

**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
October 6, 2022**

Members Present: Mayor Dick Clarke via zoom (no voting privileges)
Trustee Bruce Stebbins
Trustee Eric Reinagel
Trustee Megan O'Donnell
Trustee Michael Shepard
Trustee Nate Collins
Trustee Ruth Cico

Others Attending – Attorney Bob Baldwin; Village Clerk Maureen Butler; Codes Officer Gregg Humphrey; Canton Woods Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy; Superintendent of Public Works Chuck McAuliffe; Police Chief Mike Lefancheck, residents Andrew Knowlden, Sally Patterson, Jason Reed, Wesley and Rhonda Wittcop and Pac-B videographer Jessie Armbruster.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Resolution #142/2022 Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Trustee Reinagel
Resolved that the minutes from the Village Board meeting of September 15, 2022, be approved.

Carried

Public Comments

Mechanic Street resident Sally Patterson expressed her opinion against the Phillips Street rezoning. Jason Reed, resident at 22 Spruce Street, conveyed his concern for the additional traffic that the 19 Phillips Street project will bring to his neighborhood. Reed noted that the current drainage issues should be considered prior to the passing of this project.

Resident Andrew Knowlden, at 97 East Oneida Street, inquired about the pros and cons of a PDD versus a R2 zoning. Knowlden was told that the village would have more control over a PDD than a R2 zoning. When asked, Attorney Baldwin said that the PDD would stay with the property if sold.

Wesley Wittcop, resident at 67 E. Oneida Street, is astonished at the possibility of more housing in that neighborhood. Wittcop told of the tremendous amount of school traffic currently and noted that there is no place for the cars to go!

Trustee's Comments

Trustee O'Donnell requested that an executive session be held regarding a personnel matter.

Trustee Collins acknowledged Yankee Aaron Judge's 62nd homerun in one season, breaking Roger Maris's record.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Clarke noted that:

- the Christmas Bureau needs volunteers, especially during the days of 11/4, 11/5, 11/8 and 11/9.
- the Carp Tournament is currently going on and the mayor urges all to watch. Clarke informed the viewing audience that the World Carp Classic will be coming in May of 2023.
- the annual Halloween window painting is scheduled for October 22nd at downtown businesses. If interested, contact the Town of Lysander to register. On the same day, local businesses will be passing out candy in celebration of the Halloween season.
- trick or treating in the village will be on Monday, October 31st from 6 to 8 p.m.
- he is requesting an executive session regarding a potential litigation.

Department Heads

Village Clerk Maureen Butler spoke to the board about the Excellus renewal. Butler stated that the medical rates are increasing 8.6% for the co-pay plan and 6.8% for the high deductible plan. There will be a 3% increase in the rate of the dental plan with no benefit changes. Butler noted that she sent the proposed renewal plans to the union for their input and hopes to make a final decision at the November 3rd board meeting.

Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy told of the upcoming events at Canton Woods Senior Center including a flu shot clinic on October 14th from 9 – 12 p.m. Troy noted that Medicare Open Enrollment is beginning October 15th and runs through December 7th. If you need any assistance, call the Senior Center.

Superintendent of Public Works Chuck McAuliffe enlightened the audience that brush pickup is weekly now. McAuliffe said that the playground at Community Park has been completed and he hopes to have a ribbon cutting with the Lions Club and State next week. He mentioned that confirmation of the \$90,000.00 fluoride grant was received.

Police Chief Mike Lefancheck reiterated to the residents to be vigilant when it comes to safety. Lock your homes and car doors!

Pending Business

There was none.

New Business

- **MOA – AFSCME Local 2970**

Resolution #143/2022 Moved by Trustee Collins, second by Trustee O'Donnell

Resolved to authorize the mayor to sign the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with AFSCME Local 2970 and New York Council 66 (Union) to increase the hourly rate by \$1.00/hour of the **licensed Water and Sewage Plant Operator** within the Department of Public Works.

Carried

This operator must have Certification IIB-GW and D-Distribution System. The AFSCME union has already signed the MOA. Superintendent McAuliffe noted that this will affect three employees.

- **Agreement with Onondaga County – Referral Requirements**

Resolution #144/2022 Moved by Trustee Reinagel, second by Trustee Shepard

Resolved to authorize the mayor to sign the five (5) year agreement with the County of Onondaga that states that certain planning, zoning, site plan and subdivision actions are exempt from the Onondaga County Planning Board referral requirements of General Municipal Law Section 239-m and -n.

Carried

This agreement states that certain projects/applications are exempt from oversight by County Planning.

- **Set Public Hearing – Justice Election Year**

Resolution #145/2022 Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Trustee Collins

Resolved to set a Public Hearing for Thursday, October 20, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. to consider a proposed Local Law which provides for the election of the Village Justice in 2023 for a five-year term ending in 2028, which is a general Village election date.

Carried

Currently the election for the judge is on opposite years of the rest of the board. The election schedule was changed so there would only be an election every other year. The Justice election was not changed at the same time so is not on the same election schedule. This local law will put the judge's election on the same schedule that the board currently has.

- **Proclamation – Baldwinsville Rotary Day**

Resolution #146/2022 Moved by Trustee Reinagel, second by Trustee Cico
Resolved to proclaim Friday, October 14, 2022, as Baldwinsville Rotary Day.

Carried

Mayor Clarke read the proclamation.

- **Executive Sessions – No Anticipated Action**

Resolution #147/2022 Moved by Trustee O’Donnell, second by Trustee Cico
Resolved that the board retire into two executive sessions, one regarding a personnel matter and the other a potential litigation at 8:03p.m.

Carried

Resolution #148/2022 Moved by Trustee O’Donnell, second by Trustee Cico
Resolved that the board returned from executive session at 8:19 p.m.

Carried

- **Motion to pay bills as audited**

Resolution #149/2022 Moved by Trustee Cico, second by Trustee Collins
Resolved to pay the bills from their proper accounts, after audit.

Abstract # 15

- General Fund Checks #48359 - #48412 \$ 393,327.05
- Water Fund Checks #25287 - #25298 \$ 57,789.45
- Sewer Fund Checks #24125 - #24129 \$ 6,613.75

Carried

- **Adjournment**

Resolution #150/2022 Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Trustee Cico
Resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:19 PM., until the Public Hearing and next Village Board meeting on Thursday, October 20, 2022, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall.

Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Butler
Village Clerk