

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees held at 7:30 p.m.
March 16, 2023**

Members Present: Mayor Dick Clarke via zoom.
Trustee Ruth Cico
Trustee Eric Reinagel
Trustee Mike Shepard
Trustee Megan O'Donnell
Trustee Bruce Stebbins

Others Attending – Attorney Bob Baldwin; Village Clerk Jody DePaulis; Treasurer Mark Baker; Water Supervisor Corey Perkins; Canton Woods Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy; Police Chief Mike Lefancheck; Pac-B videographers Brian Hewitt and Ben Weiss; Resident: Cindy Clarke and visitor Natalie Keiling.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Resolution #269/2022 Moved by Trustee Shepard second by Trustee Cico
Resolved that the minutes from the Village Board meetings of March 02, 2023, be approved.

Carried

Citizen's Comments-None

Trustee's Comments

Trustee O'Donnell wanted to let everyone know that the Volunteer Center has chosen their Volunteers of the year for 2022. The Volunteers of the year are Bill Mercer and Sally Dayger. The award ceremony will be Saturday, April 22, 2023.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Clarke:

- Disclosed that the village received a letter from the Arbor Day Foundation, we once again are a Tree City USA member.
- Noted that the village received a letter from the county that it has been approved for the 2023 Main Street Grant. Grant is \$660,000 with \$500,000 coming from the County. To date it is close to 1.5 million dollars since the grant started for the village.
- The mayor also spoke about the traffic light near Rite-Aid. There is a bulb out. Rite aid is not fixing it, because they say the property owner owns it. Property Owner is saying it is not their responsibility. There was discussion on how the village can handle the situation to get the matter fixed.
- Wanted to give congratulations to the Volunteers of the Year, hats off to them.
- Noted on May 6, 2023, Meals on Wheels will be having a Kentucky Derby Day fundraiser.
- Wanted to express his condolences on the passing of Bob Sheehan
- The mayor noted that the Visitor Center reached out to him to see if there could be a designated parking spot near the visitor center during the summer. The mayor is going to have Chuck McAuliffe and Mike Lefancheck look into that to see if it is possible.

Department Heads

Village Clerk Jody DePaulis reminded residents that the village election will be on Tuesday, March 21, 2023 for Village Justice. Voting will be from 12:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Also village taxes are due by April 1, 2023.

Treasurer Mark Baker wanted to assure the Board that he has been in contact with M & T Bank and Solvay Bank and they are completely stable with the banking challenges that are happening elsewhere. Mark also spoke about an investment policy that the village needs to have in place. It is regulated by the Comptroller. Sometime in April he will be getting it out to the Trustees to review the plan. Mark also spoke about NY Class. This is an investment firm used by many municipalities. More information will be given at the April 6, 2023, board meeting.

Canton Woods Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy wanted to thank the Baldwinsville Teachers for giving 40 tickets to the recent high school production of Little Women. Ruth also wanted to thank the DPW for their quick action in stabilizing the structure over the outside walk in freezer.

Police Chief Mike Lefancheck briefed the board on an incident that happened at Durgee Jr High School on Monday, March 6, 2023. He wanted to commend his staff for working so diligently through investigation. He wanted to thank everyone involved for their cooperation. The Chief also discussed a special training course that Officer Jason Guinn has been attending. Training is human response to critical stress situations. He is only one of four officers county wide to receive this training. This is in preparation for a county wide response team. Officer Guinn will receive a special President's award on April 10, 2023, at the annual awards dinner. The Chief also informed the board that he will be going to a special training in May put on by the FBI. His application was accepted by the FBI and he and only one other candidate from NYS have been chosen to attend.

Pending Business

- **Agreement with Rent,fun LLC for kayak rentals**
- **Resolution #270/2022** Moved by Trustee Stebbins, second by Trustee O'Donnell
Resolved to authorize the village to enter into an agreement with Rent,fun, LLC for kayak rentals on village property, subject to final legal review
Carried

New Business

- **Set Public Hearing**

Resolution #271/2022 Moved by Trustee Reinagel, second by Trustee Cico
Discussion regarding to set a Public Hearing for Thursday, April 6, 2023, at 7:31 PM to consider the Village's 5-year plan to be used to apply for a community development block grant.

Carried

- **NY Rural Water Association Annual Training**

Resolution #272/2022 Moved by Trustee Shepard, second by Trustee O'Donnell
Authorizing Chuck McAuliffe, Superintendent of Public Works to attend New York Rural Water Association's Annual Technical Training Workshop & Exhibition in Lake Placid, NY from Monday, May 22 – Wednesday, May 24, 2023, in the amount of \$700

Carried

Trustee O'Donnell asked if this was in the budget. Treasurer Baker stated that there was \$2,000.00 budgeted for training.

- **Appointment**

Resolution #273/2022 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Shepard
Resolved to appoint Timothy Ganey, as Code Enforcement Officer, serving Part-Time with an annual salary of \$50,000.00

Carried

- **Motion to pay bills as audited.**

Resolution #274/2022 Moved by Trustee Reinagel, second by Trustee Shepard
Resolved to pay the bills from their proper accounts, after audit.

Abstract #26

- General Fund Checks #48810 - #48827 \$ 23,753.48
- Water Fund Checks #25402 - #25409 \$ 9,470.67
- Sewer Fund Checks #24193 - #24196 \$ 2,765.75

Abstract #01

- General Fund Checks #48809/48828 - #48862 \$ 76,190.70
- Water Fund Checks #25410 - #25415 \$ 6,968.15
- Sewer Fund Checks #24197 - #24199 \$ 1,456.75

Carried

- **Adjournment**

Resolution #275/2022 Moved by Trustee Cico second by Trustee Shepard
Resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:11 p.m., until the next election village board meeting on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at 9:00 p.m.

Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Jody DePaulis

Village Clerk
Village of Baldwinsville