

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WAS HELD AT VILLAGE HALL ON FEBRUARY 2, 2006, AT 7:30 P.M.**

Present – Mayor O’Hara, Trustees Tupper, A. Saraceni, Baker, J. Saraceni, Stebbins and Presley.

Also Present –Daniel Warner, Police Administrator; Maysel Markham, Highway Foreman, Charles Elliott from the Public Access Channel, Erin Smith from the Messenger; Cindy Clarke, Barbara and Chris Godfrey, Peg Markham, Dennis LaQuay, Bruce and Terri King, and several other residents.

The Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Motion #323 –**

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that the minutes of the meeting held January 19, 2006, be approved with corrections and the Village Clerk dispense with the reading of said minutes.

**CARRIED.**

**Citizen’s Comments.**

No comments.

**Mayor’s Comments are as follows.**

- Thanked the Village Clerk’s Office and Trustee Presley for their help in preparing a grant application in the amount of \$100,000.00 within 24 hours. He noted that the Director of the New York Canal Corp called on Tuesday indicating that there was an opportunity for grant funding for the installation of water and electric on the South West Trail with the Federal Government under the Department of Fish and Wildlife, but the application had to be in by Wednesday. The State of New York submits the grant applications on behalf of the different municipalities.
- Read a letter from Rhonda Regan Strummer that she e-mailed to the Baldwinsville Public Library. In the letter, Ms Strummer wrote that as a kid, after she had visited Niagara Falls and witnessed the lights on the falls, she hoped that the Village would do the same thing with its dam. She wrote a letter to the Messenger on April 23, 1964 stating her suggestion and now 40 years later, she found out through her mother her suggestion had happened. She noted that she looks forward to seeing the lights on her next visit home from Ohio.
- Requested an Executive Session to discuss a contractual matter.

**Trustees’ Comments.**

Trustee A. Saraceni requested an Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations regarding the Time Warner Cable Contract.

Trustee J. Saraceni noted that if there was anyone present for the EDR’s public meeting that was originally scheduled for tonight, that it was rescheduled for the February 16, 2006, meeting. Representatives from EDR were unable to come tonight. He noted that the date change was in the Post Standard’s Neighbors North Section and the Messenger.

## **Department Heads.**

The Village Clerk thanked the DPW Crew for their great job painting the offices at Village Hall. She also requested that an item be added to the agenda, which would give the Mayor authorization to sign the application for the Public Officials' Policy that renews February 21, 2006. The application needs to be filled out and returned to the agent so a quote can be prepared.

Daniel Warner noted that the newest officer Christy Gleason had made a recent arrest involving a pursuit of a stolen vehicle, of which the occupants possessed a loaded firearm. He also noted that two of those arrested are off the street and are in the Justice Center. He noted that she had done a great job handling the situation. He also thanked the DPW Crew for painting the Police Dept.'s offices. He noted that the new paint brightens all of the offices.

Maysel Markham noted that the water tank repairs are coming along nicely and thanked the Mayor and Plumley Engineering for their help in reducing the cost of the change order to an acceptable amount. The contractor should chlorinate the tank on Friday and start filling the tank on Monday.

Mayor O'Hara requested that Maysel Markham set up a maintenance program for painting the Village Hall, so that it takes place on a regular schedule. Maysel Markham noted that they did it at this time, because of the mild winter.

## **Pending Business.**

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

The Village Clerk noted that the Village received the fully executed contract back from the Dormitory Authority. The next step is to file the expenditures with the canceled checks for reimbursement.

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

Mayor O'Hara noted that EDR would be attending the meeting with their recommendation for the public to review.

Trustee J. Saraceni stated that the next meeting might be a longer meeting since EDR would like 45 minutes for their presentation and additional time is needed for public comments.

Mayor O'Hara suggested that Trustee J. Saraceni put together an agenda format for that portion of the meeting, limiting time and setting certain rules for public input.

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

Maysel Markham noted that they are wiring the street lights for the Sergei Yevich Trail, so a spring installation can be planned.

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

Trustee A. Saraceni stated that he still feels that there is the need for the Skate Facility and he would like to contact the Towns of Lysander and Van Buren for their help.

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

There will be a discussion in executive session regarding this issue.

