

Approved Minutes

Officers Present:

Pam Pierce, Deputy Mayor
Melvin Ettinger, Trustee
Laura Burke, Trustee
Ian Jablonski, Trustee

Officials & Appointees Present:

Michelle Glennon, Village Clerk
Emily Hayes, Treasurer
Raymond Mahdesian, Officer-in-Charge
Doug Adil, Building Inspector
Bill Raisch, Emergency Manager & Deputy Harbormaster

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.
Publication of meeting was confirmed.

Trustee Ettinger made a motion to approve the Board Meeting minutes for July 7, 2026
seconded by Trustee Jablonski.

Trustee Jablonski	AYE
Trustee Burke	AYE
Trustee Ettinger	AYE
Deputy Mayor Pierce	AYE

Motioned Carried.

Trustee Ettinger made a motion to approve the Special Board Meeting minutes for July 20, 2026
seconded by Trustee Burke.

Trustee Jablonski	ABSTAIN
Trustee Burke	AYE
Trustee Ettinger	AYE
Deputy Mayor Pierce	AYE

Motioned Carried.

Mayors Report: (Report read by Deputy Mayor Pierce) Mayor Letica reported, "During the month, the Village had correspondence with Grucci regarding the July 4th fireworks. A conference call is scheduled for this Thursday to continue the dialogue.

We also continued preliminary work on the seawall, including pressing New York State for additional guidance on how the funding will be distributed.

The village received a letter from the US Coast Guard stating that sand dredged from Coast Guard Cove cannot be placed in front of the seawall. I thank Special Assistant to the Mayor for Public Works, Peter Aronaidis for his hard work to finally resolve this open issue.

Deputy Mayor Pam Pierce and I met with a group of Sound-side residents to hear their concerns about the sand that National Grid placed last fall. They also offered several excellent suggestions for future sand placement projects, which the Village will pursue. I thank them for taking time out of a summer Saturday morning to meet with us.

The first step in securing the funding that Congressman Nick LaLota obtained for the Village to purchase two new police vehicles has been completed. We are hopeful that the Village will be able to place the order by the end of September.

Lastly, I believe there are now seven osprey chicks, and they are just beginning to take flight.

Trustees:

Deputy Mayor Pierce: During the month I attended the Special meeting on July 20th regarding workers compensation, and along with the mayor met with residents regarding the sand from the National Grid deposit last November. I also reviewed the correspondence with the Grucci Company that the mayor mentioned and the letter from the Coast Guard denying our request for dredged material from Coast Guard Cove. I reviewed the minutes, vouchers, checks, abstract and police report.

Trustee Ettinger: During the month, as usual I spent a great deal of time working with Officer-in-Charge Ray Mahdesian on various Village Police related matters. I am happy to report it was another good month that was extremely busy and active for the police department. Ray will report further on the details of these activities.

I also did some follow up during the month on the status of the grant that we received a few months ago for the two (2) new police cars through Congressman's Nick LaLota's office. I called Congressman Nick LaLota office and I spoke with Francis Martin, an aid to the Congressman. He confirmed to me that the grant was being processed by the DOJ in conjunction with the SCPD, who will actually be doing the purchasing of the new police cars for all of the Suffolk County municipalities that were part of the grant award. It now appears that we should know the exact details of when we will be getting the 2 new police cars within the next few weeks. Hopefully!!

On July 20th I attended the Special BOT meeting, I reviewed some correspondences that we received from some residents, last month's BOT Regular Meeting's Minutes as well as the Special BOT Meeting's minutes and this month's Abstracts for the Payment Vouchers.

Trustee Burke: During the month I reviewed the minutes, abstract, checks, vouchers and police report. I also reviewed the letters from Grucci and the Coast Guard. I continued to work on the village code update project.

Trustee Jablonski: During the month; I reviewed the minutes, vouchers, abstract, police report, and the letters from Grucci and the Coast Guard.

