

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BALLSTON SPA, NY held
December 8, 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 Led by Chief Krough

3) Minutes

a) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price- Bush that the minutes of the 11/24/25 meeting be approved.

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez discussed changes to be made, Liz Kormos Public comment sentence not completed on minutes and Motion A Trustee Price-Bush was the second.

Ayes ALL

4) Presentations- None

SEQR approval for Zoning Part 1 and lead agency.

Approval for Ladder & Sensors for FD invoice to Fire Equip. Testing Inc. for \$4,649.80 as walk on BACC contract will be a walk on for \$17,000.00 for programming costs.

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

Liz Kormos- 89 Hyde: Ethics Board question about resignations, inquired why Zoning draft was not in the attachments.

Mike Gormly- 504 Victory Circle: Concerns about resolution with Village PD participation with I.C.E.

Mike Iacolucci- 3 Encore Drive: Motion 7o water study, how much water the village is losing versus amt of water produced? On the 7(r) Immigration and Safety resolution, indicating he is in favor of adoption.

Terry Diggory- 173 Circular St Saratoga Springs & on the Board of Lifeworks in Village: In favor of the Immigration resolution.

Erin Willett- 25 Morningkill Dr: Immigration resolution, in favor of not allowing our Local Law enforcement to participate with I.C.E.

Anna Stanko- 32 Kent St: Immigration- completely trusts our Local Law enforcement. Not in favor of the resolution.

Donna Clay- Immigration resolution- supports it. Reject any involvement with I.C.E.

Michelle Juda- 34 Vantassel lane : Immigration resolution, in favor of it.

Board unanimously suspended the rule for Public speaking on only talking about agenda topics for Chief Krough in case he gets called for a fire:

Chief Kevin Krough 103 Independence Dr: Regarding the loss of Christine Fitzpatrick, former Mayor and Trustee. He wanted to convey battles he may have had with her, says that it was business and he wanted to clarify it was all for the benefit for the Fire Departments and the community. Thanked Trustee Baskin and Trustee Raymond and appreciated their support for the fire contracts, trucks and extends that to the rest of the Board. The support doesn't go unnoticed.

Mayor Rossi commented that he and Trustee VanDeinse-Perez were speaking to CDTA about bus shelters and are looking into naming one that is placed by the ReShop in memory of Mayor Fitzpatrick.

Chief Dave Bush: He has been in law enforcement for 27 years, in this village since 1998. 1 incident back in Jan. He was reported to the Attorney General for that incident and was cleared due to this department doing nothing wrong. This resolution is an exact or almost word for word Attorney Generals: Guidance concerning local authorities' participation in immigration enforcement. Chief Bush read the Village of Ballston Spa Police Departments Mission statement. Part of the policy manual is what gives them authority, concluding the last line states "All members shall observe and comply with every persons clearly established rights under the U.S. and N.Y.S. Constitution." He states they are already doing what the Board is asking the BSPD to do in this resolution. He doesn't feel the Village needs the resolution as they are already doing it.

Chris DuBuque- 6 Kaleen Dr: Immigration resolution- look up Saratoga County unemployment office for answers about unemployment, insurance and benefits. His concern with this resolution is that it will create a target and impact in more ways than this Village has reviewed, including on- jobs, housing, school district, shelter, social services and programs. His opinion is this roll out has not been thought out and this appears to be bad timing. He does not support this resolution at this time.

6) Consent Agenda Items for Consideration: none.

7) Motions/Resolutions for Consideration/Vote

a) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush that the resignation of Village Clerk Teri O'Connor be accepted effective December 19, 2025, for the purpose of retirement.

Ayes All

b) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush approving the cashing out by Teri O'Connor of any unused vacation and/or sick days upon her resignation.

Ayes All

c) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush that the resignation of Ethics Board member Julie Gazetos be accepted effective 12/31/25.

Ayes All

d) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush that the resignation of Ethics Board member Carrie Curvin be accepted effective 12/26/25.

Ayes All

e) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush that the resignation of Ethics Board member Mandy Rider be accepted effective immediately.

Ayes All

f) Motion made by Trustee Price-Bush, seconded by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez that the resignation of Court Clerk Kristin Valentine be accepted effective 12/31/25.

