

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees held at 7:30 p.m.  
December 17, 2020  
Via ZOOM**

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

Others Attending – Code Enforcement Officer Gregg Humphrey; Village Clerk Maureen Butler; Treasurer Anna Custer; DPW rep. Chuck McAuliffe; Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy and Police Chief Mike Lefancheck.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Resolution #160/2020** Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Cico  
Resolved that the minutes from the Village Board meeting of December 3, 2020, be approved.

**Carried**

**Citizen's Comments**

Mayor Clarke noted that due to the Corona virus, the meeting is held via zoom. Comments and questions can be posted on Facebook Live. The meeting can also be viewed on our website and on Pac-B.

**Trustee's Comments**

Trustee Stebbins informed the board that he had sent them an email regarding a potential water rate increase that he would like to discuss at the next meeting.

Holiday wishes were sent by all.

**Mayor's Comments**

Mayor Clarke:

- stated that the Christmas lights in the village have been pretty spectacular!
- noted that the presentation by the rep from WEP regarding the sewer takeover by Onondaga County was rescheduled for the January 21<sup>st</sup> board meeting.
- thanked everyone, including the *Christmas Bureau* and *Baldwinsville helping Baldwinsville*, that are helping make the holidays better for others.
- reminded the viewers that the village offices, including the Justice Court, are closed to the public but there are staff inside the building available to help you. Payments can be placed in the appropriate drop boxes outside of the door. Court will not be in session until late January. Canton Woods Senior Center is also closed to the public but are busy reaching out to seniors on the phone.

**Department Heads**

Code Enforcement Officer Gregg Humphrey reminded residents that the roadways must be clear of items, such as basketball goals, to allow for the snow removal process. Humphrey also noted that there are quite a few campers and

boats still in driveways. Those summer type items are no longer allowed to be stored in the front of homes. They need to be stored in the side or rear yard or off the property.

Treasurer Anna Custer told the board that the AIM (State aid per capita aid) payment of \$53,804.00 was received. The mayor noted that AIM is now paid by the county at the direction of the governor.

Ruth Troy, Canton Woods Coordinator, stated that there is no indoor programming at the Center but they are still in the building if help is needed. Troy noted that the lunch program and the Food Sense program are continuing. Troy told of warning that the Office of the Aging has issued to Seniors regarding vaccine related scams. The main emphasis would be that no one will call you about the vaccine. Do not give anyone any of your information over the phone that says they are from the health department or Medicare. Beware of those calls that say if you pay in advance you would have early access to the vaccine. This is not true. Beware.

Chuck McAuliffe mentioned that today was the first day that the DPW had to plow the roads. He did want to ask residents not to place their trash receptacles in the road as they will get hit. McAuliffe said that they are working on the dam lights. Some reprogramming is being done in addition to getting a few different colors working. The mayor mentioned that resident Vickie Freylue is interested in spearheading a fund raiser for the bridge lights. She is doing some research.

Police Chief Mike Lefancheck expressed condolences to the family of former Communications Officer Sarah Perkins. Sarah passed away at the young age of 42. Her will be greatly missed around the village. The Chief reminded the residents of the parking ban that will be enforced throughout the village. So please get your cars off the street to allow for the roads to be plowed.

### **Pending Business**

There was none.

### **New Business**

- **Set Public Hearing – Waiver of Tax Cap**

**Resolution #161/2020** Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Dryden  
Resolved to set a Public Hearing for Thursday, January 7, 2021, at 7:30 p.m., regarding a waiver of the tax cap.  
**Carried.**

The mayor explained that this is done as a precautionary measure in case something unforeseen comes up prior to the passing of the budget.

- **Set Public Hearing 2021 – 2022 Village Budget**

**Resolution #162/2020** Moved by Trustee Dryden, second by Trustee Cico  
Resolved to set a Public Hearing for Thursday, January 7, 2021, at 7:35 p.m., regarding the adoption of the proposed 2021 – 2022 village budget.  
**Carried.**

- **Declaration of Surplus**

**Resolution #163/2020** Moved by Trustee Dryden, second by Trustee O'Donnell  
Resolved to declare the following as surplus per the DPW's request: mulch at yard waste site, MAC copier, Lenovo Netbook, two cell phones, Panasonic Touchbook laptop computer, shell of a Dell desktop computer.  
**Carried.**

- **Motion to pay bills as audited**

**Resolution #164/2020** Moved by Trustee Dryden, second by Trustee Shepard  
Resolved to pay the bills from their proper accounts, after audit.

**Abstract # 20**

- General Fund Checks #46550 - #46595 \$ 57,412.00
- Water Fund Checks #24903 - #24913 \$ 11,993.25
- Sewer Fund Checks #23912 - #23916 \$ 4,998.49

**Carried**

- **Adjournment**

**Resolution #165/2020** Moved by Trustee Cico, second by Trustee Dryden  
Resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:13 p.m., until the Public Hearings and the next village board meeting on Thursday, January 7, 2020, at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom.

**Carried**

**Respectfully submitted,**

*Maureen Butler*

Village Clerk  
Village of Baldwinsville