

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Casale called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Casale led the Pledge of Allegiance

A moment of silence was observed for those who serve and have served in the United States military

ROLL CALL

Present:

Councilmembers Lee Kyriacou, At Large (LK); George Mansfield, At Large (GM); Terry Nelson, Ward One (TN); Jodi McCredo, Ward Three (JM); Amber Grant, Ward Four (AG); and Mayor Randy Casale (RC)

Total: 6, quorum present

Late:

John Rembert, Ward Two (JR) - arrived at 7:50 PM

Also Present:

City Administrator Anthony Ruggiero (AR); City Attorney Nick Ward-Willis (NWW) and City Planner John Clarke (JC)

1ST OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers:

- Kenny Harper spoke about construction noise on 9D late at night.
- Theresa Kraft spoke about a petition being circulated regarding the Tioronda Bridge.
- Arthur Camins spoke about public notice of upcoming projects before the Planning Board and signage at construction sites.
- Mikhal Mart spoke about the specificity of changes to the Comprehensive Plan.

A. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

- Dennis Pavelock and Clara Lou Gould presented information on the upcoming reading of the Declaration of Independence to be held at City Hall on July 4th at 11 AM.
- Glenn Weinberg presented information on the Hudson Valley Renewable Highlands Community Choice Aggregation (CCA).

**B. REPORTS
Council**

- AG – Thanked those who came to her listening session – comments gathered were shared with the Traffic Safety Committee.
- LK – Raised the question of whether changes to the Tioronda Bridge require a Certificate of Appropriateness after discovering the bridge is in the Historic Overlay zone.
- GM – Offered clarification on last week's short-term rentals law and suggested hosts contact and lobby their state representatives. List of representatives is available.
- JM – Wed June 6th at 10AM is the Calico Ball for the 3rd graders in the Beacon schools. Expressed gratitude to school district and Beacon Arts and Education Foundation. Town Hall will be held tomorrow night at 7PM with Nick Page.

- JR – Attended the Narcan training at the firehouse. Thanked the Beacon Volunteer Ambulance Corps and Fire Chief for organizing and holding it. Thanked all those who came out on Memorial Day.
- TN – On Saturday held ward meeting with Nick Page at Mother gallery. Plans to hold meetings quarterly. Provided update on Tompkins Terrace community room. An estimate is being done by owner. Was unable to get details on completion date as property is changing hands but will be contacting the management company often for updates.

City Administrator

- AR announced that the water testing kits being hung on residents' doors are not affiliated with the City.

Mayor

- RC read a letter from a resident commending the work of the Beacon Police Department following the theft of their vehicle. Announced there will be fireworks on July 1st. Funds being raised by the Natural Market. There will also be games, food and entertainment at the park. Contact Mark Price for more information at 845-765-8440. Read press release about Beacon becoming a Tree City USA. Announced that on September 22nd Hudsonia will conduct a workshop in Cold Spring on putting Natural Resource and Open Space Inventories into practice. Flyer available on city website. Announced that GM will be running the meetings on 6/11 and 6/25 when RC is out of town.

LOCAL LAWS AND RESOLUTIONS

1. **Resolution to adopt a Local Law to amend Chapter 223 of the Code of the City of Beacon concerning a) the Central Main Street District (CMS); b) Amendments to the City of Beacon Comprehensive Plan update involving changes to the Central Main Street (CMS), Central Business (CB), Off-Street Parking (PB), R1-5, RD-4, Local Business (LB), General Business (GB), Light Industrial (LI) and Waterfront Park (WP); and c) Proposed Local Law to amend the Zoning Map of the City of Beacon**

A **motion was made** by LK, seconded by TN to amend language in the resolution on the bottom of page 6 and remove "considered as". The **motion was carried** by voice vote. A **motion was made** by LK to adopt resolution as amended, seconded by JM. **The motion was carried** unanimously by voice vote.

2. **Resolution to schedule a public hearing for June 18, 2018 to receive public comment on a proposed Local Law to create Section 223-26.4 of Code of the City of Beacon, concerning Small Cell Wireless Facilities**

A **motion was made** by TN, seconded by JM to adopt. The **motion was carried** unanimously by voice vote.

3. **Resolution authorizing the Mayor or City Administrator to sign agreement with Royal Carting for Waste Collection services commencing July 1, 2018**

A **motion was made** by JM to adopt, seconded by GM. The **motion was carried** unanimously by roll call vote.

4. Resolution to adopt the Investment Policy Statement dated May, 2018 prepared by RBC Wealth Management and authorizes the Mayor or City Administrator to sign the Investment Policy Statement

A **motion was made** by TN to adopt, seconded by GM. The **motion was carried** unanimously by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A **motion was made** by JM, seconded by GM to approve the minutes from May 29, 2018. **Motion was carried** by voice vote.