Ayes All

g) Motion made by Trustee Price-Bush, seconded by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez that Adele Compton be appointed as a part-time Court Clerk effective immediately.

Ayes All

h) Motion made by Trustee, VanDeinse-Perez seconded by Trustee Raymond that Heather Fitzpatrick be appointed as a part time Court Clerk effective immediately.

Ayes All

i) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush that Matthew D. Weirath be appointed a member of Eagle-Matt Lee Fire Co. #1 and the Ballston Spa Fire Dept.

Ayes All

j) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush that Anna Fraizer be removed from the rolls of Eagle-Matt Lee Fire Co. #1 and the Ballston Spa Fire Dept.

Ayes All

k) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush that the Ballston Spa Fire Dept. be authorized to expend the amount of \$7,705.00 for medical screening services.

Ayes All

l) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush that Joe Ricci be permitted to utilize Eagle-Matt Lee Firehouse for a private event on 12/27/25.

Ayes All

m) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush to declare the Village Board of Trustees, lead agency for the Zoning Code.

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez-yes

Trustee Price-Bush-yes

Trustee Baskin-yes

Trustee Raymond-yes

Mayor Rossi-yes

Motion Passed

n) Motion made by Trustee Price-Bush, seconded by Trustee Raymond to refer the attached Zoning Code to the Village Planning Board for review and recommendation pursuant to Village Code Section 205-74[B]) and to the Zoning Board for review and recommendation. (Note: Draft forthcoming.)

Discussion: Trustee Baskin made a statement regarding this Zoning code draft going back to Planning and Zoning Boards for review.

Mayor Rossi and Trustee VanDeinse-Perez responded to Trustee Baskins concerns.

Trustee Raymond feels there is more work to be done, but it will be up to the future Board, Planning board and the public.

Mayor Rossi reiterated this is just a motion to refer, then called for roll call vote.

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez-yes

Trustee Price-Bush-yes

Trustee Baskin-no

Trustee Raymond-yes

Mayor Rossi-yes

Motion Passed

o) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Raymond re-approving the purchase of a 2024 Chevrolet Fire Police truck for the Ballston Spa Fire Department for the price of \$92,680.07. The prior approval was for \$89,180.00 and was intended to be paid for using an installment contract. The Fire Department has opted to utilize Truck Reserve funds (which totaled just over \$250,000.00 before the end of FY2025) for the purchase. The price increase is caused by body and lighting cost changes.

Ayes All

p) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush approving the attached agreement for leak detection and mapping services to be provided by GPRS, Inc. to the Village of Ballston Spa for the cost of \$12,150.00, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement and any other related paperwork.

Discussion: Mayor Rossi addressed Mike Iacolucci's question from earlier. Est 30% but all may not be a loss as some things are not tracked like the pool & hydrant flushing. This is geared towards finding the leaks we have or identifying old meter precision. It will help with mapping of our infrastructure as well.

Trustee Baskin asked if we need to send to bid. Mayor Rossi and Attorney Buettner replied no, there is no legal requirement since it would be professional services. Mayor Rossi also mentioned grant funding possibilities in the future if this moves forward to make improvements.

Ayes All

q) Motion made by Trustee Raymond, seconded by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez allowing DPW to purchase 200 tons of salt from Morton's Salt for a total of \$12,514.00.

Ayes All

r) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush approving the reimbursement for sidewalk repair/replacement in the sum of \$4,000.00 to Charles and Natalie LaMendola for work performed at 63 East High Street.

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez is happy it is finally getting repaired, Mayor mentioned it was corner lot. Trustee Baskin asked if it went through all permit process and Trustee Raymond asked if there was a cap. Mayor Rossi replied yes to both. The cap on sidewalk reimbursement is \$4,000.00.

Ayes All

s) Motion made by Trustee Baskin, seconded by Trustee Raymond to adopt the attached Immigrant and Community Safety Resolution.

Discussion: Trustee Baskin reads the resolution and his statement.

Trustee Raymond makes a statement regarding this resolution.

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez makes a statement regarding this resolution. Stating the law and policies already provide the protections to undocumented immigrants that are outlined in the resolution.

Mayor Rossi made a statement regarding this resolution.

Trustee Baskin inquired with Chief Bush to weigh in on specifics, Chief Bush reiterated what he stated before.

