



## REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN HELD TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 03, 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 Stephen Klemann, and Village Clerk Fred Warrick. Also in attendance was Sergeant in Charge Ethan Mosher, Water Supervisor Meghan Fox, Streets/B&G Supervisor Scott Taylor, Code Enforcement Officer Dennis Tremblay, and Superintendent of Village Parks & Recreation Stacey Parrish. Absent was Trustee Margaret Schimizzi. There were approximately two others in attendance.

### PUBLIC BE HEARD

None

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### Minutes for the regular meeting held on January 20, 2026

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock motioned to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held on January 20, 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

#### Change Order #13 – Water System Improvements Project

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock motioned to approve change order #13 to decrease the final contract amount for the unused balance of the tool and SCADA allowances under Phase 1 of the Water System Improvements project. Trustee Bob Casron seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

#### Payment Application #21 – McCrossin - Water System Improvements Project

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock motioned to approve payment application #21 for the Water System Improvements project as final payment to G.M. McCrossin in the amount of \$207,001.40. Trustee Bob Casron seconded the motion. In further discussion, the board approved payment up to \$207,001.40, pending Larson Design's assessment of any amounts to be held for follow-up repairs. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

#### Larson Design Group Retainer Agreement

Trustee Bob Carson motioned to approve the 2026-2027 Retainer Agreement for Professional Services by Larson Design Group. Trustee Stephen Klemann seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

#### Resolution - Housing Authority – Residing Outside Village Limits

Trustee Bob Carson motioned to adopt the resolution permitting members of the Housing Authority to reside outside the Village of Watkins Glen limits.

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Watkins Glen has established a Housing Authority pursuant to applicable state law; and

**WHEREAS**, state law and/or local ordinance requires or permits the Board of Trustees of the Village to determine residency qualifications for members of the Housing Authority; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board finds that limiting Housing Authority membership to village residents may unnecessarily restrict the pool of qualified and experienced candidates; and

**WHEREAS**, permitting Housing Authority members to reside outside the Village will promote broader expertise, professional experience, and effective governance, while still serving the best interests of Village residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Housing Authority members, regardless of residency, remain subject to all applicable ethical standards, fiduciary duties, and statutory obligations;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Watkins Glen, as follows:

1. **Residency Requirement Waived.** Members of the Village Housing Authority are hereby permitted to reside outside the corporate limits of the Village, provided they otherwise meet all qualifications required by law.
2. **No Other Changes.** All other requirements, duties, terms of office, and powers of Housing Authority members shall remain unchanged.
3. **Effective Date.** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

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

### [Resolution - Unpaid Taxes](#)

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to adopt a resolution authorizing the village clerk to advertise a list of those properties with 2025 unpaid taxes for tax certificate sale.

WHEREAS, the following is an account of the unpaid taxes as of February 1, 2026 for the 2025-2026 tax year of the Village of Watkins Glen:

#### 2025 UNPAID TAXES as of February 1, 2026

Tax Map	Name	Location	Amount
555.301-6011	TVC Albany, Inc.	Special Franchise	\$285.43
64.08-2-21	Dawn C Baker	356 N. Glen Ave.	\$2,617.59
64.08-4-18	Dorothy Asbury	Salt Point Road	\$45.98
64.08-4-30	Pamela Hickman	N. Glen Ave.	\$97.30
64.08-4-31	Pamela Hickman	315 N. Glen Ave.	\$875.88
65.09-4-31	Gregory E Harding	206 N. Decatur St.	\$1,483.45
65.09-6-26	Kirk Sorensen	110 N. Madison Ave	\$1,607.66
65.09-7-14	John/Mary/Mike Margreno	202 Second St	\$1,444.36
65.09-5-33	John/Mary/Mike Margreno	100 N. Decatur St.	\$2,530.64
65.13-10-1	Finger Lakes Breeze Prop LLC	113 E. Second St.	\$1,082.09
65.13-11-32	Nicholas J Sorce	121 Fifth St.	\$975.03
65.13-5-6	Charles D Rumsmoke	110 Seventh St.	\$2,184.06
65.13-6-18	Barnic Properties LLC	215 Eighth St.	\$810.20

