

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees held at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall,
16 West Genesee Street, Baldwinsville, New York
March 17, 2016**

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

Others Attending – Attorney Bob Baldwin; Codes Enforcement Officer Gregg Humphrey; Deputy Clerk Linda Ross; Police Chief Michael Lefancheck; Engineer Steve Darcangelo; Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy; Paula Farnsworth, Nancy Howe, Mary Anne Williams, Michael Chemotti, Daryle Loguidice, Diane Trimble and a representative of the Public Access Channel.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Resolution #283/2015 Moved by Trustee Stebbins, second by Trustee Cico
Resolved that the minutes from the Village Board meeting of March 3, 2016, and the election minutes from March 15, 2016, be approved.

Carried

Citizen's Comments

Paula Farnsworth spoke regarding the speed of traffic along West Genesee Street. She feels that cars and trucks are abusing the 30 mph speed limit and wondered if a constant blinking sign would be helpful. The Police Chief directly answered her questions stating that the officers do target specific safety areas in the village at different times and he also explained how they adjust their focus for speed enforcement on village streets, etc.

MaryAnne Williams, Executive Director of the Baldwinsville Chamber and Nancy Howe, President of the Chamber, were in attendance, to report to the board as co-chairs of the recent Big Chill Event on January 23, 2016. The Chamber co-hosted the event with the Rotary Club. They wanted to thank Steve Darcangelo and the village DPW for their help and they were very happy that the DPW had no complaints with how the event went this year.

MaryAnne said there were over 80 'plungers' and they raised close to \$21,000.00. In addition to supporting the Chamber and the Rotary, the top 3 teams of 'plungers' were able to donate a portion of the funds raised to the charity of their choice. The following top 3 winners gave as follows:

- 1st Place: High School Boy's Lacrosse Team, gave to Alexa Bolton Foundation
- 2nd Place: VFW Post 153, gave to VA Hospital in Syracuse
- 3rd Place: Beads of Courage, gave to Maureen's Hope

There were almost 400 people who went through the tent and 8 restaurants participated in the 'Best in Bowl' competition. The food awards were given to Cam's Pizzeria for the Judge's Choice (macaroni and cheese selection) and Muddy Waters for the People's Choice (Gumbo selection). Then in the evening, over 200 people participated in the Poker Bear Express Crawl involving 10 local bars. All of the feedback was positive and they consider the whole event a success. Mary Anne said that she noticed while doing raffles, etc. that this event brought in so many people from outside the village. She also had given 2 television interviews and 3 radio interviews and each time she spoke about the village of Baldwinsville and all that it has to offer. All in all, she feels that Baldwinsville got a lot of good publicity from this event!

Mike Chemotti congratulated the board on the Baldwinsville float finishing in 3rd place in the Syracuse St. Patrick's Day parade. He then mentioned that he was there with his business associate to ask the board about holding a 'Fall Festival' in Baldwin Square in late September. It would be similar to what Cicero, Jordan and Skaneateles do in the fall, with apples and pumpkins, crafters, family entertainment and food, etc. They would like to hold the event in the square, especially if there is no Octoberfest being planned. (there was no Octoberfest last year)

The Mayor asked if he would bring a plan/proposal to the board for consideration, since the DPW is trying to be sure that lawn damage is kept to a minimum this year as they try to finish the original landscaping plans for the square.

There was then a discussion about the Baldwinsville Octoberfest and Trustee O'Donnell asked if Mike would consider partnering up with the Octoberfest committee? Steve asked if he was looking to promote business in the village would he consider partnering with the Chamber? Steve and the Mayor asked if he would consider doing a day event in the square and have night entertainment on Paper Mill Island, as one concern is for the landscaping at Baldwin Square?

Mike said he will bring a plan to the board of what he'd like to have/do and that he would consider partnering with either committee.

Trustee's Comments

Trustee Wilder congratulated the elected Trustees, and thanked them for their continued commitment to the village with their time and effort.

Trustee O'Donnell mentioned that the Baldwinsville Volunteer Center's selection committee had selected the Man & Woman of the Year for 2015 and they are Jim Honsinger and Sandy Baker. The dinner is April 9, 2016, at Pastas on the Green, and the tickets are \$27.00 per person, please call the Volunteer Center for a reservation.

Trustee Shepard congratulated the Man & Woman of the Year.

Trustee Presley congratulated the re-elected Trustees and looks forward to working with them.

Mayor's Comments

- Assemblyman Bill Magnarelli will be holding an event, 'Community Services on the Road', at Ray Middle School on July 13, 2016. It will bring social services representatives and public service representatives out to where people who need these services can get more information. More details will be coming.
- He congratulated and also thanked the Trustees for their service, he appreciates all that they do.
- The village float that was put together for the Syracuse St. Patrick's Day Parade did earn a 3rd place finish and he wanted to thank Dannie Weir of our DPW for the work done on his own time to get it ready. The day went well and he was very proud to be a part of the Baldwinsville float.
- He attended the Mayor's meeting last night and the Guest Speaker was County Executive Joannie Mahoney. She complimented the villages and all of the services they provide and the way that they are managed. She didn't speak about the Consensus Proposal, except to say that she would not comment on it at the meeting. She had some of her department heads there who also spoke for a few minutes each about their departments.
- Assemblyman Bill Magnarelli's website has the results of a 2016 Constituent Survey. Please go to it and see how people answered regarding topics of local concern and legislation in this year's budget.
- He has read the NYCOM letter with an update on the 2016-17 State Budget and asked that if there are any comments/concerns regarding the NY State budget proposal, that people let Senator John DeFrancisco, Assemblyman Bill Magnarelli or Assemblyman Will Barclay know through their websites.

