



REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN HELD TUESDAY, AUGUST 02, 2022

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The public session of the meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Deputy Mayor Louie Perazzini. Present were Deputy Mayor Louie Perazzini, Trustee Nan Woodworth, Trustee Bob Carson, Superintendent Terry Wilcox, Village Clerk Fred Warrick and Village Treasurer Angela Ventra. Also present were Parks and Event Center Manager Craig Bond, Building Safety Inspector Scot Cole, Water Treatment Plant Supervisor Megan Fox and Sergeant-In-Charge Ethan Mosher. Absent was Trustee Laurie DeNardo. There were approximately 8 other persons in attendance.

NEW ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Remove voting item C from the Agenda (Meter Reader) and move to Board Concerns.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

Deputy Mayor Louie Perazzini executed the Oath of Office with new Village Treasurer Angela Ventra.

PUBLIC BE HEARD

Daniel Matthews wanted to clarify directly Deputy Mayor Louie Perazzini that the lawsuit between the Village and her (& Family) ended in a settlement and was not dropped.

Mrs. Matthews also read what she stated was nationwide law regarding police conduct and direct liability of the associated municipality while referencing alleged actions of Sergeant-In-Charge Ethan Mosher.

She ended her time with suggesting posts made on Deputy Mayor Louie Perazzini's Facebook were not supportive of being transparent.

Carrie Watts (22 East 2nd St) thanked the Board for removing the stubs for E. 2nd Street. She went over the need for 2nd Street from Porter to Decatur needs to be a one-way street. She also stated the trellis at the Marina toward the pier did not look good.

Brad Aikens (409 S. Madison Ave) Thanked Village Clerk Fred Warrick for putting the search function back on the Village website. He also requested that the one-way parking sign that was removed when the short term rentals were being developed to be put back up.

Also, the parking on the left side of the two-way portion of S. Madison, where it goes from one-way to two-way near the grassy area needs preventive measures to keep people from parking there because it is blocking drivers view of oncoming traffic.

He asked Deputy Mayor Louie Perazzini to clarify if he was the mayor, which Louie confirmed he was not.

Melinda Beheydt (806 N. Decatur St) requested the 3rd street lot be weeded and paint the strips.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for Regular Meeting July 5, 2022

Approval of the minutes for the regular Board meeting held on July 5, 2022 were tabled.

Minutes for Special Meeting July 19, 2022

Approval of the minutes for the regular Board meeting held on July 19, 2022 were tabled.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Trustee Nan Woodworth made the motion to approve the Department Head reports. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

VOTING ITEMS

Employee Changes

Trustee Nan Woodworth made the motion to approve appoint Dale Heichel as Lead Linesman (in place of Tom Ballard) at a rate of \$35.26/hr. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Trustee Bob Carson made the motion to approve to post for a full time Lines Worker at \$32.74/hr. Trustee Nan Woodworth seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Sewer Credit

Nan Woodworth motioned to approve a sewer credit of \$84.50 for Linda McIntyre of 404 N. Porter Street. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Conferences

Trustee Bob Carson made the motion to approve Supervisor of Village Electric Tom Ballard to attend the 2022 Municipal Electric Utilities Association Conference – registration fee of \$1,012. Trustee Nan Woodworth seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Resolutions

Resolution for designating delegate to the annual conference of the Municipal Electric Utilities Association.

WHEREAS, The Village of Watkins Glen is a municipal member of the Municipal Electric Utilities Association of New York State; and

WHEREAS, The Annual Conference of the Municipal Electric Utilities Association of New York State has been called on September 6 – 9, 2022, to be held at the Marriott Syracuse Downtown Hotel and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with the bylaws of the Municipal Electric Utilities Association of New York State, each municipal member may cast one vote on each transaction properly brought before this meeting,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Watkins Glen hereby designates Thomas Ballard as the accredited delegate of the Village of Watkins Glen, New York.

Trustee Nan Woodworth made the motion to approve the resolution for designating delegate to the annual conference of the Municipal Electric Utilities Association. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Resolution in support of the Justice Court Assistance Program 2022-2023 Grant Application.

WHEREAS, the State of New York Unified Court System is soliciting applications from local governments under the Justice Court Assistance Program to assist local Justice Departments with needed equipment, automation, furniture, supplies and training.

WHEREAS, the funding available under the State of New York Unified Court System would facilitate local efforts in upgrading the Villages Justice Department.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of the Village of Watkins Glen authorizes the Watkins Glen Village Court to apply for the JCAP grant in the 2022-2023 grant cycle up to \$30,000.

Trustee Nan Woodworth made the motion to approve the resolution in support of the Justice Court Assistance Program 2022-2023 Grant Application. Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Resolution designating representatives to the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium Board of Directors.

WHEREAS, the Village of Watkins Glen, having complied with all application requirements to become a Participant in the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium has been accepted as a Participant, and

WHEREAS, in order to activate membership, the Village of Watkins Glen must provide additional information to complete and activate its membership in the GTCMHIC,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following individuals are hereby designated to serve as the Director and Alternate to the GTCMHIC Board of Directors: Fred Warrick, Village Clerk (Delegate), and Angela Ventra, Village Treasurer (Alternate).

Trustee Nan Woodworth made the motion to approve the Resolution designating representatives to the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium Board of Directors. Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

SOR Training

Trustee Bob Carson made the motion to approve School Resource Officer Training for Police Officer Alicia Dacey. Trustee Nan Woodworth seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried

AUDIT

General Audit

Trustee Bob Carson made the motion to approve the general audit dated July 29, 2022 in the following amounts:

General	\$237,984.99	Sewer	\$8,132.98
Electric	\$64,125.55	Water	\$58,181.96
Joint Activity (CVWRF)	\$21,452.81	DRI Projects	
Capital Projects	\$9,471.24	Water Improvements	

Trustee Nan Woodworth seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion to approve and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

BOARD CONCERNS

Parks Department

Parks: LWRP grant submitted successfully by July 29 – will hear in Dec/Jan:

Event Center Manager Craig Bond updated the Board on the submission of a LWRP grant for 1.2 million to improve the rest of Clute Park.

Kayak – Rental Agreement – documentation of receipts:

Would like to submit a revised agreement to the Board by the next meeting.

Meter Reader

Superintendent Terry Wilcox discussed the need for a Meter Reader and how the absence of one is pulling resources from other departments. Nan Woodworth suggested a meeting to review the budget for available finances before making a final decision.

Other

Event Center Manager Craig Bond suggested that he be the first point of contact for all events.

Trustee Bob Carson made the motion to close the public session. Trustee Nan Woodworth seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Nan Woodworth made the motion enter Executive session for Parks – Personnel at 6:38 p.m. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Laurie DeNardo made the motion to adjourn at 6:53 p.m. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

Fred Warrick
Village Clerk