

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees held at 7:35 p.m. at Village Hall,  
16 West Genesee Street, Baldwinsville, NY.  
December 7, 2017**

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

Others Attending – Village Attorney Bob Baldwin; Village Clerk Maureen Butler; Treasurer Anna Custer; Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy; Village Engineer Steve Darcangelo; Police Chief Mike Lefancheck; Casey Ostrander; Diane Trimble; Vickie and Donna Freyleue and Andrew Millard, a representative of the Public Access Channel.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Resolution #181/2017** Moved by Trustee Dryden, second by Trustee Stebbins  
Resolved that the minutes from the Village Board meeting of November 16, 2017, be approved.

**Carried**

**Citizen's Comments**

**Seneca River Days**

Ken Schmidt spoke on behalf of the Rotary regarding their Seneca River Days event. Schmidt stated that this year they are planning to reserve Paper Mill Island for Friday, June 8, 2017, for music and fireworks. The Rotary is requesting that the Village of Baldwinsville sponsors the fireworks again this year by acquiring the fireworks insurance for the event. The Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup> family event schedule will once again be held at Mercer Park but with an earlier end time. Schmidt was told that the village is looking into hiring a promoter for Paper Mill Island so there is a chance that he will have to work with him for some of the details. Schmidt noted that this should not be a problem.

**Resolution #182/2017** Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Stebbins  
Resolved to sponsor the fireworks for Rotary's Seneca River Days event on Friday, June 8, 2018, with Rotary paying the cost of the fireworks.

**Carried**

**Paper Mill Island Proposal**

Chuck Chao, President of Creative Concerts, LLC. gave the board a brief verbal resume of his endeavors and of the many venues that he has worked at including the Carrier Dome, the old MacArthur stadium, Alliance Bank stadium, the Landmark Theater and many more. He stated that he is quite familiar with Paper Mill Island since he has had many concerts there. Chao believes that the biggest problem with hiring bands for PMI is the decibel level. Chao stressed to the board that the preferred decibel level is 108 – 114 (measured at the mix). When asked about the kind of acts that he would promote for this venue he stated that classic rock, country and jam bands would be the best bet. Thinking out of the box, Chao will look into company picnics, trade shows, Blues or Reggae festivals, anything to get more use out of it. Some shows will have VIP seating with a bar. Dates are not picked by the promoter but by the agents and the artists, therefore they would play any night of the week not just weekend nights. Resident Vickie Freyleue asked Chao what he had planned for the parking situation. He feels that people will find the parking throughout the village and walk to PMI. Village Engineer Darcangelo stated that in addition to other public lots there is a 64 parking space lot on Meadow Street.

## **Trustee's Comments**

Trustee Shepard thanked the neighborhoods that donated bottles and cans to the volunteers collecting for the Christmas Bureau.

Trustee Wilder requested that an executive session regarding a contract negotiation process be added to the agenda.

## **Mayor's Comments**

Mayor Clarke noted:

- that the Christmas tree lighting and Parade of Lights event was a huge success. He gave kudos to all involved.
- that beginning in January the Messenger will be publishing a municipal column regarding issues, events and other info that will be helpful to the general public. The mayor and two town supervisors will switch off reporting.
- that Planning Board Chairperson Carl Pelcher stepped down and a current member will be filing his shoes as Chair. This leaves an open spot for an interested party. It is a good way to get involved in village government.
- that Baldwinsville resident Dave Weaver was featured on a segment called *Red Cross Heroes* for his bravery while saving a neighbor and her animals from a burning fire on Elizabeth Street.

## **Department Heads**

Attorney Bob Baldwin recounted that he and Code Enforcement Officer Gregg Humphrey went to a NYCOM seminar regarding zombie houses and abandoned houses. Much information was learned.

Village Clerk Maureen Butler reminded the board and the viewing audience that there will be a few public hearings prior to the next board meeting on Thursday, December 21, 2017. One Public Hearing is to consider a proposed Local Law providing for alternate members of the ZBA and for a time limit for construction after issuance of a variance. Another Public Hearing is to consider a proposed Local Law enacting a moratorium on construction or installation of electronic signs. The third will be voted on this evening.

## **Pending Business**

- **Waiver of penalty for Fobes Island Development**

Village Engineer Steve Darcangelo shared his thoughts regarding the environmental escrow. He believes that the village should pull the trigger and formally request a release of the escrow.

## **New Business**

- **Public Officials Management & Employment Practices Liability Insurance renewal**

**Resolution #183/2017** Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Stebbins

Resolved to authorize the Mayor to sign the annual renewal of the Public Officials Management & Employment Practices Liability Insurance with LoVullo Associates, Inc., at a fee of \$7,455.00, with an effective date of February 21, 2018.

### **Carried**

Maureen Butler noted that there was no increase for this renewal.

- **Renewal – 2018 Excellus Dental**

**Resolution #184/2017** Moved by Trustee Dryden, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved to approve the 2018 renewal of the current Excellus BlueCross BlueShield dental plan with an effective date of January 1, 2018. The renewal reflects a 3% increase from last year.

### **Carried**

- **Set Public Hearing – Franchise renewal with Charter Communications**

**Resolution #185/2017** Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Trustee Dryden

Resolved to set a Public Hearing on December 21, 2017, at 7:40 p.m., to consider a franchise renewal agreement with Time Warner Cable Northeast LLC, a/k/a Charter Communications.

**Carried**

- **Creative Concerts, LLC – Paper Mill Island**

**Resolution #186/2017** Moved by Trustee Wilder, second by Trustee Stebbins

Resolved to select Creative Concerts, LLC. as the promoter of Paper Mill Island for the upcoming 2018 season subject to the negotiation and execution of the contract.

**Carried**

Trustee Stebbins explained that the Public Works Committee interviewed the two companies that sent in proposals and Chuck Chao, President of Creative Concerts, LLC, was the better of the two. Chao requested a current copy of the Paper Mill Island license agreement to review. He also suggested that the bathrooms be improved. Darcangelo stated that he will be looking into tractor trailer restrooms for next season. Chao was told that approximately 8 Tuesday evenings between June and August are set aside for the Summer Concert Series that is sponsored by the two towns, the village and the library. These free concerts will remain on the Paper Mill Island calendar and are not available for change.

- **Executive Sessions-No Anticipated Action**

**Resolution #187/2017** Moved by Trustee Wilder, second by Trustee Shepard

Resolved that the board retire into an executive session regarding a contract negotiation process at 9:00 p.m.

**Carried**

**Resolution #188/2017** Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Shepard

Resolved that the board returned from executive session at 9:38 p.m.

**Carried**

- **Motion to pay bills as audited**

**Resolution #189/2017** Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Shepard

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

**Abstract #19**

• General Fund Checks	#43244 - #43294	\$ 448,639.91
• Water Fund Checks	#24245 - #24253	\$ 5,144.94
• Sewer Fund Checks	#23486 - #23489	\$ 1,948.22
• Bond 17-18 Project	#1029 - #1029	\$ 2,000.00

**Carried**

- **Adjournment**

**Resolution #190/2017** Moved by Trustee Dryden, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:40 p.m., until the three Public Hearings and village board meeting, at Village Hall on December 21, 2017, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

**Carried**

Respectfully submitted,

*Maureen Butler, Village Clerk*