

Village of Huntington Bay

Minutes Board of Trustees October 15 2025

Present: Mark L. Dara, Mayor
Barbara Beuerlein
Elizabeth Richter
Kenneth Anna

Also Present: Christopher Jack, Police Chief
Danielle Catanese, Village Administrator
Anthony Guardino, Village Attorney
Jeffery Vollmuth, Village Engineer
James Siino, Building Inspector

The meeting was held at Village Hall, 244 Vineyard Road, Huntington Bay, NY 11743.

Mayor Dara called the organizational meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Public Hearings:

Laura & Xavier Palacios – 100 Crescent Beach Drive, Huntington Bay, NY 11743

James DeLuca, AIA, DeLuca Designs, and Doug Castellano, North Coast Civil, presented an application to construct a proposed new dwelling, pool and koi pond. Following discussion, a motion to approve the application was made by Trustee Beuerlein, seconded by Trustee Richter, and unanimously approved (4–0). A transcript was taken by Christine Freyersein. The hearing was closed at 7:18 p.m.

Sean Brady – 100 Crescent Beach Drive, Huntington Bay, NY 11743

James DeLuca, AIA, of DeLuca Designs, presented an application for the construction of a new dwelling, along with a pool and patios. The Board requested that the applicant return with a landscape plan; therefore, the hearing will remain open.

The Board expressed no objection to the issuance of a foundation permit by the Building Inspector. Accordingly, a motion to approve the foundation permit was made by Trustee Beuerlein, seconded by Trustee Richter, and unanimously approved (4–0).

A transcript of the hearing was taken by Christine Freyersein. The hearing was closed at 8:06 p.m.

Adoption of Local Law – Amendment to Chapter 57 of the Village Code (Noise Penalties)

A public hearing was held to consider a local law amending Chapter 57 of the Code of the Village of Huntington Bay, entitled “Peace and Good Order,” specifically regarding penalties for noise offenses.

Following discussion, a motion to adopt the proposed local law was made by **Trustee Beuerlein**, seconded by **Trustee Richter**, and was **unanimously approved (4–0)**.

Adoption of Local Law – Amendment to Chapter 84 of the Village Code (Parking, Standing, and Stopping Penalties)

A public hearing was held to consider a local law amending Chapter 84 of the Code of the Village of Huntington Bay, entitled “Vehicles and Traffic,” specifically related to penalties for parking, standing, and stopping offenses.

Following discussion, a motion to adopt the proposed local law was made by **Trustee Beuerlein**, seconded by **Trustee Richter**, and was **unanimously approved (4–0)**.

Public Comments

No public comments.

Police Chief’s Report (September 2025)

Chief Jack delivered the Police report to the Board. The Huntington Bay Police Department (HBPD) responded to 49 priority calls, and issued 20 summonses during the month of September.

The most recent rainstorm on October 13–14 caused minimal damage to the Village. A few large branches came down and were cleaned up. A stop sign at Lower Drive and Huntington Bay Road was damaged and will be replaced.

Three new part-time officers are currently in the process of being onboarded and trained.

The Village is looking to replace the Ford police vehicle and is hopeful that grant funding will be available to assist with the cost.

Road Commissioner Report

Trustee Beuerlein gave her report to the Board, mentioning that the pothole survey around the Village is done. They’re planning to fix the potholes before the winter weather sets in.

Mayor’s Report

The Mayor delivered his report to the board.

Michele submitted a grant application to the Justice Court Assistance Program to replace the heating system in Village Hall. The response on the grant is expected in January 2026.

The LWRP contract has been executed, and meetings are continuing to keep the process moving forward.

The Suffolk County Grant for the projects at Bay Hills and Fleetwood was completed and accepted. Our attorneys are now drafting an IMA, and once signed, we can move ahead with the projects.

A new Village Prosecutor is being interviewed this week, as Mara has resigned.

Village Administrator's Report

Mrs. Catanese delivered her report to the board.

There are seven outstanding property tax payments totaling \$14,124.47. Delinquent notices were sent again after the 1st of the month.

The Palacios application was approved at the recent Zoning Board meeting.

Settlements for the 2024/25 tax year are included in this month's bills. A total of seven settlements resulted in refunds of \$3,741.97 for the 2024/25 tax year and \$4,313.14 for 2025/26. A resolution will be drafted and presented at next month's meeting to approve the return of these funds.

The payment of \$55,000 for the Village Hall renovation bond, plus \$1,409.38 in interest, was due on October 15. The full amount was successfully sent via wire transfer. Only one payment remains, due next year; after that, the bond obligation will be fully satisfied.

Resolutions presented to the Board:

Resolution to Accept Funding for the Suffolk County Grant

Motion by Trustee Richter, seconded by Trustee Beuerlein. Motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

Discussion on Commercial Fee Increase in Building Department Fee Schedule

The Board agreed to continue this matter at the next meeting to finalize specific details. No vote taken.

Resolution to Return \$5,000 Road Bond to Deborah Whelan

Motion by Trustee Beuerlein, seconded by Trustee Richter. Motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

Resolution Authorizing Submission of Application for 2025–2026 Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP)

Motion by Trustee Anna, seconded by Trustee Richter. Motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Trustee Anna to approve the September 2025, minutes, it was seconded by Trustee Richter and unanimously approved (4-0).

Financials

The financial reports have been made available to the Board.

The financials were presented to the Board. After discussion, a motion to accept the bills as presented was made by Trustee Beuerlein, it was seconded by Trustee Richter and unanimously approved (4-0).

A motion was made by Trustee Anna to adjourn the meeting and enter into Executive Session to speak about legal advice at 9:03PM. It was seconded by Trustee Beuerlein and unanimously approved 4-0. They came out of executive session and the meeting was closed at 9:17PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Danielle Catanese

Attendees:

Doug Castellano

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Julie & Stan Weissberg

Linda Lehman

Stephen Reddington

Frank & Norma Decesare

Jill & Rob Giuricich

Judy Jorge

Betty Wood

Xavier & Laura Palacios

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