



REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN HELD THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2026

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The public session of the meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. 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 Sergeant in Charge Ethan Mosher, Code Enforcement Officer Dennis Tremblay, Streets/B&G Supervisor Scott Taylor, Superintendent of Village Parks & Recreation, and Wastewater Supervisor Stacey Parrish. Absent was Mayor Laurie DeNardo. There were approximately two others in attendance.

PUBLIC BE HEARD

Phil Barnes - Schuyler County Legislator – notified the board that the county was in discussions on the storage issue for the village.

Angie Franzese –The Villager Motel – asked if the board could explain the increase in cost for electric.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the regular meeting held on February 3, 2026

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held on February 17, 2026. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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

VOTING ITEMS

Sewer Credit – Villager Motel

Trustee Bob Carson motioned to approve a request by the Villager Motel to receive monthly sewer credits for loss of water from the indoor swimming pool that does not go down the sewer. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. After further discussion, the board decided to table the item and stated that a decision would be mailed to the requestor.

Gender-Based Violence and the Workplace Policy

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to approve the Watkins Glen Police Department's Gender-Based Violence and the Workplace policy. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

NY Rural Water Association

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to approve water supervisor Meghan Fox and wastewater supervisor Terry Wilcox to attend the New York Rural Water Association's 47th Annual Technical Training Workshop & Exhibition 2026 at The Turning Stone Resort in Verona, NY from May 18th – May 20th. Member registration is \$395 each, with lodging at \$700 for three nights per member. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

ERT Transmitters

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to approve the purchase of 100 ERT transmitters for the water dept. by Accument Corp, a sole source provider of Itron, in the amount of \$11,450. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Encoders

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to approve the purchase of 100 Badger encoders for the water dept. by Schmidt’s Wholesale, Inc., as the only known provider of Badger encoders that interface with the Itron smart meter system, in the amount of \$13,502.63. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Axon Camera Transfer

Trustee Bob Carson motioned to approve the purchase of Axon hardware and services to transfer the Axon camera from police car 2 to car 5 in the amount of \$2,050. Axon is considered “sole source” in order to protect the warranty of the camera. Trustee Stephen Klemann seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Switched Source – Phase EQ 3.0 Device

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to review and approve the terms, conditions, and site agreement by Switched Source for a Phase-EQ 3.0 device. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. In further discussion, the board approved only the red-lined Letter of Intent (LOI) and conditioned that they would seek approval of finalized terms & conditions at the next board meeting. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Budget Transfer Resolution

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to adopt a resolution to amend the 2025-2026 budget to allow transfers within the General Fund accounts in order to balance the fund at year-end.

WHEREAS, it is necessary to transfer funds within the General Fund account to balance the budget in the respective fund at year end;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Watkins Glen Treasurer be authorized make the following account transfers to balance out the 2025-26 budget:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>		
<u>AA.5110.100</u>		<u>\$3,466.00</u>	
	<u>AA.8810.120</u>		<u>\$3,466.00</u>
<u>AA.5110.200</u>		<u>\$1,500.00</u>	
	<u>AA.5142.420</u>		<u>\$1,500.00</u>
<u>AA.5110.414</u>		<u>\$3,685.00</u>	
<u>AA.5110.420</u>		<u>\$73,000.00</u>	
	<u>AA.5112.400</u>		<u>\$76,685.00</u>
<u>AA.5132.450</u>		<u>\$2,600.00</u>	
	<u>AA5110.412</u>		<u>\$250.00</u>
	<u>AA.5110.423</u>		<u>\$1,500.00</u>
	<u>AA.5110.440</u>		<u>\$125.00</u>
	<u>AA.5110.450</u>		<u>\$725.00</u>
<u>AA.7110.140</u>		<u>\$10,000.00</u>	

	<u>AA.7110.120</u>		<u>\$10,000.00</u>
<u>AA.7110.420</u>		<u>\$2,400.00</u>	
	<u>AA.7110.411</u>		<u>\$2,400.00</u>
<u>AA.7110.423</u>		<u>\$601.30</u>	
	<u>AA.7110.430</u>		<u>\$601.30</u>
<u>AA.7110.423</u>		<u>\$28.00</u>	
	<u>AA.7110.435</u>		<u>\$28.00</u>
<u>AA.7120.430</u>		<u>\$616.09</u>	
	<u>AA.7120.423</u>		<u>\$616.09</u>
<u>AA.7120.420</u>		<u>\$1,705.33</u>	
	<u>AA.7120.440</u>		<u>\$1,705.33</u>
<u>AA.7140.100</u>		<u>\$1,000.00</u>	
	<u>AA.7140.120</u>		<u>\$1,000.00</u>
<u>AA.7140.420</u>		<u>\$10,000.00</u>	
	<u>AA.7140.400</u>		<u>\$10,000.00</u>
<u>AA.7310.100</u>		<u>\$2,149.77</u>	
	<u>AA.7310.110</u>		<u>\$2,149.77</u>
<u>AA.7310.120</u>		<u>\$1,168.07</u>	
	<u>AA.7310.125</u>		<u>\$1,168.07</u>
<u>AA.7310.430</u>		<u>\$348.00</u>	
	<u>AA.7310.420</u>		<u>\$348.00</u>
<u>AA.7310.430</u>		<u>\$6.84</u>	
	<u>AA.7310.440</u>		<u>\$6.84</u>
<u>AA.7140.100</u>		<u>\$10,000.00</u>	
	<u>AA.7989.100</u>		<u>\$10,000.00</u>
<u>AA.7140.420</u>		<u>\$4,500.00</u>	
	<u>AA.7989.400</u>		<u>\$4,500.00</u>
<u>AA.7140.420</u>		<u>\$4,000.00</u>	
	<u>AA.7989.4100</u>		<u>\$4,000.00</u>
<u>AA.740.420</u>		<u>\$2,500.00</u>	
	<u>AA.7989.420</u>		<u>\$2,500.00</u>
<u>AA.7140.420</u>		<u>\$15,000.00</u>	
	<u>AA.7989.430</u>		<u>\$15,000.00</u>
		<u>\$150,274.40</u>	<u>\$150,274.40</u>

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

JCAP Grant – Budget Amendment

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to approve a budget amendment of \$7,800 for general ledger revenue account AA.3021.000 and expense account AA.1110.420 to accommodate a JCAP grant awarded to Judge Stephen Decker. Trustee Bob Carsob seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Lifeguard Rate Increase

Trustee Bob Carson motioned to approve a pay increase for lifeguards for 2026 to range from \$21 - \$24 per hour. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Surplus Items

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to approve the following surplus items:

- 1996 Blue Chevy Dump Truck VIN 63202
- 2002 Green GMC Sierra 1500 VIN 96718
- 2004 Black Dandy Dump Trailer VIN 33028
- 2007 Red Chevy 3500 Dump Truck VIN 63202
- Two (2) Wester V Plows
- One (1) Portable Heater
- One (1) Old Leaf Machine
- One (1) Compressor

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

AUDIT

General Audit

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi made a motion to approve the general audit dated February 13, 2026 in the following amounts:

General	\$29,135.91	Sewer	\$8,672.08
Electric	\$687,397.68	Water	\$12,590.50
Joint Activity (CVWRF)	\$21,221.24		
Biosolids Disposal Study	\$2,300		

Totaling: \$761,317.41

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

BOARD CONCERNS

Budget worksheets to be sent to managers by Friday.

Collection vehicle “ambulance” had batteries changed.

EXECUTIVE

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to move into executive to discuss personnel in the water department.

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi 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, Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock made a motion to adjourn at 7:05 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