

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN HELD TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2025

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The public session of the meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock. Present were Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock, Trustee Bob Carson, Trustee Margaret Schimizzi, Trustee Stephen Klemann, and Village Clerk Fred Warrick. Also in attendance was Streets/B&G Supervisor Scott Taylor, Code Enforcement Officer Dennis Tremblay, Superintendent of Village Parks and Recreation Stacey Parrish, and Sargeant in Charge Ethan Mosher. There was one other in attendance.

PUBLIC BE HEARD

Peter Wydinski appeared again to ask the board to do more regarding speeding down County Road 28 into the Village.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the regular meeting held on July 1, 2025

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held on July 1, 2025. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to approve all department reports. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

VOTING ITEMS

Local Government Support Services

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to approve the proposal from Local Government Support Services (LGSS) to reconcile financials and prepare the Annual Financial Report (AFR) for fiscal years ending May 31, 2024 and 2025. Total proposed services not-to-exceed a fee of \$16,500. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

MEAU Annual Conference

Trustee Bob Carson motioned to approve Supervisor of Electric Tommy Ballard's attendance to the 2025 MEAU Annual Conference at the Turning Stone Resort in Verona, NY on October 1-3, 2025. Registration \$525. Lodging \$450 for two nights. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution – MEAU Delegate

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to adopt the resolution designating Tom Ballard as delegate for the Village of Watkins Glen for purposes of voting at the MEUA conference.

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

WHEREAS, the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Municipal Electric Utilities Association of New York State has been called to be held on October 1-3, 2025 at Turning Stone Resort, Verona, NY, 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 Thomas Ballard be and is hereby designated as the accredited delegate of the Village of Watkins Glen, New York.

Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Schuyler County DWI Program

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to approve the Seneca Lake Events Center application by Schuyler County Stop DWI Program/NYS Stop DWI Foundation for a training event to be held on September 17, 2025 – 8:30a – 3:30p, to include a waiver of the rental fee. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Odessa/Montour/Watkins Glen Wrestling Camp

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to approve a Special Event Application from Odessa/Montour/Watkins Glen Wrestling Camp to be held on July 26th from 1p - 3p. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Tree Removal 200 7th Street

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to approve the application for a request to remove the maple tree in front of the house at 200 7th Street by Thomas & Elizabeth Bloodgood. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

AUDIT

General Audit

Trustee Bob Carson made a motion to approve the general audit dated June 13, 2025 in the following amounts:

General	\$188,712.95	Sewer	\$16,810.15
Electric	\$251,519.83	Water	\$27,062.02
Joint Activity (CVWRF)	\$17,494.92		

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

BOARD CONCERNS

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi spoke about a resident request to honor Rose Ciccone as the founder of the Music in the Park events.

Trustee Stephen Klemann addressed a concern of a commercial lift parked on Franklin Street in front of the movie theater.

EXECUTIVE

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to enter an executive session to discuss personnel. Trustee Stephen Klemann seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Bob Carson made a motion to adjourn at 6:10 p.m. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

Fred Warrick Village Clerk