***Discussion in regards to updating the Village Code.***

Mayor O'Hara stated that the secretary in the Codes Office is preparing copies of the Village Code Book and will be distributing the chapters to the department heads who are involved with those chapters. The department head will review them and make suggested changes to the Village Board.

***Discussion/Action in regards to procedures, policies and management of the Paper Mill Island.***

Trustee Baker stated that the Village Board received copies of the revised application for Paper Mill Island and would like the Village Board to adopt it with those changes.

Trustee Presley noted that there are three community events that are held every year and the dates of those events would be blocked out and will not be available for reservations. He noted that Linda Ross in the Village Clerks' Office will be the point person for making reservations for Village Parks.

**Motion #324 -**

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee A. Saraceni that the amended policy and procedure for Paper Mill Island dated February 2, 2006, be adopted.

Mayor O'Hara thanked Trustees Baker and Presley for their work on the amended policy and procedure for Paper Mill Island.

**CARRIED.**

***Discussion in regards to a request from C.L. Development of Baldwinsville, LLC, for a Zone Change for three parcels of land known as 5 Mechanic Street, 7 Mechanic Street, and 9 Mechanic Street.***

Mayor O'Hara stated that the Planning Board had received the information regarding this issue and would be discussing it at their next meeting. The Village Clerk stated that she was not sure if the Planning Board was going to discuss this issue at their special meeting February 7<sup>th</sup> or their regular meeting on February 28, 2006.

**New Business.**

***Discussion/Action giving the Mayor authorization to sign a contract with Onondaga County regarding the replacement of the current microwave tower at the Rt. 31 water tower site.***

Daniel Warner explained that the current microwave tower was installed in 1973 and Onondaga County would like to replace it. He explained the capabilities that the new tower would have in the future.

Mayor O'Hara noted that the contract is written; that if the County receives any revenue from other entities that add to their tower the Village will receive 50% of that revenue.

**Motion # 325 -**

Moved by Trustee Tupper seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that the Mayor be given authorization to sign a contract with Onondaga County regarding the replacement of the current microwave tower at the Rt. 31 water tower site.

**CARRIED.**

***Discussion/Action regarding giving the Police Administrator authorization to draft bid specifications, and set a bid date of February 15, 2006, at 3:00 P.M. for a police car as budgeted.***

Daniel Warner stated that Onondaga County has a county contract bid list for police cars, which the Village can purchase from, which is approximately \$1,000.00 cheaper than the State's contract list. Therefore, he would like permission to purchase a budgeted police car from the Onondaga County's contract bid list, instead of bidding the vehicle.

**Motion #326 -**

Moved by Trustee Baker seconded by Trustee Stebbins that the Police Administrator be given authorization to purchase a police car from Onondaga County's contract bid list as budgeted in next year's budget.

**CARRIED.**

***Adoption of a resolution establishing that the official election inspectors of the General Election to be held March 21, 2006, will be Janet St. John, Chairperson, Colleen Currie, Norma Graham, Susan LaQuay, Linda Ross, Louise Corrigan, Christina Knaul and Maureen Butler. The compensation of each inspector of the Election will be \$6.75 per hour, plus an additional amount of \$15.00 for the Chairperson.***

**Motion #327 -**

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee A. Saraceni that the resolution establishing that the official election inspectors of the General Election to be held March 21, 2006, will be Janet St. John, Chairperson, Colleen Currie, Norma Graham, Susan LaQuay, Linda Ross, Louise Corrigan, Christina Knaul and Maureen Butler, be adopted and the compensation of each inspector of the Election will be \$6.75 per hour, plus an additional amount of \$15.00 for the Chairperson.

**CARRIED.**

***Discussion/Action in regards to giving the Rotary Club of Baldwinsville permission to use Mercer Park for their Seneca River Days on July 7, 2006, from 2:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. for their fireworks display and July 8, 2006, from 6:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.***

**Motion #328 -**

Moved by Trustee Tupper seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that the Rotary Club of Baldwinsville be given permission to use Mercer Park for their Seneca River Days on July 7, 2006, from 2:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. for their fireworks display and July 8, 2006, from 6:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m., contingent upon receiving all certificates of insurance and other paperwork as needed.

