

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees held at Village Hall at 7:30 p.m.
April 21, 2022**

Members Present: Mayor Dick Clarke via zoom
Trustee Ruth Cico
Trustee Mike Shepard
Trustee Megan O'Donnell
Trustee Bruce Stebbins
Trustee Nate Collins
Trustee Eric Reinagel

Others Attending – Attorney Bob Baldwin; Village Clerk Maureen Butler; Treasurer Mark Baker; Code Enforcement Officer Gregg Humphrey; Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy; Superintendent of Public Works Chuck McAuliffe; and Police Chief Mike Lefancheck,

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Resolution #17/2022 Moved by Trustee Reinagel, second by Trustee O'Donnell
Resolved that the minutes from the Village Board meeting of April 7, 2022, be approved.

Carried

Citizen's Comments

Kevin McMahon asked the board if he once again could use Paper Mill Island on Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in the nice weather for yoga. His classes are free to the public and are only asked to register through a particular website. McMahon requested a waiver of the rental fee, and it was approved contingent on the submittal of the required application and insurance requirements.

Resolution #18/2022 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Collins
Resolved to waive the rental fee for Paper Mill Island for the Wednesday night yoga classes contingent on Kevin McMahon's submittal of the application and required insurance.

Carried

Trustee's Comments

Trustee Reinagel reminded the viewers of the upcoming Baldwinsville Public Library trustee election and budget vote on April 28th. Reinagel also wanted to mention that local business WT Brews, with 19 other local brewers, collaborated on a golden ale called Glory for Ukraine to support Ukrainian relief efforts. It will be released on Friday.

Trustee Stebbins added an agenda item "Motion to authorize the DPW Superintendent to secure bids for the installation of the culvert on Warner Ave. and the cleaning of the stream bed as part of the Tannery Creek Improvement project to be funded with ARPA money." Stebbins noted that the local restaurant "Angry Garlic" has one of the Top 10 Burgers in New York State so check it out and vote to get them into the Top 4.

Trustee Collins conveyed his excitement and mentioned how proud he is about the athletic department at the high school. Currently, Baldwinsville has an undefeated nationally ranked boys' lacrosse team, an undefeated nationally ranked girls' lacrosse team, an undefeated tennis team, and undefeated baseball and softball teams.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Clarke noted that:

- he spoke with Dave Smith, an engineer from the state, regarding the status of the paving of Syracuse Street. Smith informed the mayor that a mill and fill project for Syracuse Street is scheduled for late summer.
- he spoke with someone at the Canal Corp about the renewal of the village's lease, which expired in 2019, with NYS for the property located at the Visitor's Center/wall, where the boats tie up. Clarke was sent a proposal for a

special use permit and a separate lease proposal. He will send these to the village attorney for review and a recommendation on which the village should go with.

- Arbor/Earth Day is April 29th and if you are interested in helping with the clean-up, contact the DPW for information on bags and the drop-off locations.
- the Memorial Day parade will be on May 30th at 10 a.m. and Margaritafest will be held on July 16th.
- The towns' summer concert series has not been announced but there will be at least four Tuesday night concerts.

Department Heads

Attorney Bob Baldwin informed the board that at the request of the Summer Concert series committee he and DPW Superintendent Chuck McAuliffe will be meeting with them to discuss a formal written agreement.

Treasurer Mark Baker mentioned a few projects that he has been working on including the M&T fraud service program and electronic signatures. Baker reminded the board that he transferred the Lysander water escrow to the operating checking account for water.

Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy enlightened the viewing audience of the upcoming events at Canton Woods, including the summer concert series that is held once per month through October. Troy told of the big interest in the defensive driving class and said that it is back. Register now for the June 22nd class. The 5/25 class is already closed out.

Superintendent of Public Works Chuck McAuliffe reported that brush pick-up has started back up and the sweeper has been out. McAuliffe said that the sidewalk program has started on E. Genesee in front of Kinney Drugs and will be heading to Oswego Street next. The program is going very well.

