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## Village of Bellport

Board Work Session Meeting  
Monday, May 13, 2024 at 6:00PM  
This meeting will be held in Community Center

### A G E N D A

This meeting is open to the public in Community Center, located at 4 Bell Street. It is an in-person meeting and will be streamed on Zoom.

Pledge of Allegiance & Roll Call

Opening remarks by Mayor Maureen Veitch

Presentation of Financial Statements and Supplementary Information by Jennifer Ditta from Cullen & Danowski.

**RESOLUTION:** Accept the Audit Report for the year ending May 31, 2023 as presented by Cullen & Danowski.

Open the Public Hearing

**RESOLUTION OF THE  
VILLAGE OF BELLPORT BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO VILLAGE CODE  
SECTIONS 2-302 AND 2-310 SO AS TO CHANGE TERM LIMITS FOR THE MAYOR  
AND VILLAGE TRUSTEES**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** THAT THE Board of Trustees of the Village of Bellport will hold a public hearing on May 13, 2024 at 6:00 pm at Bellport Village Hall located at 4 Bell Street, Bellport, New York, to consider proposed amendments to Village Code §§ 2-302 and 2-310 to provide for a twelve-year term limit for the mayor and Village trustees instead and in place of a ten-year term limit, and to hear all person that are interested in the adoption of such amendments.

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WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the residents of the Village of Bellport to limit the overall number of consecutive terms a mayor or trustee may serve in the same office; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees believes that term limits are beneficial as they create predictable vacancies allowing for the opportunity for new leadership with new ideas, while at the same time promoting and maintaining policy stability and sufficient continuity

and accountability enabling the oversight for and accomplishment of long-term Village goals; and

WHEREAS, the Village Code at §§ 2-302 and 2-310 already provides for an overall term limit of ten (10) consecutive years for the mayor and the trustees; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees believes it to be in the best interest of the Village to change the existing ten-year overall term limit to a twelve-year overall term limit; and

WHEREAS, New York State Municipal Home Rule Law §§ 10(1)(i) and (ii)(a)(1) permit local government to enact and amend laws relating to the powers, duties, qualifications, number, mode of selection and removal, and terms of office of its officers;

## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

Sec. 2-302. - Term limits.

- (a) **After the effective date of this section,** Neither the mayor nor any member of the board of trustees shall serve in excess of **three (3)** consecutive **four-year** terms **in office** or **a total of twelve (12)** consecutive years-in such position.
- (b) In the event any such person has served-**three (3)** consecutive **four-year** terms **in office** or **a total of twelve (12)** consecutive years **in the same position,** that person shall not be qualified to serve, or be elected to serve for a period of four (4) years thereafter **for said position.**
- (c) No person shall serve in excess of three (3) consecutive terms or twelve (12) consecutive years after the effective date of this section in the office of village justice.
- (d) In the event that any such person has served three (3) consecutive terms or twelve (12) consecutive years in the office of village justice, that person shall not be qualified to be elected to serve in such capacity for

a period of four (4) years thereafter.

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Sec. 2-310. - Term limits.

- (a) No person shall serve on the board of trustees in excess of **three (3)** consecutive **four-year** terms **in office** or **a total of twelve (12)** consecutive years.
- (b) In the event a person has served **three (3)** consecutive terms or **a total of twelve (12)** consecutive years as a member of the board of trustees, that person shall not be qualified to serve as a member of the board of trustees for a period of four (4) years thereafter.
- (c) No person shall serve in excess of three (3) consecutive terms of twelve (12) consecutive years in the office of village justice.
- (d) In the event that a person has served three (3) consecutive terms or twelve (12) consecutive years in the office of village justice, that person shall not be qualified to serve in such capacity for a period of four (4) years subsequent thereto.
- (e) No person shall be qualified to serve, not be qualified to be elected to serve, in any elective position unless that person shall be capable of serving the complete term of office in accordance with the term limit provisions provided herein Sec. 2-311. - Service limits.

No person shall be qualified to run for, be elected to, or serve in, any elective office of the village if that person has more than twenty-five (25) years of service in elective office in the village.

Sec. 2-312. - Intent.