**CARRIED.**

***Discussion/Action in regards to establishing 2 non-holiday days (Tuesday and Wednesday) as community days for the use of Paper Mill Island whereby the rental fee only will be waived for the following organizations: Community Band, Town of Lysander and Town of Van Buren and any official or associate Baldwinsville School Organization including a booster organization.***

**Motion #329 -**

Moved by Trustee A. Saraceni seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that the Village establish 2 non-holiday days (Tuesday and Wednesday) as community days for the use of Paper Mill Island whereby the rental fee only will be waived for the following organizations: Community Band, Town of Lysander and Town of Van Buren and any official or associate Baldwinsville School Organization including a booster organization.

**CARRIED.**

***Adoption of a resolution levying the Real Property Tax for the year 2006-2007 with a tax rate for the Lysander portion of the Village to be \$7.50 per thousand and the tax rate for the Van Buren portion of the Village to be \$7.50 per thousand, which produces \$1,867,479.00 with an additional in lieu payment of \$50,000.00. Also, the levying of the additional of \$52,994.62 in water and sewer arrears, plus the exemptions left unpaid from prior sales amounting to \$2,443.57 and unpaid miscellaneous changes amounting to \$3,740.07.***

**Motion #330 -**

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee Baker that the resolution levying the Real Property Tax for the year 2006-2007 with a tax rate for the Lysander portion of the Village to be \$7.50 per thousand and the tax rate for the Van Buren portion of the Village to be \$7.50 per thousand, which produces \$1,867,479.00 with an additional in lieu payment of \$50,000.00. Also, that the levying of the additional amount of \$52,994.62 in water and sewer arrears, plus the exemptions left unpaid from prior sales amounting to \$2,443.57 and unpaid miscellaneous changes amounting to \$3,740.07, be adopted.

**CARRIED.**

***Discussion/Action concerning a request from Celebrate Baldwinsville for use of Paper Mill Island, Mercer Park, South Shore West Trail and the Sergei Yevich Trail for their annual event to be held September 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006, and for the fees to be waived for this use of Paper Mill Island.***

**Motion #331 -**

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that the request from Celebrate Baldwinsville for use of Paper Mill Island, Mercer Park, South Shore West Trail and the Sergei Yevich Trail for their annual event to be held September 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006, and for the fees to be waived for this use of Paper Mill Island, be approved.

**CARRIED.**

***Discussion/Action in regard to a request from the owner of 47 West Genesee Street for relief of a water bill for that address.***

Trustee Stebbins noted that it has been the Village's policy not to give relief on the water portion of the water bills, therefore the recommendation from the DPW Committee is that this request be denied.

**Motion #332 -**

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee Stebbins that the request from the owner of 47 West Genesee Street for relief of a water bill for that address be denied.

**CARRIED.**

*Discussion/Action in regards to giving the Radio Armatures of Greater Syracuse permission to use Community Park overnight on June 23-25, 2006, for their Annual Armature Radio Simulated Emergency Communications Event contingent upon the Village Clerk receiving the proper insurance certificate.*

**Motion #333 -**

Moved by Trustee Tupper seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that the Radio Armatures of Greater Syracuse be given permission to use Community Park overnight on June 23-25, 2006, for their Annual Armature Radio Simulated Emergency Communications Event, contingent upon the Village Clerk receiving the proper insurance certificate.

**CARRIED.**

**Motion #334 -**

Moved by Trustee Stebbins seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that the Mayor be given authorization to sign the application for the Public Officials' Policy that renews February 21, 2006.

**CARRIED.**

**Motion #335 -**

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that the Village Board retire into Executive Session to discuss 2 contractual matters at 7:59 p.m.

**CARRIED.**

**Motion #336 -**

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee Stebbins that the Village Board returned to regular session at 8:29 p.m.

**CARRIED.**

**Motion #337 -**

Moved by Trustee Tupper seconded by Trustee A. Saraceni that the bills be paid from their proper accounts, after audit.

Gen.#242 (Cks 27880-27942)- \$26,711.95, Wa. #242 (Cks 21270-21279) - \$4,769.94,  
Sr. # 242 (Cks 20807-20810) – \$911.09.

**CARRIED.**

**Motion #338 -**

Moved by Trustee A. Saraceni seconded by Trustee J. Saraceni that the meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m., until the next Regular Meeting that is to be held on February 16, 2005, at 7:30 p.m., at Village Hall.

**CARRIED.**

Adjournment,

Village Clerk

