

REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WAS HELD AT VILLAGE HALL ON JULY 6, 2006, AT 7:30 P.M.

Present – Mayor O’Hara, Trustees Presley, A. Saraceni, Tupper, Mott and Stebbins.

Absent – Trustee J. Saraceni.

Also Present – J.C. Engelbrecht, Attorney for the Village; Thomas LeRoy, Police Agent; Claude Sykes, Supt. of Public Works; Charles Elliott, a representative of the Public Access Channel; Tom Leo, Syracuse Newspapers; David Arthur, Karen Gates, Colleen Keegan, Karen Mayo, David Lane, Eve Ryan, and Jon Alvarez.

The Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Motion #154 –

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee Mott that the minutes of the meeting held June 15, 2006, be approved and the Village Clerk dispense with the reading of said minutes.

CARRIED.

Citizen’s Comments.

Karen Gates of 27 Charlotte Street stated that she was present to voice her concerns with the proposed project that would be partially financed by Community Development which would make River Street a one-way street and install a walkway along the river. She stated that she was afraid that her property assessment would be increased, and her homeowners insurance may be affected by this proposal since the project will draw people to her property. She suggested that when there are events in the village in that area, the village could temporarily shutdown River Street and make North Street one-way. She noted that her neighborhood would like to be involved with any kind of plans that are being done for the project.

Mayor O’Hara suggested that she give the village her list of concerns and the DPW Committee can review them and answer them at their next committee meeting.

Jon Alvarez of 67 Brown Street stated that he is concerned that the Village Board is more concerned with the beautification of the downtown area and obviously decreasing property value in the area with little regard to the fact that people want to live here because of the quality of life. He noted that he has a little over 300 signatures on his petition for a referendum to dissolve the village.

Mayor’s Comments were as follows:

- Thanked Claude Sykes for his leadership submitting the Transportation Enhancement Program last week. It took a lot work and the Clerk’s Office was very helpful in the process. He noted that he was very encouraged by the application that was submitted.
- Thanked everyone involved with this past weekend’s gathering. He noted that there were approximately 3,000 to 4,000 people on Paper Mill Island and another 1,000 people on the South Shore West Trails. He noted that the quality of life in the Village of Baldwinsville has improved. He also noted that you see that village residents are taking the efforts to improve their homes, because they want stay in the village.

Trustees’ Comments.

Trustee A. Saraceni noted that a Girls Lacrosse Tournament is being held at Baker High School, which involves 80 high schools. He encouraged everyone to stop at the school and check out that event.

Trustee Tupper reminded everyone that on July 15, 2006, residents can dispose of electronic equipment at the VFW Post 153 for free from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. He also noted that according to the Syracuse Newspaper, only the Village of Baldwinsville and the Village of Jordan in Onondaga County have shown any increases in population between the years 2000 and 2005.

Trustee Mott noted that he has assessed the issue of the bridge lights and the lights on the dam with Trustee Tupper and they have made recommendations to refocus the lights to correct the concerns of the boaters. He noted that because of the July 4th Holiday, the ARB would be meeting on July 13, 2006.

Trustee Presley noted that the Public Safety Committee will reschedule their committee meeting to July 26, 2006, at 5:00 p.m. at the Police Department instead of the normal date of July 19, 2006, because of scheduling conflicts.

Trustee Stebbins noted that people enjoyed the fireworks this past weekend and noted that there were going to be more fireworks, Friday night.

Department Heads.

The Village Clerk noted that she had received a request from the General Manager of the Red Mill Inn, who had asked if they could have a direct link off the village's website. She noted that there is a link to the Red Mill Inn, from the link for the Baldwinsville Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor O'Hara asked the Village Attorney to review the issue and report back to the board as to what restrictions the village may have as the result of giving commercial entities a direct link from the village's website. He noted he would like to support the business community, but the village may be restricted as to what can be linked from its website.

The Village Clerk noted that the news media had spoken to the stranded boaters in Baldwinsville and they said that the Village of Baldwinsville was a great place to be stranded.

Attorney J.C. Engelbrecht noted the village had received a lawsuit from Susan and Robert Weichert against the Village's Code Officer and the Village Justice and he will represent them in this pending lawsuit. The court date is set for July 27, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. He stated that he had reviewed a couple of contracts given to him tonight and he recommends the Mayor be given permission to sign the contract with Mid Lakes. He recommended that in regards to an agreement between the Towns and the Village, that the Towns sign the agreement first, since they were involved with negotiations of Canton Woods' budget.

Thomas LeRoy noted that the Village Police Department held their 9th Annual Ropes Challenge on June 29, 2006, which involved 34 children. The event was totally funded by John White of Gypsum Express, which he thanked for their continued support. He also noted that on July 8, 2006, between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., at Mercer Park, the Police Department will be offering their child identification system.

Pending Business.