It is the intent of this division that in calculating terms of service and years of elective service for any person, that such elective service occurring before the date of passage of this division shall be included in determining the qualification of any person to serve as an elected official of the village. It is further intended that no person presently serving in an elective office shall be disqualified from serving the complete term of office as a result of any provision of this local law.

Sec. 2-313. - Intent/supersession.

It is the intent of this division to supersede the provisions of Village Law §§ 3-300(1), 3-300(2), 3-300(4), 3-312(4), 3-312(5) pursuant to § 10 of the Municipal Home Rule Law to the extent necessary to carry out the provisions of this division.

Open to Public

**RESOLUTION:** Approve the change of term limits of Mayor and Trustees from ten (10) years to twelve (12) years.

Close Public Hearing

Reopen Meeting

Open to Public

Mayor Updates Capital Projects, Grants and Walkability

- a. HUD
- b. FEMA
- c. GEI
- d. Browns Lane/Shore Road
- e. Solar Panels
- f. Village Hall Building

Trustee Updates

- a. Steve Mackin – DPW, Kids Camp, Bellport Fire Department, South Country Ambulance, Suffolk County Police Department
  - Kids Camp
  - South Country Ambulance Dinner
- b. Nathan Rohrmeier – Code Enforcement/Road Safety, Waterfront (HUD), Golf and Tennis, Grill Room
  - Update on Code Enforcement and Waterfront meeting on May 11, 2024.
- c. Lorraine Kuehn – Communication/Website, Business District, Senior Program, Vouchers
  - Presentation on cyber security and scams for Seniors by Officer Vinny Maio on May 29<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am in the Community Center.
  - Report on Introduction to the Bellport Village Process on May 11, 2024 held at the Community Center.
- d. Michael Young – Zoning Board of Appeals, Architectural Review Board, Beautification Committee, Planning Board, Historical Preservation, Yacht Club/Sailing Foundation

Open Discussion:

- 1) Review the proposed draft of Board Meeting Minutes of April 22, 2024

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- 2) Activity Report from Building Department.
- 3) Activity Report from the Security Department.
- 4) Approve the hiring of Election Inspectors for the June 18, 2024 Village Vote from 7:00 am to 9:00 pm as follows: Lorraine Crowley (Chief Inspector \$19 per hour) Camille Brideson, Gladys Ramondetta, Janet Trapasso, and Kelly Berwick (Inspectors \$17 per hour).
- 5) Request the Board approve the 2024 Agreement with Louis Nunez, Tennis Director for \$18,000 annually as presented.
- 6) Request the Board approve Mark Goode effective June 3, 2024, to be promoted as AEO to replace Kyle Geraghty (resigned).
- 7) Request the Board approve the hiring of Thomas Wild effective June 3, 2024, as a laborer to replace Mark Goode.
- 8) Request the Board accept the retirement of David Kaskel effective May 6, 2024.
- 9) Request the Board approve Creamer Street Elementary School 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Picnic on June 20, 2024, at the Marina, to have an inflatable obstacle course (insurance provided).
- 10) Request the Board approve Bellport Village Program Fund to have Family Night at Mother's Beach, July 27, 2024, 4:30 pm to sunset.
- 11) Request the Board approve Bellport Village Program Fund to have Bingo at Michael Foster's house, 3 Titus Lane July 11, 2024 and Bingo at the Country Club August 1, 2024.
- 12) Request the Board approve Bellport Village Program Fund to hold Cocktails by the Bay on August 10, 2024 3:30 pm to 8:00 pm at 11 Shore Road.
- 13) Request the Board approve Bellport Village Program Fund to hold a Sandcastle Contest August 31, 2024, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm at Ho Hum Beach.
- 14) Request the Board accept a pool table for the Community Center from the McGinness family. Table to be picked on Friday, May 31, 2024.
- 15) Request the Board approve an Intermunicipal Agreement Between the Town of Brookhaven and Village of Bellport for Fire Marshal Services.

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- 16) Request the Board approve an Intermunicipal Agreement Between the Town of Brookhaven and Village of Bellport for Functional Consolidation Services.
- 17) Request the Board approve the Bellport Bay 5K fundraiser on July 14, 2024 from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.
- 18) Request the Board approve the agreement with Louis Nunez, Tennis Director as presented.
- 19) Request the Board approve the agreement for use of Mary Immaculate property for Kids Camp as presented.

Executive Session (if needed)