

Village of Gowanda
Board Meeting Minutes
August 9, 2022

The Village of Gowanda Board Trustees meeting was called to order by Mayor Smith at 6:02 PM.

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

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

Public Present: Jack Broyles, Theresa Girome, Mrs. Forthman

Agenda and Minutes

Motion 8-48-Motion by Trustee Zimmermann, seconded by Trustee Sisti to approve the agenda for the August 9, 2022 board meeting. Motion carried.

Motion 8-49-Motion by Trustee Sheibley, seconded by Trustee Koch to approve the minutes from the July 12, 2022 board meeting. Motion carried.

Public Participation

Mrs. Forthman-foil request was not responded to in 5 days.

Jack Broyles-Point Peter Reservoir and Parks

Mayor Updates

- Thatcher Brook Task Force meeting on 7/21, next meeting 8/18
- Thatcher Brook Clean out on 8/1
- Cattaraugus County health board meeting on 8/2-topic was monkey pox
- Gowanda Correctional Facility Tour on 8/11
- Thatcher Brook Diversion Army Corp call on 8/22-still reviewing the PPA
- Gowanda Central School Drug and Alcohol awareness night on 8/24 at 6:00

Correspondence

- Erie County Comptroller-fiscal issuing facing the County
- NYS Public Service Commission-seeking public comment on new area code in the 716 region

Official Business

Code-Jason Pickering & George Poff

Motion 8-50-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Zimmermann to accept the retirement of Gary Brecker effective August 1, 2022. Motion carried.

Motion 8-51-Motion by Trustee Zimmermann, seconded by Trustee Koch to approve the recommendation to increase wage for code employees to \$20 per hour effective August 9, 2022 while adjusting hours to stay within budget. Motion carried.

Highway-Adam Reid

Motion 8-52-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Koch to approve Adam Reid as Highway Department Supervisor to replace Gary Denea effective August 13, 2022. Motion carried.

Sewer-Andy Carriero

Motion 8-53-Motion by Trustee Zimmermann, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve the authorization to engage Wendel in the development and design of the additional capital project infrastructure outside of the DOCCS contract. Motion carried.

Water-Kirk Trumpore

The Village received a notice of violation for 1 missing quarterly sample for Gowanda that had a \$50 fine and was reported to the health department by Water Supervisor Trumpore

Clerk-Danielle Wagner

Motion 8-54-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve the Panther Prowl 5k event application for Sunday September 25 from 10-1 at Gateway Park. Motion carried.

Legal-Deb Chadsey

Motion 8-55-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sisti to approve code enforcement to continue the process concerning the Carpenter Building. Motion carried.

Treasurer-Traci Hopkins

The Treasurer is seeking authorization to work with NYSEG for extra lights in the municipal parking lot.

Motion 8-56-Motion by Trustee Zimmermann, seconded by Trustee Koch to approve the addition of lights in off street parking behind the business district. Motion carried.

Motion 8-57-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve the addition of a new pole and light in the Municipal/Police Parking Lot. Motion carried.

The Village previously worked with NYSEG on the LED light conversion for a 50% savings. There are several more that need to be done.

Motion 8-58-Motion by Trustee Sheibley, seconded by Trustee Koch to approve the LED light conversion of 4 Collins Lights. Motion carried.

There are grant funding opportunities available for Downtown Revitalization and NY Forward.

Motion 8-59-Motion by Trustee Sheibley, seconded by Trustee Koch to approve and support the NY Forward grant opportunity. Motion carried.

The street maintenance plan cost has escalated to an additional \$33,656.00 for the road work.

Abstract bills to pay was provided to the board.

Motion 8-60-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve the abstract bills to pay for General \$26,997.20, Water \$14,311.80, Sewer \$18,598.50, Capital Projects \$41,132.78, and Community Development Special Projects \$98,024.00. Motion carried.

Next Meeting

The next meeting for the Board of Trustees will be September 13, 2022 at 6 PM.

Adjournment

Motion 8-61-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sisti to approve to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted
Danielle Wagner