

General Body Meeting
Baldwin Civic Association
January 10, 2019
Baldwin Middle School
7:00pm

Outgoing president Montalbano opened the meeting by recognizing dignitaries and elected officials present. Town of Hempstead Supervisor Laura Gillen made remarks and recognized outgoing board members. Nassau County Executive Laura Curran made remarks and administered the oath to incoming board members Darien Ward (President), Samantha Cools (Corresponding Secretary), Ashley Davis (Recording Secretary), and Constance Pittas (Treasurer). Steven Greenfield (Vice-President) was not present but Darien Ward acknowledged and accepted the oath in his stead. The meeting then transitioned into an exhibit on initial zoning overlay plans and proposal for Baldwin by the Town of Hempstead. Civic Association members and other community members present had the opportunity to view displayed plans.

Respectfully submitted by Ashley Renaire Davis.

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Thursday, Feb 7 at 7:30
Baldwin HS Cafeteria

Recording Secretary Ashley Davis presented the previous meeting's minutes for approval. The minutes were approved.

Brief Treasurer's report by Constance Pittas.
-13,000 projected tentative income of \$11,300

Steven Greenfield introduced Officer Clark(e):

- Wed. Feb 20th. Inspector Leahy First Precinct Meeting 7:00 at East Meadow Library
- Discussed flyers available and program to collect and distribute prom dresses
- Severe shortage of crossing guards in first precinct. Application was made available to BCA members.
- Scams with elderly. Flyers were provided.
- Feb 2nd, Shooting on Kinds Pkwy related to domestic dispute. Group fled the scene and were stopped and placed under arrest in 5th precinct.
- Arrest made in Philadelphia related to death at Pit Stop.
- Jan 31st Liquor store robbery being investigated.
- Officer Clark(e) also reported 2 commercial burglaries and 2 regular burglaries, 1 grand larceny of a vehicle. Keys were left inside the vehicle. 1 fatal overdose. This was followed by a presentation on phone scams and the elderly. Tips were provided to avoid phone scams (don't answer phone if you don't recognize the number).
- General rule don't volunteer any information to anybody.
- Government agencies are not going to ask you to pay a bill with a gift card.
- 573-6170 First Precinct POP office. (Problem Oriented Policing Office)

-Detailed for general body updated information regarding Nunley's Mural. Monies raised and installation details for the Mural. Mural will be installed in the Spring. March 9, 7-10 Cradle of Aviation Museum

Rita made a request for volunteer vehicle to transport mural from train station to artist's home.

Gazebo project George Pittas Eagle Scout. Rita explained where Mural will be mounted on LIRR Trestle. On the East Side. Opened floor for questions on beautification. No questions were asked by members.

-Membership report.

135 paid members

Renewal notices will begin going out. Dues are on an annual basis Jan-Dec.

Detailed different due levels, individuals, seniors, households, student memberships etc.

Talk in the future regarding Business membership.

Membership will be more active in recruiting people to become members. Signs up, information on social media etc.

Re-doing website to make it mobile. Website will be more intuitive and will be completed in the next couple of weeks.

Government Relations report.

- Complete Streets is still open to comments. (Nassau County)
- Zoning overlay is in process. BCA feels community should have a voice and is trying to establish that voice.
- Concerns were raised by the group including
 - o Concern as to whether or not plan includes consideration of current building and commercial code.
 - o Concern regarding dissemination of information related to the project.
 - o Ease of first responders responding because Baldwin only has Grand Avenue as a main thoroughfare.
- Question of responsible parties for each project was raised.

BCA Youth Group

- Nicollette Carion
 - o Youth Civic Association advocate. Expresses a desire to bring together youth who want to work to solve community issues.
 - o Surveyed BHS students. Students expressed lack of community involvement, empty storefronts, and a desire for places to hang out in Baldwin. Mental Health Forum
- In the past the group had been held outside of the High School
- Potential to do in High School as a club.
 - o Board of Ed. Requires an advisor
 - o \$2600-\$3000
 - o Youth will develop their own civic issues
- The aim is to garner support and begin the group in March
- Comments/Questions/Concerns
 - o baldwincivic@gmail.com, Youth Group in the subject line
- Issue of sustainability was raised; President Ward discussed the benefits of having the group within the High School.

March 20th, Coalition Meeting for Baldwin, District Office on Hastings Street, 7:00pm

Announcements

-Proposal of Legalizing Recreational Marijuana by Governor Cuomo and the impact on Nassau County.

-Interest group will be organized to get people to Town of Hempstead meetings and send letters to get voices heard.

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