrick Utility to be on standby to assist, as needed
- I met with Peter Forman, Commissioner of the Office of Emergency Management and Matt Schiller Manorhaven's Commissioner of the Office of Emergency Management
- Conference calls Nassau County Executive Ed Mangano and other Village Mayors
- Constant communication with members of the Nassau County Police Department and the Port Washington Fire Chief to discuss the storm
- Village staff daily updated information for residents on our Village website
- I made "robo calls" to Manorhaven residence with storm and emergency updates; and evacuation orders

Immediately following the storm:

- The Village mobilized contractors and our DPW to clear all large trees and debris, making roads passable and ensuring resident safety
- Traveled all Village roads to evaluate the damage
- Streets were prioritize based on greatest urgency and safety considerations
- Contacted LIPA Municipality lines to relay damage
- Opened Village Hall to residents using a generator, offering residents a place to gather to charge cell phones, to have coffee and cookies; receive posted updates as to power restoration and available shelters for food and housing
- Cleared all large trees by 5:30 PM except on Kirkwood North

Within days after the storm:

- Constant contact with LIPA crews to help facilitate quick restoration of power to Manorhaven. LIPA crew chief said our excellent Village cleanup made it possible to quickly restore power throughout our Village

To ensure keeping our Village Sewer Pump station up and running we took a number of special measures:

I would now like to ask Commissioner Joe Giunta to give us his report on what was done at our Sewer Pump station.

During and after the storm, one of our primary concerns was the Village Pump Station. The Pump Station is responsible for all sewage for Manorhaven. I would like to report on what transpired as a result of the storm:

- 10/29/12, in preparation for the storm, we made sure the backup generator was fueled and tuned up;
- 10/30/12, during the storm, the Pump Station was monitored every 4 hours, around the clock;
- 11/1/12, after the storm, oil levels on the generator were checked and it appeared to be running well;
- 11/2/12, at 3:30 p.m., a routine check revealed that the generator failed and sewer levels rose. Pump trucks were called immediately and Port Plumbing responded with Offshore Diesel.
- Our assessment: salt water reached the outside fuel tank, the generator drew salt water into the engine, the auto start engaged causing the starter to burn out, causing the batteries to fail and the generator to overheat;

- Immediate action was taken to avoid an emergency situation by installing a new tank inside the pump station, replacing the old tank in the yard, thereby raising the fill valve 5 ft. above ground level in order to avoid a problem in future storms.
- 11/2/12, we responded immediately to the report of a force main break using Banker Contracting. By nightfall, the force main was repaired, up and running and trucks were used to transport waste off site;
- 11/2/12, we received notice of a sewer back-up and responded immediately - it is important to note that our response time to storm damage was immediate, and within a 24 hour period despite several other major situations taking place in the Village.
- We are continuing to assess future needed changes. I am pleased to report that constant monitoring and timely response ensured that residents were not affected. Thank you to Port Plumbing, Bruno D'Aversa, Banker Contracting and Offshore Diesel, and the DPW for not only for working alongside me, but also for their prompt response!

The Mayor opened the floor to public comment. Public comments were offered by the following: Jeff Grenneck, Elise Ledda, letter from Hon. Judith Paulding ready by Charlie Casolaro, Patrick Gibson and Mr. Blackman.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting was scheduled for **Tuesday, December 11, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.**

Trustee DiLucia made a motion to close the meeting, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lazarovic.

The Board was polled as follows:

Trustee Zeevi-Farrington	Aye
Trustee Steele	Aye
Trustee DiLucia	Aye
Deputy Mayor Lazarovic	Aye
Mayor Giunta	Aye

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,

Liz Gaynor  
Village Clerk-Treasurer