Attorney Migatz: (Report read by Deputy Mayor Pierce) The Board of Zoning Appeals met on July 20th. One application was on the agenda, which was the application of Kevin Cox, 7 Duck Island Lane. The application was for a front yard setback variance to construct a new single-family dwelling; and a side yard setback variance and a height variance to construct a new garage. The application was granted. The Planning Board did not meet in July.

Village Treasurer: The total for the vouchers is \$85,067.96 with \$2,739.99 in May vouchers and \$82,327.97 in June/July vouchers. Included in the vouchers this month is the invoice for the fireworks barge of \$15,820.00 and a payment of \$7,100.00 to Leonardo US Cyber and Security Solutions. This invoice will be reimbursed through the Tech Grant. There will be a separate resolution for budget transfers. Outstanding property taxes as of yesterday are \$63,422.83 which is a lower number than previous years at this time.

Police Report: Officer Mahdesian reported that there were 39 summons issued, no burglaries, no arrests.

Emergency Manager: Bill Raisch reminded everyone that we are in hurricane season and risk increases in August through October due to the increase in water temperatures.

Superintendent of Buildings: Doug Adil reported:

Homeowner at 106 Cove Road responded to the reminder from the Village to install a pool fence for their newly constructed pool and subsequently installed the fence.

Received drawings for installation of a Hot tub at 521 Asharoken Av. The plans are in review and expected to be returned as Approved in the week of 8/3/26.

The homeowner adjacent to the new home being constructed at 90 Cove Road questioned the east side yard setback, since the structure appears to be closer than 25 feet from the side. I re-confirmed that the side yard was adequate as built.

Provided comments to the NY State Model Building Code for review by others.

Received re-submitted drawings for the new swimming pool at 86 Cove Road. The pool as shown is in a flood zone, and the pool foundation requirements were revised to meet the flood zone requirements.

Reviewed Verizon permit to install cables under Asharoken Ave. at the seawall in advance of seawall construction.

3 Beach Plum Drive: subsequent to the homeowner performing structural repairs without a Building Permit, engineered drawings were submitted and these drawings were Approved for a Building Permit. During construction there was flashing added to the decks to meet the details of the construction drawings.

Reviewed drawings for interior alterations at the home at 5 Duck Island Lane. Construction drawings were lacking necessary details, so were returned for corrections.

126SITE INSPECTIONS:

Location	Type of Inspection	Status
160 Asharoken	New Accessory Garage	Next inspection, Insulation, week of 8/3/26
250 Asharoken Av.	Structural improvements to existing home	- Stop Work Order in effect. - Revised construction drawings were submitted and comments were returned. - Project is under review for a new Building Permit
196 Asharoken Av.	Garage reconstruction	Flood vent inspection- PASSED; Next inspection- Final
561 Asharoken Av.	New Detached Garage	Insulation inspection-PASSED
7 Duck Island	New construction of a single family residence	Construction drawings are in development.
1 Lobster Way	New construction of a single	Rough Framing-PASSED

	family residence	
86 Cove Rd.	Alterations to existing	• <i>Interior finishes completed; landscaping improvements and driveway are in construction..</i>
90 Cove Road	New construction of a single family residence	• <i>Rough framing is progressing.</i>
106 Cove Rd.	New Swimming Pool	• <i>Inspection of pool and grounding/bonding connection week of 8/10/26</i>
106 Cove Rd.	New Construction	• <i>C/O process is not completed due to information not yet submitted.</i>
3 Clamshell	New Construction	• <i>Insulation installation underway</i>
3 Beach Plum	Deck reconstruction	• <i>Footings & Framing-PASSED</i> • <i>Flashing- Added per comment from Building Dept.- PASSED</i>
7 Beach Plum	New Swimming Pool	<i>First inspection- Comments sent to Pool constructor</i>
3 Bevin West	Covered Porch and Outside Stairway	<i>Covered porch removal completed; stair inspection week of 8/10/26</i>

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130 **Harbor Master:** Bill Raisch reported that the oysters are growing very well and the village has
131 gotten another 6,000 to place. Oysters are very good at cleaning out algae from the water.

