

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WAS HELD AT VILLAGE HALL ON OCTOBER 20, 2005, AT 7:30 P.M.**

Present – Deputy Mayor Presley, Trustees A. Saraceni, Tupper, Baker, Stebbins, and J. Saraceni.

Absent – Mayor Daniel O’Hara.

Also Present – Dan Warner, Police Chief; J.C. Engelbrecht, Attorney for the Village; Thomas Leo, from The Syracuse Post Standard; Erin Smith from the Messenger; a representative from PAC-B 98; and Nancy Porter, a representative from the Baldwinsville Visitor Center.

The Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Deputy Mayor Presley noted that Mayor O’Hara was attending an honorary dinner for his brother with his family.

**Motion #242-**

Moved by Trustee Baker seconded by Trustee Tupper that the minutes of the meeting held October 6, 2005, be approved with corrections and the Village Clerk dispense with the reading of said minutes.

Trustee Stebbins noted that on page 5 of the October 6<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes, there is a discussion and motion in regards to the Baldwinsville Vol. Fire Department Auxiliary and the correct title should be Baldwinsville Vol. Fire Company, Inc. Auxiliary. Also on Page 5, Motion #238 where it states the rate of pay for the person appointed to shovel snow at Canton Woods Senior Center, he noted that the Village Board had agreed to pay the person the current minimum rate and that a specific rate was not set because the current minimum rate is \$6.25/hr, but will change to \$6.75/hr., in January 2006.

**CARRIED.**

**Citizen’s Comments.**

Nancy Porter, representing the volunteers for the Baldwinsville Visitor Center, located on the Southwest Shore Trail, stated that the volunteers of the Visitor Center wanted to thank the Village Board for their help and support. She noted they had approximately 730 visitors to the center and also noted some of the locations they came from. She commented that some of the visitors would like to have power, water, ice machine and a map of walking trails in the area. They thought the Village looked wonderful, had greatly improved, was friendly and had great bathrooms with showers. She asked if the Village could remove the visitor center direction signs as people are going down to the center and they are closed for the season and will not reopen until May or June 2006.

Deputy Mayor Presley requested the Village Clerk notify Maysel Markham, Highway Foreman, of their request to have the direction signs taken down for the season.

**Mayor’s Comments.**

Deputy Mayor Presley reported to the Village Board Members that the next Planning Board Meeting was going to be held October 25, 2005, at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall, to discuss a new development on Meigs Road. He noted that if they are available, they might want to attend.

**Trustees' Comments.**

Trustee A. Saraceni noted that he was working closely with the Baldwinsville Chamber of Commerce to set up a meeting the beginning of next month and invite all service organizations, not-for-profit organizations and the school district to put together a master contact and website list.

**Department Heads.**

There were no comments.

**Pending Business.**

***Discussion in regards to the \$50,000.00 Grant Funding from Assemblyman Magnarelli.***

The Village Clerk noted that she had contacted Assemblyman Magnarelli's Office and Sue McSweeney has been in meetings this week, so she did not have anything new to report.

***Discussion/Possible Action in regards to Village Owned Facilities/Business District Study.***

Trustee J. Saraceni stated that he had been charged by the Mayor to put together a steering committee made up of village residents to help with the process over the next three months. The committee would help make sure the village resident's concerns are being address properly. He noted that the following residents volunteered for this committee; Charles Pelcher, Jerold Sharpstein, Brian Roberts, Cheryl Long, Lori Diver, Nancy Kellar, Thomas Ross, George Angeloro, Leonard Houck, and David Lavelle . It was noted that the only responsibility this committee is to follow the process along and make sure that all concerns that are brought up are being met by any plan that has been submitted.

***Discussion in regards to the Sergei Yevich Trail, Southeast Trail.***

Trustee Stebbins reminded Board Members who have copies of the submitted RFP's for engineers for the Southeast Trail that they have to be reviewed and a decision should be made in December. He noted that there are enough copies for Board Members who do not have a copy and would like to review them.

**Discussion concerning the Skate Zone Facility located on Lock Street.**

There was nothing to report.

***Discussion concerning the Cable Franchise Agreement.***

Trustee A. Saraceni noted that Mayor O'Hara stated that he wanted to attend the next Cable Franchise Agreement Committee meeting. Trustee A. Saraceni stated that the Committee has decided to invite both Town Supervisors Mary Crego and Barry Bullis to that meeting. The date of the meeting will be November 1, 2005, at 4:00 p.m. at the Town of Van Buren Town Hall.

**New Business.**

***Discussion/Action in regards to accepting the letter of resignation from H. James Wilson as Justice Clerk with the effective date of October 21, 2005.***

**Motion #243 -**

Moved by Trustee J. Saraceni seconded by Trustee Stebbins that the letter of resignation from H. James Wilson as Justice Clerk be accepted with the effective date of October 21, 2005.

