

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BALLSTON SPA, NY, held July 14, 2025

Present: Mayor Rossi, Trustee Price-Bush, Trustee Baskin, Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, Trustee Raymond, Village Clerk O'Connor, Village Administrator Moskowitz, Attorney Buettner

1) Call to Order

2) Pledge to the Flag

3) Minutes

a) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush that the minutes of the 6/9/25 meeting be approved.

Trustee Baskin again stated his disappointment that his amendment requests aren't clarified in the minutes when they are not accepted at the previous meeting.

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez-yes Trustee Price-Bush-yes Trustee Baskin-abstain

Trustee Raymond-yes Trustee Mayor Rossi-yes

Motion Passed

4) Public Hearing

a) Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program – 7:01pm

Nancy Williams of Jem Inc. presented an overview of the program, noting that the Village has been a program participant since 1978.

Mayor Rossi opened the hearing for public comment at 7:11pm.

Liz Kormos of 89 Hyde Blvd. asked for clarification on the number of vouchers.

Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Baskin to close the public hearing at 7:16pm.

Ayes All

5) Presentations (done as part of the public hearing)

6) Public Comment on Agenda Items Only (3 Minutes per Speaker)

Mayor Rossi explained the details of the walk on motion for the Refrigerators concert.

There was no public comment.

7) Consent Agenda Items for Consideration

a) Motion made by Trustee Raymond, seconded by Trustee Baskin to approve the items on the following Consent Agenda:

i) Motion that the Ballston Spa Lions Club be granted permission to park cars along the Village fence line during Fair week. Proof of liability insurance has been provided.

ii) That Free Spirit Fellowship be granted permission to perform music and offer literature in Iron Spring Park on 9/20/25 from 12:00pm to 3:30pm. Proof of liability insurance has been provided.

Ayes All

8) Motions/Resolutions for Consideration/Vote

a) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush, approving the attached “Resolution Adopting the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program PHA Plan for 2025” and authorizing the Mayor to execute documents consistent with that Resolution.

Ayes All

b) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Raymond, approving the asbestos services agreement between Ambient Environmental, Inc., and the Village of Ballston Spa for \$3,950.00 (plus a potential \$500.00 additional cost for a stamped drawing set), and authorizing the Mayor to execute the Agreement.

Ayes All

c) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Raymonde that John Gaba be appointed as a part-time police officer.

Ayes All

d) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush approving the contract between the Village of Ballston Spa and The Refrigerators for \$2,650.00 for performance during Family Fun Day and authorizing the Mayor to execute said agreement.

Ayes All

9) Mayor’s Announcements (Posted on Facebook in the interest of keeping this meeting short due to the heat)

10) Treasurer’s Report

11) Liaison Reports

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez reported that the BSBPA is holding its 1st summer concert this Thursday at Old Iron Spring.

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez noted that the BOA met last week and discussed the feedback they received from their last public workshop.

Trustee Price-Bush stated that the Library is still hoping to be open in July. Anyone wishing to register for the reading programs can do so online.

On 7/11 and 8/1 there will be “Story Times Under the Stars before the Movies in the Park in Old Iron Spring.

Trustee Baskin noted that the Park and Tree Board is excited about the Wiswall Park pavilion and renovations and thanks all involved.

The Park and Tree Board is also working on a plan to plant native flowering shrubs in the park.

Trustee Baskin reminded all of the Committee on the Arts upcoming sketch and print program on 8/24, 8/31 and 9/7 from 12:00pm to 3:00pm at the Brookside Museum. Preregister with Brookside.

Trustee Raymond has been working on the installation of the new pool filter, getting power ready for Wiswall Park among other usual tasks.

12) Old Business

a) Office of Emergency Management

Mayor Rossi noted the plan is under legal review.

b) Zoning

The Board should have their comments in by the close of business on 7/8 for discussion discussed at the 7/21 meeting.

13) New Business (None)

14) Public Comment on Any Issue (3 Minutes)

There was no public comment.

15) Other Business (Including, but Not Limited to Board Response to Public Comment)

Trustee Baskin questioned the additional payment to the zoning consultant.

Mayor answered it is for review with our attorney.

Trustee Baskin questioned having our attorney involved with the review.

Attorney Buettner answered it is her job.

16) Executive Session (None)

17) Adjournment/Voucher Audit:

Motion made by Trustee Price-Bush, seconded by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, that the Vouchers be audited, and the meeting adjourned at 7:42pm.

General Fund	\$ 229,649.93
Sewer Relevy	16,063.94
Library Fund	5,276.36
Trust & Agency	-----
Total	\$ 250,990.23

Ayes All

Respectfully Submitted,

Teri L. O'Connor
Village Clerk