REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN HELD TUESDAY, MAY 05, 2026

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The public session of the meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Peter G. Cherock. Present were Mayor Peter G. Cherock, Deputy Mayor Bob Carson, Trustee Margaret Schimizzi, Trustee Stephen Klemann, Trustee Christensen, and Village Clerk Fred Warrick. Also in attendance was Sergeant in Charge Ethan Mosher, Code Enforcement Officer Dennis Tremblay, Superintendent of Village Parks & Recreation Stacey Parrish, Water Supervisor Meghan Fox, Wastewater Supervisor Terry Wilcox, and Streets/B&G Supervisor Scott Taylor. There were approximately one other in attendance.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Peter G. Cherock appointed Michaela Christensen to fill his unexpired trustee seat.

PUBLIC BE HEARD

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the regular meeting held on April 21, 2026 and the special meeting held on April 30, 2026

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held on April 21, 2026. Deputy Mayor Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to approve the minutes from the special board meeting held on April 30, 2026. Deputy Mayor Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor with the exception of Trustee Klemann who abstained due to his absence for this meeting. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Deputy Mayor 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.

PRESENTATIONS

Mary Cavagna with Schuyler County Public Health went over upcoming rabies clinics, a Public Health open house scheduled for September 23rd, an advisory on tick season, and that the Medical Reserve Corps is seeking volunteers.

VOTING ITEMS

Village Paving

Deputy Mayor Bob Carson motioned to approve the 2026 village street paving list in the total amounts of $235,993 for Seneca Stone Corp and $1,680 for Suit-Kote. (Balances: CHIPS: $261,877.52, PAVE NY: $52,815.78, EWR: $2,202.85, & POP: $37,706.83). Trustee Stephen Klemann seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Fire House Paving

Deputy Mayor Bob Carson motioned to approve the fire house parking lots paving quote from Seneca Stone for $23,181. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Pavillion Grant

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to accept the Tourism Infrastructure and Amenities grant award of $24,000 to be used towards a new pavilion in Clute Park. This grant has a dollar-for-dollar match of awarded funds through cash and/or in-kind contributions. Deputy Mayor Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Elks Youth Week

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to adopt a resolution proclaiming the first week in May as Elks Youth Week.

WHEREAS, The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has designated May 1-7, as Youth Week to honor America's Junior Citizens for their accomplishments, and to give fitting recognition of their services to Community, State and Nation; and,

WHEREAS, Watkins Glen Elks Lodge #1546 will sponsor an observance during that week in tribute to the Junior Citizens of this Community; and,

WHEREAS, no event could be more deserving of our support and participation than one dedicated to these young people who represent the nation's greatest resource, and who in the years ahead will assume the responsibility for the advancement of our free society; and,

WHEREAS, our Youth need the guidance, inspiration and encouragement which we alone can give in order to help develop those qualities of character essential for future leadership; and go forth to serve America; and,

WHEREAS, to achieve this worthy objective we should demonstrate our partnership with Youth, our understanding of their hopes and aspirations and a sincere willingness to help prepare them in every way for the responsibilities and opportunities of citizenship:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Watkins Glen Board of Trustees do hereby proclaim the first week in May as Youth Week, and urge all departments of government, civic, fraternal and patriotic groups, and our citizens generally, to participate wholeheartedly in its observance.

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

Seasonal Hires

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to approve the following seasonal hires:

i. Buildings & Grounds

1. Robert Spencer	Laborer	$18/hr	5/4
2. Brady Cannon	Laborer	$17/hr	5/18
3. Arden Heichel	Laborer	$16.50/hr	5/4
4. Richard Pike	Laborer	$16.50/hr	5/8

ii. Cemeteries

1. William Spencer	Laborer	$18/hr	4/28
2. Carroll Cervoni	Laborer	$18/hr	4/28
3. Mark McClain	Laborer	$18/hr	5/4
4. David Tillotson	Laborer	$17/hr	5/4

iii. Parks & Recreation

1. Samantha Vanhorn	Summer Recreation Aide	$16/hr TBD
2. Madeline Pendergast	Summer Recreation Aide	$16/hr TBD
3. Kiera Keeley	Summer Recreation Asst	$21/hr TBD
4. Leland Cole	Summer Recreation Aide	$16/hr TBD

5.	Norah Stegner	Summer Recreation Aide	$16/hr TBD
6.	Vincent Ocasio	Summer Recreation Asst	$20/hr TBD
7.	Connor Foggie	Lifeguard	$21/hr TBD
8.	Rilke Arrance	Lifeguard	$21/hr TBD

Mayor Bob Carson 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 May 1, 2026 in the following amounts:

General	$32,510.58	Sewer	$1,095.52
Electric	$10,553.99	Water	$4,030.27
Joint Activity (CVWRF)	$15,492.93		

Totaling: $63,683.29

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

BOARD CONCERNS

- Reminder: Dumpster Day is May 30th from 8 a.m. to noon.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the Board, Deputy Mayor Bob Carson made a motion to adjourn at 5:35 p.m. Deputy Mayor Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

Fred Warrick
Village Clerk