Police Chief Mike Lefancheck reiterated to residents to please lock their car doors. Lefancheck updated the board that he, as the NYS rep to the International Association of the Chiefs of Police, he was elected by the members to be Chairman of the North Atlantic region. One of his duties is to chair zoom meetings to share information. He feels that it will also benefit the community because he will be getting information directly from the International Association of the Chiefs of Police and hopefully utilize such information to improve the village's organization.

Pending Business

- **Rescind Resolution**

Resolution #19/2022 Moved by Trustee Collins, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved to **rescind** Resolution #11/2022, appointing Nicholas A. Newcomb as a full-time police officer, effective May 1, 2022, at a salary of \$73,566.00.

Carried

New Business

- **CNY Stormwater Coalition Staff Services and Education Compliance Assistance Program**

Resolution #20/2022 Moved by Trustee Stebbins, second by Trustee O'Donnell

Resolved to support participation in the CNY Stormwater Coalition Staff Services and Education Compliance Assistance Program from January 1 – December 31, 2022 and agree to fund its portion of the program cost in the amount of \$3,600.00.

Carried

- **Appointment of Seasonal Laborers**

Resolution #21/2022 Moved by Trustee Stebbins, second by Trustee Collins

Resolved to appoint the following as seasonal laborers in the Parks department with an effective date to be determined by the Superintendent of Public Works: Arthur Helmbold at \$20.00 per hour; Andrew Rice at \$17.00 per hour; Patrick Lamirande, at \$17.00 per hour; and John Auletta at \$17.00 per hour.

Carried

McAuliffe noted that Arthur Hembold is a returning seasonal employee and will help train the new ones in addition to working.

- **Memorial Day Proclamation**

Resolution #22/2022 Moved by Trustee Cico, second by Trustee Reinagel
Resolved to proclaim Monday, May 30, 2022, as Memorial Day in the Village of Baldwinsville.

Carried

The mayor read the proclamation.

- **Public Hearings Set**

Resolution #23/2022 Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Trustee Reinagel
Resolved to set a public hearing for the **Adoption of an updated code for the administration of Code Enforcement** on Thursday, May 19, 2022, at 7:30 p.m.

Carried

Trustee Reinagel asked for clarification of the public hearing topic. Code Enforcement Officer Gregg Humphrey answered that NYS has developed a new state law that governs code enforcement administration. Local municipalities must adopt a local law with the new language, that includes updated definitions and code requirements.

Resolution #24/2022 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Reinagel
Resolved to set a public hearing for the **Adoption of the NYS Stretch Energy Code** on Thursday, May 19, 2022, at 7:35 p.m.

Carried

Humphrey stated that the NYS Stretch Energy code is stricter than the current energy code. It provides a greater quality of construction for new homes and commercial properties, reduced energy costs, better comfort and air quality in homes among other things.

- **Bid Authorization**

Resolution #25/2022 Moved by Trustee Stebbins, second by Trustee Reinagel
Resolved to authorize the DPW Superintendent to secure bids for the installation of the culvert on Warner Ave. and the cleaning of the stream bed as part of the Tannery Creek Improvement project to be funded with ARPA money.

Carried

- **Motion to pay bills as audited**

Resolution #26/2022 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Collins
Resolved to pay the bills from their proper accounts, after audit.

Abstract #4

- General Fund Checks #47895 - #47934 \$ 97,754.44
- Water Fund Checks #25196 - #25205 \$ 7,107.88
- Sewer Fund Checks #24072 - #24078 \$ 5,514.34

Carried

- **Adjournment**

Resolution #27/2022 Moved by Trustee Stebbins, second by Trustee Cico
Resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:11 p.m., until the next village board meeting on Thursday, May 5, 2022, at 7:30 p.m.

Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Butler

Village Clerk, Village of Baldwinsville