Trustee VanDeinse- Perez called for a roll call vote.

Trustee Price-Bush made a brief statement.

Trustee Baskin continued to read from the resolution.

Mayor Rossi repeated the request for Roll call vote.

Trustee Price Bush, seconded.

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez-no

Trustee Price-Bush-no

Trustee Baskin-yes

Trustee Raymond-yes

Mayor Rossi-abstain

Resolution Failed

t) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush approving the payment of Fire Equipment Testing Inc. for service test services \$4,649.80.

Discussion: Chief Krough mentioned this was prior approved, but the invoice went to wrong address (original cost was \$5,000.00).

Ayes All

u) Motion made by Trustee Baskin, seconded by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez approving the agreement between the Village of Ballston Spa and BACC for a total of \$17,000.00. Authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement.

Discussion: Trustee Baskin asked about payments in 2 payments or one lump sum. Attorney Bueettner confirmed it will be one payment.

Ayes All

8) Mayor's Announcements

Bus Shelters after speaking to CDTA last week. Cost vs. locations. They can afford to do ReShop, Cross walk but Double Day Woods is a financial problem due to underground power cables per Trustee VanDeinse-Perez. Mayor Rossi will speak to National Grid and the County to see if they will help.

Village Clerk Retirement- Congratulations and Thank you for all you've done for the Village. We are working to see what to do in the interim, Rebecca Little will be filling in until we figure that out.

Organizational meeting- Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush set January 1st 2026 at noon. For swearing in and organizational items.

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez-yes

Trustee Price-Bush-yes

Trustee Baskin-yes

Trustee Raymond-yes

Mayor Rossi-abstain

Motion Passed

Town of Milton Water District #3, Town of Milton will pay Village of Ballston for the excess usage wording of IMA and this will be finalized January 1st. More will be discussed at next meeting.

Modernizing our current water system. Looking into finding a way to eliminate water card readings and looking into Grants to do this. Ie; Radar reading etc.

Incoming Trustee Dunklebarger and Mayor Rossi have been talking to Capital Region Transportation Council regarding the 25 mile per hour study and other mobility & pedestrian safety enhancements in review and what they're going to do with a possible grant from the State, hoping we can work on getting us TAP-CMAC ready for next go around since we missed it this year. We also need to have ADA transition plan to do this as well.

9) Treasurer's Report –

Meters cards were mailed out, please return no later than December 31st to avoid penalties.

Working on a new Employee HRA program via WEX HRA, as of January 1, 2026 we will no longer be using Lifetime Benefit Solutions. Any claims from 2025, employees will have until February 28, 2026 to submit those for reimbursement.

Mortgage tax the village received \$28,389.82.

Sales Tax received \$117,300.00.

10) Liaison Reports

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez- wrap for Ricketts is behind but should be installed the week of December 15th.

Holiday parade Thanks to all those who volunteered and helped plan and organize.

BSBPA Holiday mixer on December 16th at 6pm at Irons Edge Restaurant.

Trustee Price-Bush- Breakfast with Santa was a hit! Thanks to all the Volunteers and workers.

Menorah lighting will be on December 15th at 7pm.

Library is still closed until December 12th. They will have Paws to Read December 20th 1130-1230 for the kids.

Ballston Spa area Seniors is holding breakfast with Santa for members. December 13th 9-11a.m.

Trustee Baskin-

Committee on the Arts: Sounds of Winter will be held January 17th at Brookside and February 14th.

First Friday open mic at Real Mcoy on January 2nd at 530pm.

Next Committee on the Arts is December 10th at Brookside.

Park & Tree: Enjoying the newly lit Holiday Tree in the park! Thanked Trustee Baskin for all his help through his time as Trustee. Next Park and Tree meeting is December 16th at 7pm Cornell Cooperative ext conference room.

Trustee Raymond- DPW

Picking up leaves and brush in between snow storms.

Preparations for Christmas decorations and parade were completed.

Reorganization within DPW garage- ongoing.

DPW has almost completed winterizing hydrants.

11) Old Business- Zoning- pass on discussion since it was already spoken about.

Parade laws-clarification.

Board Openings: A lot of openings for multiple board positions, public is encouraged to apply.

