

**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.
September 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 – Attorney Dave Jones; Treasurer Anna Custer; Codes Officer Gregg Humphrey; Deputy Village Clerk Linda Ross; Police Chief Mike Lefancheck; Engineer Steve Darcangelo; Jerry Elliott and Sam Pandossi- representatives of the Public Access Channel; Nick Jacobsen, an associate of Dave Jones from Melvin and Melvin; village residents Paulette & Mike Lucas, Barbara Leija, Mike Chemotti, & Ashley Casey, a reporter from the Messenger.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Resolution #132/2014 Moved by Trustee Cico, second by Trustee Wilder
Resolved that the minutes from the Village Board meeting of September 4, 2014, be approved.

Carried

Citizen's Comments

No one spoke.

Trustee's Comments

Trustee Wilder thanked several village representatives- Chuck McAuliffe, Steve Darcangelo and Gregg Humphrey- who were very helpful with a tree that came down onto his house and landed across the sidewalk in front of his house last Saturday during a storm.

Trustee Cico reminded residents that all are welcome at the Canton Woods Senior Center 'Walk for the Woods' at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday morning.

Trustee Shepard mentioned that he enjoyed the Oktoberfest this year and he felt the attendance was very good.

Trustee Presley asked to add to the agenda an executive session for a personnel matter regarding the Intermunicipal parks committee and their work so far.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Clarke:

- Spoke of his class reunion last weekend and all of the compliments that he heard about the sidewalks, riverfront and other improved areas in Baldwinsville. So many of his former classmates raved about the village.
- Congratulated clerk Maureen Butler on the birth of her grandson Dominic this week.
- Met recently with representatives of the NYS Canal Corp here at Lock 24 and he noted that they are very impressed and appreciative of the fact that Northland is the new owner of the power plant.
- Mentioned that Baldwinsville is featured in a very nicely done article in the recent issue of Finger Lakes Magazine!
- Asked to add an agenda item in regards to allowing Mike Chemotti to have a food tent on the SSWT (weather dependent) during the fundraising event being held for Children's Cancer this Saturday, September 27, 2014.

Department Heads

Gregg Humphrey noted that demolition is ongoing at the former Tri-County Mall. This demolition will lead the way for the site work to begin possibly in November. Regarding signs being posted in the village, he reminded residents that signs cannot be posted on village property or in right of ways, and not on utility poles either. He also showed a new sign that will be going up at the intersection of East Oneida Street and East Genesee Street (Pointe Park) to discourage people from posting their signs on that piece of village property. People should be sure to get permission from property owners to post signs.

Anna Custer handed out the August financials and asked that if there are any questions to please contact her.

Mike Lefancheck mentioned that he will be riding 100 miles along with about 150 other cyclists in The Ride for Missing Children on Friday, September 26, 2014. It benefits the Syracuse area chapter of missing and exploited children (NCMEC/NY) by helping to raise awareness and educate children at the schools they are scheduled to stop at during the day.

Steve Darcangelo noted that the emergency project work on the gabion wall and bridge out at Paper Mill Island has restricted public access out there. He asked that village residents who walk out there bear with us as they hope to have repairs completed in about four weeks.

Pending Business

- **Lock Street Projects**

Trustee Wilder stated that the developer for the project hasn't submitted anything for the Planning Board agenda at this time. He is hopeful that the plan will go forward but he knows that there is no rush now, since they are out of construction season. Steve said that Joe Alberici is due to be at the next DPW meeting to discuss options and plans and that he will update the board after that meeting.

- **Cell Tower Negotiations**

Mayor Clarke said that through the recommendation of the attorney he would like to ask that a motion be made allowing him to sign a contract with the Center for Municipal Solutions to negotiate rental and other fees associated with cell towers.

Resolution #133/2014 Moved by Trustee Wilder, second by Trustee O'Donnell

Resolved that Mayor Clarke be authorized to sign the contract to negotiate cell tower fees with the Center for Municipal Solutions, 70 Cambridge Drive, Glenmont, NY 12077.

Carried

New Business

- **MS 4 Annual Report-Storm water**

Resolution #134/2014 Moved by Trustee Stebbins, second by Trustee Wilder

Resolved to authorize the mayor to sign the MS4 Annual Storm water Report.

Carried

- **Grossman St. Amour CPA Firm to be hired**

Resolution # 135/2014 Moved by Trustee Presley, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved to hire the firm of Grossman St. Amour CPA's, to examine the village's financial records as per Village Treasurer Anna Custer at a discounted rate ranging from \$100.00 to \$125.00 per hour. The hours are estimated not to exceed 25 or a maximum of \$3,000.00.

Carried

Anna explained that she thinks she will need the firm for 10-12 hours at most and this is a budgeted expense.

