

## **VILLAGE OF NEW YORK MILLS**

### **Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting Minutes**

**October 14, 2025 – Village Board Room**

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 PM

Call to Order & Roll Call

Mayor Ernie Talerico called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Present: Mayor Ernie Talerico; Trustee Edwards; Trustee Kulpa; Trustee Chamberlain; Trustee Copperwheat

Also Present: Police Chief Rob Frankland; Highway Superintendent Sean Brady; Village Attorney Kate Festine; Fire Chief Rick Ulinski; Village Engineer Al Swierczek

Absent: Highway Superintendent Sean Brady; Code Enforcement Officer John Conostas; Village Clerk Amy Topor

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### **Open Forum**

#### **Tim Zotter and David Zhushma from David's Property Holding LLC**

David Zhushma stood before the Village Board to request permission to change, expand, and square off building to add office space, restroom and cold storage.

Kate recommended that the Village Board refer the request to the ZBA/ Planning Board.

Motion: Trustee John Edwards, seconded by Trustee Mike Copperwheat to request to the ZBA/ Planning Board. All in favor. Motion passed.

#### **Mike Arcuri and Al Tehan**

They (Attorney Arcuri and Al Tehan) appeared before the VB to bring them up to date on what has occurred since their last appearance, including the status of the ZBA and Article 78 petition pending in Supreme Court.

They both gave presentations and asked the Board to please provide feedback before the court date, set for November 20 in Syracuse.

The Board agreed they would review the multi-exhibit book which was handed out to each Trustee and the Mayor, and further, that the Board would get back to them at the November Board meeting, if not sooner.

### **Regular Business**

## Treasurer's Report

Motion: Trustee Kulpa, seconded by Ed Chamberlain, to approve the Treasurer's Report for September 2025. All in favor. Motion passed.

### Abstract #5 Approval

Motion: Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee Chamberlain, to approve Abstract #5:

- General Fund: \$87,076.80
- Library Fund: \$3384.19  
Total: 90,460.99 (Voucher Nos. 125-191)  
All in favor. Motion passed.

### Approval of Previous Minutes

Motion: Trustee Copperwheat, seconded by Trustee Chamberlain, to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2025 Board Meeting. All in favor. Motion passed.

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## Fire Department

- Written report for September 2025 is on file.
  - **Resolution 69:2025:** Motion by Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee Copperwheat, to accept the resignation of Gubbins, Merrit and Suljanovic.
  - Motion: Trustee Copperwheat, seconded by Trustee Edwards, to approve the September 2025 Fire Department Report. All in favor. Motion passed.
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## Highway Department

- Written report for September 2025 is on file in the Clerk's Office.
  - Motion: Trustee Copperwheat, seconded by Trustee Chamberlain, to approve the September 2025 Highway Report. All in favor. Motion passed.
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## Police Department

- Written report for September 2025 is on file in the Clerk's Office.

- **Motion:** Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee Copperwheat, to approve the September 2025 Police Report. All in favor. Motion passed.
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### **Code Enforcement**

Nothing to Report.

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### **Engineer's Report**

Nothing to Report.

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### **Recreation Report**

Nothing to Report.

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### **Attorney's Report**

Attorney Festine reported:

Kate notified the board of a new court date for 504 Main St. New date tentatively set for the first week of November. Prior court date of October 16 adjourned because of John Constas being in Albany for training.

- Motion was made by Mike Copperwheat, seconded by John Edwards to approve the attorney's report. All in favor. Motion passed
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### **New Business**

- Mayor advised the board Christmas on Main St will take place December 12, 2025.
- Motion: Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee Copperwheat, to donate the old Christmas decorations to the Village of Frankfort. All in favor. Motion passed.
- Motion: Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee Chamberlain to allow the clerk to send the unpaid taxes to Oneida County. Town of New Hartford \$26,472.93, Town of Whitestown \$52,057.66. All in favor, motion passed.

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**Resolution 70:2025**

- Motion by Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee Copperwheat to have the clerk prepare bid packages for Phase 1 of the Pulaski Park updates to include the bathrooms. All in favor, motion passed.

**Resolution 71:2025**

- Motion by Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee Chamberlain to schedule a Special Meeting on November 5, 2025 at 7PM to open the sealed bids for the Pulaski Park updates. All in favor, motion passed.

**Adjournment**

With no further business, motion to adjourn by Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee Chamberlain. All in favor. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

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**Respectfully submitted,**  
**Virginia Petras** – Deputy Village Clerk