

**11/18/25**

**Board of Trustees  
5:30 PM Community House**

**Regular Meeting**

**Present:** Village Clerk Derinda Greif, Trustees: Gary Warn, Melissa Battisti, Steve Elwood, Dominic Cuomo and Mayor Dawn White.

Attorney Norman Mastromoro, Chief Chad Manley, John Lull, Chris Weaver, Billy Vicciarelli

**Public:** Dennis Clark, Nino Polidori, James Carter, Jeff Swartz, Michael O'Dockerty, Jeremy Polidori, Franny Hulbert-Shaut, Charlie Straney

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Mayor White, the pledge was said.

**Correspondence:**

1. Letter from attorney of new owner of water/sewer account #510000154-1 read.

-A motion was made by Trustee Elwood to accept a water/sewer bill payment in the amount of \$1462.46 for account #510000154-1, with an additional payment of \$75.00 to turn the water on for said account. Seconded by Trustee Warn. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Letter read from owner of water/sewer account #510000175-1. Owner requested minimum payment for bill that totaled over \$5000.00. -Tabled

3. Letter read from owner of water/sewer account #510000013-1. Owner requesting an adjustment to water bill. Tabled until an inspection can be scheduled and further review can be done.

4. Letter read from owner of water/sewer account #510000027-1 & #511000556-1.

-A motion was made by Trustee Elwood to accept payment in the amount of \$5375.36 for water/sewer accounts #510000027-1 and #511000556-1, seconded by Trustee Battisti. All ayes, motion passed.

**Public Comment:**

Nino Polidori inquired about the hiring of the new deputy clerk and also had a question about public comment policy.

Dennis Clark asked about the Community House roof bid opening and bid documents. He also inquired about the grant money to pay the bond anticipation note for 12 East Main. Asked about his FOIL requests.

**DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

**Fire Department:** Report submitted. Interviews completed. Contracts with East Canada Creek Fire District, Danube and the Town of St. Johnsville signed. It was discussed that an expense report will be filed quarterly with the Treasurer.

**DPW:** Report submitted.

**WWTP:** Report submitted. A new Certified WWTP employee has been hired.

**Police:** Report submitted. Donations are being collected by Police Dept for Shop With a Cop. After next Tec Grant, Chief Manley would like to look in to upgrading surveillance cameras for the village. PD, Village Hall, Marina and DPW possible. LPR's are installed and operational.

**Dog Control:** No report.

**Codes:** Report submitted.

**Marina:**

**Treasurer:** Report submitted.

**Legal:** A letter will be sent by the village attorney to Land Bank.

**Old Business:** Of the four roof bids received, the board looks to be interested in hiring Premium Home Improvement LLC whose bid came in at \$54,530.

The board proposed that a public forum be held to decide what should be done with 12 East Main Street.

**Consent Agenda:** A motion to create a consent agenda consisting of the minutes of the 10/21 Public Hearing minutes and the 10/21 Regular Meeting minutes was made by Trustee Battisti and seconded by Trustee Cuomo. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion to adopt said Agenda was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn. All ayes, motion carried.

**Audit of Claims:** A motion to accept the claims as presented to the Board as approved to the Board by the Clerk, in the amount of \$114,647.10 was made by Trustee Battisti and seconded by Trustee Warn. All ayes, motion carried. The claims are broken down as follows:

a. General Fund	\$ 69,223.29
b. Cemetery Fund	\$ 0.00
c. Marina Fund	\$ 1,699.23
d. Water Fund	\$ 34,604.34
e. Sewer Fund	\$ 9,120.24

#### **New Business:**

Community House Rentals- discussion about possibly increasing fee and changing checkout time.

Water Shut Off- December 1 was decided on, but this was later changed to December 10.

Dog licensing- Licenses will be sent out annually in January starting this year. An increase will be made to the late fees.

-A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Battisti to pass Resolution NO 23 of 2025, Resolution Determining that the Action to Conduct the Infiltration and Inflow Phase II Study Associated with NYS EFC Engineering Planning Grant No. 2301 is a Type II Action and No Further Action is Required Under SEQR. All ayes, resolution passed.

-A motion was made by Trustee Battisti and seconded by Trustee Elwood to pass Resolution NO 24 of 2025, Authorizing the Village Mayor to Execute Planning Grant Agreement No. 2301 with the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation. All ayes, resolution passed.

-A motion was made by Trustee Battisti and seconded by Trustee Elwood to pass Resolution NO 25 of 2025, resolving that Mayor White is authorized to sign the (1) year agreement with the East Canada Creek Fire District for fire protection for the agreed contract price of \$5,100 for January-December 2026. All ayes, resolution passed.

-A motion was made by Trustee Warn and seconded by Trustee Elwood to approve the hiring of Marty Callahan as a Board member for the St. Johnsville Housing Authority. All ayes, motion passed.

#### **Public Comment:**

Franny Hulbert-Shaut inquired about the status of the grievance she filed with the Board, which is under review.

Jeremy Polidori asked if the work with the CDBG Grant for water/sewer would be starting soon. Mayor White responded that it would likely start in the spring and it would be a two year project.

Charlie Straney commented about the ban for Central. To which John Lull and Mayor White responded. Michael O'Dockerty, Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals, requested to have access to the Community House for their Board Meetings.

6:41 PM: A motion to go into Executive Session was made by Trustee Elwood to discuss Marina/DPW personnel issues, seconded by Trustee Battisti. All ayes, motion passed.

6:53 PM: Mayor White left the meeting.

7:22 PM: A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Trustee Elwood, seconded by Trustee Cuomo.

**Other:**

No action was taken in executive session.

-A motion was made by Trustee Elwood to have the village attorney review the grievance complaint of Frances Hulbert-Shaut and to act in accordance to what he considers to be in the best interest of both the village and the grievant. Seconded by Trustee Battisti. All ayes, motion passed.

7:24 PM: A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Cuomo. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting-December 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM