



REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN HELD TUESDAY, DECEMBER 03, 2024

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The public session of the meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Mayor Laurie DeNardo. Present were Mayor Laurie DeNardo, Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock, Trustee Bob Carson, Trustee Margaret Schimizzi, Trustee Stephen Klemann, and Clerk Fred Warrick. Also in attendance was Officer Aaron Jumper and Superintendent of Village Parks & Recreation. There was no other person in attendance.

MEMORIAL

Mayor Laurie DeNardo asked for a moment of silence for the loss of Sarah (Watson) Gallow.

PUBLIC BE HEARD

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the regular meeting held on November 19, 2024

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held on November 19, 2024. Trustee Stephen Klemann seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Trustee Bob Carson made the motion to approve all Department Head reports. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

VOTING ITEMS

McCrossin Payment Application #19

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi made the motion to approve McCrossin's payment application #19 for work performed on the Water System Improvements project in the amount of \$202,557.79. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Evergreen Excavation's Pay Application #1

Trustee Bob Carson made a motion to approve Evergreen Excavation's Pay App #1 in the amount of \$130,072.89 for work performed on the accessible playground project, payable pending Stantec's site visit assessment. Trustee Stephen Klemann seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

100W+ Water ERT Modules

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock made a motion to approve the purchase of 48 - 100W+ Water ERT Modules by the village water department in the amount of \$5,526.24. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Village Fire Hall Use Application

Trustee Stephen Klemann made a motion to approve member application for use of village fire hall by Jason Hudson for a birthday party on Saturday, February 8th from noon to 4:00 p.m. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Part Time Police – Holiday Pay

Trustee Stephen Klemann made a motion to approve for part time police officers of the WGPD to receive

holiday pay for Thanksgiving and Christmas at the rate of one- and one-half times the officers' regular hourly rate. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All opposed. Motion denied.

All Police – Overtime Pay for Events

Trustee Stephen Klemann made a motion to approve for all officers of the WGPD to receive one- and one-half times their regular hourly rate for each hour worked, to include all preparation detail and clean-up for Village Christmas, Corvette Festival, Vintage, Italian-American Festival, and the Boat Regatta. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All opposed. Motion denied.

Fees for Police Car During Events

Trustee Stephen Klemann made a motion to approve a service charge of \$100.00 per event, per day, per police vehicle required for Village Christmas, Corvette Festival, Vintage, Italian-American Festival, and the Boat Regatta. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Pay Adjustment

Trustee Stephen Klemann made a motion to approve the decrease in Terry Wilcox's wages to an annual salary of \$105,000 in conjunction with his resignation as the Village's Superintendent of Public Works. Terry remains the plant manager for Wastewater Treatment Plant. 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 November 1, 2024 in the following amounts:

General	\$31,932.64	Sewer	\$371.97
Electric	\$13,510.95	Water	\$3,549.12
Joint Activity (CVWRF)	\$4,529.73		

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

BOARD CONCERNS

Clute Park Bathroom Remodel

The village only received one bid. The RFP will be reviewed and the request for estimates will be advertised again in hopes of a larger response.

Tree Lighting

The annual lighting of the tree in Gifford Park will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, December 6th.

Village Christmas Parade

Village Christmas Parade starts at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, December 6th.

Employee Luncheon

The Board of Trustees will host an employee appreciation luncheon on Friday, December 20th at 12:30 p.m. at the event center. There will be a recognition for Employee of the Year.

[Funeral Services for Sarah \(Watson\) Gallow](#)

The family will receive friends at the Royce-Chedzoy Funeral Home, 212 E. 4TH St., Watkins Glen, on Saturday (Dec. 7th) from 11am-1pm; followed by a funeral service at 1pm.

[School Resource Officer Agreement](#)

Discussions with the school led to a verbal agreement that funds from the nighttime SRO agreement can be used to offset overages for the daytime agreement.

[Village Tree Trimming](#)

The electric dept will begin trimming trees in the village right-of-ways as needed only, and the last day of leaf clean-up with the vacuum is today, December 3rd. Residents can still bag/bin their leaves for clean-up.

[E -Waste](#)

The village will be executing a pickup at each department for an e-waste on December 11th to be sent to the REACT E-Cycling facility in Horseheads.

[EXECUTIVE](#)

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi made a motion to move to an executive session for Personnel – Employee Discipline. Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock 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 6:25 p.m. Trustee Stephen Klemann seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

Fred Warrick
Clerk