

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BALLSTON SPA, NY, held
September 22, 2025**

Present: Trustee Baskin, Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, Trustee Raymond, Village Administrator Moskowitz,
Attorney McAuliffe

Absent: Mayor Rossi, Trustee Price-Bush, Attorney Buettner, Village Clerk O'Connor

1) Call to Order

2) Pledge to the Flag

3) Minutes

a) Motion made by Trustee Baskin, seconded by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez that the minutes of
the 09/08/25 meeting be approved.

Ayes All

4) Presentations (None)

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez explained the upcoming walk-on motions

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

Mike Iacolucci of 3 Encore Drive spoke in favor of the fire contract.

6) Consent Agenda Items for Consideration (None)

7) Motions/Resolutions for Consideration/Vote

a) Motion made by Trustee Baskin, seconded by Trustee Raymond, to approve a five-year contract
agreement between the Town of Milton and the Village of Ballston Spa to provide fire protection
services by the Ballston Spa Fire Department to Town of Milton Fire Protection, District No. 1 and
authorize the Mayor or Deputy Mayor to sign the agreement. (Note: There are some legal concerns
with respect to some language in the proposed agreement and the Village's Investment Policy in the
Village Code. The Village Attorney is aware of these concerns and will be working with Town counsel
before execution of these agreements to ensure the language and approach are legally appropriate.)

Motion made by Trustee Baskin, seconded by Trustee Raymond to approve the motion with the
following amendment:

Section 3.), second paragraph, first sentence shall be revised to read as follows:

"All sums paid hereunder shall be spent only for the furnishing of such aid and fire protection and the
use of apparatus, equipment, and fire personnel as aforesaid."

Ayes All

b) Motion made by Trustee Raymond, seconded by Trustee Baskin, to approve a five-year contract
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use of apparatus, equipment, and fire personnel as aforesaid."

Ayes All

c) Motion made by Trustee Baskin, seconded by Trustee Raymond, that the resignation of Timothy Van Appledorn be accepted and that he be removed from the rolls of Eagle-Matt Lee Fire Co. #1 and the Ballston Spa Fire Department.

Ayes All

d) Motion made by Trustee Raymond, seconded by Trustee Baskin, that Jacob Kozlowski be hired for the position of DPW Laborer.

Ayes All

e) Motion made by Trustee Baskin, seconded by Trustee Raymond, that Peggy Crawford be granted permission to conduct a “Charlie Kirk Celebration of Life” on Milton Avenue between Van Buren and Ford Streets on 9/24 from 6:00pm until 8:00pm.

Ayes All

f) Motion made by Trustee Raymond, seconded by Trustee Baskin, that Malta Avenue Elementary School be authorized to close Grove Street from 9:15 AM to 2:00 PM on Friday, October 10, for fire safety presentations by the fire department.

Ayes All

g) Motion made by Trustee Baskin, seconded by Trustee Raymond, approving the issuance of the Library Invitation to Bid (request for proposal) related to asbestos remediation, and authorizing the Mayor to execute any related documents for the purpose of issuance.

Ayes All

h) Motion made by Trustee Baskin, seconded by Trustee Raymond, approving the attached asbestos air monitoring proposal from Ambient Environmental, Inc., and authorizing the Mayor to execute the document.

Ayes All

- i) Motion made by Trustee Raymond, seconded by Trustee Baskin, approving Change Order #3 for USG Water Solutions related to the delay costs related to the John St. Tower exterior painting. These costs are to be absorbed by the carriers through pending agreements. This motion authorizes the Mayor to execute the Change Order.**

Motion made by Trustee Raymond, seconded by Trustee Baskin that the motion be tabled.

Ayes All

j) Motion made by Trustee Baskin, seconded by Trustee Raymond, to approve the payment of \$1,500.00 previously approved for 66 Front St. & 30 Bath St. to The Appraisal Company.

Ayes All

k) Motion made by Trustee Raymond, seconded by Trustee Baskin to approve the invitation to bid for Milton Water District 3 Improvement Project Olde Mill Pumping Station Upgrade and setting the bid opening date at 11:00am on 11/14/25 and authorizing the publishing of the invitation.

Ayes All

l) Motion made by Trustee Baskin, seconded by Trustee Raymond approving the permit application of Cari Scribner to conduct an Anti-Drug Peaceful Protest on Milton Avenue from the liquor store to Nourish on 10/11/25 from 12:00pm until 1:00pm.

Ayes All

l) Motion made by Trustee Raymond, seconded by Trustee Baskin that John Cioce be hired for the position of part-time Ballston Spa Police Officer.

Ayes All

m) Motion made by Trustee Raymond, seconded by Trustee Baskin that the sum of \$2,782.50 be returned to Chris Boyea as overage from required escrow held for code review of the 11 High street project.

Ayes All

8) Mayor's Announcements (None)

9) Treasurer's Report (None)

10) Liaison Reports

Trustee Raymond reported that the DPW will be milling and paving. Loose brush and clippings can be put out beginning 10/15.

Trustee Baskin said that new lampposts will be installed in Wiswall Park in the coming weeks. As far as Kelley Park is concerned, members of the Lions and Rotary Clubs have offered to help organize some improvement projects to the Creekside Playground, as well as some other small projects in the park.

Next Door Kitchen and Bar/Front Street Deli, the Ballston Spa House and Garden Club at the Library, Golden Hour Beauty, Play Hollow and Nourish Design Studio were the winners of BSpa in Bloom. Thanks to all who participated.

Regarding the Committee on the Arts , Trustee Baskin stated that there will be an open-mic night at the real McCoy on 10/03, and a Sounds of Winter concert at Brookside on 11/15.

The Committee on the Arts is looking to fill a vacancy.

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez reported that between June and August, the Fire Department had 151 emergency calls.

The "Way We Were Car Show" will be held Columbus Day weekend, volunteers are still needed.

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez noted that there will be a fall festival on last day of the Farmer's Market on 10/04.

11) Old Business

a) Zoning

Trustee Baskin feels that there should be a special meeting to discuss the zoning code as there would not be time during a regular meeting.

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez will create a Doodle Poll to schedule a special meeting.

Trustee Baskin created and shared an excel sheet for the Board to share comments on the zoning draft.

12) New Business

b) Ethics Code (Membership Portion of Code)

How new appointments are made is under review.

13) Public Comment on Any Issue (3 Minutes)

Ray Otten, 16 Middlebrook Avenue is seeking volunteers and donations for the Annual Thanksgiving Dinner and also said they are seeking organizations that would be interested in leftovers.

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

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez stated that due to an error in the abstract, the general fund numbers changed, as indicated below.

15) Executive Session (Not Needed)

16) Adjournment/Voucher Audit:

Motion made by Trustee Baskin, seconded by Trustee Raymond, that the Vouchers be audited, and the meeting adjourned at 7:59m.

General Fund	\$ 146,266.26
Sewer Relevy	431.34
Library Fund	3,328.82
Trust & Agency	<u>-----</u>
Total	\$ 149,817.80

Ayes All

Respectfully Submitted,

Teri L. O’Connor
Village Clerk