

**VILLAGE OF VICTORY
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES
~ March 11, 2025 ~
6:30pm**

CALL MONTHLY MEETING TO ORDER: Attending Mayor Dewey, Trustee Leslie Dennison, and Trustee Healy. Also attending Clerk/Treasurer Maureen Lewsey and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Gabrielle Hersey.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes – Monthly Meeting – February 11, 2025
A motion was made by Trustee Healy and seconded by Trustee Dennison to approve the minutes as submitted for the February 11, 2025 regular monthly meeting. All in Favor-aye. Motion Passed.
- Minutes – Special Meeting – February 19, 2025
A motion was made by Trustee Dennison and seconded by Trustee Healy to approve the minutes as submitted for the February 19, 2025 regular monthly meeting. All in Favor-aye. Motion Passed.

VILLAGE BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS OR CORRESPONDENCES:

- Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting: TBD
- Planning Meeting: ~ March 19th Wednesday @ 6:30pm at the Village Hall
- Schuylerville/Victory Water Board Monthly Meeting ~ March 24, 2025 in Victory at 6:00pm.
- Village Election- March 18th- 12pm-9pm in Victory at the Village Hall
- Hydrant Flushing 4/14-4/18/2025 in Victory and 4/21-4/25/2025 in Schuylerville.

Guest Speaker: Michelle DeGarmo from Flatley Read presented to the board the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

The CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Program's objective is to preserve and increase affordable housing for homeowners and renters, as well as revitalize New York's communities and build a better quality of life.

Michelle DeGarmo went on further with details on the program and how she would like to get the support from the board to continue her efforts in starting the application process.

- **All Board Members of the Village of Victory, Mayor Patrick Dewey, Trustee Leslie Dennison, and Trustee Tim Healy gave their support to start the application process.**

MONTHLY REPORTS

All reports are read as presented and highlighted as follows:

A. CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

- CEO Larry Wolcott Provided written report.
 - 23 Herkimer: Demolition has started. Requested next dumpster to be moved closer to the structure due to the snow banks receding.
 - 25 Herkimer: Provided written opinion provided to support existing staircase rebuild. Project to be funded through a grant Program
 - 28 Gates Ave. Issued STOP WORK order. Code enforcement was then provided with a Permit and was approved. Updates on the work include, framing, rough in electrical, rough in plumbing and insulation inspections completed.

B. DPW/SEWER/WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT

- MEO Logan Steele provided written report.

Sewer

- (8) pumps currently in stock
- 41 Gates Ave.
 - Pump Out and Grinder Pump Replaced (3/4/2025)
 - Action Septic performed the pump out
 - George Laplante replaced the Pump
- E-One Grinder Pump Rebuild
 - George Laplante Quoted - \$1,339.25
 - The Board reviewed that there were (8) Pumps available and there is no need for a rebuild at this time.
 - 45 Gates Ave. Grinder Replacement 3/11/2025.

DPW

- Picked Up Trash, brush, & Recycling
- Snow removal throughout the village
- Request for Budget Amendment to purchase additional salt needed for the winter season
 - Ordered Salt (2/21/2025)
- Maintenance on Trucks and Salter
- Cold Patch Cemetery Rd.
 - Used 3.5 tons this winter. \
- Electrical Quotes for the Electricity at the Garage at the Water Plant.
 - Mayor Dewey reviewed the quotes and stated that these quotes will be further reviewed at the Budget Meeting for the Next Fiscal Year.

C. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

- Chief Ryan Campbell provided written report.
 - Alarms for the month of February- 5
 - Completed Training
 - Gas Emergencies
 - Fire Behavior
 - Ice Water Rescue w/QSFD x2
 - Upcoming Training
 - Annual EES Bailout Training
 - Apparatus Operator (Pump Training)
 - Annual Company Elections
 - *Last Thursday in March*
 - Firehouse/Firetruck Radios
 - Chief Ryan Campbell announced to the Board that he has done further research on Grant Opportunities to aid in the cost of the radios that are needed.
 - AFG-Grant Opportunities
 - Airpack Grant.
 - County Wide Discount is roughly 15-20% additional off the price of a radio.
 - Letter of Resignation- Fire Treasurer Mark Dennison has submitted his Resignation effected April 1st after 44 Years of service.
 - The Board thanks him for his service and dedication to the David Nevins Fire Company.

D. WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT (Full Minutes are Provided on the Village of Victory Website for further information)

- Draft minutes from monthly meeting on February 24, 2025 outlining:
- JCF Plant Report
- Victory Plant
- Schuylerville Plant

New Business

- Discussion of New Budget-The Budget was reviewed and the board will meet again on Wednesday March 12th at 6:00pm

E. VILLAGE TREASURER'S REPORT

- Monthly report ending February 28, 2025 was read and on file.

F. PLANNING BOARD REPORT

- Meeting Planned for March 19th Wednesday at 6:30pm at the Village Hall.

G. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT

- No meeting/No report.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Nothing to report**

NEW BUSINESS

- Planning Board: 2024-2029 Term. – Received a Letter of Interest from Noah Chieco
 - **A Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Healy and Seconded by Trustee Dennison to Appoint Noah Chieco to a part of the Village Planning Board. All in Favor-aye.**
- Resolution: Adopt Local Law#1-2025
 - Environmental Assessment Form, Part 1-3
 - **A Motion was by Trustee Healy to direct Mayor Dewey to Sign the Environmental Assessment Form, Part 1-3- And was seconded by Trustee Dennison. All in Favor-aye.**
 - Resolution Adopting Negative Declaration.
 - **A Motion was made by Trustee Healy and Seconded Mayor Dewey to adopt the Negative Declaration. All in Favor-aye.**
 - Resolution Adopting Local Law 1-2025
 - **A Motion was made by Trustee Dennison and Seconded by Mayor Dewey to Adopt Local Law#1-2025- ALL in FAVOR-AYE**
- Resolution: Budget Amendment for \$20,535.00. (Cost associated with supplies, Engineering and overage on road salt)
 - **A motion was made by Trustee Healy and seconded by Mayor Dewey to authorize the Village Clerk to amend the budget \$20,535.00 as outline in the Resolution. All in Favor-aye.**
- Discussion & Approval: Barton and Loguidice Stage 2 Proposal-\$90,300
 - *Stage 2 Proposal Includes*
 - a. *Project Management and Coordination*
 - b. *SHPO, Wetlands, and SEQRA Coordination*
 - c. *Hazardous Materials Removal Design Services*
 - d. *Demolition Design*
 - **A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and Seconded by Trustee Dennison to Approve the Stage 2 Proposal in the amount of \$90,300.00- . All in Favor-aye.**

- Approval: Spring Cleanup 5/5-5/9-2025
 - **A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and Seconded by Trustee Dennison to Approval the Spring Cleanup dates. All in Favor-aye.**
- Approval: Deputy Village Clerk Treasurer Gabrielle Hersey to be given full access to NYClass.
 - **A motion was made by Trustee Healy and Seconded by Trustee Dennison to approve Deputy Village Clerk Treasurer to have full access to NYCLASS. All in Favor-aye.**

OPEN FLOOR:

Wayne White of Grove St. Village of Victory Residence approached the Board with Questions and Concerns regarding the Villages Assessment Roll, Procedures, and Policies.

The Village of Victory Board heard the resident's questions and concerns and explained the Villages Assessment Roll, Procedures, and Policies that were set forth for the Village.

AUDIT CLAIMS

- Abstract # 10 FY 24.25 ~ March 2025
 - General Fund \$34,968.97
 - Sewer Fund \$ 986.36
 - **A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Healy to Audit Claims and approve payment for Abstract #10 March 2025 as submitted. All in Favor-Aye. Motion Passed.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

UPCOMING VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS

- Tuesday- April 8, 2025- Monthly Meeting and Organizational Meeting at 6:30pm at Village Hall.
- Thursday- March 27, 2025- Special Meeting- 10am at Village Hall

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Mayor Dewey and seconded by Trustee Healy to adjourn the meeting. All in Favor-aye. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Gabrielle Hersey

Recording Secretary