REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 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 Michaela Christensen, and Village Clerk Fred Warrick. Also in attendance was Streets/B&G Supervisor Scott Taylor, Sergeant in Charge Ethan Mosher, Code Enforcement Officer Dennis Tremblay, and Wastewater Supervisor Terry Wilcox. There were three others attendance.

PRESENTATIONS

Rukundo Benedict on behalf of the Schuyler County Public Health gave a presentation on vaccinations, rabies, sensory playgroups, etc.

PUBLIC BE HEARD

Christopher Warden requested an extension on the STR permit for 124 E. 4th Street.

Brent Miller requested, on behalf of the WGFD to approve a Fire Hall Use Application for a cornhole tournament to be held on 11/7. Chief to send board the application.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the regular meeting held on September 23, 2026.

Trustee Margaret Schimizzzi motioned to approve the minutes for the regular board meeting held on September 23, 2026. Deputy Mayor Bob Carson seconded the motion. The board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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

VOTING ITEMS

Manhole at 3rd/Decatur

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to approve the procurement request by supervisor Terry Wilcox to contract with Vacri Construction Corporation to replace a manhole on 3rd St. and Decatur St. in the amount of $16,000. Deputy Mayor Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution Municipal Cooperative Agreement 2027

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to adopt a resolution approving the 2027 Amendment to the Municipal Cooperative Agreement for the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium. Trustee Stephen Klemannn seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution Amending 26/27 General Fund – Traffic Services Program

Trustee Michaela Christensen motioned to adopt a resolution amending the 2026-2027 General Fund budget to recognize and appropriate police Traffic Services Program grant funds. Deputy Mayor Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution Amending 26/27 General Fund – Child Passenger Safety Grant

Deputy Mayor Bob Carson motioned to adopt a resolution amending the 2026-2027 General Fund budget to recognize and appropriate police Child Passenger Safety grant funds. Trustee Stephen Klemann seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

New Hire – Roller Skate Co-Lead

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to approve the hire of Danielle Cummings at $18/hour Roller Skate Program Co-Lead starting 10/06/2026. Trustee Michaela Christensen seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

New Hire – Roller Skate (Temp)

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi motioned to approve the hire of Elizabeth Ector at $16/hour Temporary Laborer-Roller Skating starting 10/06/2026. Deputy Mayor Bob Carson seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Halloween 2026

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to approve the tine for trick-or-treating in the village to be 6:00p – 8:00p on October 31st. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Sewer Credit 101 N. Monroe

Deputy Mayor Bob Carson motioned to approve a sewer credit for 101 N. Monroe Street in the amount of $130. Trustee Michaela Christensen seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

STR Permit Extension

Trustee Stephen Klemann motioned to approce a 90-day extension on the building pemrit for is STR at 124 E. 4th Street. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

General Audit

Trustee Margaret Schimizzi made a motion to approve the general audit dated October 5, 2026 in the following amounts:

General	$88,674.52	Sewer	$103,826.41
Electric	$7,889.46	Water	$11,679.36
Joint Activity (CVWRF)	$33,005.72		

Totaling: $255,075.47

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

BOARD CONCERNS

a. The Board discussed a resident complaint regarding Halloween decorations where two blown-up skeletons were claimed to be in an indecent position. Officer Mosher confirmed the PD have already seen it and there was nothing that warranted their involvement. The board agreed it was a matter or personal perspective and Trustee Klemann suggested the code enforcement officer could inform the resident of the complaint.
b. The board approved the walkability committee to initiate a public survey.
c. Trustee Stephen Kleeman expressed his personal opinion against posting the “Call for Action” memo to all Watkins Glen Chamber of Commerce members on the village Facebook.
d. Trustee Margaret Schimizzi addressed the need for volunteers to work on refurbishing snowflakes that would go up on the village light poles for Christmas.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Stephen Klemann made a motion to adjourn at 6:01 p.m. Trustee Maragret Schimizzi seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

Fred Warrick
Village Clerk