Village of Blasdell
MEETING MINUTES
October 21, 2026

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 4:30pm by Mayor Hefner.

PRESENT: Mayor Hefner, Trustee Murphy, Trustee Fox, Trustee Drzal and Trustee Castiglia.

ABSENT: none

Resolved by Trustee Castiglia, seconded by Trustee Fox to approve the Minutes from the September 23, 2026 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

- **Carried 5-0**

FINANCE

Resolved by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Drzal to pay the bills as audited and the attached year end transfer of funds.

- **Carried 5-0**

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Village Clerk – Filed for the CHIPS reimbursement for the Labelle Ave paving project that was just completed, and the 2027 CDBG applications will be going to the Town of Hamburg tomorrow.

Village Attorney, James Shaw- Reported on the ongoing merger in regards to the Blasdell Fire Department that he will speak more on at the November 18th Village Board meeting.

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Hefner reported that the DPW are revamping the small park on Lake Ave by planting new trees, mulching, and painting the fence because the prior trees were dying and the area was overgrown.

TRUSTEES REPORTS

Trustee Murphy: Trustee Murphy reported that he is consulting with traffic experts regarding the ongoing Martin Ave. issues, and more signage could be a solution. He also reported to be mindful of kids on Halloween.

Trustee Drzal: Trustee Drzal also reported to watch out for kids on Halloween night, and that both veteran posts are hosting "Trunk or Treat" events on Saturday, October 24th from 3-5pm.

Trustee Castiglia: Trustee Castiglia reported that he held an appreciation breakfast for the Hometown Hero Banner project and received donations that he is giving to a veteran organization. He also reported on the E-Bike laws for New York State, and the various tax assistance programs for residents who are veterans.

Trustee Fox: Trustee Fox wants residents to be careful of kids playing in leaf piles near the streets and to watch out for kids on Halloween night.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolved by Trustee Drzal, seconded by Trustee Castiglia authorizing the Village Clerk Treasurer to advertise a Notice of No Parking on any Village Street from November 1, 2026 through March 31, 2027 from the hours of 1:00 am to 6:00 am.

- **Carried 5-0**

Resolved by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Drzal to establish Saturday, October 31, 2026 as the official celebration of Halloween in the Village of Blasdell from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

- **Carried 5-0**

Resolved by Trustee Castiglia, seconded by Trustee Fox authorizing the Village Clerk Treasurer to submit all 2026 – 2027 Village Real Property Taxes to the Erie County Finance Department for collection.

- **Carried 5-0**

Resolved by Trustee Fox, seconded by Trustee Drzal authorizing the mayor to execute the Village of Blasdell Service Award Program by and between the Village of Blasdell and Penflex Actuarial Services, LLC. For the Annual Administration of the LOSAP Program.

- **Carried 5-0**

Resolved by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Drzal to appoint Gregory P. Pencek II to the position of part-time Police Officer, pending the receipt of credentials.

- **Carried 5-0**

Resolved by Trustee Fox, seconded by Trustee Castiglia to appoint Mark A. Scranton to the position of part-time Police Officer, pending the receipt of credentials.

- **Carried 5-0**

Resolved by Trustee Fox, seconded by Trustee Drzal to authorize the Department of Public Works to remove the limbs and branches projecting into the right of way at 55 Arthur Ave, SBL#151.63-1-28, under Chapter 231 of the Village of Blasdell Code and the expense of said removal be billed to the property owner.

- **Carried 5-0**

Regularly moved, seconded and carried to adjourn at 4:47pm.

Submitted by: Molly Hogan

Molly F. Hogan Village Administrator Clerk