

The official minutes of the Village of Waterville Board of Trustees board meeting held on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025.  
Minutes to be approved at the next board meeting on Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**In attendance:** Mayor - G. Ostrander, DPW Superintendent J. Bechy, Treasurer/Clerk - G. Barnes, Village Attorney – S. DiGiorgio, CEO – W. Brown, Fire Chief J. Waufle, Trustees: L. Stern, A. Briggs, Trustee B. Bogan, Trustee A. Hilley

**Public in attendance:** Sean Baldwin, Gene Whipple

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

2. Approve the minutes of the December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Board meeting

**Motion to Approve – A. Hilley**

**2<sup>nd</sup> – A. Briggs**

**Carried**

3. Approval of Purchase Order(s)

**Motion to Approve – B. Bogan**

**2<sup>nd</sup> – L. Stern**

**Carried**

4. Approve General, CDBG (Draw 1), CDBG (Community Planning Final), and Trust & Agency Audit of Expense Abstracts dated 1-13-25

**Motion to Approve – A. Briggs**

**2<sup>nd</sup> – L. Stern**

**Carried**

5. No Public Participation

6. Department Head's Reports

- DPW Superintendent Bechy

- Received a new contract from Davis-Ulmer for the fire alarm system maintenance. The cost will be \$2160/year.

**Trustee Bogan made a motion to approve Davis-Ulmer contract**

**Trustee Hilley seconded the motion                  Motion Carried**

- Called Verizon regarding getting cellular data to the car charging station in the Village parking lot on Main St. to charge for electric usage. Verizon charges \$40/month for cellular data. Spoke with Kris Granger from Eastern Energy about the car charger. He said they sell a new unit that has data built into the unit. The charger would cost \$2019 the first year which includes the unit, setup, and data plan. After the first year, the cost would be \$140/year for the data.
  - Trustee Hilley questioned the need for another charging station since we have two new ones.
  - The new units at the Village Hall have created \$167 in revenue since they were installed at the end of October.

**Trustee Bogan made a motion to approve purchase of the new charging station**

**Trustee Stern seconded the motion**

**Trustee Briggs voted Aye**

**Trustee Hilley abstained from the vote**

- There will be an Oriskany Creek Watershed Commission meeting this Thursday 1/16 at 4:30pm.
- DPW Bechy has been working on revising the water law verbiage to include recent water law additions that have been passed by public referendum and some additional changes that have not been passed. The revised water law has been sent to the Village Attorney

for review. The Board will receive a copy of the changes once the Village Attorney has completed her review.

- Submitted an Oneida County Hazard Mitigation grant application for \$240,000. This is a 75/25 grant which will include work for flood mitigation for Big Creek next to the Village parking lot on Main St. and for the costs associated with demolition and removal of the Olcott property next to Big Creek that the Village acquired. The Village also has a \$32,000 Mohawk Community grant that can be used towards the Village's portion of the \$240,000 grant match. Brian Miller's office is looking into additional grants that could help with flood mitigation.
- Circle K has a water leak at the hose bib near the diesel fuel pump. Approximately 10,000 gallons per day are going through the meter.
- Presented November and December's monthly DPW report
- Fire Chief J. Waufle
  - Fire Department had 276 calls in 2024
- Codes W. Brown
  - Presented December monthly report
    - Dollar General has not had any heat. An Order to Comply will be sent to the owners of the building and to Dollar General.
- Treasurer/Clerk Barnes
  - Budget workshop set for Monday, February 24 at 4pm
  - Village-wide garage sale set for Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>

7. Trustee's Reports/Old Business

- Trustee Bogan - The Democratic and Republican caucus has been set for Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. The Republican caucus starts at 6:30pm and the Democratic caucus starts at 7pm.
- Trustee Hilley – Thanked the DPW crew for their work on the streets

8. Mayor's Report

- Fire Chief Waufle, Sean Baldwin, and John Wright went to Pennsylvania to view used fire trucks. They found a 2005 truck that was in good shape that they were interested in purchasing. The cost is \$200,000. There will be \$3714 in additional fees to set up the truck for Village use.  
**Trustee Bogan made a motion to approve the purchase of the used fire truck**  
**Trustee Hilley seconded the motion                      Motion carried**

9. Adjournment, next meeting will be Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7pm.

- **Motion to adjourn – A. Hilley                      2<sup>nd</sup> – B. Bogan                      Motion Carried**
- **Time – 8:10 pm**

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Village Clerk's Signature

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Date