



REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 08, 2026

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The public session of the meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Laurie DeNardo. Present were Mayor Laurie DeNardo, 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, Streets/B&G Supervisor Scott Taylor, Electric Supervisor Tommy Ballard, Code Enforcement Officer Dennis Tremblay, Water Supervisor Meghan Fox, and Superintendent of Village Parks & Recreation Stacey Parrish. There were two others in attendance.

PUBLIC BE HEARD

Katrina Benedict – Tame the Mame – discussed with the board her concerns regarding the enforcement of two-hour parking outside her business located at 109 W. 4th Street, citing that it is not enough time for her clients who are getting their hair done.

Joanna Snyder – Fiber Arts in the Glen – also addressed the board about her concerns regarding the enforcement of two-hour parking outside her business located at 315 N. Franklin Street, citing that many customers are elderly and spend more than two hours in knitting or crochet classes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the regular meeting held on December 16, 2026

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held on December 16, 2026. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock 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

Special Event Application – Seneca 7

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to approve the special event application for Seneca 7 relay to on April 26th, 2026. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Total Restroom – Bathroom Partition

Trustee Bob Carson motioned to approve the purchase of a bathroom partition package from Total Restroom in the amount of \$2,524.37 to replace the current partitions in the campground bathroom. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Replacement Plows

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to approve the purchase of two (2) replacement plows for snow removal from Trux Outfitter in the amount of \$7,188 each (Total \$14,376). Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution Revising Seasonal Wage Scale

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to adopt the resolution revising the wage scale for seasonal laborers.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees adopted a seasonal wage scale by resolution on April 4, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the minimum wage has increased such that the wage scale required review,

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Watkins Glen Board of Trustees has reviewed and approved the below listed guidelines for wage rates of all seasonal employees:

Employees hired as Seasonal Laborer shall be paid at a rate according to the following schedule:

- Current New York State minimum wage for new hires (1st season).
- \$16.50/hour for employees returning consecutively for a 2nd and 3rd season.
- \$17/hour for employees returning consecutively for a 4th and 5th season.
- \$18/hour for employees returning consecutively for a 6th season or more.

In the event that a new hire or rehired seasonal employee is determined to have a significant and relatable work history, credit may be given to adjust the starting rate, credited as one season per every two years of work experience as determined by Board review and approval. This schedule shall only be changed by a new resolution approved by the Board.

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

Part Time Temporary Keyboard Specialist – Village Office

Trustee Bob Carson motioned to approve the hire of a temporary part time (<20 hrs/week) keyboard specialist to assist in the village office for a period of two months at \$19/hr. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

AUDIT

General Audit

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock made a motion to approve the general audit dated January 2, 2026 in the following amounts:

General	\$86,420.04	Sewer	\$5,102.57
Electric	\$33,899.68	Water	\$11,007.42
Joint Activity (CVWRF)	\$12,141.08		

Totaling: \$148, 570.79

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

BOARD CONCERNS

- Board discussed the need for a resolution outlining the policy for damaged mailboxes during village plowing.
- Discussion on the request by Sunshine Boat Rentals for a dock to accommodate their Canals Project 2026 grant application.
- Dumpster Day has been moved to Saturday, May 30th for 2026.
- Clerk to issue a final notice to 307 N. Franklin Street regarding the sewer hook-up.

Executive

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to move to an executive session to discuss the recent offers for the real property for sale at 112 Magee Street. 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, Trustee Bob Casron made a motion to adjourn at 6:53p.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