Discussion/Possible Action in regards to Village Owned Facilities/Business District Study.

Mayor O'Hara noted that the Planning Board, the Zoning Board of Appeals, and the respective boards are meeting to discuss some of the particulars of EDR's Plan.

Discussion in regards to the Sergei Yevich Trail, Southeast Trail.

Mayor O'Hara thanked Claude Sykes and Maysel Markham for coordinating with National Grid to have the lights installed and for working on the Sergei Yevich Trail for this past weekend's event. He noted that people were using the trail to get to the downtown area for the fireworks.

Claude Sykes stated that most of the amenities are in and ready to install. He feels that the trail could be completed by Mid-August.

There was a discussion regarding signage for the trails. It was suggested that ARB come up with a schematic for what the village's signage should look like for identifying the different trails, parks, etc.

Discussion concerning the Skate Zone Facility located on Lock Street.

There was nothing new to report.

Discussion concerning the Cable Franchise Agreement.

Trustee A. Saraceni reported that the Cable Franchise Committee will be holding their final meeting on July 11, 2006, and the agreement will be ready for approval at the next Regular Village Board Meeting. The Village Board requested that they receive a copy of the agreement as soon as it is available, so they have time to review it if they are asked to vote on it. Trustee A. Saraceni stated that he would have copies for them on July 12, 2006. Mayor O'Hara stated that he would like to be able to have the Village Board vote on the agreement at the next Village Board Meeting.

Discussion in regards to updating the Village Code.

Trustee Mott noted that he tried to set up a committee meeting on June 29, 2006, and only Chris Savacool attended. He has set another meeting for July 13, 2006.

Discussion/Action in regards to a request from C.L. Development of Baldwinsville, LLC, for a Zone Change for four parcels of land known as 5 Mechanic Street, 7 Mechanic Street, 9 Mechanic Street, 11 Mechanic Street and 8 Mechanic Street for rezoning from Residential R-1 to Business B-1.

Mayor O'Hara stated that he spoke to Mr. Hovey and he said that he would entertain restricted covenants on the Business B-1 zoning. He requested that the Village Board review what is allow under Business B-1 and feel free to contact Mr. Hovey over the next 2 weeks. He noted that on the July 20, 2006, Village Board Meeting the Board would be ready to take action on the zone change request with or without restricted covenants. The restricted covenants would be what the village would allow on that site.

Discussion in regards to a request from Eve Ryan for a zone change for the property located at 69-73 E. Oneida Street for rezoning from Residential R-1 to Business B-2.

Mayor O'Hara noted that the village has received a recommendation from Onondaga County Planning and the Village Planning Board, therefore a Public Hearing could be set if the Village Board chooses to do so.

Motion #155 -

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee Mott that a Public Hearing be set for July 20, 2006, at 7:30 p.m. to hear comments concerning a zone change for the property located at 69-73 E. Oneida Street for rezoning from Residential R-1 to Business B-2.

CARRIED.

Discussion/Action in regards to receiving bids for the asbestos removal for the former Harrington Fire Station.

Motion #156 -

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee Stebbins that the bids for the asbestos removal for the former Harrington Fire Station be received.

CARRIED.

Discussion/Action in regards to awarding the bid for the asbestos removal for the former Harrington Fire Station.

Motion #157 -

Moved by Trustee Tupper seconded by Trustee Presley that the bid for the asbestos removal for the former Harrington Fire Station be awarded to Paragon Environmental Construction in the amount of \$38,500.00.

CARRIED.

New Business.

Discussion/Action regarding authorization for Police Administrator Daniel Warner and Lt. Michael Lefancheck to attend the International Association of Chiefs' of Police Training Conference in Boston, MA, October 15th through October 18th, 2006, at a cost not to exceed \$2,600.00.

Motion #158 -

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee A. Saraceni that authorization be given for Police Administrator Daniel Warner and Lt. Michael Lefancheck to attend the International Association of Chiefs' of Police Training Conference in Boston, MA, October 15th through October 18th, 2006, at a cost not to exceed \$2,600.00.

CARRIED.

Discussion/Action in regards to setting a Public Hearing on July 20th, 2006, at 7:30 p.m. to hear comments concerning a Local Law amending the certain sections in Chapters 54, 10, 63 and 72 as they pertain to a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).

Motion #159 -

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee A. Saraceni that a Public Hearing be set for July 20th, 2006, at 7:30 p.m. to hear comments concerning a Local Law amending the certain sections in Chapters 54, 10, 63 and 72 as they pertain to a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).

CARRIED.

Discussion in regards to better defining the scope of work to be done by QPK on the South Shore East Trail Project.

Discussion concerning Right-of-way, easements, topo-survey for South Shore East Trail Project.

