

**Special Board Meeting
Village of Ballston Spa
September 21, 2022**

Present: Mayor Rossi, Trustee Kormos, Trustee Baskin, Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, Trustee Raymond, Village Clerk O'Connor, Treasurer Smith, Village Administrator Moskowitz Attorney Buettner (via Zoom)

1) Call to Order

2) Pledge to the Flag

3) Agenda Items for Consideration (Part 1)

a) Motion made by Trustee Raymond, seconded by Trustee Kormos that the Village authorizes the DPW to continue with the necessary repairs on the DCM unit and crane sensor on the dump truck through HL Gage in the amount of \$5,500. (A.5110.4.4) (Requested by Mayor Rossi)

Ayes All

b) Motion made by Trustee Raymond, seconded by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez that the Village approves the purchase of pedestrian/crosswalk signs for a total not to exceed \$10,000. (A.5110.4.5) (Requested by Mayor Rossi & Trustee Raymond)

Ayes All

c) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Kormos that the Village shall enter into an agreement with Western Contracting to expend \$59,630.00 for the repairs of the roof of the building occupied by Union Fire Co. #2. This motion is made utilizing an emergency exception to the Village's Procurement Policy, as the repairs are needed to prevent near-term damage to the building caused by roof deficiencies. Three bids were obtained, and the lowest bid is being approved. The Board authorizes the Mayor to execute said agreement with Western Contracting after review and any necessary amendment to such agreement by the Village Attorney. (A.3412.2.7) (Requested by Mayor Rossi)

Ayes All

4) Public Comment #1 (3-Minute Limit per Speaker)

Rory O'Connor, 199 Milton Avenue is impressed with the grant application but thinks we do not have a parking issue.

Gina Marozzi of 10 Old Glory Lane is in favor of a parking garage.

Mark Blech, 10 Thompson Street advocated for an arts center.

Judy Esposito, 48 Chapman Street spoke about the importance of green space.

Keith Lewis of 38 East High Street suggested that the Library or the Bottle Museum be utilized as a welcome center with a public bathroom.

Donna Dardaris, 64 Middle Street agrees that a public bathroom should be in the Library or museum.

Dana Womer of 18 Coronado Way also agreed about the bathrooms.

5) Old Business

a) NY Forward Application (Trustee VanDeinse-Perez)

The Board discussed changes to the grant application, including more money for marketing and less for arts.

Whether or nor to sell the Village office building was the topic of much discussion.

6) Agenda Items for Consideration (Part 2)

d) Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Raymond that the Mayor be authorized to sign and submit the NY Forward application on or before September 23, 2022. The application to be utilized is the one agreed upon during the Special Meeting of September 21, 2022, of the Village Board of Trustees. Minor grammatical, spelling, and formatting changes are permitted before submission beyond changes required during said meeting. (Requested by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez)

Trustee Raymond-yes

Trustee Kormos-yes

Trustee Baskin-yes

Trustee VanDeinse-Perez-yes

Mayor Rossi-yes

Motion Passed

8) Adjournment:

Motion made by Trustee VanDeinse-Perez, seconded by Trustee Raymond, that the meeting be adjourned at 4:27pm.

Ayes All