Sidewalk Funding: Damages caused on East High, Trustee Raymond wanted clarification on how the money will be used, follow current guidelines? Mayor Rossi advised it will be determined once our attorney has a chance to review. Trustee Raymond wants to be sure it goes into a sidewalk fund and it follows ADA plans. Mayor Rossi reiterated Kiewit's original earmark for that money.

12) New Business-

Trustee Raymond made his end-of-term statement.

Trustee Baskin made his end-of-term statement.

13) Public Comment on Any Issue (3 Minutes)

Ellie Dillon- 116 Malta Ave- thanked Trustee Baskin and Trustee Raymond for their service.

John Cromie- 132 Bath St wanted to know if there has been any more information about the Tannery property? Trustee VanDeinse-Perez replied that she believes they are still pursuing it and the Board is still waiting for an update per Mayor Rossi.

Richard Bashant- Chapman St Thanked Trustee Baskin and Trustee Raymond for their time here.

Mike Iacolucci- 3 Encore Dr. Thanked Trustee Raymond and Trustee Baskin for their time.

Jared Iacolucci- new zoning draft- Is that the new one? When will the public be able to view it? Disappointed with the failure of the resolution. Thanked Trustee Baskin and Trustee Raymond for their time.

Trustee Baskin asked if the Zoning Draft has been made available yet? Attorney Buettner said she submitted it to the Board. Village Administrator said she will make it available.

Liz Kormos- 89 Hyde Thanked both Trustee Raymond and Trustee Baskin for their time in service.

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

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez- Thanked Trustee Baskin and Trustee Raymond. Trustee Raymond thanked Trustee Baskin for being his running mate.

Trustee Price-Bush thanked them both for their service.

Mayor Rossi made a statement on the service end of Trustee Baskin and Trustee Raymond. He hopes they continue to have talks and discussions. Trustee Baskin looks forward to continuing the conversation from the other side of the table and Trustee Raymond said feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

Trustee Baskin mentioned the one Business item was about background checks and if they happen prior to board approvals. The Mayor and Chief Bush explained the process and why it is important to do them this way.

15) Executive Session- not needed

16) Adjournment/Voucher Audit:

Motion made by Trustee Price-Bush, seconded by Trustee Baskin that the Vouchers be audited, and the meeting adjourned at 9:40pm.

General Fund	\$ 193,947.90
Sewer Relevy	242.58
Library Fund	829.21
Trust & Agency	<u>635.65</u>
Total	\$195,655.34

Respectfully Submitted,

**Rebecca Little
Village Deputy Clerk**

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BALLSTON SPA, NY

held December 15, 2025

Present: Mayor Rossi, Trustee Price-Bush, Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, Village Deputy Clerk Little, Village Administrator Moskowitz

Absent: Trustee Baskin, Trustee Raymond

1) Call to Order 6:30pm

2) Pledge to the Flag

3) Public Comment on Agenda Items Only (3 Minutes per Speaker) - None

4) Motions/Resolutions for Consideration/Vote

Walk on Motion: Approve funding for our Wex HRA program for the Month of January but will change month to month depending on reserve.

a) Motion made by Trustee Van Deinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush declaring Ballston Spa Fire Department Apparatus ETA 13-3 (1990 Spartan Engine, Tanker Apparatus) as surplus.

Trustee Price-Bush- Yes

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez- Yes

Mayor Rossi- Yes

Motion Passes

b) Motion made by Trustee Price- Bush, seconded by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez approving the sale of Ballston Spa Fire Department Apparatus ETA 13-3 (1990 Spartan Engine, Tanker Apparatus) to Gotion New Energy Illinois Manteno for \$35,000.00, authorizing the payment to Garage Fire Apparatus Sales of \$3,500.00 as a broker's fee, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the relevant paperwork related to such sale and payment.

Trustee Price-Bush- Yes

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez- Yes

Mayor Rossi- Yes

Motion Passes

c) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush authorizing the 2025-26 Ice Rink agreement between the Ballston Spa Central School District and the Village of Ballston Spa, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement.

Mayor Rossi has the Certificate of Insurance in hand.

Trustee Price-Bush- Yes

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez- Yes

Mayor Rossi- Yes

Motion Passes

d) Motion made by Trustee Price-Bush, seconded by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez approving order of two Library shelving cases with glass fronts connected to the Local History Room from Accent Furniture for \$3,487.75.