**CARRIED.**

*Discussion/Action in regards to the approval of the appointment by the Mayor, with the concurrency of the Village Justice, of Kathryn Halleron, to fill the vacant position of Justice Clerk left by the resignation of H. James Wilson for the balance of the ensuing year through April 5, 2006, with the salary of \$24,000/yr, with the effective date of October 21, 2005.*

**Motion #244 -**

Moved by Trustee Baker seconded by Trustee A. Saraceni that the appointment by the Mayor, with the concurrency of the Village Justice, of Kathryn Halleron, to fill the vacant position of Justice Clerk left by the resignation of H. James Wilson for the balance of the ensuing year through April 5, 2006, with the salary of \$24,000/yr, be approved with the effective date of October 21, 2005.

**CARRIED.**

*Discussion/Action in regards to receiving the Treasurer's budget status report for the month of September.*

**Motion #245 -**

Moved by Trustee J. Saraceni seconded by Trustee Baker that the Treasurer's budget status report for the month of September be received.

**CARRIED.**

*Discussion/Action concerning the proposed change request from Support Service Alliance, Inc. for a change with the Flexible Spending Program which is offered to Village Employees and giving the Village Clerk authorization to return the form with the option the Village Board chooses and the signing of said form.*

A motion was made by J. Saraceni and seconded by A. Saraceni for discussing this issue and then it was withdrawn before the following motion was made and carried.

**Motion #246 -**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Presley seconded by Trustee A. Saraceni that the Village choose to reject the option for the additional 2 ½ months at the cost of \$150.00. This action will keep the plan as it is currently.

There was a discussion regarding the participation in the current program. It was noted that there are 7 employees who participated and there has never been the issue in regards to these employees spending their allotted funds by the current December 31<sup>st</sup> deadline. There would be a \$150.00 charge to make the change to the plan. It was noted that with the Village's current situation there doesn't seem to be a reason to exercise the option or spend the money.

**CARRIED.**

***Discussion/Action in regards to giving the Village Clerk or Mayor authorization to sign an agreement, which Support Service Alliance, Inc., is required to have on file under HIPAA in order to process the paperwork for the employees' reimbursement under the Flexible Spending Program.***

**Motion #247 -**

Moved by Trustee Stebbins seconded by Trustee Baker that the Village Clerk or Mayor be authorized to sign an agreement, which Support Service Alliance, Inc., is required to have on file under HIPAA in order to process the paperwork for the employees' reimbursement under the Flexible Spending Program.

The Village Clerk noted that a representative from Support Service Alliance, Inc. stated that they are required to have this agreement on file because we are processing reimbursement of claims with medical information on them.

**CARRIED.**

***Discussion/Action in regards to giving the Mayor authorization to sign the NYMIR Renewal Questionnaire submitted by Dan Schmidt from Hills, Farnham and Hills for the Village's insurance policies that renew November 25, 2005.***

**Motion # 248 -**

Moved by Trustee A. Saraceni seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that Mayor be given authorization to sign the NYMIR Renewal Questionnaire submitted by Dan Schmidt from Hills, Farnham and Hills for the Village's insurance policies that renew November 25, 2005.

Trustee A. Saraceni stated that he had spoken to Dan Schmidt, who stated that he would like to set up a meeting with the Mayor and he volunteered himself to go over the questionnaire and make a few recommendations to better protect the Village. He would also like to go over the property values listed in the questionnaire. The Village Board decided to table this issue until the next meeting to allow this meeting to take place and to give the Supt. of Public Works time to go over the questionnaire, since he has been out of town.

**MOTION TABLED.**

***Discussion/Action regarding the approval of the waiver of New York State Aide Funds for Youth Recreation in the amount of \$1,052.00 to both the towns of Lysander and Van Buren for the year 2006 and that the Mayor be authorized to execute the documents for same.***

**Motion #249 -**

Moved by Trustee J. Saraceni seconded by Trustee Tupper that the waiver of New York State Aide Funds for Youth Recreation in the amount of \$1,052.00 to both the towns of Lysander and Van Buren for the year 2006 and that the Mayor be authorized to execute the documents for the same be approved.

Deputy Mayor Presley noted that this is something the Village has done every year.

**CARRIED.**

***Discussion/Action regarding giving the Mayor authorization to execute the application for New York State Division for Youth Funds. The Village should receive a total of \$8,392.00 for Youth Services, which includes \$6,519.00 that is being waived from the towns of Lysander and Van Buren to the Village.***

**Motion #250 -**

Moved by Trustee Tupper seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that the Mayor be given authorization to execute the application for New York State Division for Youth Funds. The Village should receive a total of \$8,392.00 for Youth Services, which includes \$6,519.00 that is being waived from the towns of Lysander and Van Buren to the Village.

**CARRIED.**

**Motion #251 -**

Moved by Trustee Baker seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that the bills be paid from their proper accounts, after audit. Gen. #235 (Cks. #27415 - #27482) - \$86,109.79, Water #235 (Cks. #21193 - #21206) - \$7,502.49, Sewer #235 (Cks. #20758 - #20766) - \$2,045.72

**CARRIED.**

**Motion #252 -**

Moved by Trustee J. Saraceni seconded by Trustee A. Saraceni that the meeting be adjourned at 8:00 p.m., until the next Regular Meeting to be held on November 3, 2005, at 7:30 p.m., at Village Hall.

**CARRIED.**

Adjournment,

Village Clerk