2ND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers

None

ADJOURNMENT

A **motion was made** by JR, seconded by JM to adjourn. **Motion was carried** by voice vote. Meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Next Council Workshop is June 4th at 7:00 PM.

Next Council Meeting is June 11th at 7:00 PM.

A video recording of this meeting in its entirety can be found here -

<http://www.cityofbeacon.org/Government/videos.htm>

Submitted by Lisa Edelson

Randy J. Casale

From: Charlie Kelly <ckellybeacon@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, June 04, 2018 11:26 AM
To: newsplace@aol.com; Randy J. Casale
Subject: LTE re: BPD

To the editor

I would like to commend the Beacon Police Department for its professionalism and success for recovering our car stolen Sat. June 2nd. The theft was particularly disturbing to my wife and I because the thieves entered our home to locate the car keys .

Beacon police quickly responded , secured the premises and restored our sense of security within minutes of our call. Officer Sirrene was particularly reassuring to my wife and me while we awaited Sargent Detective Johnson to lead the investigation.

We were amazed to receive the detective's call the following day stating the car was found.

We would also like to thank the hiker(s) who found our car keys not too far away from where the thieves left the car. It is unfortunate that thefts do take place in Beacon and we feel more a need to invest in security devices, but feel very fortunate that we live in a very caring community and feel very grateful to the Police Department and to those who assist the police.

Charlie and Mary Sue Kelly

5 Bayview Ave .

Beacon, NY

845 216 8262(c)

Sent from my iPhone



Mayor Randy Casale
One Municipal Plaza
Beacon, NY 12508

Dear Tree City USA Supporter,

On behalf of the Arbor Day Foundation, I write to congratulate Beacon on earning recognition as a 2017 Tree City USA. Residents of Beacon should be proud to live in a community that makes the planting and care of trees a priority.

Beacon is one of more than 3,400 Tree City USAs, with a combined population of 140 million. The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters.

If ever there was a time for trees, now is that time. Communities worldwide are facing issues with air quality, water resources, personal health and well-being, and energy use. Beacon is stepping up to do its part. As a result of your commitment to effective urban forest management, you are helping to provide a solution to these global challenges.

We hope you are excited to share this accomplishment. Enclosed in this packet is a press release for your convenience as you prepare to contact local media and the public.

State foresters are responsible for the presentation of the Tree City USA flag and other materials. We will forward information about your awards to your state forester's office to coordinate presentation. It would be especially appropriate to make the Tree City USA award a part of your community's Arbor Day ceremony.

Again, we celebrate your commitment to the people and trees of Beacon and thank you for helping to create a healthier planet for all of us.

Best Regards,



Dan Lambe
President

cc: Anthony Thomaselli

enclosure

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Arbor Day Foundation Names Beacon Tree City USA

Beacon, NY, was named a 2017 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management.

Beacon achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: a tree board or department, a tree care ordinance, an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

"Tree City USA communities see the impact an urban forest has in a community first hand," said Dan Lambe, president of the Arbor Day Foundation. "Additionally, recognition brings residents together and creates a sense of community pride, whether it's through volunteer engagement or public education."

Trees provide multiple benefits to a community when properly planted and maintained. They help to improve the visual appeal of a neighborhood, increase property values, reduce home cooling costs, remove air pollutants and provide wildlife habitat, among many other benefits.

More information on the program is available at arborday.org/TreeCityUSA.

About the Arbor Day Foundation: The Arbor Day Foundation is a million member nonprofit conservation and education organization with the mission to inspire people to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees. More information is available at arborday.org.

Inventories to Action

A workshop for municipal agencies

Saturday, September 22, 9:00am – 4:00pm

Old VFW Hall

34 Kemble Avenue, Cold Spring, NY

A workshop on putting your municipal **Natural Resource Inventory**
or **Open Space Plan** to use for:

- comprehensive planning,
- revising a zoning ordinance or other local legislation
- conducting reviews of site plans or subdivision plats
- designing conservation easements

The event is especially for municipal agencies of Hudson Valley communities that have completed or are now preparing a Natural Resource Inventory or Open Space Inventory.

Lunch and light refreshments will be served.

Self-certification forms for 7 hours of municipal training credit will be provided.

**** Space is limited and registration is required. ****

To register, contact Lea Stickle at 845-758-7053; lstickle@bard.edu.



Department of
Environmental
Conservation



Cornell University

This event is conducted in partnership with the Hudson River Estuary Program of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation; co-sponsored by the Hudson Highlands Land Trust; and funded by the New York State Environmental Protection Fund.