Trustee Price-Bush- Yes

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez- Yes

Mayor Rossi- Yes

Motion Passes

e) Motion made by Trustee Price-Bush, seconded by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez approving order of window blinds and window UV film (blinds for Local History Room, Read Room, and adjacent entry connected to Reading Room) for \$3,702.00 from Ace Window.

Trustee Price-Bush- Yes

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez- Yes

Mayor Rossi- Yes

Motion Passes

f) Motion made by Trustee Price- Bush, seconded by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez approving order of four high-quality Library book trucks for \$2,305.07 from Demco.

Trustee Price-Bush- Yes

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez- Yes

Mayor Rossi- Yes

Motion Passes

g) Motion made by Trustee Price-Bush, seconded by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez approving payment of invoice to Ambient Environmental for \$880.00 related to consulting services for the Library attic.

Trustee Price-Bush- Yes

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez- Yes

Mayor Rossi- Yes

Motion Passes

h) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, Seconded by Trustee Price- Bush to allow payment to WEX non threshold HRA for one month reserve for \$9,200.00.

Trustee Price-Bush- Yes

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez- Yes

Mayor Rossi- Yes

Motion Passes

5) Adjournment

Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush, that the meeting be adjourned at 6:37 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Little
Village Deputy Clerk

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BALLSTON SPA, NY held
January 1, 2026**

Present: Mayor Rossi, Trustee Price-Bush, Trustee Dunkelbarger, Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, Trustee DuBuque, Village Clerk Little.

1) Call to Order

2) Pledge to the Flag

3) Swearing-In of Village Judge (By Judge Walsh) Julie Gazetos sworn in as Village Justice.

Incoming Village Trustees (By Village Judge Gazetos) Trustee Charlene DuBuque and Trustee Paul Dunkelbarger sworn in.

Trustee DuBuque made a statement Thanking the everyone here today and who voted, looking forward to serving everyone in this role.

Trustee Dunkelbarger made a statement thanks everyone for coming out and who supported him through the election.

Mayor Rossi recessed for 5 minutes for pictures

4) Announcement of Executive Liaisons see attached

5) Consent Agenda re: Clerk Appointments

Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush that:

Rebecca Little be appointed Village Clerk for the remainder of the term after retirement by former Clerk Teri O'Connor, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2027.

Rebecca Little be re-appointed Deputy Village Treasurer for a period of one year, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

Rebecca Little be appointed Registrar of Vital Statistics for a period of one year, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026 (Note: Deputy Registrar will be appointed at a later date.)

The Village Clerk be designated the Records Management Officer with the necessary powers to carry out the efficient administration of the preservation of all Official Village Records, received by the Clerk's Office, Departments of the Village of Ballston Spa, including all personnel and Human Services Records for a period of one year, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

All Ayes

6) Consent Agenda re: Staff Appointments

Motion made by Trustee Price-Bush, seconded by Trustee DubBuque that:

Brandi Burns be re-appointed Associate Village Justice for a period of one year, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

The following individuals be appointed or re-appointed part-time Police Officers for a period of one year, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026:

John Cioccke	Stanley DeLong	Michael DeMartino
Cody Fabian	Charles Fischer	John Gaba
Daryl Haberneck	Hector Monge	Eric Muller
Kurt Nolan	Scott Ostrander	Stephen Porcello

Jason Quinones
Michael Welch

James Redden

Ariel Santiago

The following individuals be re-appointed crossing guards for a period of one year, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026:

Carmen Isabella

Doug Fuller

William Lewis be re-appointed Assistant Building Inspector for a period of one year, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026. (Note: Building Inspector will be appointed at a later date, with David LaFountain as holdover until that time.)

Bob Cavanaugh be re-appointed Fire Code Enforcement Officer for a period of one year, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

Bob Cavanaugh be re-appointed Inventory Control Officer for a period of one year, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

Kathy Barner be re-appointed as Building Department Clerk for a period of one year, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

Frank S. Rossi, II, be re-appointed Budget Officer for a period of one year, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

All Ayes

7) Consent Agenda re: Boards/Committees/Commissions

Motion made by Trustee Dunkelbarger, seconded by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez that:

Rory O'Connor be re-appointed Chair of the Planning Board for a period of one year with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026. (Note: this does not affect his membership that was approved in 2022, as his term as a member expires in 2027 – extended to no earlier than December 31, 2027, due to Official Year changes).

