

Brookhaven Village Association / Brookhaven Hamlet Foundation
Monthly Board Meeting
November 12, 2025

Attendance

- BVA Directors, Officers and Employees present: Dave Anderson, Sue Corwin, Kevin Glynn, Stephen Heck, Kris Holmberg, Andy Lovito, Andrew Komosinski, Mike Martens, Kristin Kirk Murphy, Julia Villacara, Karin Wagner, Lynda Wagner, Steve Young
- BVA Directors, Officers and Employees excused absence:
- Public Attendance: None in attendance.

Opening Remarks

- President Julia Villacara opened the meeting at 7:39 pm.

Prior Month's Minutes Reviewed

- October Minutes reviewed: **Motion made to accept the Minutes by Mike Martens. Seconded by Kris Holmberg. Motion carried. All in favor.**

Treasurer's Report

Brookhaven Village Association

Income/Expenses

Dues payments: \$25.00.

Squassux fees:

- Kayak storage \$0.
- Dock fees \$36.
- Surcharge - \$0.

Other than usual expenses:

- Philadelphia Insurance Co. Volunteer insurance \$300.
- Road Work Kurass Materials \$1,305. Ficken \$600. to spread.
- 3rd Quarter payroll taxes \$1,763.89.
- Audit Premium 24/25 World Insurance \$4,904.00.

Brookhaven Hamlet Foundation

- Income: Donations: \$1,025.00
- Expenses: Tree planting 14 Clover \$467.48.

Correspondence

- None

Events

- None

Newsletters

- None

Donation Solicitations

- CEED
- Lighthouse Mission X2

1st Community Participation/Comment

- **Community Announcements and comments were invited.**
- No one was in attendance.

Finance Committee- Kevin Glynn

- **Glynn reports:** Nothing new since last meeting. Insurance premium was paid and additional money was spent on stone.

Squassux Landing Committee- *Andrew Komosinski/Andy Lovito*

Komosinski updated:

- Squassux budget is in good shape.
- Squassux survey to go out in the next few days.
- Last meeting he talked about looking into lights to put up at the riverside section of the marina. He found lights on Amazon for the price of \$65 for 2. They will go on a pole, and are solar. This would be a good addition to illuminate the area. There was talk about the lights possibly being too bright but Julia suggested that if that is the case, the lights can be repurposed and lower lumens be used. A question was asked about whether wildlife would be affected by the light. Steve Heck suggested that some will.

• **Motion to purchase 2 lights from Amazon made by Andrew Komosinski. Seconded by Dave Anderson. Motion carried. All in favor.**

- AK-reminded that an email about the discount for boaters should be put out. Julia asked if Lovito could re-send this. He agreed.

- Lovito said ice eater event will need to be planned. There is no hard date yet.

- Lovito was going to the Consignment Marine Store about purchasing bumpers because ours are starting to deflate. The marina needs 4 or 5 bumpers and bungee cords. A budget of \$250 was proposed for this expense.

• **Motion to purchase bumpers for \$250 made by Andrew Komosinski. Seconded by Steve Young. Motion carried. All in favor.**

- Lovito proposed that \$100 be offered to compensate John Dinero for using his boat and gas for the ice eater party. Julia said we had given gift cards to people helping in the past. Should we go with gift cards or money? Lovito thinks money would be better

• **Motion to have money ready for compensation for use of boat and gas dollars made by Andrew Komosinski. Seconded by Steve Heck. Motion carried. All in favor.**

- Lovito stated that there are 86 boats in the marina, the rest will be vacated soon.

- Lovito added that the water is still on and we received a bill. Because of last Tuesday's cold spell there are cracked end lines of each line. The lines need to be irrigated and he told the company that Squassux closes the 15th. Lovito said when he does the irrigation job, we will pay. We do have a little bit of forgiveness for boats after the 15th.

- Komosinski said gate codes will be deactivated Dec 1st. The only codes that will work are winter dock slips, and crew. Julia asked if fire dept boat is still in water. AK said he will find out.

- A brief discussion on root systems to help stabilize areas that are eroding outside of the Preservation Project scope began. Discussed using cedar trees along some areas to mitigate the erosion. More to come on this.

Quality of Life Committee- Julia Villacara

Julia updated:

- In tandem with land use news from John Knapp, attorneys gave a heads up about the BZA zoning for warehouses through an email. Questions arose from this information. Who is the tenant going to be? It is a mystery to the group. QoL is vocal about not wanting industries in our area that will pollute our land and water and produce more traffic. We need to keep an eye on this.

- The October 27th meeting with Adrienne Esposito from CCE and Lynn Maher from BLAARG was successful in sharing information about the toxic plume coming from the Brookhaven Landfill. We learned that our waterways and sea life are showing signs of being contaminated by pfas.

People eating the various fish and shellfish will be affected as well. Adrienne Esposito said another report will be coming out about water affecting our gardens, including fruit trees. Brookhaven Town will hold their informational meeting on December 18th 5pm at Town Hall. This is the meeting that was mandated by the DEC. The Town is putting forth their ideas about what to do regarding this pfas plume issue. It is likely they will set up monitoring wells near cells to extract the contaminated water.

***HEARING DATE CHANGED TO JANUARY 15th at 5pm since the last General BVA Board Meeting.**

- Highway department said they will be sending trucks out to cut back roadside branches for snowplows.
- **Holiday Cheer event is Dec. 13th (Saturday 3-5pm)** at Fire Place Park. We will be collecting food for Mary Immaculate pantry; toys for teenagers for Lighthouse Mission; food and bedding for the animal shelter. Karin will contribute her musical talent. BFL will host card-making table.
- **Motion made by Julia for \$300 party budget. Kevin seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.**

Kris updated:

- The garbage in Fire Place Park is overflowing. S. Young suggested that he call the Ambulance Co. to remind them about this.
- He called the Town to request a fall cleanup at Hawkins cemetery. It needs a split rail fence repair because it is rotted. He noticed and called-in about missing street signs at locations in Brookhaven as well.
- The plantings are done for this year. The spring might be full with people who made requests. Julia added that a request was made today for memorial tree for Rebecca Lelle.
- Kris updated board that to request tree removal from ToB, a form on the website must be completed.
- M. Martens stated that he is working on a petition to complain about the poor design of the Tot Lot park in his neighborhood.

Land Use-John Knapp

- Called the town about the site application for BZA warehouses we received the email about. It is not a concern for land use.

Nominations Committee- Dave Anderson

- Nothing to report.

By-Laws-Julia Villacara

- Julia will plan meeting.

Newsletter- Karin Wagner

- Most of the newsletter is together, if anyone wanted to add anything, please do. We are very close to being finished.

Virginia Brown Scholarship- Kristin Kirk Murphy

- Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business-

- None

New Business -

- None

Miscellaneous Discussion-

- Julia and Sue Corwin were added to the bank accounts. Chris Ciervo is removed. Janet is no longer sole signer.

2nd Community Participation/Comment

- None
- **Meeting adjourned at 8:48 pm**

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Kirk Murphy

Recording Secretary, Brookhaven Village Association

NEXT BVA BOARD MEETING December 10, 2025