

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees held at 7:30 p.m.
April 1, 2021
Via ZOOM**

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

Others Attending – Village Attorney Bob Baldwin; Code Enforcement Officer Gregg Humphrey; Village Clerk Maureen Butler; Treasurer Anna Custer; DPW Rep. Chuck McAuliffe; Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy and Police Chief Mike Lefancheck.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Resolution #218/2020 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Cico
Resolved that the minutes from the Village Board meeting of March 18, 2021, be approved.

Carried

Citizen's Comments

Mayor Clarke noted that due to the Corona virus, the meeting is held via zoom. We were unable to connect to Facebook Live tonight so any comments or questions can be posted on our Facebook page. The meeting can also be viewed on our website and on Pac-B.

Trustee's Comments

All trustees spoke to the agenda.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Clarke:

- announced that Lauren Russett is the new Greater Baldwinsville Chamber of Commerce's executive director.
- shared the sad news that Connie Taft, a former Trustee and ZBA member passed away. She was a valuable asset to the village.
- informed the board that the annual "Cycle the Erie Canal" group will be held from July 11 – July 18. This ride begins in Buffalo and travels to Albany. Interested parties can reach out to them through their Facebook page.
- noted that NYS legalized the use of marijuana/cannabis. It will be up to the individual municipalities if they would like to have a dispensary (location to sell) in their community. Deadline to decide is December 31, 2021. If the village decides to have a dispensary a portion of the tax on each sale stays in the village.
- Village court will resume on Wednesday, April 14th, for in-person appearances. Covid protocol will be in place.

Department Head

Clerk Maureen Butler mentioned that along with Chief Lefancheck and Lt. Lockwood, she met with a rep from the village's workers comp carrier, Perma, for a risk assessment review. The village met all requirements.

Code Enforcement Officer Gregg Humphrey recounted some complaints that he received from residents about garbage and furniture that are seen left at the curb. The village does not pick up items left on the side of the road. You must call your trash hauler to set up a pickup.

Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy mentioned April events that will be held at the Center. Check out the website for more information. There will be a 2021 Medicare Overview by the County that you can join via Zoom.

Chuck McAuliffe reported that brush/yard waste pickup begins on Monday, April 5th, as well as the sidewalk project for various spots in the village. This sidewalk reno will take approximately two weeks. McAuliffe noted that the docks and kayak launches will be put in soon.

Chief Lefancheck informed the board that the Police Reform Plan that was approved at the March 18th meeting was submitted prior to the deadline. Lefancheck detailed the legalization of marijuana.

Pending Business

W.E.P. proposal

Nothing new to report.

Proposed Water Rates

Trustee Stebbins emailed his fellow trustees a recommendation and is waiting on comments from them. It will be discussed at the next meeting.

New Business

Application for Correction of Village Taxes

Resolution #219/2020 Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Trustee O'Donnell

Resolved to approve an application for the correction of village taxes for the property located at 26 Edgewood Drive, tax map # 003.-02-1.0, for the 2021 – 2022 tax year, in the amount of \$1,695.61.

Carried.

The sidewalk project levy line was incorrect.

Resolution #220/2020 Moved by Trustee Stebbins, second by Trustee Cico, Mayor Clarke abstained

Resolved to approve an application for the correction of village taxes for the property located at 4 Gale Place, tax map # 021.-11-8.0, for the 2021 – 2022 tax year, in the amount of \$35.16.

Carried.

The assessment was reduced but the reduction was not reflected on the tax roll.

- **Rental Waiver for Village Property**

Resolution #221/2020 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved to waive rental increases on village property until further notice.

Carried.

- **Arbor Day Proclamation**

Resolution #222/2020 Moved by Trustee Stebbins, second by Trustee O'Donnell

Resolved to proclaim Friday, April 30, 2021, as Arbor Day in the Village of Baldwinsville.

Carried.

The mayor read the proclamation in its entirety.

- **Executive Session**

Resolution #223/2020 Moved by Trustee Wilder, second by Trustee O'Donnell
Resolved that the board retire into executive session regarding a personnel matter at 8:16 p.m.

Carried

Resolution #224/2020 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Wilder
Resolved that the board returned from executive session at 8:37 p.m.

Carried

- **Motion to pay bills as audited**

Resolution #225/2020 Moved by Trustee Wilder, second by Trustee Cico
Resolved to pay the bills from their proper accounts, after audit.

Abstract # 3

• General Fund Checks	#46863 - #46897	\$ 52,763.32
• Water Fund Checks	#24967 - #24972	\$ 1,566.31
• Sewer Fund Checks	#23949	\$ 1,938.65

Carried

- **Adjournment**

Resolution #226/2020 Moved by Trustee Wilder, second by Trustee O'Donnell
Resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:38 p.m., until the next village board meeting (Annual meeting) on Thursday, April 15, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Butler

Village Clerk
Village of Baldwinsville