Mathew Ercoline be appointed as a member of the Planning Board for a period of five years, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2030.

Robert Bush, Jr., be re-appointed as an alternate to the Planning Board for a period of one year with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

John Luciani be re-appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a period of five years, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2030.

Anna Stanko be re-appointed Chair of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a period of one year with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026. (Note: this does not affect her membership that was approved in 2025, as her term as a member expires no earlier than December 31, 2029).

Paul Laskey be re-appointed as an alternate to the Zoning Board for a period of one year with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

Donna Martin be re-appointed as an alternate to the Zoning Board for a period of one year with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

Karen Avenarius be re-appointed as an alternate to the Zoning Board for a period of one year with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

The following individuals be re-appointed to the Committee on Sexual Harassment and Discrimination Prevention for a period of one year with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026:

Anna Stanko

Bernadette VanDeinse-Perez

Rebecca Little

Anna Stanko be re-appointed as Chair to the Committee on Sexual Harassment and Discrimination Prevention for a period of one year with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

Kristopher Williams be re-appointed to the Park and Tree Board for a period of three years, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2028.

Kristopher DuBuque be re-appointed to the Park and Tree Board for a period of three years, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2028.

Caitlin Parwana be re-appointed as Chair of the Park and Tree Board for a period of one year with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

The following individuals be re-appointed to the Committee on Police Procedures for a period of one year with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026:

**Kelly Gregory
Homer Nathan**

**Ray Otten
Robert Bush, Jr.**

Lorri Riggs

Ray Otten be re-appointed as Chair of the Committee on Police Procedures for a period of one year with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

Patty Tesch be re-appointed as a member of the Library Board for a period of five years with the end date not to be before December 31, 2030.

Ashley Bush be re-appointed as a member of the Committee on the Arts for a period of three years with the end date not to be before December 31, 2028.

Ashley Bush be re-appointed as Chair of the Committee on the Arts for a period of one year, with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

(Note: Due to likely/needed changes to the Ethics Board and Historic District Commission codes in the first half of 2026, appointment of new members and re-appointment of current members will occur after terms are specifically determined in such revised code. Existing members will be considered holdovers at this time.)

All Ayes

8) Consent Agenda re: Training

Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush, that:

WHEREAS, there is to be during the coming official year a) the New York Annual Conference of Mayors Annual Meeting and Training School; b) New York State Conference of Mayors Fall Training School for Finance Officers and Municipal Clerks; and c) Schools for Department of Public Works Working Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, it is determined by the Board of Trustees that attendance by certain municipal officials and employees at one or more of their meetings, conferences or schools benefits the municipality.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The Village Board of Trustees, the Village Clerk, the Village Treasurer, the Deputy Village Treasurer, Accounting Assistant, Public Works Working Supervisor, and other employees as appropriate are hereby authorized to attend the above listed conferences and schools and others as determined by the Mayor.

Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

All Ayes

9) Mileage Reimbursement

Motion made by Trustee DuBuque, seconded by Trustee Dunkelbarger, that:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined to pay a fixed rate for a mileage as reimbursement to officers and employees of the Village who shall use their personal vehicles while performing their official duties on behalf of the Village;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. That the Board of Trustees shall approve a reimbursement to such officers, and employees at the current IRS reimbursement rate.

Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

All Ayes

10) Consent Agenda – Misc.

Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Price-Bush, that:

The following banks and depository organizations be designated as the Official Depositories of Village funds subject to change by a resolution of the Board of Trustees at any time: The Adirondack Trust Co., Generations Bank, NYCLASS, and Metropolitan Commercial Bank.

The Daily Gazette be designated as the Official Village Newspaper.

The Village Clerk be authorized to send a single letter to the news media providing the schedule of regular meetings, further the Village Clerk shall post a public notice of such schedule.

Field Horne be appointed as Historian of the Village of Ballston Spa for a period of one year with the end date not to be before December 31, 2026.

The Village Purchasing Policy has been reviewed and re-adopted by the Village Board.