- **Declaration of surplus items**

Resolution #136/2014 Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Trustee Presley

Resolved to declare the following items from the Clerk's office and Canton Woods Senior Center as surplus: Clerk's office – 1 computer monitor and 2 computer towers; Canton Woods Senior Center – 2 fax machines, 4 computer towers, 5 printers, and 1 computer monitor.

Carried

Steve Darcangelo noted that the hard drives will be properly disabled before disposal.

- **Lock Street Roadway Modifications Project Re-bid Results-Wednesday, September 17, 2014**

Resolution # 137/2014 Moved by Trustee Wilder, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved to receive the bids for the Lock Street Roadway Modifications Project as submitted for the bid opening on Wednesday, September 17, 2014. (Bid tabulation attached)

Carried

Resolution #138/2014 Moved by Trustee Wilder, second by Trustee O'Donnell

Resolved to award the Lock Street Roadway Modifications Project contract to L&T Construction for a contract price of \$733,190.00 as opened on Wednesday, September 17, 2014.

Carried

Steve Darcangelo did note that if L & T Construction is awarded the job and gets started in October this project may still not be completed until the spring of 2015. He also mentioned that the village has committed to paying for the job up front, and then will be awarded up to a maximum of \$492,000.00 in grant (green infrastructure) money to offset some of the costs but is limited to just cover the green infrastructure elements. The village will be responsible for the balance due. Trustee Wilder said that the County is anxious to see the project done as it doesn't award this high level of grant award very often.

- **Resignation of Police Officer C.P. Cushman as of October 1, 2014**

Resolution #139/2014 Moved by Trustee Presley, second by Trustee Wilder

Resolved to accept the resignation of part time Police Officer C.P. Cushman with an effective date of October 1, 2014.

Carried

Mike Lefancheck explained that Chris is a full time police officer with the Manlius Police Department who was recently promoted to Sergeant and his duties are keeping him very busy with other responsibilities which make it very hard to be a part time officer here.

- **Appoint Jezanna Osier to her previous position with Canton Woods as of September 22, 2014.**

Resolution #140/2014 Moved by Trustee Stebbins, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved to appoint Jezanna Osier to her previous position as Outreach Worker/Neighborhood Advisor at Canton Woods Senior Center with an effective date of Monday, September 22, 2014.

Carried

- **Resignation of Police Lieutenant Thomas J. LeRoy effective 23:59 hours on October 5, 2014**

Resolution #141/2014 Moved by Trustee Presley, second by Trustee Shepard

Resolved to accept the resignation of Police Lieutenant Thomas J. LeRoy with mixed feelings and regrets, effective 23:59 hours on October 5, 2014.

Carried

Mike explained that Tom has been selected as the next Chief of Police for SUNY- ESF and he knows that Tom will be a tremendous asset to that department. He has thoroughly supported Tom during the interview process and noted that this is a well deserved opportunity for him. Tom has been with the village for 24 years and came up through the department together with Mike. Tom is a good friend and he is very sad to see him go, but it

speaks well of our police department that he was chosen and now another officer will have the opportunity to be challenged and to move into Tom's position.

Trustee Presley said that this selection says a lot for the training given by Tom's mentors in the department - John Balloni, Dan Warner and Mike Lefancheck.

• **Mike Chemotti seeks permission to have a food tent on the SSWT September 27, 2014**

Resolution #142/2014 Moved by Trustee Wilder, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved to allow Mike Chemotti to have a food tent (no beer) on the SSWT (weather dependent) during the fundraising event being held on Paper Mill Island for Children's Cancer on September 27, 2014.

Carried

Steve did say that there is some concern over the island being an active construction zone. The DPW is working with the organizers as much as possible to make it work.

• **Executive Session for a personnel matter**

Resolution #143/2014 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Shepard

Resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:01 p.m. into executive session to discuss a personnel matter with regards to the Intermunicipal parks committee.

Carried

Resolution #144/2014 Moved by Trustee Presley, second by Trustee O'Donnell

Resolved that the board return from executive session at 8:37 p.m.

Carried

• **Motion to pay bills as audited**

Resolution #145/2014 Moved by Trustee Cico, second by Trustee O'Donnell

Resolved to pay the bills from their proper accounts, after audit.

Abstract #14

- General Fund Checks #39733 - #39782 \$ 146,694.62
- Water Fund Checks #23480 - #23489 \$ 8,246.45
- Sewer Fund Checks #23089- #23094 \$ 2,088.54

Carried

• **Adjournment**

Resolution #146/2014 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Wilder

Resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:37 p.m., until the next village board meeting at 7:30 p.m., at Village Hall on Thursday, October 2, 2014.

Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Ross

Linda Ross, Deputy Village Clerk