Mayor O'Hara stated that he would like to discuss the two above agenda items together. He felt that the village should decide what they would like to see get done on the South Shore East Trail Project that they gave to QPK to design. He noted that the village has only enough current funding to either build a bridge over Crooked Brook or build a trail to the bridge area. He also noted that the village has applied for grant funds to complete the parts of that trail that the village does not complete.

The Village Board discussed the pro and cons of doing the bridge without a completed trail and having the trail without the completed bridge. Mayor O'Hara suggested that the DPW Committee discuss this issue further now that they have heard comments from the Village Board Members.

Discussion/Action in regards to setting a Public Hearing on July 20, 2006, at 7:35 p.m. to hear comments concerning changing River Street from two way traffic to one way traffic – westbound.

Motion #160 -

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee A. Saraceni that a Public Hearing be set for July 20, 2006, at 7:35 p.m. to hear comments concerning changing River Street from two way traffic to one way traffic – westbound.

CARRIED.

Discussion/Action in regards to the request received from the Community Wesleyan Church for a Block Party on Saturday, August 5, 2006, from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. They would like permission to block off a small portion of Frawley Drive from Downer Street to just before Wilkinson Place.

Motion #161 -

Moved by Trustee Tupper seconded by Trustee Presley that the request received from the Community Wesleyan Church for a Block Party on Saturday, August 5, 2006, from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., be approved. They would like permission to block off a small portion of Frawley Drive from Downer Street to just before Wilkinson Place.

CARRIED.

Discussion/Action in regards to the request received from the residents from Triangle Place for a neighborhood party on Sunday, August 20, 2006, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. They are requesting permission to block off Triangle Place from the corner of West Oneida Street to the corner of West Genesee Street and to have the waiver of the open container law in effect during that time.

Motion #162 -

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee A. Saraceni that the request received from the residents from Triangle Place for a neighborhood party on Sunday, August 20, 2006, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m be approved with the waiver of the open container law in effect during that time. They are given permission to block off Triangle Place from the corner of West Oneida Street to the corner of West Genesee Street.

CARRIED.

Discussion/Action concerning giving the Mayor permission to sign the agreement between the Village of Baldwinsville and Midlakes Navigation Company, Ltd, for the permit for operations of the Cruise Boat for Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from July 7, 2006, through August 30, 2006.

Motion #163 -

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee Stebbins that the Mayor be given permission to sign the agreement between the Village of Baldwinsville and Midlakes Navigation Company, Ltd, for the permit for operations of the Cruise Boat for Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from July 7, 2006, through August 30, 2006.

CARRIED.

Discussion/Action concerning giving the Mayor permission to sign the agreement between the Village of Baldwinsville and the Towns of Van Buren and Lysander for Canton Woods Senior Center for 2005.

J. C. Engelbrecht suggested that the contract be sent to the towns for their signature before the village signs the contract since they negotiated the budget that this agreement is based on.

The Village Board directed the Village Clerk to send the agreement to the towns for their signature then have them send it back to the Village Board.

Discussion/Action in regards to a request for annexation into the Village of Baldwinsville received from Wayne and Josephine Brown of 3 Kossy Lane.

Motion #164 -

Moved by Trustee Tupper seconded by Trustee A. Saraceni that the request for annexation into the village from Wayne and Josephine Brown of 3 Kossy Lane be received.

CARRIED.

Mayor O'Hara stated that the Town of Lysander has not received this request for annexation; therefore a public hearing cannot be set at this time. Once the Town of Lysander receives the request, the village will set a joint public hearing at the next Village Board Meeting.

Discussion/Action in regards to a request from Timothy MacConaghy and Lindsay Clarkson for a waiver of the open container law for their wedding and reception to be held on Paper Mill Island on September 9, 2006, during the hours of 3:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

Motion #165 -

Moved by Trustee Tupper seconded by Trustee Presley that the request from Timothy MacConaghy and Lindsay Clarkson for a waiver of the open container law for their wedding and reception to be held on Paper Mill Island on September 9, 2006, during the hours of 3:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m., be approved.

CARRIED.

Mayor O'Hara stated that he would like to appoint Robin Augello as a member of the ARB Board.

Motion #166 -

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee Mott that the appointment of Robin Augello as a member of the ARB Board be approved.

CARRIED.

Motion #167 -

Moved by Trustee Mott seconded by Trustee A. Saraceni that the bills be paid from their proper accounts, after audit. General #254 (Cks #28589-28674) - \$102,371.02; Water #254 (Cks #21393-21399) - \$732.37; Sewer #254 (Cks #20894-20899) - \$987.17.

CARRIED.

Motion #168 -

Moved by Trustee Presley seconded by Trustee Tupper that the meeting be adjourned at 8:37 p.m., until the next Regular Meeting to be held on July 20, 2006, at 7:30 p.m., at Village Hall.

CARRIED.

Adjournment, Village Clerk