All Ayes

11) Public Comment on Any “Other Motions” in Section 12:

Liz Kormos 89 Hyde- Motion a; the organizational meeting announced at the December 15th meeting stating that for this Organizational meeting- notice was posted on 12/31/2025. Stating it was not 72hrs prior. Requested the affidavit of the meeting notice. Motion f- Motion on IMA has this been approved by Milton and what area does this cover?

12) Other Motions

a) Motion made by Trustee Price-Bush, seconded by Trustee DuBuque approving the attached Rules of Procedure (Note: Amended to include reference to subsequent approval of Section 45-9 of the Village Code).

All Ayes

b) Motion made by Trustee Price-Bush seconded by Trustee Dunkelbarger approving the attached schedule of regular Board of Trustees meetings for calendar year 2026.

All Ayes

c) Motion made by Trustee Price-Bush seconded by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez approving payment of \$49,000.00 to Neoplanta Restoration, Inc., for work performed (and approved previously by the Board) to remove asbestos from the Ballston Spa Public Library.

All Ayes

d) Motion made by Trustee Van Deinse-Perez seconded by Trustee Price-Bush declaring a 2010 Chevrolet Tahoe utilized by the Ballston Spa Fire Department as surplus.

All Ayes

e) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez seconded by Trustee Dunkelbarger approving the sale of a 2010 Chevrolet Tahoe utilized by the Ballston Spa Fire Department to a private individual buyer for \$5,000.00, and authorizing the payment to Garage Fire Apparatus Sales of \$500.00 as a broker's fee, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the relevant paperwork related to such sale and payment.

All Ayes

f) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez seconded by Trustee Price-Bush approving the Intermunicipal Agreement between the Town of Milton and the Village of Ballston Spa related to Milton Water District No. 3, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the Agreement.

All Ayes

g) Motion made by Trustee DuBuque seconded by Trustee Price-Bush accepting the resignation of full-time Police Officer Edward Braim, effective 1/15/2026, for the purpose of retirement.

All Ayes

h) Motion made by Trustee Dunkelbarger seconded by Trustee DuBuque approving the payout of 80 hours of comp time to full-time Police Officer Edward Braim, for his paycheck dated on or about 1/3/2026.

All Ayes

i) Motion made by Trustee Dunkelbarger seconded by Trustee Price-Bush approving the payout of 80 hours of comp time to full-time Police Officer Edward Braim, for his paycheck dated on or about 1/10/2026.

All Ayes

j) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez seconded by Trustee Dunkelbarger approving the payout of 2.5 hours of comp time to former Village Clerk Teri O'Connor on or about 1/3/2026 (Note: This was time computed as the final remaining comp time she had not used.)

All Ayes

k) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez seconded by Trustee Dunkelbarger approving the payment of \$8,536.89 to the New York State Volunteer Firefighter Cancer Benefit Program to avoid potential 2/1/2026 cancellation.

All Ayes

l) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez seconded by Trustee Dunkelbarger approving the attached part-time Police Chief employment contract between the Village of Ballston Spa and Police Chief David Bush, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the contract. Mayor Rossi notes amendments to contract duration to cover calendar year 2026 and location to 78 Thompson St.

VanDeinse-Perez- Aye

DuBuque-Aye

Dunkelbarger-Aye

Price-Bush- Recuse

Mayor Rossi- Aye

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m) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez seconded by Trustee Dunkelbarger approving a new salary rate for Village Clerk/Deputy Treasurer Rebecca Little of \$67,500.00 per year apportioned as \$52,500.00 per year for Clerk and \$15,000.00 per year for Deputy Treasurer, effective January 1, 2026.

All Ayes

n) Motion made by Trustee Price-Bush seconded by Trustee Dunkelbarger approving the purchase of 300 tons of Morton's road salt, totaling \$19,671.00.

All Ayes

o) Motion made by Trustee Price-Bush seconded by Trustee DuBuque approving the installation of attic insulation at the Ballston Spa Public Library by Wainschaf Associates, Inc., for the cost of \$12,029.70, and approving the execution of any relevant related paperwork by the Mayor.

All Ayes

13) Adjournment:

Motion made by Trustee Price-Bush, seconded by Trustee DuBuque, that the meeting be adjourned at 12:34 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Little

Village Clerk