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133 **Resolutions:**

134 **Resolution (2026-107)** Be It Resolved that the Village Board does hereby approve the vouchers
135 for the months of May & July 2026 in the amount of \$85,067.96, with \$2,739.99 for May and
136 \$82,327.97 for July, check #'s 12308 to 12349.

137 Trustee Ettinger made a motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Jablonski.

138 Trustee Jablonski AYE

139 Trustee Burke AYE

140 Trustee Ettinger AYE

141 Deputy Mayor Pierce AYE

142 Motioned Carried

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144 **Resolution (2026-108)** Be It Resolved that the Village Board does hereby approve the budget
145 transfers for May and July 2026.

146 Deputy Mayor Pierce made a motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Burke.

147 Trustee Jablonski AYE

148 Trustee Burke AYE

149 Trustee Ettinger AYE

150 Deputy Mayor Pierce AYE

151 Motioned Carried

152 **Resolution (2026-109)** Be it Resolved that the Village Board does hereby make a negative
153 declaration pursuant to SEQRA based on the Conservation Board's recommendation and SEAF (part
154 2) Impact Assessment regarding the Panichella fill permit application at 547 Asharoken Ave.

155 Trustee Ettinger made a motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Jablonski.

156 Trustee Jablonski AYE

157 Trustee Burke AYE

158 Trustee Ettinger AYE

159 Deputy Mayor Pierce AYE

160 Motioned Carried

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162 **Resolution (2026-110)** Be It Resolved that the Village Board does hereby approve the fill permit
163 to Jon Panichella at 547 Asharoken Ave for 30 cubic yards of fill to level yard and repair the existing
164 driveway.

165 Trustee Jablonski made a motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Burke.

166 Trustee Jablonski AYE

167 Trustee Burke AYE

168 Trustee Ettinger AYE

169 Deputy Mayor Pierce AYE

170 Motioned Carried

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172 **Resolution (2026-111)** Be It Resolved that the Village Board does hereby approve the tent permit
173 for Thomas Deluca at 138 Asharoken Ave from August 5th to August 6th, 2026.

174 Deputy Mayor Pierce made a motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Ettinger.

175 Trustee Jablonski AYE

176 Trustee Burke AYE

177 Trustee Ettinger AYE

178 Deputy Mayor Pierce AYE

179 Motioned Carried

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181 **Resolution (2026-112)** Be It Resolved, that the Village Board does hereby authorize the purchase
182 of a 4 month CD from Connect One Bank of Long Island with \$500,000 from the money market
183 account.

184 Deputy Mayor Pierce made a motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Ettinger.

185 Trustee Jablonski AYE

186 Trustee Burke AYE

187 Trustee Ettinger AYE

188 Deputy Mayor Pierce AYE

189 Motioned Carried

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192 **Deputy Mayor Pierce opened Public Session:**

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194 1. A resident asked a question regarding the Coast Guard letter and sand replacement.

195 2. A resident asked a question regarding the update of the village code.

196 3. A resident asked a question regarding the parameters of the grant for the purchase of new
197 police cars.

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199 Trustee Ettinger made a motion to exit public session, seconded by Trustee Burke.

200 Trustee Jablonski AYE

201 Trustee Burke AYE

202 Trustee Ettinger AYE

203 Deputy Mayor Pierce AYE

204 Motioned Carried

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206 Trustee Ettinger made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Jablonski.

207 Trustee Jablonski AYE

208 Trustee Burke AYE

209 Trustee Ettinger AYE

210 Deputy Mayor Pierce AYE

211 Motioned Carried

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213 The August 4, 2026, board meeting of the Board of Trustees was adjourned at approximately
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216 Signed: _____

217 Michelle Glennon, Village Clerk