

A Public Hearing was held by the Village Board of Trustees on October 20, 2022, at Village Hall 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.

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 Tony Germano; Village Clerk Maureen Butler; Canton Woods Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy; Superintendent of Public Works Chuck McAuliffe; Police Chief Mike Lefancheck; Ben Harrell, resident Sally, PB Chairman John Tonello and Pac-B videographer Jesse Armbruster.

The Public Hearing was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Deputy Mayor Stebbins and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Village Clerk read the Proof of Publication.

Comments in favor of the proposal: there were none.

Comments against the proposal: there were none.

Resolution #151/2022 Motion by Trustee Collins, second by Trustee Cico
Resolved that the Public Hearing be adjourned and closed at 7:31 p.m.

Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Butler, Village Clerk

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees held at 7:32 p.m. at Village Hall
16 West Genesee Street, Baldwinsville, NY.
October 20, 2022**

Resolution #152/2022 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Stebbins
Resolved that the minutes from the Village Board meeting of October 6, 2022, be approved.

Carried

Public Comments: there were none.

Trustee's Comments

Trustee Reinagel informed the audience of a company named Marsh Mill Ranch that processes deer meat and donates it to the CNY Food Bank. You can donate fresh kill and Marsh Mill Ranch will handle the rest.

Trustee Stebbins requested an executive session regarding a litigation matter.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Clarke

- reminded everyone about the events that will be going on in the village on Saturday: Town of Lysander's window painting; Chamber's business trick or treating event; Oktoberfest event to benefit *Our Apiary*; and *Orange and Olive*'s first annual Spooky Hollow festival.
- thanked the DPW for their work on the Community Park playground and the ribbon cutting with the County and the Lions Club.
- said that Halloween will be celebrated in the village on 10/31 from 6-8 p.m.
- requested an executive session regarding a personnel matter.

Department Heads

Canton Woods Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy reported that both towns are still planning on giving \$66,950.00 to the Senior Center in their upcoming budgets. Troy stressed residents to contact their towns if they are happy with the Center and let them know that you would like the funding to continue for this wonderful establishment. Troy reminded the viewers that the deadline for a home delivered Thanksgiving meal is 11/4 and 12/2 is the deadline to register for the Christmas meal. Upcoming activities include music and lunch on 10/31 at 11 a.m.

Superintendent of Public Works Chuck McAuliffe noted that the salt for the winter is being delivered, brush pick-up will continue on a weekly basis, and the Community Park playground is completed. McAuliffe said that the weather tested the Tannery culvert project, and it worked well as did the Smokey Hollow project.

Chief Mike Lefancheck commented that the current high-profile arrest has been turned over to the DA for prosecution. Lefancheck enlightened the board on the level of professionalism the officers maintained during the arrest.

Pending Business

- **Local Law 11/2022 – Village Justice term change**

Resolution #153/2022 Moved by Trustee Collins, second by Trustee Reinagel

Resolved to approve Local Law 11/2022 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

New Business

- **2023 Excellus renewals**

Resolution #154/2022 Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved to authorize the mayor to sign the **2023 renewals** of the current Excellus co-pay medical plan at an 8.6% increase, the high deductible medical plan at a 6.8% increase and the current dental plan at a 3% increase with an effective date of January 1, 2023.

Carried

Village Clerk Maureen Butler stated that both the Police union and the DPW union were notified of the increases and did not react with any comments.

- **Appointment – Full-time Police Officer**

Resolution #155/2022 Moved by Trustee Collins, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved to appoint Joseph G. Serra III as a full-time police officer, at a salary of \$62,217.00, with an effective date of October 22, 2022.

Carried

Chief Lefancheck commented that Serra was originally hired as a part-time officer until he went through the training to become certified in New York state. Before locating to the Baldwinsville area he had been an officer in Virginia. Certification is different in NYS.

- **Surplus Declaration**

Resolution #156/2022 Moved by Trustee Cico, second by Trustee Collins

Resolved to declare the following as surplus at the DPW - a 1979 Ford tank truck (VIN F90LVFA8392) and a Ford 4 door sedan (VIN 2FAFP73W16X130674).

Carried

- **Appointment – Deputy Village Clerk**

Resolution #157/2022 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Shepard

Resolved to appoint Melissa Panella as a Deputy Village Clerk, at a salary of \$43,000.00, with an effective November 14, 2022.

Carried

Having been part of the interviewing process, Trustee O'Donnell expressed her confidence in hiring Panella to replace Deputy Clerk Jody DePaulis.

- **Executive Sessions – No Anticipated Action**

Resolution #158/2022 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved that the board retire into executive session regarding a potential litigation and a personnel matter at 7:56p.m.

Carried

Resolution #159/2022 Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Trustee Reinagel

Resolved that the board returned from executive session at 8:29 p.m.

Carried

- **Motion to pay bills as audited**

Resolution #160/2022 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Cico

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

Abstract # 16

- General Fund Checks #48413 - #48447 \$ 85,388.13
- Water Fund Checks #25299 - #25305 \$ 9,030.19
- Sewer Fund Checks #24130 - #24136 \$ 4,533.73

Carried

- **Adjournment**

Resolution #161/2022 Moved by Trustee Collins, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m., until the next Village Board meeting on Thursday, November 3, 2022, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall.

Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Butler
Village Clerk