

Village of Gowanda
Board Meeting Minutes
October 10, 2023

The Village of Gowanda Board of Trustees meeting was called to order by Mayor Smith at 6:00 PM.

Present: Mayor David Smith, Trustee Paul Zimmermann, Trustee Peter Siti, Trustee Wanda Koch, Trustee Carol Sheibley

Employees: Clerk Danielle Wagner, Treasurer Traci Hopkins, Highway Supervisor Adam Reid, WWTP Supervisor Andy Carriero, Water Supervisor Kirk Trumpore, Code George Poff & Jason Pickering

Public Present: Jack Broyles, Miranda Hunt, Caitlin Hilwa

Agenda & Minutes

Motion 10-72-Motion by Trustee Zimmermann, seconded by Trustee Koch to approve the agenda for the October 10, 2023 board meeting. Motion carried.

Motion 10-73-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve the minutes from the September 12, 2023 board meeting. Motion carried.

Public Hearing

Mayor Smith opened the public hearing at 6:03 PM. The Village is applying for 2024-2025 CDBG. The Village would like to do improvements to St Johns Park for example, make functional the splash pad, resurface the basketball court, new hoops, fencing replacement, and some parking lot maintenance. As always, the Village will support the Rural Transit Service.

No public comment

Mayor Smith closed the public hearing at 6:06 PM.

Treasurer-Traci Hopkins

Due to scheduling the board moved the Treasurer up on the agenda.

The authorizing resolution for CDBG was provided to the board for approval with St. Johns Park Improvements as #1 and Rural Transit Service as #2.

Motion 10-74-Motion by Trustee Sheibley, seconded by Trustee Sisti to approve the Authorizing Resolution for the 2024-2025 CDBG Opportunity. Motion carried.

Request for Proposals for Big Trash Pickup will go out.

The BAN Borrowing Authorization.

Motion 10-75-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sisti to approve the BAN Borrowing Authorization of up to \$920,000.00. Motion carried.

Budget Amendment #2 was provided to the board for the increased revenue for the chips.

Motion 10-76-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve budget amendment #2. Motion carried.

Budget Amendment #3 was provided to the board for the sewer engineering planning grant award.

Motion 10-77-Motion by Trustee Zimmermann, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve budget Amendment #3. Motion carried.

Abstract bills to pay #5 was provided to the board for approval.

Motion 10-78-Motion by Trustee Sheibley, seconded by Trustee Zimmermann to approve abstracts bills to pay for General \$149,589.17, Water \$6,047.36, Sewer \$20,147.23 and Capital Projects \$22,405.00. Motion carried.

Public Participation

No public comment

Mayor Updates

- Waterfront Development Project designated and awarded by the New York Upstate American Planning Association Chapter as a great place in Upstate New York on 9/15.
- Cemetery board has their meeting at the Village Hall. They are appreciative.
- Spirit Parade on 9/28.
- Gowanda Urgent Care meeting on 9/29-there are rumors that Brooks Memorial Hospital will be closing, Brooks also runs Urgent Care. Gowanda Urgent Care will stay open and they are planning to redo the parking lot and expand some services.
- Army Corp call on 10/2.
- Cattaraugus County Health Board meeting on 10/11.
- Thatcher Brook Task Force meeting on 10/12.
- 2023 NY Forward WNY Regional Economic Development Council interview on 10/17.
- Halloween on 10/31 from 6PM-8PM.

Official Business

Code Enforcement-*George Poff, Jason Pickering*

Building Permits-2, complaints filed-0, violations on patrol-3, notices sent-3, pending court cases-3

Water-*Kirk Trumpore*

The bid packet for the Point Peter Reservoir Repair has been prepared and ready to go out.

Motion 10-79-Motion by Trustee Sheibley, seconded by Trustee Koch to approve the Point Peter Reservoir Repair Project general provisions and bid proposal booklet and authorization to go to bid. Motion carried.

A water hearing was held on 10/6. A recommendation for the leak forgiveness program was provided to the board for approval.

Motion 10-80-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Zimmermann to approve the water hearing recommendation. Motion carried.

Clerk-Danielle Wagner

The Erie County Board of Elections polling place lease agreement for the General Elections.

Motion 10-81-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sisti to approve the Polling Place Lease Agreement with Erie County. Motion carried.

Environmental-Phil Palen

The fall tree planting plan was provided to the board.

Motion 10-82-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve the fall tree planting up to \$1,000. Motion carried.

Joint Activity-Carol Sheibley

Motion 10-83-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Koch to authorize Lindsay Gabel and Kathleen Jones as roller skating attendants. Motion carried.

Next Meeting

The next meeting for the Board of Trustees will be November 14, 2023 at 6PM.

Adjourn

Motion 10-84-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted
Danielle Wagner
Clerk