



REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2025

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 Stephen Klemann, Trustee Bob Carson, Trustee Margaret Schimizzi and Village Clerk Fred Warrick. Also in attendance were Code Enforcement Officer Dennis Tremblay, Superintendent of Village Parks and Recreation Stacey Parrish, and Supervisor of Electric Tommy Ballard. There was approximately one other in attendance.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock motioned to approve the appointment of William Kennedy as Associate Justice commencing Monday, April 7, 2025 and ending April 5, 2026. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

PUBLIC BE HEARD

Tom Bloodgood discussed with the board details of his request to hold a “Porchfest”.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the regular meeting held on March 18, 2025

Trustee Bob Carson motioned to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held on March 18, 2025. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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

VOTING ITEMS

Porchfest

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to approve a Special Event Application by Tom Bloodgood for “Porchfest Watkins Glen” on July 27, 2025 from 1:00p – 6:00p. Stephen Klemann seconded the motion. In further discussion, the board informed Mr. Bloodgood any sale of alcohol was prohibited. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Hare Prix

Trustee Stephen Klemann made a motion to approve a Special Event Application by Ian Conboy for “Hare Prix” on September 27, 2025. 6:00a setup, 9:00a event, done by 12:00p. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Parking Enforcement System

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock motioned to approve the T2Systems Parking Enforcement & Permit Management Software proposal in the amount of \$32,297. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mobile Pay2Park

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock made a motion to approve the T2Systems Mobile Pay to Park proposal in the amount of \$2,499. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Bond Counsel – Clute Park Pump Station

Trustee Stephen Klemann made a motion to approve a proposal to serve as bond counsel by Hawkins, Delafield & Wood LLP for the Clute Park Pump Station project. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

[East Coast Watercross](#)

Trustee Bob Carson made a motion to approve the East Coast Watercross request for the use of Clute Park on August 22nd – 24th for Jet Ski Races. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. After further discussion, the request was tabled.

[Youth Baseball Parade](#)

Trustee Stephen Klemann made a motion to approve the Schuyler County Youth Baseball & Softball parade on April 26th at 10am pending DOT approval. Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

[Dog Training](#)

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi made a motion to approve a Community Center class use application for Dog Obedience classes on Wednesday and Thursday nights to begin on April 9th and ending on May 22. Trustee Stephen Klemann seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

[MEUA Semi Annual Meeting](#)

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock made a motion to approve Electric Supervisor Tommy Ballard to attend the MEUA's Semi-Annual Meeting, May 21st and 22nd. \$150 registration fee, hotel \$169. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

[MEUA Delegate](#)

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock made a motion to adopt a resolution designating Tom Ballard as delegate for the Village of Watkins Glen at the MEUA Semi-Annual meeting. Trustee Stephen Klemann seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

[Purchase – Water Dept. – Chevy Silverado](#)

Trustee Bob Carson made a motion to approve the retail purchase agreement from Maguire of Watkins Glen for a Water Dept. vehicle, a 2021 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 for the amount of \$33,848.43. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

[Scott Taylor – Streets Supervisor](#)

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi made a motion to approve the promotion of Scott Taylor to Streets Supervisor at \$66,500/yr. Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

[Firehouse Sewer Line Repair](#)

Trustee Stephen Klemann made a motion to approve the estimate by Underground Pipe Company for the cleaning, jetting/flushing, and liner installation for the fire departments sewer line. Total cost \$24,900. Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock seconded the motion. After further discussion, the repair was tabled.

[Part Time Police Officer](#)

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock made a motion to approve the hire of Cody Gonzalez as part time police officer at \$26.72/hr. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. After further discussion, the request was tabled.

AUDIT

General Audit

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock made a motion to approve the general audit dated March 31, 2025 in the following amounts:

General	\$54,137.18	Sewer	\$712.75
Electric	\$5,906.36	Water	\$3,388.69
Joint Activity (CVWRF)	\$16,081.09		

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

BOARD CONCERNS

Italian-American Festival

The IAF parade will be 8/16/2025.

Spectrum

Departments are currently working on budgets with their liaisons. Mayor to get a draft budget to the board.

Budgets

The Board reviewed again with the wastewater supervisor to confirm that the plant can be operated without a 2A onsite. DEC confirmed as long as the Chief Operator was aware and could reasonably respond if needed, they had no concerns.

EXECUTIVE

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock made a motion to move to executive for a legal acquisition. 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, Trustee Margaret Schimizzi made a motion to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

Fred Warrick
Village Clerk