65.13-6-21	Watkins Glen Apts. Co I LP	906 N. Decatur St.	\$1,584.26
65.13-7-17	John O'Brien	135 S. Monroe St.	\$367.04
65.13-7-25	Mark O'Dell	401 S. Madison Ave.	\$1,339.99
65.13-8-13	Christopher K Turner	104 Lakeview Ave.	\$1,295.24
65.13-8-35	John A Barnes	Second St.	\$208.66
65.13-8-36	John C Barnes	706-710 W. Second St.	\$1,312.57
65.13-9-17	Linette M. Vary	310 S. Glen Ave.	\$902.98
65.14-1-27	John/Mary/Mike Margreno	805 Magee St.	\$1,356.80
65.14-1-42	Robert Phenes	310 Ninth St.	\$3,696.62
65.14-1-43	Connor Thomas Davis	306 Ninth St.	\$1,139.86
65.14-1-65	Thomas C VanAmburg	701 N. Perry St.	\$919.34
65.17-3-1	Echoes on the Glen LLC	300 S. Franklin St.	\$2,356.56
65.17-3-18	Christopher S Scholz	107 Durland Ave.	\$2,453.49
65.17-3-24	Jennifer DeLaOsa Cruz	139 Durland Ave.	\$1,942.35
65.17-3-28	Sandra Francis	Fourteenth St.	\$198.67
65.17-4-29	Brent W Eva	422 S. Franklin St.	\$1,518.81
65.17-6-16	Gombas & Son LLC	108 Eleventh St.	\$1,417.45
65.53-2-12	Alice Hill	309 S. Madison Ave.	\$35.25
65.53-3-22	3rd Pig Enterprises LLC	221 N. Franklin St.	\$2,701.66
65.54-1-4	Kirk Sorensen	326 Madison Ave.	\$2,487.69
65.62-1-6.2	Kirk Sorensen	406 S. Madison Ave.	\$1,006.78

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board having reviewed this account of unpaid back taxes totaling \$46,281.74 due on the 2025-2026 warrant, hereby authorize the Village Clerk to advertise said properties for tax certificate sale and add the cost of said advertising equally to the properties listed above.

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

#### [Sludge Press Repair](#)

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock motioned to approve the quote from BDP Industries in the amount of \$3,122.82 for repair to the sludge press at the wastewater plant. Trustee Stephen Klemann seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

#### [Procurement Request Form & Minimum Threshold](#)

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to approve the revised procurement request form, including the increased minimum threshold of purchases under \$1,500. Trustee Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor except Trustee Klemann. Motion carried.

#### [MEUA March Engineering and Accounting & Finance Workshops](#)

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to approve Tommy Ballard and Dayne Hughey of the electric dept to attend the 2026 MEUA March Engineering and Accounting & Finance Workshops, March 10 – 11. Registration is \$184 per member and lodging is \$168 per night. Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

#### [Use of Village Fire Hall Applications](#)

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to approve the Member Application for Use of Village Hall by Haley States for a birthday party to be held on 2/14/2026 from 2p – 4p and by Charlie Smith, representing the Fire Company, for the annual Casino Night Fundraiser to be held on 5/2/2026 from 5p – midnight, requesting written consent from the Board of Trustee to allow alcohol. Trustee Bob Carson motioned 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 January 2, 2026 in the following amounts:

General	\$63,369.55	Sewer	\$422.71
Electric	\$7,437.95	Water	\$4,708.48
Joint Activity (CVWRF)	\$19,245.65		

Totaling: \$95,184.34

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

## BOARD CONCERNS

None

## Executive

Deputy Mayor Peter G. Cherock motioned to move to an executive session to discuss a continuing legal matter. Trustee Bob Casron 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 6:40p.m. Trustee Bob Casron seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

Fred Warrick  
Village Clerk