

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees held at Village Hall at 7:30 p.m.
March 21, 2024**

Members Present: Mayor Bruce Stebbins
Trustee Ruth Cico
Trustee Nate Collins
Trustee Megan O'Donnell
Trustee Eric Reinagel
Trustee Mike Shepard
Trustee Joseph Cole

Others Attending – Attorney Bob Baldwin; Village Clerk Jody DePaulis; Treasurer Mark Baker; Senior Center Coordinator Ruth Troy; DPW Superintendent Chuck McAuliffe and Police Chief Mike Lefancheck; PAC-B Videographer Brian Hewitt ; Citizens: S. Patterson, Jim Dale, Kim FitzPatrick, Andrea Gages, James Miller, MaryAnn Williams, Vickie Freyleue, Donna Freyleue, KC VerHage, Patrick Lamaride, Cindy Clarke.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A Public Hearing was held by the Village Board of Trustees at 7:35 p.m., for a Local Law to authorize “Best Value” competitive bidding and procurement pursuant to General Municipal Law 103.

The Village Clerk read the Proof of Publication.

Comments in favor of the proposal: Robert Baldwin discussed the benefits of passing this local law. It is a bidding requirement of municipalities of how much must go out to bid. Many municipalities have passed this same local law. By allowing this, municipalities can purchase through “Best Value” and piggybacking with other townships. It also allows us to look at other states for surplus. It allows flexibility in the bidding process.

Comments against the proposal: There were none.

Resolution #239/2023 Motion by Trustee Collins, second by Trustee Cico
Resolved that the Public Hearing be adjourned and closed at 7:40 p.m.

Carried

Resolution #240/2023 Moved by Trustee Reinagel, second by Trustee Cole
Resolved that the minutes from the Village Board meeting of March 07, 2024, be approved.

Carried

Citizen's Comments- MaryAnn Williams, from the Chamber, spoke of upcoming events. April 2nd, Ribbon cutting from Studio Molina Salon & Spa, April 3 there will be a GBCC coffee talk at PAC-B TV. A few more events coming up will be April 11, GBCC lunch at San Miguel Mexican Bar & Grill, April 16th will be the GBCC member showcase at Anheuser-Busch, April 21st is the Bville Earth Day cleanup, hosted by Paths to Recovery Mental Health Counselling and GBCC.

Special Presentation-KC VerHage, Children's Librarian from the Baldwinsville Public Library, asked for a waiver for the park fees for a series of dates that they will be doing at Mercer Park Gazebo during the summer. The dates include Storytime, craft days and reading therapy with dogs. These are successful events that have taken place during past summers, and they wish to continue it.

Resolution #241/2023 Moved by Trustee Cole, second by Trustee Cico
Resolved to approve the waiver of Park Fees for the Baldwinsville Summer Reading program at the Mercer Park Gazebo.

Carried

Trustee's Comments-

Trustee Reinagel wanted to wish condolences to the family of Jim Orlando. He was a great member of our community, and he will be missed.

Trustee Shepard wanted to echo the sentiments of Trustee Reinagel on Jim Orlando. He was great to work with for the past 20 years. Trustee Shepard also said he is holding his comments regarding the election until the next meeting.

Trustee Shepard hoped that someone would carry on the Classic Car Show that Jim Orlando started. She also wanted to send condolences to the family of Bill Strife. Bill watered the flowers during the summer. She also thanked everyone who came out and voted and appreciated their support. She looks forward to moving on now from the election.

Trustee Cico also echoed the statements from the Trustees on Bill Strife and Jim Orlando. Jim was great to work with for the Christmas Tree Lighting and always donated to it.

Trustee Collins congratulated two of the winners. He also expressed condolences to the families of Jim Orlando and Bill Strife.

Trustee Cole condolences to the families of Jim Orlando and Bill Strife. Trustee Cole also thanked everyone that came out and voted.

Mayor's Comments-

- The Mayor offered condolences to the families of Jim Orlando and Bill Strife. Jim Orlando will be missed. He did a lot for the community.
- The Mayor informed residents that Earth Day Cleanup is coming. You can sign up by April 3rd with OCRRA.

Department Heads

Village Clerk Jody DePaulis reminded residents that taxes are due by Monday, April 1st without penalty.

Treasurer Mark Baker- Shared memories of Jim Orlando and Bill Strife. He also congratulated those that ran and won in the election.

DPW Superintendent Chuck McAuliffe-also spoke about memories of Jim Orlando. He really helped in revitalizing downtown Bville. He was a great friend and will be missed. He also spoke about Bill Strife. Calling him the Mayor of the street when watering flowers. Everyone knew him and said hello to him. McAuliffe also told the board the Canton Street water dept electrical is now upgraded and it is running great. They are starting to get some summer stuff done in the parks and yard waste pickup will be starting on April 1, 2024.

Chief Mike Lefancheck wanted to remind residents to please lock your car doors and do not leave your car fobs in the cars. Chief Lefancheck also told the board about the training the Officer Zach McCaleb has been attending. It is an intense training to help identify those that could be under the influence of something other than alcohol. He is only one of a few in the county to achieve this certification.

Pending Business

- **Best Value-Local Law 2/2024**

Resolution #242/2023 Moved by Trustee Collins, second by Trustee O'Donnell

Resolved to adopt a Local Law to authorize "Best Value" competitive bidding and procurement pursuant to General Municipal Law 103.

Carried

New Business

- **Set Public Hearing**

Resolution #243/2023 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved to set a Public Hearing for Thursday, April 04, 2024, at 7:35 pm, to review comprehensive plan of the 5 Year Community Development Plan.

Carried

- **Seneca River Days Fireworks**

Resolution #244/2023 Moved by Trustee Cole, second by Trustee O'Donnell

Resolved to approve for the mayor to sign the Pyrotechnico Fireworks, Inc contract for the Seneca River Days that includes a provision to provide insurance coverage. If not provided within 14 days after execution of the contract, the Village has the right to void the agreement.

Carried

- **Waiver**

Resolution #245/2023 Moved by Trustee O'Donnell, second by Trustee Collins

Resolved to approve the request for a waiver of the 30-day notice requirement for a new On-Premises Alcoholic Beverage License for the restaurant Miss Nora LLC (Two Twisted Sisters, Inc) located at 25 Syracuse St.

Carried

- **Budget Modifications**

Resolution #246/2023 Moved by Trustee Reinagel, second by Trustee Cole

approve the modifications to the 2022-2023 budget for final reconciliation as outlined in attachment Budget Modifications 2024-03-21 for 22-23.pdf.

Carried

Resolution #247/2023 Moved by Trustee Collins, second by Trustee Cico

Resolved to approve the modifications to the 2023-2024 budget as outlined in the attachment Budget Modifications 2024-03-21 for 23-24.pdf.

Carried

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

Resolution #248/2023 Moved by Trustee Collins, second by Trustee Cico

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

Abstract #025

- General Fund Checks #49802 - #49814 \$ 22,309.29
- Water Fund Checks #25635 - #25638 \$ 1,523.38
- Sewer Fund Checks #24305 - #24306 \$ 737.36

Abstract #002

- General Fund Checks #49816 - #49857 \$ 125,873.44
- Water Fund Checks #25639 - #25642 \$ 6,468.62
- Sewer Fund Checks #24307 - #24308 \$ 1,155.04

Carried

- **Adjournment**

Resolution #249 /2023 Moved by Trustee Cole, second by Trustee Collins

Resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:04 p.m., until the next Village Board meeting on Thursday, April 04, 2024, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall.

Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Jody DePaulis

Village Clerk

Village Clerk, Village of Baldwinsville