Department Heads

Attorney Bob Baldwin mentioned that on March 9, 2016, he attended the Onondaga County Planning Symposium with members of the planning board to explain what is being done in the village and to give a presentation specifically on our overlay district. He thought it was a good opportunity to show how we have taken care of our village center with a plan for the orderly progression of the village.

The Mayor asked Bob if there was an update on how the Article 78 issue with Smokey Hollow Road and the Fire Department was going and he said that the judge who heard their argument has been very sick so there is nothing that can be reported at this time.

Codes Officer Gregg Humphrey gave an update that 5 of the 18 buildings at the old 'Tri-County Mall' site are under construction. The entryways into the apartment buildings, located on either side of the Rite-Aid store, will be started soon. He said that the Stewart's Shop at the corner of Smokey Hollow and Oswego Street will get started Monday, March 28, 2016. He also said that he took in 3 Permit applications for new homes in the Aspen Springs Development this week as the busy season for construction is starting.

The Mayor asked the Deputy Clerk to have their office post on the village website any Earth Day clean up information as it gets set up for April 22 & 23, 2016.

Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy reminded everyone that the AARP Defensive Driving course is offered at the center once a month and should be taken every 3 years. Also, the Everson Museum is bringing their outreach program to the center on Thursday, March 24th at 3 p.m. The showcase will be on the photography work of Helen Levitt. Please call the center for any other information.

Engineer Steve Darcangelo said that yard waste pickup will begin April 4, 2016. The board reminded residents that yard waste should not be left in the road, in case the village plows would have to go out again.

Police Chief Mike Lefancheck spoke of the recent heroin overdoses in the village and several that had happened at the same address one night and that brought up a discussion on the procedure for taking those overdosed individuals to the hospital, etc. Mike also pointed out that under the Good Samaritan Law there is no arrest made. The Mayor said he'd seen a recent 20/20 episode about the issue of heroin addiction, and Mike brought up some other information regarding rehabilitation and recovery successes and failures.

Pending Business

- **Parks Committee Recommendations**

Trustee Shepard made a motion regarding the security deposit for reservations on Paper Mill Island.

Resolution #284/2015 Moved by Trustee Presley, second by Trustee Wilder

Resolved to increase the Security Deposit for repeat violation of the Paper Mill Island License agreement as follows:

- after the first violation, the security deposit for the next reservation will increase from \$1,500.00 to \$3,000.00.
- after a second violation, no reservations will be taken by the village clerk's office without village board approval.

This increase will stay in effect for this promoter/company/event coordinator up to 5 years, but at any time the promoter/company/event coordinator may attend a board meeting and ask to be considered for a reduction in the deposit amount.

Carried

Resolution # 285/2015 Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Trustee Presley

Resolved to adopt an incremental increase in the Reservation Fees for the Paper Mill Island License agreement according to what the highest gate ticket price for the event is, and the fee shall be charged as follows:

- ticket prices from \$0.00-\$15.00, the reservation/license fee is \$1,000.00.
- ticket prices from \$15.01-\$25.00, the reservation/license fee is \$1,500.00.
- ticket prices from \$25.01 and up, the reservation/license fee is \$2,000.00.

At least \$1,000.00 will be required to secure the reservation, if the event ticket price has not yet been set, with the balance to be paid **prior to obtaining the waiver of the Open Container Law** from the village board.

Carried

Trustee Shepard said that the village board will revisit this issue in the future and will still retain the right to adjust a reservation/license fee based on a case by case basis.

New Business

- **Appoint Edward N. McIlroy as a Full -Time Police Officer**

Resolution #286/2015 Moved by Trustee Presley, second by Trustee Shepard

Resolved to appoint Edward N. McIlroy as a police officer (full-time) at a salary of \$69,069.00 with an effective date of April 9, 2016.

Carried

The Police Chief gave a brief history of Officer McIlroy's service in the village and with the Sheriff's office.

All carried, The Mayor abstained.

- **Application for Corrected Tax Roll for the year 2016-38 Tappan Street**

Resolution# 287/2015 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved to approve the Application for Corrected Tax Roll for the year 2016, for the property located at 38 Tappan Street. An omitted tax was incorrectly billed to the property owner. The County approved this correction on March 8, 2016.

Carried

- **Motion to pay bills as audited**

Resolution #288/2015 Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Trustee Cico

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

Abstract #25/2015

- General Fund Checks #41437 - #41461 \$ 25,409.79
- Water Fund Checks #23855 - #23860 \$ 11,268.62
- Sewer Fund Checks #23260 - #23263 \$ 947.44

Abstract #2/2016

- General Fund Checks #41462 - #41488 \$ 16,926.97
- Water Fund Checks #23861 - #23865 \$ 3,707.64
- Sewer Fund Checks #23264 - #23266 \$ 867.45

Carried

Resolution # 289/2015 Moved by Trustee Presley, second by Trustee O'Donnell

Resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:50 p.m., until the next village board meeting (the annual board meeting) to be held April 7, 2016, at 7:30 p.m., at Village Hall.

Carried

Adjournment,

Linda Ross

Deputy Village Clerk