

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees held at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall,  
16 West Genesee Street, Baldwinsville, NY.  
December 18, 2014**

Members Present: Mayor Dick Clarke  
Trustee Bruce Stebbins  
Trustee Ruth Cico  
Trustee Mark Wilder  
Trustee Megan O'Donnell  
Trustee Mike Shepard  
Trustee Rick Presley

Others Attending – Codes Officer Gregg Humphrey; Village Clerk Maureen Butler; Treasurer Anna Custer; Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy; Police Chief Mike Lefancheck; Engineer Steve Darcangelo; residents John Serio, 7 North Street and Laura Soluske, 3 North Street; and representatives of the Public Access Channel Jerry Elliott and Sam Pandossi.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Resolution #186/2014** Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Presley  
Resolved that the minutes from the Village Board meeting of December 4, 2014, be approved.

**Carried**

**Citizen's Comments**

Laura Soluske, resident at 3 North Street, spoke to the board about a violation that she received about her sidewalks that are in disrepair. Soluske noted that her neighbors were part of the village's sidewalk program but that she was never notified of the program. Steve Darcangelo, Village Engineer, stated that he personally left information at her residence on two different occasions. He never heard from her so naturally assumed that she was not interested in participating in the 50/50 program. Soluske is concerned that she will not be able to fix her sidewalks before the violation's May deadline. Codes Officer Gregg Humphrey will help her with the process and as long as she shows an effort no action will be taken if the sidewalks are not completed by May.

John Serio, resident residing at 7 North Street, spoke of his frustration about the properties at 5 and 8 North Street that are located next to and across from his residence that are an eyesore. Serio is not able to enjoy his own backyard because of the mosquitos that have inhabited the neighbors broken down pool. Serio noted many other instances that are causing him grief. He has been in contact with the Codes office and understands that everything possible is being done by them but the problem still exists. Trustee Wilder asked Humphrey to look into other options to alleviate this issue. Another reason for his attendance was to get information on a tree that is to be planted by the village in front of his home. He would like a fruit bearing tree in the future.

Another resident Jerry Elliott mentioned to the board about a spill he took on a bad sidewalk on Oswego Street. He wanted it to be known that within a week or two the sidewalk was repaired with the help of the Presbyterian Church.

**Trustee's Comments**

Trustee Wilder requested that an executive session regarding a property acquisition be added to the agenda.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays was wished by all.

## **Mayor's Comments**

Mayor Clarke:

- spoke of the accomplishment of Baldwinsville native and Syracuse University goalie Alex Bono. He has been named as a semifinalist for college soccer's top honor.
- Reminded everyone about the Buy A Brick program the village offers. For \$50.00 one can purchase an engraved brick and have it placed on the Southwest Trail.

## **Pending Business**

- **Lock Street Projects**

**Resolution #187/2014** Moved by Trustee Wilder, second by Trustee O'Donnell

Resolved to approve a payment in the amount of \$636,451.61 to L & T Construction for work completed for the Lock Street Roadway Modifications project.

**Carried**

It was noted that a large portion of this will be reimbursed by the Save the Rain grant. The project will be completed next year.

## **New Business**

- **Industrial Medical Associates**

**Resolution #188/2014** Moved by Trustee Presley, second by Trustee O'Donnell

Resolved to authorize the mayor to sign the 2015 agreement with Industrial Medical Associates (IMA) for the substance abuse testing program at a cost of \$60.00 per enrolled employee.

**Carried**

- **Tree City USA 2014**

**Resolution #189/2014** Moved by Trustee Stebbins, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved to authorize the mayor to sign the "Tree City USA 2014" application for certification.

**Carried**

- **Survey – 18 East Genesee Street**

**Resolution #190/2014** Moved by Trustee Presley, second by Trustee Wilder

Resolved to retain Steve Sehnert from Applied Earth Technologies to prepare a survey for the easement that runs from village owned property through Dave Muroco's property at 18 East Genesee Street at a cost not to exceed \$500.00.

**Carried**

- **Executive Session with action anticipated**

**Resolution #191/2014** Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Trustee Wilder

Resolved that the board retire into executive session at 8:03 p.m.

**Carried**

**Resolution #192/2014** Moved by Trustee Presley, second by Trustee Stebbins

Resolved that the board return from executive session at 8:18 p.m.

**Carried.**

- **Purchase of 2 Fobes Island**

**Resolution #193/2014** Moved by Trustee Wilder, second by Trustee Stebbins  
Resolved to move forward with the contract to purchase 2 Fobes Island, Baldwinsville, NY, which is located along Lock Street, with a down payment of \$500.00. The price of the home is \$115,000.00

**Carried.**

Trustee Presley commented that this purchase helps the village complete the project on Lock Street.

- **Motion to pay bills as audited**

**Resolution #194/2014** Moved by Trustee Stebbins, second by Trustee Cico  
Resolved to pay the bills from their proper accounts, after audit.

**Abstract #20**

- General Fund Checks #40011 - #40066 \$ 790,999.06
- Water Fund Checks #23530 - #23539 \$ 38,405.94
- Sewer Fund Checks #23117- #23121 \$ 5,855.04

**Carried**

- **Adjournment**

**Resolution #195/2014** Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Trustee O'Donnell  
Resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:22 p.m., until the Public Hearing and next village board meeting at 7:30 p.m., at Village Hall on Thursday, January 8, 2015.

**Carried**

**Respectfully submitted,**

*Maureen Butler*

Maureen Butler, Village Clerk