

**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
August 18, 2022**

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

Others Attending – Attorney Bob Baldwin; Deputy Village Clerk Jody DePaulis; Codes Officer Gregg Humphrey; Treasurer Mark Baker, Canton Woods Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy; Superintendent of Public Works Chuck McAuliffe; Police Chief Mike Lefancheck; Pac-B videographer Jessie Armbruster; Residents S. Patterson; Dan Coogan; Anthony Maslari and Cindy Clarke.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Resolution #113/2022 Moved by Trustee Cico, second by Trustee O'Donnell
Resolved that the minutes from the Public Hearing and Village Board meeting of August 04, 2022, be approved.

Carried

Public Comments

Dan Coogan and Anthony Maslari presented information on what has been going on with the Baldwinsville Little League. They gave a little background on the number of students that participate in both baseball and softball. They currently have 652 kids. These are children that attend any of the schools within the Baldwinsville District, which includes St. Mary's. They are the largest sports organization in the county. Dan spoke about some challenges that they have had with security issues. Dan and Anthony also outlined projects that they have coming up. They are seeking board approval to go ahead with the various projects

- 1) Bullpen added to field 1
- 2) Another batting cage in front of field 4
- 3) Adding a metal pavilion roof over the existing batting cage
- 4) Extend the fence on field 3, Need to get to 200 feet, in order to be eligible to have state tournaments on the site
- 5) Add another T-Ball field
- 6) Framing under the big field is rotting, need to have it changed to concrete
- 7) Adding a Walk of Fame to the backside of the garage, and being able to recognize teams (install a wooden rail system)
- 8) Need approval to paint the garage. They already have a donation from Lowe's of paint

Resolution #114/2022 Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Trustee Reinagel
Resolved to approve the changes that need to be made to the Little League fields.

Carried

Trustee's Comments

Trustee Collins wanted to mention that Carlie Desimone who is on the Baldwinsville Varsity Women's Lacrosse Team has just been named to the 2022 USA Select U18 Women's Lacrosse Team. Congratulations to her.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Clarke discussed that volunteers are needed to help wash the 4 corners mural. If anyone is interested, please get a hold of the mayor and he will give you the contact information to participate. The mayor also spoke of a recent meeting he had with the Baldwinsville School District, Lieutenant Lockwood and Planning Board Chairman John Tonello. They were in discussions on how to manage the traffic with the increase of parents dropping students off at school and also a lack of school bus drivers. The school did a traffic study, having an entrance on Oswego St as an option. Right now, there is no solution and there is no idea how to handle the current traffic situation. The mayor spoke about a joint letter he received from the Towns of Lysander and Van Buren. They both will no longer participate in the free concert series on Papermill Island during the summer. He suggested if any civic groups would like to get involved or he will talk with our current promoter on hosting the event. There was a request from River St on the speed of traffic. Chief Lefancheck is looking into signage. Per state law, speed limits cannot be lower than 25 mph. To lower speed limit to 25 mph, a local law would have to be passed. Only speed limits that can be lower than 25 mph are those in school zones.

Department Heads

Attorney Bob Baldwin informed the Board that the Governor has extended 11.9 for zoom meetings until September 12, 2022.

Treasurer Mark Baker wanted to clarify his comments on the sewer portion that he spoke about a few weeks ago. He wants the board to know that a factual decision has to be made altogether and not just on his opinion. Sewers are an asset that brings in revenue. He suggested that the village hire someone to review the data and we do our due diligence. Do we want to take the offer from the County, or we don't want to take the risk. Village needs to make a qualified decision on what to do. Trustee Stebbins stated we need to either do nothing or do something, we need to make a decision. DPW Superintendent Chuck McAuliffe had a concern that the money in the accounts is protected with what is already there. Mayor Clarke was going to make a few calls to the state to see if the deadline can be extended on what to do with the funds.

Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy wanted senior residents to know that they have Covid testing kits available. There are some fun events coming up, there will be a Golf Tournament on Monday, September 12, 2022 and the Walk in the Woods is going to be on September 17, 2022 (rain or shine). She also wanted to thank everyone who turned out for the Canton Woods car show.

Superintendent of Public Works Chuck McAuliffe spoke about a lot of work that is going on during the summer. Catch Basins are being worked on. Paving is set to begin next Thursday, August 25, 2022. Warner Ave project is set to begin on Tuesday. Retention ponds are also currently being worked on. The Village rented a trommel, now there is topsoil for another 10 years. Also, the Canton St project is going out to Bid soon.

Chief Lefancheck spoke about some altercations that happened around the village during the past few days. Also, there are some staffing issues with Officers, but they are working through that. The upcoming motion for the Special Patrol Officers, there will be a contract sometime in September, which will be forthcoming. There will now be an officer, either Sherriff or Village of Baldwinsville Police, that will be in every Baldwinsville school.

Pending Business

Discussion Local Law 10/2022 – Rezoning of property at 19 Phillips Street

On hold for decision until the Planning Board gives a recommendation.

Resident S. Patterson informed the Board that she went to the Town of Lysander meeting and there is a Solar farm being proposed near this project. It is zoned as Agricultural and will not impact the water.

New Business

- Cell tower lease renewal

Resolution #115/2022 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Collins

Resolved to approve the cell tower lease renewal, see page 4.

Carried

- **Appointment-Part-time Police Officer**

Resolution #116/2022 Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Collins

Resolved to appoint Martin T. Knaul as a part time police officer at a rate of \$28.00 per hour, with an effective date of August 27, 2022.

Carried

- **Appointment-Special Patrol Officers**

Resolution #117/2022 Moved by Trustee Cico, second by Trustee Collins

Resolved to appoint Martin T. Knaul and James S. Cerankowski as Special Patrol Officers at a pay rate of \$35.00 per hour, effective on August 28, 2022.

Carried

- **Landlord Authorization Forms for the Taste of Baldwinsville**

Resolution #118/2022 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Shepard

Resolved to authorize the mayor to sign the Landlord Authorization forms for various vendors for the Taste of Baldwinsville on September 17, 2022.

Carried

- **Motion to pay bills as audited**

Resolution #119/2022 Moved by Cico, second by Trustee Collins

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

Abstract # 012

- General Fund Checks #48239 - #48279 \$ 83,486.63
- Water Fund Checks #25264 - #25272 \$ 14,340.28
- Sewer Fund Checks #24115 - #24118 \$ 912.42

Carried

- **Adjournment**

Resolution #120/2022 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Stebbins

Resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:33 PM., until the next Village Board meeting on Thursday, September 01, 2022, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall.

Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Jody DePaulis
Deputy Village Clerk

RESOLVED, that the proposed Lease renewal between the Village of Baldwinsville and NCWPCS MPL 22-Year Sites Tower Holdings, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, providing for renewal of the existing lease for the cell tower at 2848 Belgium Road, Baldwinsville, New York, initially commencing September 1, 1993 and expiring August 31, 2023 as thereafter extended, to provide for four additional extensions of five years each to be automatically enacted, with existing rent to be increased at an annual rate of 3%, commencing September 1, 2022, with signing bonus to be paid within thirty days of execution of the renewal amendment, is hereby approved, and the Mayor of the Village of Baldwinsville is hereby authorized to execute the Fourth Amendment to the existing Lease Agreement and any other documents relating to the Lease amendment.